

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church of God Big Sandy

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Oct. 23, 2021 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 6:38

Bible studies

Interactive study—1:00 p.m. Dave Havir

Presentation study—2:00 Dave Havir
(Also transmitted live)

Order of service—3:00 p.m.

Song leader Neil McIver

Pianist Dixon Cartwright

Scripture reading Revelation 2:12–17

Sermon Dave Havir

Quick takes

1. Upcoming speakers—We are pleased to announce that various speakers from sister congregations are reviewing their personal schedule as they prepare to give a commitment to Dave Havir. Following is the schedule for the near future.

- Oct. 30 Wynn Skelton
- Nov. 6 Jim Johns

2. Board meeting tomorrow—There is a board meeting tomorrow in the building at 2:00 p.m.

3. Wednesday-night Bible study on Oct. 27—The next Wednesday-night Bible study is scheduled for Oct. 27.

4. Please remember to pray for the following people who are not able to regularly attend our church service.

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| ■ Mickey Ashcraft | ■ Ruth Roe |
| ■ David and Becky Bonilla | ■ Sonny Rosenberger |
| ■ Timberly Dunnam | ■ Ronnie Shirley |
| ■ Elaine Holloway | ■ Elaine Townsend |
| ■ Annette Payne | ■ Donna Weese |

5. Memorial service for Laura Moran—This past Wednesday, Dave Havir and the family had a small graveside service for Laura Moran—with the goal of having a memorial service at a later time. Following is information about the memorial service.
 - Date—Saturday, Nov. 6
 - Time—4:30 p.m.
 - Location—our building
 - Food for family—yes
 - Food contact—Linda Avey
6. Edifying the Body—This week's article is "12 Pro-Life Responses to Abortion Myths" by Eleanor Bartow.
7. Among Friends—This week's article is "Matthew 24:15—Part 1" by Dave Havir.
8. Eye on the World—This week's "Eye on the World" is 32 pages.

Prayer updates

Gary Woodring (who was recently hospitalized due to covid) was able to return home. He thanks you for your prayers.

Tim Kelley (who was recently hospitalized due to covid) was able to return home on Friday, Oct. 15. He and **Angie** thank you for your prayers.

Dwayne Gallia (who was recently hospitalized due to covid pneumonia, a blood clot in his lung and a mass on his thyroid) was able to return home on Oct. 22. He and **Linda** thank you for your prayers.

In the Oct. 9 bulletin, we included **Don Bjoraker** in the list of people who were diagnosed with covid. Because we had not heard that he was hospitalized, we did not mention him in last week's bulletin. Yesterday, he informed **Dave Havir** that he is still in the hospital. He and **Gladie** thank you for your prayers.

New prayer requests

Although we are giving you an update about **Timberly Dunnam**, we are keeping her in the "new prayer requests" because we are going to provide additional information. First, the update. In last week's bulletin, we mentioned that Timberly began dealing with the pain and nausea of a kidney stone. Although the stone has not yet passed, she is not experiencing as much pain. Now, the new prayer request. As you might remember, she has experienced many health trials during her young life. She has been diagnosed with fibromyalgia (which is characterized by widespread pain). She recently learned that she is developing rheumatoid arthritis in her hands and is developing signs of psoriatic arthritis in her joints. She and the family appreciate your prayers.

On Monday, **Theresa McLearn** went to a hospital and was diagnosed with pneumonia. On Wednesday, she was able to go home. She and her husband, **Dave**, appreciate your prayers.

Donna Pfrimmer of Chariton, Iowa (mother of **Joyce Coleman**), has an infected spot in her mouth—after a dentist sought to clean an area where a tooth had been removed. Doctors are giving her antibiotics, but she requested an anointed cloth and prayers.

Marianne Doyle, a recent widow in the Philadelphia area (good friend of **Laura Moran**), has been diagnosed with cancer (type and location undisclosed) and is scheduled for extensive surgery this coming Thursday.

On Oct. 13, **Theresa Stinson** of Tyler, who was diagnosed with atrial fibrillation (afib), had an ablation to improve the rhythm of her heart. (See the next announcement to see how her husband, **Vance**, is dealing with his afib.)

Vance Stinson of Tyler was diagnosed with atrial fibrillation (afib) and has consulted with doctors to have a two-part ablation to deal with it. The first procedure is often called a hybrid ablation, and the second procedure is a regular ablation. (The doctor described it as the first procedure is fixing the roof and the second procedure is fixing the ceiling.) On Monday, Mr. Stinson returns to the doctor with the hope of confirming the schedule.

Faye Brown of Tyler died on Oct. 10. Please remember her husband, **Buddy**, and the rest of the family in your prayers.

Eye on the World

- An article by Terence P. Jeffrey titled “Pope Francis: Abortion ‘Is Truly Murder’ ” was posted at [cnsnews.com](https://www.cnsnews.com) on Oct. 20, 2021.
- An article by John Hayward titled “Climate Change? China Launches ‘All-Out’ Coal Production Campaign” was posted at [breitbart.com](https://www.breitbart.com) on Oct. 21, 2021.
- An article by Philip Wang titled “China Tells Mines to Produce ‘As Much Coal As Possible’ ” was posted at [ctvnews.ca](https://www.ctvnews.ca) on Oct. 20, 2021.
- An article by Craig Rucker titled “Biden’s Plan: Slash US Fossil Fuels, Rely on China for Renewables” was posted at [townhall.com](https://www.townhall.com) on Oct. 11, 2021.
- A video and an article by Wayne Dupree titled “Dems Claim They Don’t Support Defunding the Police: This Video Says Different” were posted at [waynedupree.com](https://www.waynedupree.com) on Oct. 7, 2021.
- An article by Joy Pullmann titled “Joe Biden’s Vaccine Mandate Doesn’t Exist [Legally]; It’s Just a Press Release [Although Major Corporations and Businesses Are Enforcing It]” was posted at [thefederalist.com](https://www.thefederalist.com) on Oct. 7, 2021.
- An article by Brad Raffensperger titled “HR 4 Undermines Our Elections and Our Election Workers [Combining the Worst of Its Two Predecessors]” was posted at [washingtonexaminer.com](https://www.washingtonexaminer.com) on Oct. 18, 2021.

“Matthew 24:15—Part 1”

This article is from the “Among Friends” section of the Church of God Big Sandy’s website, churchofgodbig sandy.com. It was posted for the weekend of Oct. 23, 2021.

By Dave Havir

BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Wednesday-night Bible studies, I recently began a series covering Matthew 24. After presenting the material orally on Wednesday night, I decided to write a short article about the material for the Saturday bulletin.

Today we will talk about Matthew 24:15—Part 1.

Spoken by Daniel

Matthew 24:15—“Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place’ (whoever reads, let him understand) . . .”

Mark 13:14—“‘So when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not’ (let the reader understand) . . .”

So let’s look at some scriptures in the book of Daniel.

Daniel 8:13

Let’s look at a few verses leading up to Daniel 8:13.

Daniel 8:9-12—“And out of one of them came a little horn which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the Glorious Land. And it grew up to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and some of the stars to the ground, and trampled them. He even exalted himself as high as the Prince of the host; and by him the daily sacrifices were taken away, and the place of His sanctuary was cast down. Because of transgression, an army was given over to the horn to oppose the daily sacrifices; and he cast truth down to the ground. He did all this and prospered.”

Daniel 8:13—“Then I heard a holy one speaking; and another holy one said to that certain one who was speaking, ‘How long will the vision be, concerning the daily sacrifices and the transgression of desolation, the giving of both the sanctuary and the

host to be trampled under foot?’”

- Daily sacrifices halted.
- The sanctuary trampled underfoot.

Daniel 11:31

Let’s look at a few verses leading up to Daniel 11:31.

Daniel 11:20-21—“There shall arise in his place one who imposes taxes on the glorious kingdom; but within a few days he shall be destroyed, but not in anger or in battle. And in his place shall arise a vile person, to whom they will not give the honor of royalty; but he shall come in peaceably, and seize the kingdom by intrigue.”

Daniel 11:29-30—“At the appointed time he shall return and go toward the south; but it shall not be like the former or the latter. For ships from Cyprus shall come against him; therefore he shall be grieved, and return in rage against the holy covenant, and do damage. So he shall return and show regard for those who forsake the holy covenant.”

Daniel 11:31—“And forces shall be mustered by him, and they shall defile the sanctuary fortress; then they shall take away the daily sacrifices, and place there the abomination of desolation.”

- Defile the sanctuary.
- Take away the daily sacrifices.
- Place the abomination of desolation.

Daniel 12:11

Let’s look at Daniel 12:11.

Daniel 12:11—“And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days.”

- Take away the daily sacrifice.
- Set up the abomination of desolation.

Also considering Luke

Before we conclude, let’s notice what Luke said.

Luke 21:20—“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near.”