

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Church of God Big Sandy

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May 12, 2018 • 2:00 p.m. • Sunset 8:07

### Bible studies and classes

Interactive study (1:00)	.....	Dave Havir
Bible study (2:00)	.....	Dave Havir
Teen class	.....	Jeanine Case

### Order of service

Song leader	.....	Daniel Botha
Pianist	.....	Helen Botha
Scripture reading	.....	Isaiah 58:1-7 by Ron Avey
Sermon	.....	Daniel Botha

### Quick takes

1. Combined service on Pentecost—We are pleased to announce that the Tyler congregation of the Church of God International (CGI) has scheduled to meet with our congregation on the Day of Pentecost on May 20. (You might recall that they met with us last year on Pentecost and the Feast of Trumpets.) Following is the schedule.
  - Noon Bible study by Dave Havir
  - 1:00 p.m. Church service with Wynn Skelton giving the sermon
  - 2:00 Potluck meal
2. School functions in the building—May is the traditional time for the Big Sandy School District to schedule its year-end banquets. At the present time, we are anticipating two banquets to be held in our building.
  - Thursday, May 17—Athletic department
  - Monday, May 21—Music department
3. Nomination phase—May is the time for the congregation to nominate people to be included in the election phase (in June) for our church board.

4. Election committee—Neil McIver (chairman of the Election Committee) invites members of the congregation who want to serve on the committee to please see him.
5. Edifying the Body—This week's article is "Do You Treasure the Bible?" by Eric Metaxas.
6. Among Friends—The week's article is "Comments About Job 1:6-22" by Dave Havir.
7. Eye on the World—This week's "Eye on the World" is 30 pages.

## Prayer updates

Since this bulletin was prepared on Wednesday evening, it does not have the usual up-to-date reports that are generally accumulated later in the week.

On Tuesday, **Bea Gusner** had heart surgery (for two heart valves) at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. Family members reported that the surgery lasted seven hours, and that Mrs. Gusner was recovering on schedule.

**Brian Biggs** (son of **Judy Biggs**) continues to have challenges during his stay at the HealthSouth rehab facility in Tyler (3131 Troup Hwy.). He is in Room 160. Visiting hours are after 4:00 p.m. Please remember Judy Biggs and **Susan Norvell**, who have been dedicated caregivers.

**Sonny Rosenberger** thanks you for remembering him in your prayers.

On Wednesday, **Laura Moran** had a visit with her cardiologist. The results of an echocardiogram and an EKG showed good results. The doctor wants to see her again in six months.

On Wednesday, **Dave Havir** had a visit with his cardiologist. (His cardiologist was the same as **Mrs. Moran** visited, as reported in the previous announcement. In fact, Mr. Havir's appointment directly preceded Mrs. Moran's appointment.) The doctor was very pleased with the results of an echocardiogram and an EKG and therefore suggested that Mr. Havir return in a year—rather than the previous six-month visits.

## New prayer requests

On Monday, **David Hope** of Tulsa, Okla., had a colonoscopy that resulted in the removal of three polyps. He returned to the hospital the next day because of the passing of some blood.

**Iris Locke** of Bouse, Ariz., collapsed at home and was taken by helicopter to a hospital.

**Ron Bridges** of Arkansas had surgery to place screens in his body to "filter out" blood clots.

**Bill Craddock** of Decatur, Ga.. had hip surgery.

## How is all sin equal?

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**James 2:10**—For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all.

## How is all sin not equal?

■ Some Bible students proclaim that all sin is not equal when considering that the immediate consequence of sin varies.

**1 John 5:17**—All unrighteousness is sin, and there is sin not leading to death.

**Exodus 22:1**—If a man steals an ox or a sheep, and slaughters it or sells it, he shall restore five oxen for an ox and four sheep for a sheep.

**Exodus 21:12**—He who strikes a man so that he dies shall surely be put to death.

**Exodus 21:15**—And he who strikes his father or his mother shall surely be put to death.

**Exodus 21:16**—He who kidnaps a man and sells him, or if he is found in his hand, shall surely be put to death.

**Deuteronomy 19:4-6**—And this is the case of the manslayer who flees there, that he may live: Whoever kills his neighbor unintentionally, not having hated him in time past—as when a man goes to the woods with his neighbor to cut timber, and his hand swings a stroke with the ax to cut down the tree, and the head slips from the handle and strikes his neighbor so that he dies—he shall flee to one of these cities and live; lest the avenger of blood, while his anger is hot, pursue the manslayer and overtake him, because the way is long, and kill him, though he was not deserving of death, since he had not hated the victim in time past.

**Deuteronomy 22:23-27**—If a young woman who is a virgin is betrothed to a husband, and a man finds her in the city and lies with her, then you shall bring them both out to the gate of that city, and you shall stone them to death with stones, the young woman because she did not cry out in the city, and the man because he humbled his neighbor's wife; so you shall put away the evil from among you. But if a man finds a betrothed young woman in the countryside, and the man forces her and lies with her, then only the man who lay with her shall die. But you shall do nothing to the young woman; there is in the young woman no sin deserving of death, for just as when a man rises against his neighbor and kills him, even so is this matter. For he found her in the countryside, and the betrothed young woman cried out, but there was no one to save her.

**Proverbs 6:30-32**—People do not despise a thief If he steals to satisfy himself when he is starving. Yet when he is found, he must restore sevenfold; he may have to give up all the substance of his house. Whoever commits adultery with a woman lacks understanding; he who does so destroys his own soul.

## “Comments About Job 1:6–22”

This article is from the “Among Friends” section of the Church of God Big Sandy’s website, [churchofgodbigandy.com](http://churchofgodbigandy.com). It was posted for the weekend of May 12, 2018.

**By Dave Havir**

**B**IG SANDY, Texas—Recently, I began a series of brief articles to discuss the book of Job. There will be times when we talk about (1) a group of chapters, (2) one chapter and (3) a portion of a chapter. Today, we will discuss Job 1:6-22.

I hope this project encourages you to review the valuable history and lessons found in the book of Job.

### Two trials

In the first two chapters of the book of Job, we read about two trials that came upon Job and his wife. We will talk about the first trial (found in chapter 1) today, and we will talk about the second trial (found in chapter 2) next week.

■ The angels came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan was among them (Job 1:6).

■ The Lord asked Satan where he had been, and Satan mentioned that he had been on the earth (verse 7).

■ Next, the Lord asked Satan if he had “considered” His servant Job (verse 8).

**Job 1:8**—“Then the LORD said to Satan, ‘Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil.’”

Considered for what?

Based upon Satan’s response, Satan knew that the Lord had meant considered for a trial (verses 9-10).

**Job 1:9-10**—“So Satan answered the LORD and said, ‘Does Job fear God for nothing? Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land.’”

Did you notice that the “hedge” protected Job from Satan? It is apparent that God would have to adjust the hedge for Satan to consider Job.

■ It was God’s idea to adjust the hedge to give Satan room to provide a trial for Job.

■ We see that Satan came up with a proposal—the details of a trial that would afflict Job (verse 11).

■ We see that God approved of Satan’s proposal—maintaining ultimate control by limiting what Satan could do (verse 12).

**Job 1:11**—“‘But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!’”

**Job 1:12**—“And the LORD said to Satan, ‘Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand on his person.’ So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.”

### Major losses

Job and his wife experienced four episodes where they suffered major losses (verses 13-19).

■ The sons and daughters were eating and drinking in the house of the oldest brother (verse 13).

■ Sabeans stole oxen and donkeys, and they killed the servants overseeing those animals (verses 14-15).

■ Fire from God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants watching them (verse 16).

■ Chaldeans stole camels, and they killed the servants overseeing those animals (verse 17).

■ A strong wind caused the house of the oldest son to fall and to kill the sons and daughters (verse 18-19).

■ Job’s initial reaction was to worship God (verses 20-21) and to avoid any inkling of casting blame upon God (verse 22).

**Job 1:20-22**—“Then Job arose, tore his robe, and shaved his head; and he fell to the ground and worshiped. And he said: ‘Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked shall I return there. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.’ In all this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong.”