

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Church of God Big Sandy

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July 10, 2021 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 8:30

### Bible studies

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

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

### Order of service—3:00 p.m.

Song leader . . . . . Neil McIver

Pianist . . . . . Dixon Cartwright

Scripture reading . . . . . Psalm 119:145–160

Sermon . . . . . Morris Foster

### Quick takes

1. Subject of 1:00 interactive study—For those who are reading this bulletin Friday night on our website, the subject of the interactive study is “The Various Names of Satan.”
2. Welcome to guest speaker today—The congregation welcomes Morris Foster who is scheduled to give the sermon during the church service at 3:00 p.m. (Mr. Foster was scheduled to speak in our congregation on June 5, but he had to postpone due to a health matter at that time.)
3. Upcoming guest speakers—We are pleased to announce that a few guest speakers will be visiting us in the coming weeks.
  - Today            Morris Foster
  - July 24         Bill Crow
  - Aug. 7            George Crow
  - Aug. 21         Ben Mauldin III
4. Wednesday-night Bible study on July 14 at 7:00—People are encouraged to attend in the building or via a live transmission.

5. Memorial service for Brenda Howard canceled—In the March 6 bulletin we mentioned that Brenda Howard of Hancock County, Tenn., died on Feb. 27, while she was on her way to a church service in nearby Virginia. A small graveside service was held in Tyler on Friday, March 19—with the expectation of Mrs. Howard’s friends organizing a larger memorial service in our building on Sunday, July 18. Since the widower (Bob Howard of Tennessee) and other members of the family had decided not to attend a memorial service in Texas, the collection of local friends decided to forgo the memorial service. The friends thank the Church of God Big Sandy for its willingness to offer our building for the proposed event.
6. Edifying the Body—This week’s article is “Dr. Ben Carson: People Are Defined by Their Brains” by Craig Bannister.
7. Among Friends—This week’s article is “Prayer—God Often Says ‘Yes’ ” by Dave Havir.
8. Eye on the World—This week’s “Eye on the World” is 36 pages.

## Prayer updates

Please remember to pray for the following people who live at home but are not able to regularly attend our church service—**Sonny Rosenberger, Laura Moran, David Bonilla, Annette Payne, Ronnie Shirley** and **Timberly Dunnam**.

Please remember to pray for the following people who are rehabbing at Legend Oaks Nursing Home in Gladewater—**Ron Feaker** and **Elaine Holloway**.

Here is a variety of reports concerning **Laura Moran** (who suffered a stroke on May 27). First—the family had hired personnel from Visiting Angels to spend time with Mrs. Moran while in a Tyler hospital. Second—she has not vocally responded, but she reacts when people are talking to her. Third—family members have been diligent in their search for a facility that will provide continuing care. (No local facilities have accepted her because of the tracheotomy that she had shortly after her stroke.) Fourth—the family has arranged for Mrs. Moran to be transferred on Monday to a facility in Mesquite (where she can receive visitors and cards).

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In last week’s bulletin, we mentioned that **Ronnie Shirley** (who had a PET scan on Tuesday, June 15, revealing that the rectal cancer had not grown and that the doctor found a new “little spot” in his colon) was scheduled for a follow-up doctor appointment on July 8. We have since learned that the follow-up appointment is scheduled for Aug. 4.

Please remember **Shirley Spearman**, who has been dealing with dizziness. (Please also remember the hole in her right eardrum and a loss of hearing.)

In last week’s bulletin, we mentioned that **David Martin** of Lindale was diagnosed with a faulty heart valve and is scheduled for surgery (to replace the valve) on July 12 in Tyler. He and **Cindy** appreciate your prayers.

## Prayer requests

**Barbara Lingle** of Longview (sister of **Elaine Townsend**), who is noted as an avid walker for exercise, has been having difficulty with daily walking since February. On Feb. 26, she had the first covid vaccine of the Moderna brand. Two days later, her trouble with walking began. Her doctor's initial advice was to recommend that she avoid the second shot of the vaccine. His second piece of advice was for Mrs. Lingle to have a CT-scan—which he said indicated a “blockage somewhere.” The doctor also mentioned the possibility of inserting stents (when the scans determine where a potential blockage might be). Mrs. Lingle has been waiting many weeks until her next appointment, which is scheduled for July 13. (By the way, Mrs. Lingle goes not believe that the vaccine caused the problem. Rather, she believes that the vaccine helped to identify the problem.) She and her husband, **Joe**, appreciate your prayers.

**Donna Pfrimmer** of Chariton, Iowa (90-year-old mother of **Joyce Coleman**), has recently been dealing with high blood pressure. (The doctor attributed her sudden blurry vision to the blood pressure.) Mrs. Coleman traveled to Iowa.

**Joann York** of Sperry, Okla., died on June 29. Please remember her husband, **Wayne**, and the rest of the family in your prayers.

**Helen Pryor** of Versailles, Mo., died on July 5. Please remember the family in your prayers.

## Recent topics at Wednesday-night study

The following list of topics at the recent Wednesday-night Bible study is given for two reasons. First, this will give members of the congregation the opportunity to listen to subjects that they may have missed. Second, the pastor thinks that it is important for the congregation to see what subjects are on his mind.

- June 16      The Angel of Revelation 14:6–7
- June 23      The Angel of Revelation 14:8
- June 30      The Angel of Revelation 14:9–11
- July 7        Revelation 12:9—Who Is the Devil?

## Scriptures to consider

**Revelation 12:9**—“So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.”

## From church bulletins

The Rector will preach his farewell message, after which the choir will sing “Bring Forth Into Joy.”

## “Prayer—God Often Says “Yes”

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 July 10, 2021.

**By Dave Havir**

**B**IG SANDY, Texas—On June 12, I started a seven-part series about prayer. Today is part five.

- Part 1—Talking to a Perfect Father
- Part 2—Faith and God’s Will
- Part 3—God Told Moses and David “No”
- Part 4—God Told Paul “No”
- Part 5—God Often Says “Yes”

### Three foundational principles

I want to show you what I believe to be three foundational principles about the subject of true faith.

■ I believe that God (as a perfect Father) will supply our personal needs—because He is trustworthy and because He loves us.

■ I believe that God will often give us the desires of our heart—because He loves us.

■ I believe that God sometimes says “no” to our requests—because He loves us.

### God said “yes” to Hezekiah

The prophet Isaiah told Hezekiah that he was going to die.

**2 Kings 20:1**—“In those days Hezekiah was sick and near death. And Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, went to him and said to him, ‘Thus says the LORD: “Set your house in order, for you shall die, and not live.” ’”

Hezekiah asked God for mercy.

**2 Kings 20:2-3**—“Then he turned his face toward the wall, and prayed to the LORD, saying, ‘Remember now, O LORD, I pray, how I have walked before You in truth and with a loyal heart, and have done what was good in Your sight.’ And Hezekiah wept bitterly.”

God instructed Isaiah to tell Hezekiah about the changed diagnosis.

**2 Kings 20:5-6**—“Return and tell Hezekiah the leader of My people, ‘Thus says the LORD, the God of David your father: “I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears; surely I will heal you. On the third day you shall go up to the house of the

LORD. And I will add to your days fifteen years . . .” ’”

### God said “yes” to Nineveh

The prophet Jonah told citizens in the city of Nineveh that they would be overthrown.

**Jonah 3:4**—“And Jonah began to enter the city on the first day’s walk. Then he cried out and said, ‘Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!’”

The Ninevites asked God for mercy.

**Jonah 3:8-9**—“But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily to God; yes, let every one turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. Who can tell if God will turn and relent, and turn away from His fierce anger, so that we may not perish?”

God withdrew His plan to overthrow Nineveh.

**Jonah 3:10**—“Then God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it.”

### New Testament examples

**Matthew 8:5-7**—“Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, saying, ‘Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented.’ And Jesus said to him, ‘I will come and heal him.’”

**Mark 5:22-23**—“And behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue came, Jairus by name. And when he saw Him, he fell at His feet and begged Him earnestly, saying, ‘My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live.’”

**Luke 1:13-14**—“But the angel said to him, ‘Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth.’”