

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church of God Big Sandy

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April 1, 2023 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 7:39

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 Luke 23:14–27
Sermon Dave Havir

Quick takes

1. Topic for today's interactive Bible study—Today's topic at the 1:00 p.m. interactive Bible study is "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."
2. Memorial on Tuesday evening—Our congregation will be hosting the memorial of the suffering and death of the Son of God on Tuesday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m.
 - Memorial of the suffering and death of our Lord
 - Christ, our Passover—1 Corinthians 5:7
 - "Night He was betrayed"—1 Corinthians 11:23
 - Foot-washing—John 13:1-17
 - Foot-washing pans are provided—Please bring a towel
 - Broken bread and wine—1 Corinthians 11:23–26
 - Atmosphere—sorrow and happiness
 - Live transmission
3. Remembering the time of Christ's death—Wednesday, April 5, at 3:00 p.m.

4. Traditional meal on Wednesday evening—April 5
 - Traditional meal—depicting deliverance from Egypt
 - Remember the Old Testament history—gathering in homes
 - The pastor recommends cozy gatherings in homes
 - The building will be available for a cozy gathering
 - Old Testament history and spiritual applications
5. Small gathering in building on April 5—Although many of you may be having a meal in your homes, we will also be hosting the traditional meal in our building.
 - The meal starts at 6:30 p.m.
 - Linda Avey is organizing the food.
6. First day of Unleavened Bread on Thursday, April 6—Here is the schedule.
 - Noon—Enjoying unleavened treats
 - 1:00—Interactive Bible study
 - 2:00—Presentation study by Daniel Hammons
 - 3:00—Church service with sermon by Dave Havir
7. Seventh day of Unleavened Bread—Wednesday, April 12
 - 1:00—Interactive Bible study
 - 2:00—Presentation study by Dave Havir
 - 3:00—Church service with sermon by Reg Killingley
8. Edifying the Body—This week’s article is “2 Timothy 2:19—Part 1” by Dave Havir.
9. Among Friends—This week’s article is “Genesis 45–50” by Dave Havir.
10. Eye on the World—The version of this week’s “Eye on the World” that is distributed in the hall is 30 pages. (The number of pages on the website varies slightly due to a different layout program.) This edition has 222 headlines and three articles.

Prayer updates

Gary Wilson appreciates those who can visit him at Christus Trinity Mother Frances Rehabilitation Hospital in Tyler (at 3131 Troup Highway). He is in room 114. Since the facility seeks to schedule rehab during the day, it encourages visitors between the hours of 4:00 and 8:00.

As we mentioned in last week’s bulletin, **Cindy Martin** of Lindale was diagnosed with lymphoma. We since learned that the problem started around Thanksgiving. Since then, she had two cycles of treatment in Houston—11 days in Houston for each treatment with five days of it being intense treatment while there. Then, she returned home for 12 days. She is scheduled for four more cycles of the same schedule. She and **David** appreciate your prayers.

In the March 18 bulletin, we mentioned that **Dwayne Gallia** was anticipating a PET scan following his surgery. He is scheduled to see a doctor this week.

On Tuesday, **Sara Dunn** of Arlington (daughter of **David** and **Joyce Coleman**) had successful surgery and will start the months of rehabilitation. She and the family appreciate your prayers.

Cheryl Troberg of Gilbert, Ariz., is scheduled to be released tomorrow from the rehabilitation hospital and will have home therapy.

New prayer requests

On Tuesday, **Ellie McIver** (daughter of **Andrew** and **Anna**) was taken to a pediatrician due to a bronchial breathing issue. After having a breathing treatment at the doctor's office, she improved and received another breathing treatment at home. On Thursday, Dad tested positive for strep. He sized up the situation this way: "Ellie and I are on antibiotics. It's hard on Anna having two babies in the house."

On March 20, **Angela Dunnam** had a mammogram and ultrasound and was informed that she has cancer in her left breast. On March 23, she had a biopsy that confirmed the cancer. On April 3, she is scheduled to see a doctor to discuss a possible lumpectomy. On April 11, she is scheduled to see an oncologist to further discuss the situation.

On Wednesday, **Neal Parker** (of the Birmingham, Ala., congregation) had rotator-cuff surgery on his left shoulder.

On Thursday, **Bert Moers** (of the Houston congregation) had various tests for his heart (including time on the treadmill). He learned that his blood flow to the heart is good and there are no apparent blockages.

Norma Hamilton of the Houston area was experiencing heart symptoms this week.

Cecil Pitts of Big Sandy died on March 17. Please remember his wife, **Floydell**, and the rest of the family in your prayers.

Karl Gawith of Tulsa, Okla., died on March 18. Please remember the family in your prayers.

Dave Wayne McLearn of Gainesville (youngest son of **Dave** and **Theresa McLearn**) died on March 24. Please remember his wife, **Brianna**, their eight children and the rest of the family in your prayers.

Thought for the week

"Be courteous to all, but intimate with few; and let those few be well tried before you give them your confidence."—*George Washington*

Thought with a twist

"Whatever you do, always give 100 percent—unless you're donating blood."

Genesis 45–50

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 April 1, 2023.

By Dave Havir

BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I gave a presentation titled “Genesis 45-50.” Here are some of the scriptures that I read.

Remembering some history

■ Genesis 42:7-8—When Joseph’s brothers traveled to Egypt to buy grain, Joseph recognized them, but they did not recognize him.

Joseph revealed himself to brothers

■ Genesis 45:1-2—After Joseph arranged for his steward to bring his brothers back to his house, Joseph made himself known to his brothers.

■ Genesis 45:3—When Joseph revealed himself to his brothers, the brothers were worried in his presence.

■ Genesis 45:4-5—Joseph told them to not be worried for selling him into slavery, because “God sent me before you to preserve life.”

■ Genesis 45:6—Although there had been famine for two years, there was going to be famine for five more years.

■ Genesis 45:7—Joseph said that God sent him to Egypt to save their lives.

■ Genesis 45:8—Joseph said that they did not send him to Egypt, but God did.

■ Genesis 45:9-13—Joseph said for them to tell their father what they had seen.

■ Genesis 45:14-15—Joseph showed affection toward Benjamin and the other brothers.

■ Genesis 45:16-20—Pharaoh extended an invitation for Joseph’s family to have the best of the land.

■ Genesis 45:21-24—Joseph gave them provisions for the journey to Canaan.

■ Genesis 45:25-28—Jacob was thrilled to hear that Joseph was alive.

Jacob traveled to Egypt

■ Genesis 46:1-28—Jacob traveled to Egypt.

■ Genesis 46:29-30—Joseph saw Jacob.

■ Genesis 46:31-34—Joseph instructed his family to stress that they were shepherds from their youth—because Egyptians considered shepherds to be an abomination.

Family arrived in Goshen

■ Genesis 47:1-12—The family settled in Ramesses.

■ Genesis 47:13-14—Joseph sold the grain that had been collected and stored.

■ Genesis 47:15-17—The people traded their animals for grain.

■ Genesis 47:18-22—The people traded their freedom for grain.

■ Genesis 47:23-26—Joseph gave them seed, and the people gave one fifth of their earnings to Pharaoh.

■ Genesis 47:27-31—Jacob did not want to be buried in Egypt.

Jacob blessed his family

■ Genesis 48:1-22—Jacob blessed Manasseh and Ephraim.

■ Genesis 49:1-27—Jacob blessed his 12 sons.

Jacob died and was buried

■ Genesis 49:28-33—Jacob gave instructions about his burial.

■ Genesis 50:1-13—The sons buried Jacob.

■ Genesis 50:14-18—After Jacob’s death, Joseph’s brothers were concerned that Joseph would get revenge against them.

■ Genesis 50:19-23—Joseph reassured them.

■ Genesis 50:24—Joseph told his brothers that God would bring them to the Promised Land.

■ Genesis 50:25-26—Joseph died.

Israel needed deliverance

■ Exodus 1:8—A new king arose in Egypt who did not have a history with Joseph.

■ Exodus 1:9-14—The new king oppressed the children of Israel.

■ Exodus 3:6-15—God promised to deliver the children of Israel.