

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church of God Big Sandy

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May 11, 2024 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 8:07

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 1 Corinthians 15

Sermon Dave Havir

Quick takes

1. Board-nomination process to begin today—The annual election for the board of the Church of God Big Sandy begins today. (The nomination portion of the process occurs in May, and the election occurs in June.)
2. Community functions in the building—We are pleased that the Big Sandy school system will be having two of its annual banquets in our building this month. It is an opportunity for our congregation to use our building to serve our community.
 - Tuesday, May 14—FFA banquet
 - Thursday, May 16—Athletic banquet
3. Wednesday, May 15—Bible study at 7:00 p.m. While the people who serve do not seek recognition, we wanted to thank the following three people who regularly serve at the Wednesday-night Bible studies.
 - David Coleman—assumed Ron Avey's role as the host
 - Michael Bald—serves in the sound booth
 - Dixon Cartwright—sets the mood with two piano selections

4. Edifying the Body—This week's article is "Thank a Teacher, and a German" by Frank T. Pool.
5. Among Friends—This week's article is "The Power of the Resurrection—Part 3" by Dave Havir.
6. Eye on the World—This week's edition was not completed at the printing deadline of this week's bulletin. (The length of this week's edition is expected to be smaller due to the busy schedule of Dave Havir this week.)
7. 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 |
| ■ Judy Biggs | ■ Ronnie Shirley |
| ■ Angela Dunnam | ■ Elaine Townsend |
| ■ Timberly Dunnam | ■ Mickey Voyce |
| ■ Annette Payne | ■ Donna Weese |

Prayer updates

In last week's bulletin, we mentioned that **Mark Searer** had a doctor's appointment on May 3, but the bulletin was completed before we could hear the report from the doctor. The family is thrilled to announce that the stones were removed from the left kidney and that there were no signs of cancer in his bladder. The Searers appreciate your prayers.

On Tuesday, **Wynn Skelton** had hip-replacement surgery. He was able to return home on Wednesday. (Mr. Skelton and **Dave Havir** discussed part of the recovery plan—which includes watching the movie *The Outlaw Josey Wales* and playing hearts.) Mr. Skelton looks forward to getting back on the speaking schedule here. He and **Kim** thank you for your prayers.

Here is an update about **Elaine Townsend** (from **Barbara Lingle**): "Elaine is back in rehab until she can be more independent. She has a fear of falling again and wants someone beside her. Perhaps she will regain her confidence when she gets her hand out of the sling."

Shirley West continues to experience weakness, and she thanks you for your prayers.

In the April 13 bulletin, we mentioned that **Stan West** went to an ER in Carthage and learned that his blood pressure was high. He reports that his blood pressure has been better and thanks you for your prayers.

New prayer requests

On Wednesday, **Vonda Ouellette** of Houston had more shots in her eyes, which were painful.

This week, **Gloria Hoppe** had a new challenge. (In last week's bulletin, we mentioned Mrs. Hoppe's hearing challenges and her rheumatoid arthritis). While fellowshiping at the church building on Tuesday, Mrs. Hoppe became weak. When her son, **Keith**, called an ambulance, she was diagnosed with extremely high blood pressure, so he drove her to a hospital in Longview. After the doctor helped to reduce her blood pressure, she returned home on Thursday.

Ella Horter of Willow Grove, Pa. (aunt of **Mickey Voyce**), has been diagnosed with facial cancer (near her nose). Since the doctor won't operate on that part of her face, she will begin radiation on Monday—five times a week for four weeks.

Daniel Carter (who has been attending the Wednesday-night Bible study and who prays for people on our text list) reported: "My brother **Scott** is trying to recover from the treatments for his lung cancer. I ask for prayers for healing and comfort."

Ellis Stewart of Big Sandy went to an ER late Tuesday night where he was diagnosed with kidney and bladder problems.

Scriptures to consider

■ Faith

Romans 4:21—"And being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform."

■ Hope

Philippians 1:20—"According to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed . . ."

■ Faith and hope

Acts 24:14-15—"But this I confess to you, that according to the Way which they call a sect, so I worship the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the Law and in the Prophets. I have hope in God, which they themselves also accept, that there will be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust."

Hebrews 11:1—"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

1 Peter 1:21—"Who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God."

Daniel 3:17-18—"If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king. But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up."

Matthew 26:37-39—"And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed. Then He said to them, 'My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me.' He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, 'O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will.' "

“The Power of His Resurrection—Part 3”

This article is from the “Among Friends” section of the Church of God Big Sandy’s website (churchofgodbigandy.com). It was posted for the weekend of May 11, 2024.

By Dave Havir

BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I continued with a series about the resurrection of the Son of God.

The study discussed the apostle Paul’s comments about the resurrection—from the book of Acts and the book of Romans.

Book of Acts

■ Acts 13:16-41—When Paul was in the synagogue, he motioned with his hand to speak and then he spoke the following words.

■ Acts 13:28—Although the people found no reason to kill the Son of God, they asked Pilate to put Him to death.

■ Acts 13:29-30—They took Him down from the tree and laid Him in a tomb—but God raised Him up, and many witnesses from Jerusalem to Galilee saw Him.

■ Acts 13:33—God fulfilled a promise and raised up the Son of God.

■ Acts 13:36-37—When David died and was buried, He saw corruption—but God raised up the Son, who did not see corruption.

■ Acts 13:38-39—Forgiveness of sins comes through the Son of God—and everyone is justified by Him (which could not happen by the law of Moses).

■ Acts 17:18—Epicurean and Stoic philosophers claimed that the Son of God was a “proclaimer of foreign gods” because He preached Jesus and the resurrection.

■ Acts 17:31—God has given assurance of His righteous judgment by raising the Son of God from the dead.

■ Acts 17:32—When people heard about the resurrection of the dead, some mocked.

■ Acts 23:6-8—When Paul mentioned that he was being judged for his belief in the resurrection of the dead, he wisely nudged the Pharisees and Sadducees to argue between themselves about the subject.

■ Acts 24:14-15—Paul taught faith (believing) in the writings of the Bible and

hope in the resurrection.

■ Acts 24:21—Paul mentioned that he was being judged concerning the resurrection of the dead.

Book of Romans

■ Romans 1:3-4—Christ our Lord was declared to be the Son of God with power, by the resurrection from the dead.

■ Romans 4:21—Abraham was fully convinced that what God had promised, He was also able to perform.

■ Romans 4:24-25—These words (mentioning Abraham) were also written for us—who believe in Him who raised up our Lord from the dead.

■ Romans 5:9—Having been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

■ Romans 5:10—Having been reconciled to God through the death of His Son, we shall be saved by His life.

■ Romans 6:3-4—We were buried with Him through into death—when He was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we should walk in newness of life.

■ Romans 6:5—Just as we have been in likeness of His death, we shall be in the likeness of His resurrection.

■ Romans 6:9—Since the Son of God was raised from the dead, He dies no more.

■ Romans 6:10—The death that He died was a death for all sinners, and the life that He lives is a life to God.

■ Romans 7:4—Paul described the church to be like a bride to Him who was raised from the dead.

■ Romans 8:11—If the Spirit of God (which raised the Son of God from the dead) dwells in you, He who raised the Son of God from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies—through His Spirit, which dwells in you.

■ Romans 10:9—Paul wrote: “If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.”