



The Informer

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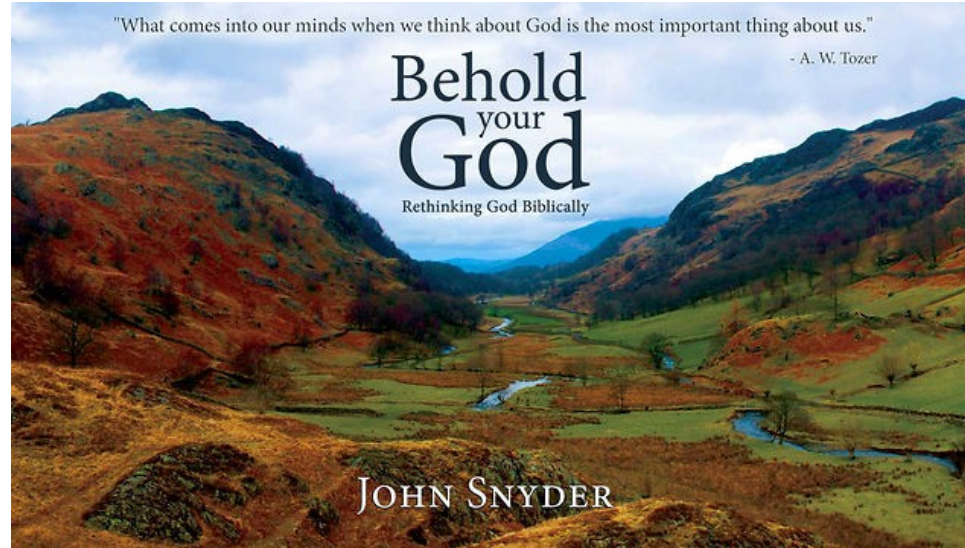
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Music Director: Sandra Daubard

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STATE MISSION GOAL: \$2000.00
RECEIVED TO DATE: \$493.00
NEEDED: \$1507.00

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 9/10

Sunday School 10:00am
Morning Worship - 11:00am
Praise Band Practice 5:00pm
Discipleship Training 5:00pm
Youth & Children Bible Studies 5:30pm
Evening Worship - Business Conference... 6:00pm
Snack Supper 6:45pm

Tuesday, 9/12

Ensemble Practice 6:00pm

Wednesday, 9/13

Prayer/Bible Study 6:30pm
Youth & Children's Bible Study 6:30pm
Adult Choir Practice 7:30pm

Thursday, 9/14

Associational Meeting Choir Practice..... 7:30pm
(Sand Hill)

SERVANTS September 10, 2017

NURSERY AM

Mary Jean Carlson

USHERS

Bobby Thomas, Joey Oswald,
Brumitte Sanders, Stan Sibley

GREETERS

Neil Shramek & Butch Sauls

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Butch Sauls

SEPTEMBER 10 TELLERS

Charles Carlson & Elbert Windham

HOME MISSION GOAL: \$3000.00

RECEIVED TO DATE: \$2130.00

NEEDED: \$870.00

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P.O. DRAWER 820
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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Walterboro Rehab: Glory Thomas

Oak Brook Health & Rehab: 920 Travelers Blvd., Summerville 29485 - Dot Whitson (Rm. 115A)

JEH Nursing Home: Jacqueline Kears, Delores Brunson, Jean Ferguson, Hazel Mathis, Celia Jones, Betty Sanders, Mary Reid

Briana's Residential Care: Hilda Rahn

St Matthews Convalescence Center: Omma Lee Folk, Box 157, 601 Dantzler St., 29135

Emerald Gardens Assisted Living: 201 Overland Dr., Greenwood, SC 29646 (Rm. 315) - Ann Tyler

At Home: Willis Bowers, Katie Champagne, Joe & Louise Cook, Sara Cook, Tyler Donahue, Clyde Furman, Sara Gallagher, Donnie Jones, Mike Hauptmann, Horace Kears, Kathi Loadholt, Peggy Loadholt, Billy Main, Mott McElveen, Susan Royster, Patti Sullivan, Latrelle Still, Cambridge Stone, L.R. Thomas, Mary Williams, Myrna Wilson

Friends & Family: Ginger Altman, Raymond Bennett, Thomas Benton, David Brabham, Peggy Brabham, Jimmy Burbage, Rev. Gene Carroll, Holly Coker, David Cook, Jr., Hank & Claire Coath, Sally Chassereau (Libby's sister), Holly Coker, Charles Cribb, Jeff Dole, Linda Dyches (Cecelia's sister-in law), Laney Futch (niece of Lynn), Faye Gooding, Leslie Flenikan, Carrie Grubbs (Virginia's granddaughter), Todd Grubbs, Dot Harvey, David Horn, Ron Huber, Betty Hutto, Jamie Jones, Terry Jones, Richard Koenig, Ann Keys, Marie Lee, David Lightsey, Gabriel Litchfield, Margaret Long, Annelle McCaskey, Lexie Monroe, Resa Monts, Ross McMillan, Betty Overstreet, Azilee Polk, Reid Porter, Jr., Shirley & Penny Robinson, Cliff Rogers, Helen Ruble, Megan Sharpe, Howard Simmons, Elizabeth Smith, Eugene Smith, Mark Smith, Sharon Snider, Rachel Stanford, Mary Ann Stanley (Sadie's Sister), Nellie Sullivan, Patti Sullivan, Rev. Steve Vassar, Rachel Wiggins, W. K. & Else Windham, Blanche Winstead, Dennis Wright, Emily Wright (Dot Googe's sister)

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY: John Mark Cook, Major Lindi Kirkland, US Air Force

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

Sermon Topic and Scripture

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Discipleship

“Acknowledging God’s Presence in Trouble”

What is providence, and how should it affect your view of trouble? In His working in history, God so sustains and governs all of His creatures and their thoughts and actions, as well as all events, that all of His gracious purposes are fulfilled, and yet in such a way that men remain wholly responsible for what they are, say, and do. That is providence. Providence means that God is actively at work in history, even those events we label “trouble.” Such events are not hiatuses in God’s providence, in which He turns His back and allows history to run its own course; they are a part of His active work, by which He brings to pass what ultimately will issue in His own glory and the blessing of His church. When all is said and done, there remain two - and only two - views of God in history: either (1) God goofs, or (2) God, in ways we don’t now fully understand, providentially directs every phase of history (including trouble) toward His own good goals, which will be reached in His time and manner. Paul most emphatically opted for the latter view and, just as surely, flatly rejected the first.

Belief in God’s providence will make an enormous difference in your attitude toward trouble, not to speak (yet) of how it will enable you to grapple with and gain mastery over it. While it is entirely proper to label trouble “trouble,” it is altogether wrong to see it as *only* trouble. A providential view affirms that there is meaning and purpose to it, that, in fact, it is but a means to realize that purpose, even when your nose is pressed too tightly against trouble for you to discover its purpose. Belief that God providentially sustains and directs historical events is what makes it possible to follow Paul’s directions to pray and give thanks rather than worry about trouble. Here is what he wrote in Philippians 4:6:

“Don’t worry about anything, but instead in everything by prayer and peti-

tion with thanksgiving make your requests known to God.”

From, *How to Handle Trouble*, by Jay Adams

HOW TO HELP HARVEY VICTIMS

You can give financially to the South Carolina Baptist Convention Disaster Relief Fund. Make checks to either Fairfax FBC or the South Carolina Baptist Convention and designate for “Harvey Disaster Relief.”

You can also bring in supplies to the church this week. Bottled water, clothes, and toiletries are some of the items most needed.

SNACK SUPPER DATES TO FILL

Oct. 8, Nov. 26, Dec. 3, Jan. 7, April 15 & 22

If you can fill one of these dates please call Jodi Lawton at 541-1541 or 584-3252.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The youth will be collecting items for Operation Christmas Child again this year. Please bring the item requested for each month and put in the box in the church office. For September we are asking for a small toy (suggestions: jump rope, marbles, harmonica, small cars or trucks. No stuffed animals, please).

VISITATION TEAMS

Visitation Team 2 Joel Williams, Elaine Teems, Sara Windham, & Mott McElveen will visit the week of September 10.

ONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS CHANGES

We will have a time for questions and answers about the proposed changes to the Constitution & By-Laws during the Sunday evening service on August 20. You can pick up a copy of the proposed changes in the church office or in the church foyer. The church will vote on the changes at the next regular business conference on Sunday Evening, September 10.

Stewardship Meeting Wednesday, September 13th at 5:30pm.

Nominating Committee Meeting Sunday, September 17th at 5:00pm.

Property Committee Meeting Thursday, September 21st at 7:30pm

Men’s Ministry Meeting Thursday, September 28th at 7:00pm.

HANDBELL PRACTICE BEGINS

Handbells will begin ringing Monday, September 18 at 7:00pm. Anyone interested please come on the 18th. Any questions see Sandra. You do not need to read music to ring. If you can count you can ring.

NURSING HOME/SHUTIN MINISTRY

The Shut-In Ministry will visit the Shut-Ins on Monday, September 18 at 1:00pm and serve cheese and crackers and white grape juice. The Nursing Home Ministry will visit the Nursing Home at 2:30pm and serve Cheese & crackers and white grape juice. Elbert Windham & Marsha Ann Wiley will visit Brianna’s Day Care at 3:00pm and serve cheese & crackers and white grape juice.

PICTURE DIRCTORY

The church is considering creating a new picture directory. This will give each family/person an opportunity to purchase pictures. There is no cost to the church for the pictures. However, we need to know how many people would like to participate so that we will know if we can have a complete directory. Please let us know if you would like the church to pursue this.

OUR RECORD SPEAKS 9/3/2017

SS Enrollment/Attendance	127/65
SS Visitors/New Members.....	2/1
Morning Worship.....	105
Building Fund	\$150.00
Clothes for a child.....	\$100.00
Sale of Furniture Robbie Sanders House	\$500.00
Home Missions	\$30.00
State Missions	\$493.00
Budget Offering	\$5391.08
Budget Needs (weekly).....	\$3798.00