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Scott McFarland Minister Keith Jones Family Life Minister

Sunday

Wednesday

Bible Class......9:00 a.m. Worship......10:00 a.m.

Bible Class......7:00 p.m.

Sunday Evening Bible Class....6:00 p.m.

Office Hours – Sherry Lallathin – Mon – Fri. 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

# **Elders**

#### **Deacons**

Jeff Bettinger
<b>Bob Burrow</b>
<b>Keith Jones</b>
Duane Landefeld

Ronnie Beardmore Eric Carothers Dan Christman Shawn Howell Brent McConnell Jeff Seidler Howard Spengler Jesse Stalder

#### **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Greg Ferrell (Spike Ferrell's son, Spike is a friend of Julie Huffman); Harold Lallathin neck surgery recovery; Eleanor Lallathin hip replacement recovery; Tiffany Comstock (Gary & Bev Jones's daughter), epileptic seizures; Sandy Resecker; widows and widowers of the congregation.

<u>Those battling cancer</u> — Don Bunting; Danny Weddle (Patricia Copeland's brother); Parker Miley, leukemia; Sue Hooper, chemo therapy for 3 months; Lisa Jones (stage 3 lung cancer); Logann Kehrer (a friend of Bob Burrow's coworker), diagnosed with terminal cancer; Marion Gorrell, stage 4 cancer (former co-worker of Carla Rose); Andy Copley; Patty Norris (friend of Keith Coss); Donna Hughes (friend of Naomi Ault); Tammy Carter (friend of John Ackerman); Nina Christman; Misty Robinson, friend of Grace Miles.

\* Please update the office of any changes to those on the prayer list. We update the prayer list periodically, removing names if we have not received recent updates on that person.



The Woodsfield church of Christ youth will be competing in the Miami Valley Bible Bowl, March 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> in Marion, Ohio. The team consists of Kiernan Bates, Jaren Friday, Willow Bates and Riley Britton. We have been studying the book of Exodus, chapters 1-20 on Sunday evenings. Please encourage these youth for their yearning

to learn God's word and their dedication.

As a practice round, the teens and their teachers will have a competition round during Sunday evening services, February 18<sup>th</sup>. Please attend and support our youth.

### Office Hour Updates

Keith will be out of the office February 5th through February 23rd.

Offices will be closed Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> in observance of Presidents Day.

Scott will also be out of the pulpit Sunday, February  $25^{\rm th}$  to fulfill his National Guard requirements.

## **Enduring a Difficult Marriage**

Throughout our "Living As You Are Called" series, we've talked about marriage in terms of ideals—what things SHOULD look like. But, what about when they don't? And, what if someone finds themselves in a situation that looks like it may never be what it SHOULD be. Well, in the opening words of Veggie Tales, "Have we got a show for you!"

Seriously, though, I've spent a lot of time thinking about this sermon over the years. I realize that, as I talk about marriage, there are a significant number of people in our congregation that are living with less-than-ideal marriages and who may never get to experience the joy that marriage is and can be. It's not from lack of trying—they've tried for years to have a good marriage. It's not from lack of prayer—they've spent hours and hours on their knees asking God for better. It's simply because their spouse won't move off whatever it is that makes things difficult, or won't get help for their dysfunction, or isn't interested in going to counseling, etc. It's out of this person's hands.

What's a person to do? Should they just live that way? Is there anything that can help, or does the Bible talk about it at all? Actually, it does and yes, there may be some things that can help. This morning, we'll look at the story of Abigail in I Samuel 25, and the difficult marriage she was in before she got married to David. We'll look at the relationship between her and her husband and how Abigail dealt with this difficult person. My hope and prayer is that it will give those of us in difficult marriages something to go off of to make things better. I pray this is a blessing for all of those enduring a difficult marriage.

Scott McFarland

#### **OUR FAITH IN ACTION**

February 4, 2024

Sunday Morning Bible Classes 93

Sunday morning Live feed views 18

Attendance at the building 163

Post-Sunday sermon online views 33

Bible Hour Attendance 43 Sunday night Bible Class 65

J.O.Y. Bus Attendance 1 Rider 2 Workers

Wednesday night Bible Class 42

Budget \$ 5,500 Contribution \$ 6,736

## **Elders & Deacons Meeting**

The Elders meeting will be held Sunday, February 18th at 4:00 p.m. in the library.

The Deacons meeting will be held Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Building.



The Ladies Bible Class will meet Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Building.

