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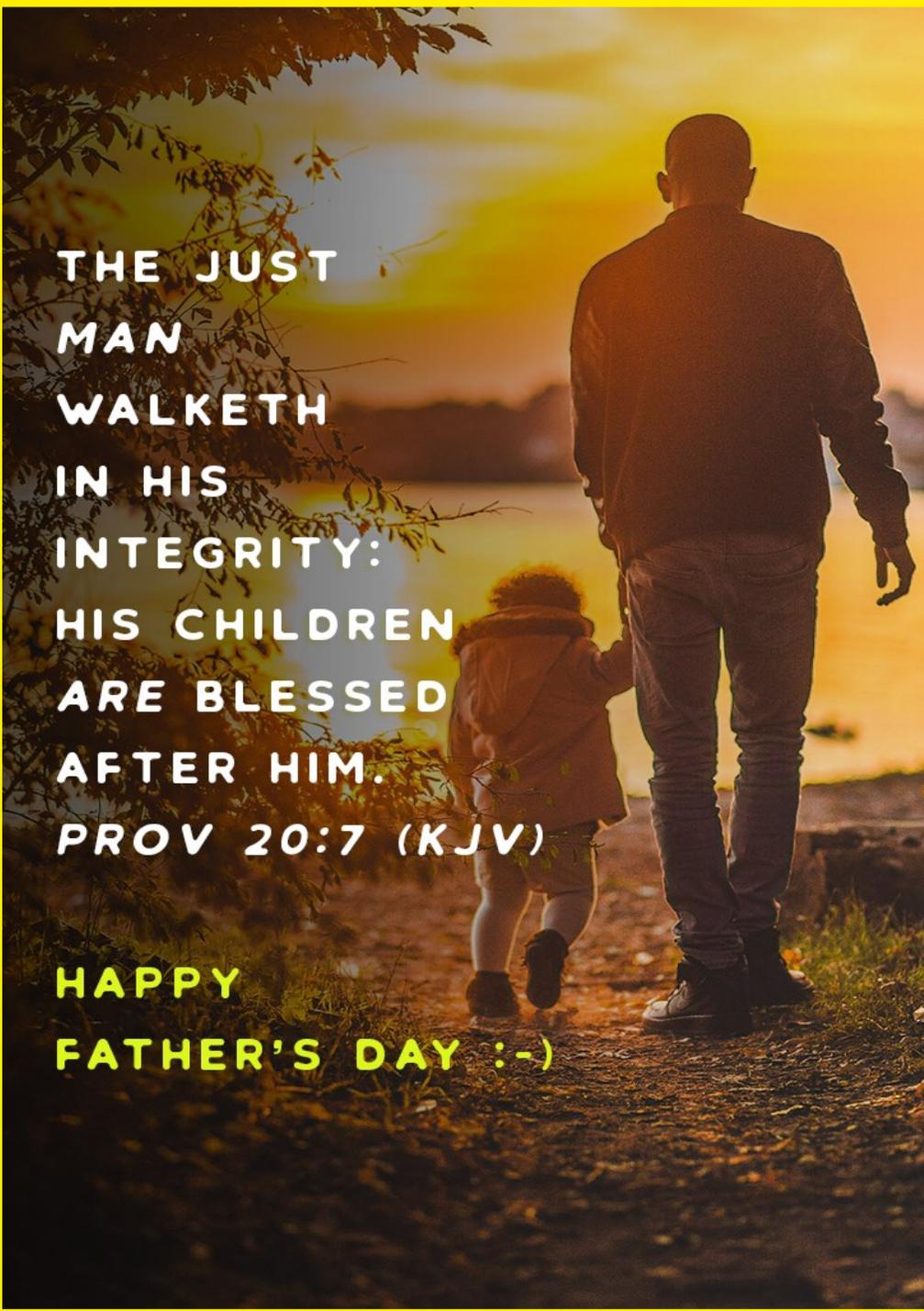
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THE JUST
MAN
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HIS CHILDREN
ARE BLESSED
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PROV 20:7 (KJV)

**HAPPY
FATHER'S DAY :-)**

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SALEM FIRST BAPTIST

Pastor
Dr. Andy DeWitt

Dear Church Family,

Mothers' Day is a special day to be sure. Often, even grown children make an effort to honor their mothers. If the mother is a Christian, even wayward children may desire to please her by attending church with her on her "Sunday." There are gifts, cards, sentimental gestures, and, maybe, even a meal out. Mothers' Day is a Sunday in May that one should never overlook.

Fathers' Day, on the other hand, not so much. Of course, there are cards and perhaps even gifts for fathers—for some. Nevertheless, there is a storm raging whose wind is approaching hurricane strength in our land. Many fathers are MIA (Missing In Action). And the issues that come from absentee fathers are immense. According to www.fathers.com, absent fathers devastate their children. Children growing up without fathers in the home are more likely to experience living in poverty, experience drug and alcohol addiction, suffer with physical and emotional issues, score lower in school, are more likely to be involved in crime, and are more likely to experience teen pregnancy. Should it not be our prayer and desire that this pandemic of MIA fathers be reversed? So often it is the innocent, the helpless that suffer because of the selfishness of others. Perhaps this Fathers' Day we will remember not only the children but the fathers that should be more involved in the kids' lives. If you know of a man who is absent in his children's lives, pray for him, encourage him to be more involved. Perhaps the winds of this storm will dissipate—even a little.

On a different subject, many of us will be participating in an outreach ministry this summer on Sunday evenings. I hope to have two teams participating. One team making visits and the other remaining at the church building praying and perhaps writing letters. You are welcome to participate on whichever team you wish. Both the person making a visit and the one praying for him/her is important. Consider participating.

Back to the above subject, remember the greatest Father of all. Paul writes:

⁴“But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship^[b] ⁶ Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “*Abba*,^[c] Father.” ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir” (Galatians 4:4-7).

Grace and peace,

Andy

READING THE BIBLE THROUGH IN A YEAR

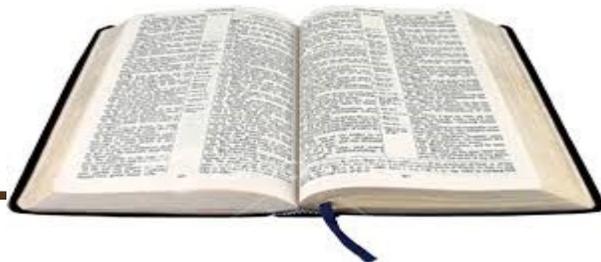
TURNING POINT'S

BIBLE READING PLAN

One of the best ways to know God is to become acquainted with the full counsel of His written Word. This reading plan will guide you through all 66 books of the Bible in the coming year.

JUNE

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| 1. Job 21 – 24 | 11. Psalms 34 – 37 | 21. Psalms 89 – 94 |
| 2. Job 25 – 30 | 12. Psalms 38 – 42 | 22. Psalms 95 – 103 |
| 3. Job 31 – 34 | 13. Psalms 43 – 49 | 23. Psalms 104 – 106 |
| 4. Job 35 – 38 | 14. Psalms 50 – 55 | 24. Psalms 107 – 111 |
| 5. Job 39 – 42 | 15. Psalms 56 – 61 | 25. Psalms 112 – 118 |
| 6. Psalms 1 – 8 | 16. Psalms 62 – 68 | 26. Psalms 119 |
| 7. Psalms 9 – 17 | 17. Psalms 69 – 72 | 27. Psalms 120 – 133 |
| 8. Psalms 18 – 21 | 18. Psalms 73 – 77 | 28. Psalms 134 – 140 |
| 9. Psalms 22 – 27 | 19. Psalms 78 – 80 | 29. Psalms 141– 150 |
| 10. Psalms 28 – 33 | 20. Psalms 81 – 88 | 30. Proverbs 1 – 3 |



Library News/Trustees



Your Librarian
Sharon Dennis

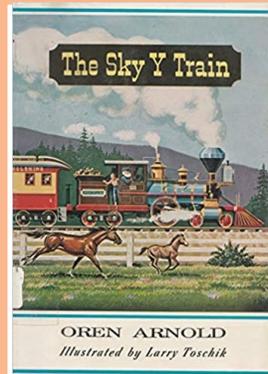
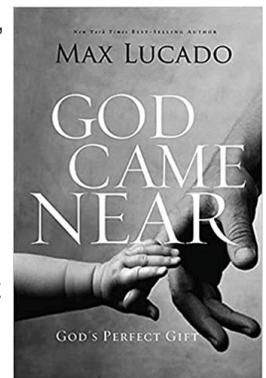


He came not as a flash of light or as an unapproachable conqueror, but as One whose first cries were heard by a peasant girl and a sleepy carpenter. The hands that held him were not manicured, but callused and dirty.

No silk. No ivory. No hype. No party. No hoopla. God had come near . . . for you.

Travel back in time and relive Christ the Son of God as he became man. Join Max Lucado as he brings to life the most important event in history . . . when God came near. And as you catch a vision of this incredible moment, let it mark the beginning of a new life.

Because when you see the truth of his life, it will change yours forever.



OREN ARNOLD
Illustrated by Larry Tuschik

Rod Conway, feeling very sorry for himself, sat on a pine log waiting for his father. The sound of sawing and hammering drummed in his ears. Rod hadn't wanted to come to this old run-down camp his father and two other school teachers were trying to renovate. His disgust was increased a hundredfold when he discovered that a girl—named Linda—was around. To make matters worse, she was trailed by a bunch of “babies”.

A sudden thunderstorm forced Rod, together with Linda and the “babies,” to take shelter in an ancient tunnel. This led to amazing events that changed not only Rod's outlook on things, but the entire summer for the whole group. The discovery of an old narrow-gauge railway and a three-car train posed a challenge that set Rod, and everyone else, afire with activity that led to one of the most surprising summers of his life.

Trustees' Report for June, 2021

Last month I wrote that chairs had been ordered for the children's departments. The chairs have arrived and Deanna has distributed them in the various children's classrooms.

During the last few weeks, if you have not been hearing some of the 16 foot Bassoon organ pipes sounding while the organ is being played on Sunday mornings, then you have a good musical ear. Wicks Organ LLC had removed them for repair. They have been repaired and were re-installed during the middle of May. Three of the pipes were cracked due to various reasons, including age and the normal vibrations of the pipes that produces the sounds of a pipe organ.

During the month of May, four of the pianos were tuned. A piano needs to be tuned yearly, but because of Covid, none of the pianos were tuned last year.

Along with other projects on the trustees' list, some outside painting and cleaning of the building needs to be done. Hopefully these projects can be done in June with drier weather conditions and warmer temperatures.

Dallas Bundy
Chairman of the Trustees

Announcements/Thank You

*Due to Conflicting schedules, Women on Mission will **not** be meeting for the months of June & July. We will resume on Monday, August 2nd!*



**MISSION SALEM
GOLF OUTING
SATURDAY,
JUNE 12TH
SEE RONNIE
FOR DETAILS**



The Children's Department have gotten new chairs. We are trying to find homes for the wooden chairs. We are asking \$5 for each chair to help defray the cost of the new ones. Thanks for supporting the Children's Ministry.

*Give Me Strength
by Carrie Braden*

*Give me strength, O precious Lord,
Uplift my soul today.
My heart is full of sadness, Lord
And painful is the way.
Give me strength, O precious Lord
Come fill my life with hope.
Bestow on me thy gentle faith,
And help me Lord to cope.
Give strength, O Precious Lord,
My life to thee I give,
Hold me, dear Master, in thy hand
And set my spirit free.*

"My strength and my courage is the Lord's and He has been my Savior. He is my God, I praise Him, the God of my Father, I exalt Him." Exodus 15:2



VBS 2021

July 5th—8th

6PM- 8:30PM

SIGN UP TODAY TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP

"BUILDING ON THE LOVE OF JESUS"

PHILIPPIANS 1:6

Women on Mission

Travis and Beth Burkhalter have served with the IMB in Central and South America since 2010. They work with the indigenous people who have fled their own country to escape violence from armed groups in their villages.

These people are culturally and linguistically unique as they do not speak Spanish and their own language is not written. Imagine the trials of learning their language in order to share the gospel! But that is just what Travis is doing.

With no resources available, he creates his own with the aid of a language helper who is a friend from the people group who speaks Spanish. Each weekday, Travis travels into the organized crime-controlled neighborhood where his friends live. They meet in his car (one of the safer places) and spend two hours going over the lesson Travis had planned the evening before.

As his friend speaks in the tribal language, Travis records it with his phone and quickly writes pronunciation keys he can study later. His friend shares cultural stories to help Travis understand the people, and Travis tells his friend Bible stories. During his personal study time, he makes flash cards, memorizes words, listens and relistens to recorded conversations, and makes plans for the next day.

Beth has created the Embera Bead Project to help the displaced families pay for rent, food, medical care, and other daily needs. They sell these necklaces and earrings online at emberabeadproject.com and restaurantsonmission.com. You can read more about her ministry at those sites.

While Travis and Beth spend long days helping their friends with physical needs, they realize the greatest need for them is a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The Burkhalters know they are in a spiritual battle for the souls of these people. "The enemy does not want me to learn the language, and he definitely does not want these people to hear the truth of the gospel. As you are faithful to pray and give, I will be faithful to work hard and persevere until they all hear."

(A few years ago, our Mission Friends learned about this family who got lonely and homesick. We were asked to send pictures or cards to lift their spirits which we continued after the month we prayed for them. Two years ago, Travis' mother wrote to our group asking for prayer for him because he was a target for kidnapping by the guerillas; he had to move his family closer to town for safety. We continue to stay in touch with his mother in Texas.



*This article comes from news on IMB website.



DATE	TEACHER	
June 06	Deanna Buerster	The Folding Sea
June 13	Deanna Buerster	The Big Fish
June 20	Deanna Buerster	Father's Day/No Children's Church
June 27	Deanna Buerster	The Fierce Fire

MANOR AT SALEM WOODS - 441 HOTZE RD, SALEM:
 Faye Wood #203 Mary Anne Rollinson #409

Twin Willows—1600 N Broadway:
 Donna Shoemaker

Centralia Estates - 1910 E McCord St.
 Barbara Phillips #103



Getting to know your Deacons

This month's deacon Gerald Purcell

Gerald was born on March 19, 1942. He was raised in a family of six boys. He and his beautiful wife, Joan have been married 59 yrs.. They have four children. Two sons, Geff and Anthony and two daughters, Melanie and Michelle.

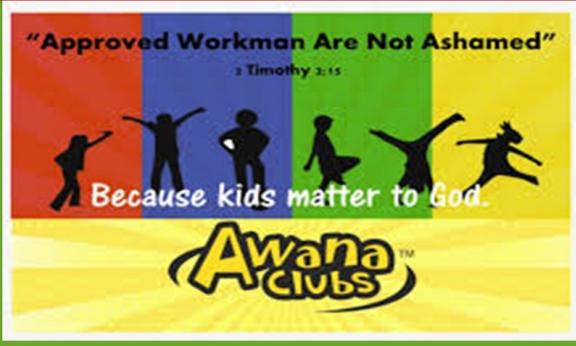
Gerald's favorite book is James in the New Testament. His favorite Bible verse is 1 Corinthians 13:13. His favorite kind of music is gospel hymns. Gerald's favorite song is "When We All Get To Heaven".

Gerald have been a Christian for 70 years.

Thank you, Gerald for your service to Salem First Baptist Church.



DATE	GREETER	ON CALL	SECURITY
June 06	Larry Blankenship	Greg Strother	Dale Helpingstine
June 13	Myron Lloyd	Jon Wieldt	Dallas Bundy
June 20	Roy Rodgers	Gary Watson	Ronnie Donoho
June 27	Ken Smith	Larry Blankenship	Greg Strother



There will be a meeting for all volunteers for AWANA on June 27th at 5PM in the Fellowship Hall.

New Members Class
June 27th after Worship Service. Lunch Provide.
Please RSVP the church office!



Beginning June 6th on Sunday nights we will be doing Community Outreach!

- *Prayer Walking
- *Visiting
- *Prayer Teams



2021 Throwback Thursday Cruise Nights

SALEM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
RAIN CANCELS

Dates: May 20th, June 17th, July 15th, Sept 23rd
Times: 6:00-8:00 PM
Location: 721 West Main, Salem, IL Contact: Dale Helpingstine 618-322-7123

This event is open to all classic cars, trucks, muscle cars, hotrods and antique vehicles. Just bring your car, lawn chair and enjoy the evening. Please No Alcohol on Church property.

A detailed photograph of a classic car engine, showing various components like the carburetor, intake manifold, and belts. The engine is polished and appears to be in excellent condition.

Support your local and state law enforcement officers

Pray With Us | June 13th

A photograph of a police officer in a blue uniform kneeling on a grassy area. He is looking down and talking to a woman and a young child. The woman is smiling and holding the child. The background is a soft-focus outdoor setting.

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2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 6PM Bible Study Youth Group CIA Praise Team Rehearsal	3	4 Office will be close on Friday morning.	5
6 Church Council Meeting 5PM 6PM Community Outreach	7 Prayer Meeting 6AM Mission Salem Mtg. 6PM.	8	9 6PM Bible Study Youth Group CIA Praise Team Rehearsal 7PM Deacon's Mtg.	10	11	12 Sisters in Christ Mtg. 8:15-10AM Mission Salem Golf Tourna- ment
13 The Lord's Supper Pray With Us! Support your local and state law en- forcement officers. 6PM Community Outreach	14 	15	16 6PM Bible Study Youth Group CIA Praise Team Rehearsal	17 Throwback Thursday 6-8PM	18	19
20 	21 	22	23 6PM Youth Group CIA Praise Team Rehearsal	24	25	26
27 New Members Class AWANA meeting at 5PM in the Fel- lowship Hall 6PM Outreach	28 American Heritage Girls Award Night at 6PM Hungry Hearts June 28 — July 2	29	30 2PM Manor at the Woods 6PM Bible Study Youth Group CIA Praise Team Rehearsal	Psalm 103:13: "As a father has compassion on his chil- dren, so the Lord has compas- sion on those who fear him."		

Kristen McMahill
Lacey Bell
Kaiden Ortiz
Amy Helpingstine-
Probin
Bill Dennis
Faye Wood
Isaak Hays
Matthew Carrigan
Nathalee Shults

June 01
June 06
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June 10

June 12
June 12
June 13
June 14
June 17



Shade Woodward
Daniel Meador
Michael Brooks
Seth Sands
Emily Smith-Harris
Beryl Jett
Ruby Chapman
Logan Ortiz
Kristina Bundy
Anthony Purcell

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Our Vision
 The vision of Salem First Baptist Church is to become a growing family
 Of committed believers with an increasing
 •Passion for God •Passion for People •Passion to Serve

Join Us . . .
Sundays
8:30 –9:20 AM
In the Fellowship Hall
 We serve bagels with cream cheese, donuts, fresh fruit, coffee, juice and milk.

Office Hours
Monday–Thursday 9:00 to 4:00
 Closed 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch
Friday 9:00–12:00 Noon
 Closed Friday afternoon

Sunday Morning and Evening
 8:30—9:20 AM Café Agape - Donuts & Coffee
 9:00—9:30 AM Media Center Open
 9:30 AM Life Groups for All Ages
 10:45 AM Morning Worship
 6:00 PM Community Outreach
 Available on Facebook/WJBD 13:50AM or 92.1FM



Wednesday Evening
 4:45 PM Women's Chronological Bible Study
 5:30—6:00 PM Media Center Open
 6:00—7:00 PM Adult Bible Study
 Youth Group
 Praise Team Rehearsal
 CIA