

Service Opportunities

Announcements: Ted Wheeler
Usher: Delbert Leavens

RECORD

Attendance: TBA

Contribution: \$ TBA

Weekly Budget: \$ 2920.00

Thought for The Day

“The strongest principle of growth lies in the human choice.”

GEORGE ELIOT,

MORNING SERVICES

Opening Prayer: Delbert Leavens

Songs: Tim Simmons

Sermon: Ted Wheeler

Closing Prayer: Marvin DeMeester

EVENING SERVICES

Opening Prayer: Wayne Vowell

Songs: Tim Simmons

Sermon: Ted Wheeler

Closing Prayer: Bill Burnside

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Dimensions of Growth

God expects His people to grow.

He gives us time to grow - *"when for the time you ought to be teachers"* (Hebrews 5:12). Youth grows into adulthood. newborn babies are to grow spiritually (2 Peter 2:2).

Christian growth is natural - as natural as a child's growth. It is normal - if a child does not grow, we know something is wrong. It is necessary - God gives the time, plus the provision of food, exercise, and environment for growth.

Our growth is four-dimensional:

1. **We grow downward.** When a tree or shrub is moving upward, you know the roots are growing downward. The deeper our roots, the richer is our spiritual moisture and consequently our ability to withstand trial and adversity. A deepening of our spiritual roots give stability to life.

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A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Please fill out a blue visitor card so that we might have a record of your visit. If needed, there is a **nursery** available at the rear of the auditorium. **Bible classes** for all ages are available Sundays at 10:00 am and Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. We hope that you will join us for these studies. Please come and worship with us again soon.

Elders

Delbert Leavens
Wayne Vowell
Ted Wheeler

Minister

Ted Wheeler

Sunday Services

Bible Study-10:00 am
Worship-11:00 am
Evening Worship-6:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study-6:30 pm.

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Deep roots into the Word will enable us to have confidence in a time when strange winds of doctrine are blowing in every direction (Ephesians 4:14).

2. **We grow upward.** When the roots go down deep, the evidence will be seen upward. There will be a greater thirst for the things of God. More time for prayer more intimate fellowship with God will be evident. This growth is silent and gradual in the direction of Jesus, becoming more like Him each day. "But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head, even Jesus " (Ephesians 4:15). Living as He lived; forgiving as He forgave; loving as He loved and enduring as He endured - that's the evidence of growing up in Him.
3. **We grow inwardly.** The inward man is renewed daily (2 Corinthians 4:16). When we grow downward & outward toward Jesus, we assimilate those graces described in 2 Peter 1:5-8. Inward growth makes us aware of our own weakness and gullibilities. Inward growth creates "the right spirit" within and the attitude that enables us to cope.
4. **We grow outwardly.** This growth is gauged by how well we relate to the people around us - family, brethren, coworkers, and people in general. The church is not a monastery or convent. It reaches out as salt and light in this present world (Matthew 5:13; Philippians 2:15).

Are you growing downward, upward, inward, and outward? Can you see the evidence of self-discipline; the use of time; the acceptance of responsibility; deportment -and interest? There is a great joy, in seeing someone mature in Christ. Let us grow up together in Christ!

Clarence DeLoach

Hebrews 13:1-13

NKJV

*"6 Ways Christ's Faithfulness
Can Strengthen You"*

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AGAINST	DEALS	FORGOTTEN
ASIDE	DESPISE	FURTHERMORE
AUTHOR	RACE	PARTAKERS
BEFORE	DISLOCATED	DISCOURAGED
BEST	DOWN	SONS
BLOODSHED	EASILY	SURROUNDED
CHASTEN	ENDURED	UNTO
CLOUD	ENSNARES	WEIGHT
CORRECTED	FEEBLE	FINISHER
	CROSS	

Remember in Prayer

KERRY KEATHLEY
 CHARLES HESSON
 DORIS WHITE
 PAT BURNSIDE
 CLARENCE RIGGENBACH
 PATRICA SMITH
 FRANK SMALL
 IVA & LEM TURNER
 PATRICIA FORD
 JEANETTE THOMPSON
 TED WHEELER

Mark Your Calendars

- ✓ Nov. 5: Fellowship Meal @ noon
- ✓ Nov. 23: Thanksgiving @ Dorothy Wooley's home
- ✓ Nov. 26: Song Service

Retirement

Retired is being tired twice,
 I've thought,
 First tired of working,
 Then tired of not.

Richard Armour
Going Like Sixty