

## Prayer List



### Of Our Number

- ♦ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ♦ Larry Derrick—neck surgery 3/29
- ♦ Wilfred Derrick—aneurysm
- ♦ Florene Howze—fell recently
- ♦ Jim Ward—Surgery upcoming

### Others in Need

- ♦ Dwayne Cook—cancer surgery
- ♦ Elise Davis—shoulder surgery
- ♦ Tatum DeLange—tonsil surgery
- ♦ Tim Dixon—Covid-19, hospital
- ♦ Viem Do—surgery recovery
- ♦ Mary Lou Joseph—cancer
- ♦ Carol Kitzan—health problems
- ♦ Jeff Mashburn—health problems
- ♦ Paul Mayo—chemotherapy
- ♦ Thad McCall—health problems
- ♦ Mary Milsted—lung cancer
- ♦ Patty Ryan—better results
- ♦ Donato Velasquez—health issues

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♦ Randall Ward—cancer

- ♦ Ronnie and Elaine Wells
- ♦ Christians overseas, Ukraine
- ♦ Government leaders, military, 1st responders, travelers, the lost, and our enemies.

## Events



March 25

*Faith and Fellowship, 7PM*

May 1-5

*Gospel Meeting preached by men of this congregation*

July 17-20

*Mossy Head Gospel Mtg.*

**Faithful Worship** — **1) Praying** to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); **2) Singing** without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); **3) Preaching** God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); **4) Giving** weekly as prospered, cheerfully (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7); **5) The Lord's Supper** on the first day of every week (Matt. 26:26-28; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20-34; 16:2; Heb. 10:23-31).

## To Our Visitors

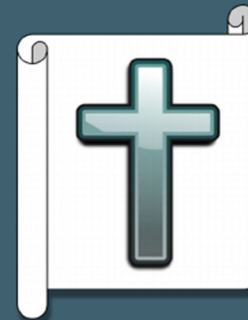


We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

## Privileged to Serve



**Announcements**—Mark Howze  
**Song Leading**—Sunday—Ethan Howze; Wednesday—Ethan Howze  
**Serving the Lord's Supper**  
 Head: Leo Derrick; Helpers: Caleb Howze, Josh Lawson, Johnny Moss  
**Lord's Supper PM**  
 Head: Mark Howze  
 Helper: Caleb Howze  
**Scripture Reading**—Glenn Howze



# THE BAKER BULLETIN

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**The church of Christ in Baker, FL**

**March 20, 2022**

## Meeting Times

### Sundays:

- 10AM Bible Class
- 11AM Worship
- 6PM Worship

### Wednesdays:

- 7PM Bible Class

## Other Information

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## Do What Makes You Happy?

By Eric Farris

"Do what makes you happy," people say...

What if:

- Murder made you happy?
- Rape made you happy?
- Stealing made you happy?
- Taking someone's husband or wife made you happy?
- Going around naked made you happy?
- Kicking puppies made you happy?

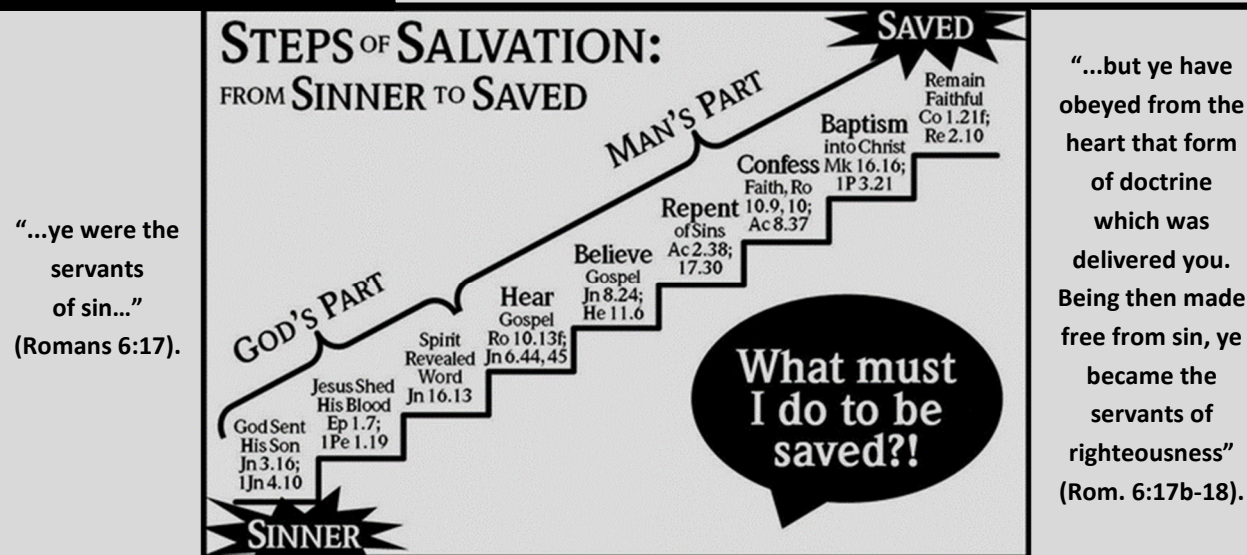
Just curious.... Is it ever ok to rebuke a person under any circumstances, or must you accept, tolerate, approve of and promote any and every activity just because some person is made "happy" by doing it??

Which of the following is LOVING?

- Approving of destructive behavior because it makes a person happy — OR —
- Sitting a person down and trying to intervene in destructive behavior? (correcting/rebuking- 2 Tim. 2:24-26).

*Editor's Note: If we will do what makes God happy, He will make sure we are happy eternally!*

## STEPS OF SALVATION: FROM SINNER TO SAVED



"...ye were the servants of sin..." (Romans 6:17).

"...but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness" (Rom. 6:17b-18).

## Allowing Culture to Be the Standard

In various places in Africa, when polygamy became popular, some missionaries began to accept it and justify it and tolerate it.

As immodesty has become a major part of our culture, many leaders in the church have turned a blind eye to it within their churches and get together.

As homosexuality has become more and more prevalent, denominations who once stood opposed have loosened their thinking and have decided to embrace it.

As women have started to take on more prominent roles within society, naturally it has moved over into the church, and now it is not uncommon to hear of women preachers or women elders. Church leaders who once stood opposed to it have embraced it and even sought to justify it by misusing Scripture (Gal. 3:28).

As divorce rates have sky-rocketed over the last 50 years within our country and have become so common that it effects more and more people, many churches have found clever ways around Jesus' one exception in Matthew 19:9 and are now teaching the very thing they used to oppose claiming to have found some new insights.

Churches who once stood firm on the authority of the Bible and sang and made melody in their hearts to the Lord through psalms, hymns and spiritual songs (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16) have found clever ways to justify using mechanical instruments in their worship, even though they have yet to find any New Testament authority for it.

Many churches once taught that baptism was a prerequisite for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16). Then they came out saying we have prayed and studied this topic for a long time and have since concluded something different. They re-imagined the word "for" in the Greek language in Acts 2:38 and found new insights whereby they can now just believe and be saved, although they would claim, it is still good to get baptized afterwards.

Folks, truth has never been popular and it never will be. We are living in a time when "they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables" (2 Tim. 4:3-4).

Regardless of how popular or unpopular the truth is, we need men now more than ever who will "preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine" (2 Tim. 4:2). Adapted, Steven Hill

## Nobody Saved, Lost, Saved?

### Simon Saved (Acts 8:13-17)

**Lost –**

"perish with thee,"  
"heart is not right," "wickedness,"  
"may be forgiven,"  
"gall of bitterness," "bond of iniquity"  
(Acts 8:18-23)

**Saved (Acts 8:24; cf. 1 John 1:9;  
James 5:16)**

### Peter did NOT say to Simon:

"Don't worry; you are covered by grace!"

"No need to rush; you are still  
within the grace period!"

"Don't worry; you only committed one sin!"

"Don't worry; you have not completely  
forsaken Christianity!"

"Don't worry; God will not  
impute sin to you!"

"No need to repent or pray; the blood of  
Christ is continually cleansing you!"