



## Prayer Requests:

*"Pray for one another"*

- James 5:16 -

- Louis Bureau - left shoulder tendon healing slowly; also requests prayers for his family
- Josiah Carelse & Family - working with the Lord's church in Cape Town, South Africa
- Glenda Castleberry - diagnosed with liver cancer; stage & treatment not known
- Diane Cote - left leg amputated to the knee as a result of diabetes; undergoing prosthetic rehab
- Filomena Derecho (Cathy's mother in the Philippines) - numerous health issues
- Kate Ivory (niece of Robbie Andrews) - studying the Bible with our brother Robbie in AL
- Kathleen Judkins - scheduled for knee replacement surgery for her left knee on Sept 23rd
- Anita Messervy (Kathleen's niece) - a recent tumor found in her lung was not cancerous
- Richard Miles (Kathleen's nephew) - undergoing chemo & radiation to combat a rare sarcoma
- Brent Newton - suffered a minor stroke on 8/18; now home recovering and doing well
- Wayne Sampson - having a procedure on 9/4 to correct claudication (a narrowing of the arteries reducing blood flow to the legs, resulting in pain and difficulty standing & walking)
- Henry Terrill - undergoing radiation treatments for prostate cancer (localized in the prostate)
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray that we might find a suitable and affordable permanent meeting place
- Please pray for those not with us today — the sick & suffering and those who are spiritually weak & struggling

*"The prayer of the upright is His delight .  
 . . He hears the prayer of the righteous."*  
 ~ Proverbs 15:8, 29 ~

## Bad Angels

Angels are supernatural heavenly beings created by God for the purpose of worshiping and serving Him (Ps 148:2-5; Col 1:16). They also surround the throne of God (Is 6:1-3), and bring Him honor and glory. "Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angles around the throne ... and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice: 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!'" (Rev 5:11-12).

The name "angel" in both Hebrew and Greek simply means "messenger." Although they are "ministering spirits" (Heb 1:14), angels have sometimes appeared in human form as men (Gen 18-19). They are not glorified human beings, but are different and distinct from man (1 Cor 6:3; Heb 1:14). Jesus taught that they do not marry and they do not die (Lk 20:34-36). However, angels do share an unattractive ability with mankind. They can sin and rebel against God.

Angels were created as holy beings (Gen 1:31; Jude 6). But, through time, God's word makes known that some angels fell from their state of innocence (2 Pet 2:4; Jude 6). Scripture does not reveal the time and nor the cause of their fall, but it must have occurred before the fall of man, because Satan was present in the garden tempting Adam & Eve. This, of course, was after Jesus "saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven" (Lk 10:18). And "God did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment" (2 Pet 2:4). The Greek word translated "hell" is *tartarus*, and it refers to "an eternal torment in the deepest abyss of hades."

Jude adds: "And the angels who did not keep their proper domain ["kept not their first estate" - KJV], but left their own abode [habitation], He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day" (v. 6). The phrase "kept not their first estate" is interesting. It means that these angels strayed from the original purpose for which they were created. This is "apostasy" — a word taken from two Greek words (1) *apo*, meaning "away from" and (2) *stasia*, meaning "stand."

So, to apostatize is to move away from a previous stand. This is exactly what these rebellious angels did when they knowingly and deliberately sinned against God.

Ultimately, these evil angels who are now "reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day" (Jude 6), will be thrown into the lake of fire (Rev 19:20; 20:10; 20:15), which has been "prepared for the devil and his angels" (Mt 25:41). This will be the inevitable outcome for all — including men & women — who choose to disobey God in this life and rebel against their Almighty Creator. Like the angels who sinned, they too "shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone" (Rev 21:8), where they "will be tormented day and night forever and ever" (Rev 20:10).

But those who have chosen to obey God, and remain faithful in this life, will hear: "Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world!" (Mt 25:34). Now, that's the category you & I want to be in! Amen!

— Terry Schmidt ✍



**"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"**

- Acts 16:30 -

**Hear** the Gospel - John 6:44-45; Rom 10:14,17

**Believe** [trust in] God - John 3:16; 8:24; Ac 16:31  
 Heb 11:6

**Repent** of sins - Luke 13:1-5; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 17:30

**Confess** Christ - Mt 10:32-33; Ac 8:36-37;  
 Rom 10:8-10

**Be baptized** - Mk 16:16; Ac 2:38; 8:36; 22:16;  
 1 Pet 3:21

**Be faithful** unto death - Mt 7:21; Rev 2:10



**Welcome Visitors!**



*We are pleased to have you as our honored guests!*



## WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS for SEPTEMBER

Preaching: Terry Schmidt

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Opening Prayer: George Cuvellier

Scripture Reading: Louis Bureau


Lord's Supper:

Wayne Sampson (lead) & Mike Doucette

Announcements & Closing Prayer:  
Jim Miller

Alternate: Jason Kennedy

Lord's Supper Prep: Terry Kennedy

The word "worship" has come to us from the old Anglo-Saxon "worth-ship." Therefore, when we worship, we are declaring worth through acts of paying divine honor to God. We are showing profound reverence and respect, mingled with fear and affection for the God we serve. 

### Visits to Our Web Page

Last Week: 9,118

This Month: 23,309



## SNACKS!

Aug 25: Terry K

Sep 1: Betty

### Attendance & Contribution

for August 18, 2024


Attendance — 26

Contribution — \$833

# Order of Worship

August 25, 2024

*"From the rising of the sun to  
its going down, the LORD's  
name is to be praised!"*

 - Psalm 113:3 - 

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Song—358

Opening Prayer: George Cuvellier

Song—387

Scripture Reading: Jason Kennedy  
~ Matthew 28:1-7 ~

Song—322

The Lord's Supper

Wayne Sampson (lead) & Mike Doucette

Song—407

Sermon: Terry Schmidt  
"Angels"

Song—437

Announcements & Closing Prayer  
George Cuvellier

Alternate: Jason Kennedy

Lord's Supper Prep: Paula Kennedy

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*We love Him, because  
He first loved us.  
- 1 John 4:19 -*

## August 25, 2024

### Meeting on the Lord's Day:

9:30 am — Bible Class

10:30 am — Worship

*"Let us consider one another in order  
to stir up love and good works, not  
forsaking the assembling of ourselves  
together, as is the manner of some, but  
exhorting one another, and so much the  
more as you see the Day approaching."*

- Hebrews 10:24-25 -

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