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The Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand

When John prepared the way for Jesus he preached a consistent message. He said, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 3:2). It is no coincidence that when Jesus preached, He also said, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 4:17). Clearly, the message of Jesus was about the kingdom of heaven. It is equally clear that life in the kingdom requires repentance. If we are unwilling to change the way we think, we will not understand the message Jesus brought. The message of Jesus was different. That is highlighted in the Sermon on the Mount that we have been studying for the past 4 months. This Sunday the lesson is going to summarize the Sermon on the Mount.

- Garrett Bookout

AM – "Summarizing the Sermon on the Mount in Song"
Matthew 4:17-25

Bible Time with Andy, Room 105 at 4:45 pm

PM – Singing Night

Read the Bible in 1 Year:

Sunday - 1 Kings 16-18, Luke 22:47-71
Monday - 1 Kings 19-20, Luke 23:1-25
Tuesday - 1 Kings 21-22, Luke 23:26-56
Wednesday - 2 Kings 1-3, Luke 24:1-35
Thursday - 2 Kings 4-6, Luke 24:36-53
Friday - 2 Kings 7-9, John 1:1-28 **Saturday** - 2 Kings 10-12, John 1:29-51

PRAYER LIST and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST

Lanelle Bufford is at home after spending some time in the hospital.

Carol Terry is still recovering at home and would like to be remembered in our prayers.

Tina Kelso, Sabrena Sowell's cousin, is undergoing another round of chemo. Tina's mother, **Brenda Berning**, is having knee surgery on May 19th.

Matt Sheldon, Sabrena Sowell's friend, is having trouble eating due to his cancer affecting his mouth.

Continue to Remember: Mary Lee Caldwell, Barbara Dees, Jim Duty, Lester Elliott, Kathy Hinson, Beverly Jenkins, Barbara Jones, Tina Kelso, Richard King, Gail Krech, Jimmy Lincoln, Betsy Lucas, Joseph Lucas, Janice Martin, Janice Maynard, Joan Meade, William Morrison, Norma Petrie, Kendall Redmond, Bryant Rimmer, Clinton Robnolte, John & Melba Sims, Jimmy Smithson, Mike Vice, Laura Weathers, Sharon Welborn, Bobbie Wilhoite, Diane Winkler, Holly Winkler, Randy Youngblood

Our Shut-ins: Jane Brown, Peggy Loggins, Patricia Marsh, Lois Pratt



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THOSE TO SERVE

TODAY - SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2025

Ushers: Steve Ellis, Mike Pope, Rabbit Smithson, Daniel Winkler
Song Leader: Matt Lyndoe
Reader: Marv Sowell
Scripture: Matthew 4:17-25
Opening Prayer: Jon Reames
Preside at Lord's Table: Michael Meade
Serve the Lord's Supper: David Broome, Eric Graham, Zeb Macer, Phillip McCullough
Closing Prayer: Jimmy Davis
Nursery Attendants: Joy Marrison, Raquel Spencer

TODAY'S EVENING SERVICE

Song Leader: Singing Night
Reader: Singing Night
Opening Prayer: Seth Hamilton
P.M. Preside/Lord's Supper: Jeff Rhodes
Closing Prayer: Jared Street
Nursery Attendants: Brittany Collier, Kristen Reames

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025

Devotional Speaker: Garrett Bookout
Song Leader: Kyle Richardson
Opening Prayer: Jon Ferrie
Closing Prayer: William Marrison
Sound for 5/4 Week: Connor Pratt
Projector for May: Blake McDaniel

THE RECORD

Last Sunday (4/27/2025)	
Morning Worship	168
Sunday School	150
Evening Worship	111
Wednesday Night (4/30/2025)	131
Contribution Last Sunday:	\$12,122.78
Contribution YTD:	\$260,218.18
Contribution Goal YTD:	\$246,500.00

PREPARE COMMUNION - MAY

Chitwood Family

COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS - MAY

Macer Family

BUILDING LOCK-UP - MAY

Matt Lyndoe and Michael Meade

MONTHLY ELDER CHAIRMAN - MAY

Caleb Chitwood

ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPCOMING EVENTS

Please contact the church office to schedule an event.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Church Wide

TODAY - Lads to Leaders Appreciation Night

May 10th - Breakfast with Dan

May 18th - Graduate Reception

May 25th-30th - Bible Camp

May 27th - Ladies Digging Deep Devotional

The office will be closed Monday, May 26th, for Memorial Day

LADS TO LEADERS APPRECIATION NIGHT

Our annual Lads to Leaders Night is tonight following our evening service. Everyone is invited to stay and watch our puppet teams present their shows and hear about our weekend at the convention. Dinner will be provided.

BREAKFAST WITH DAN

Breakfast with Dan will be Saturday, May 10th, at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$10. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you plan to attend.



We will be celebrating our 2025 High School and College Graduates on Sunday, May 18th, following our evening worship service.

High School Graduates:

Logan Chitwood, Ellen McCullough, Reese Melton, Josh Oppermann, Mary Peters & Mackenzie Reames

College Graduates:

Natalie Comer & Noah Oppermann

MISSION TRIP

Steve Ellis is going on a mission trip to Zimbabwe. He plans to leave May 30th and return June 14th. Please see Steve if you would like to help buy additional food and supplies for the people there. Please keep Steve in your prayers as he prepares for and carries out this great work.

MISSIONS MEMO...

Velaphi Mlangeni Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

Greetings from Zimbabwe! We've been very busy in recent days visiting many bush congregations. We're preaching the Gospel to the lost and encouraging our brethren to hang on during these very difficult times.

As hunger continues to spread across Zimbabwe, we continue distributing as many bags of Mealie Meal to help feed the poor as possible. We first distribute food to families with very old, Aids orphans and widows.

Many families are still only having one single meal each day and with tears in their eyes they all say THANK YOU to our Southern Hills brethren in Franklin, TN for their love and support!

They all pray that you may not grow weary in helping them (Gal 6:9-10). We study the Gospel with people in every village we visit with many souls giving their lives to Christ!

I just arrived home from a weeklong evangelism campaign at Plumtree in Matebeleland South. I'm feeling tired and exhausted; however, I'm excited to share good news about a significant milestone for this small church, 9 souls were immersed in waters of baptism for the remission of their sins! We give all glory to God our father!

In the rural areas we're also continuing to help with the drilling of boreholes and establishing drip irrigation gardens. In Bulawayo we continue daily working diligently with our preacher training school, teaching Bible classes at the Amazon Christian School and doing a one-hour radio program each week about how the Bible has the final say regarding all matters related to religion.

We're all so excited and looking forward to seeing our Bro. Steve Ellis from Southern Hills next month. All of our Ndebele brethren are anxiously waiting to see him again and hearing his encouraging words and teaching. May our Lord God bless you all!





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TIMES SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - 9 AM
BIBLE CLASS - 10 AM

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP - 5PM

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE - 5PM & 7PM

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