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Finding the "Third Way" in Christian Ethics

Christian ethics often feels most difficult when obedience appears costly. What happens when faithfulness to God seems to place us in danger, conflict, or impossible situations? Scripture repeatedly teaches that God never requires His people to sin in order to obey Him—and He often provides a wiser path than we first imagine.

Consider the Hebrew midwives in Egypt. Scripture tells us they feared God and refused Pharaoh's command to kill infants (Exod. 1:17). When questioned, they explained that Hebrew women gave birth quickly. The text never says they lied. Instead, it highlights their fear of God and God's blessing for preserving life (v. 21). Their example reminds us that obedience does not always require open confrontation—or moral compromise—but faithful, God-honoring wisdom.

Throughout Scripture, God's people face moments where only two sinful options seem available. Yet the Bible consistently reveals a "third way." Silence, refusal to participate in evil, strategic action, and trust in God's providence often allow obedience without violating truth (1 Cor. 10:13). Scripture forbids speaking what we believe to be false, but it does not condemn wise actions that conceal truth from those who intend harm.

Jesus Himself modeled this wisdom. Though He is the Truth, He often remained silent before His accusers, speaking only when lawfully required (Matt. 26:63–64). His obedience did not abandon justice; it fulfilled God's purpose. The lesson is clear: God's law does not contradict itself. Christians are never forced to choose a "lesser sin." Faithfulness means trusting that God's commands are good, unified, and always accompanied by a righteous path forward.

- Freddie Klein

AM – The Great Resolution - Romans 8:5-8

Children's Bible Time: Front of Auditorium at 5PM

PM – Wealth of the Righteous - Proverbs 8:18-19

Read the Bible in 1 Year:

Sunday - Exodus 29-30, Matthew 21:23-46; Monday - Exodus 31-33, Matthew 22:1-22; Tuesday - Exodus 34-35, Matthew 22:23-46; Wednesday - Exodus 36-38, Matthew 23:1-22; Thursday - Exodus 39-40, Matthew 23:23-39; Friday - Leviticus 1-3, Matthew 24:1-28; Saturday - Leviticus 4-5, Matthew 24:29-51

PRAYER LIST and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for **Randy Holt**.

Dave Sweeney is progressing well. Continue to pray for him.

Please pray for **Kathy Malon**, Molly Ferrie and Carlie Lyndoe's grandmother.

Todd McCullough had surgery recently. Please keep him and Jana in your prayers as he recovers.

Continue to pray for **Inge Klein** with the passing of her father.

Continue to Remember: William Morrison, Mickey Petty, Ralph and Mary Nell Hogg, Jerry Breeden, Bill & Wilma Davis, Jim Duty, David Elliott, Joanne Hallford, Beverly Jenkins, Tina Kelso, Richard King, Janice Martin, Matt Shelton, John & Melba Sims, Jimmy Smithson, Dave Sweeney, Tony White, Bobbie Wilhoite, Bert Woodroof

Our Shut-ins: Patricia Marsh

SOS MESH

Please let the office know or contact Mike Pope if you are interested in being part of the SOS Edification Ministry. This ministry sends cards to people in and out of the congregation.

Sympathy

Wilma Cooley's visitation and funeral services will be held on Saturday, Feb 14 at Williamson Memorial in Spring Hill. Visitation is at 1 p.m., with the funeral following at 2 p.m.

Calling ALL Members!

The time has come to update member photos in our directory. The goal is schedule a time for ALL members during February and March. We will be taking photos on Sunday mornings, both before Service and after Class.

Please use link or QR code to sign up.

<https://www.southernhills.net/members/photo-shoot/>



VISITORS: Please fill out a card from the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the collection plate so we may have a record of your attendance. ❤

Online Giving Instructions

Online:

<https://donate.stripe.com/6oEcQKgAla0HczS000>

App:

Lightpost App



THOSE TO SERVE

TODAY - SUNDAY

Ushers:

Blake McDaniel, Mike Pope

Song Leader:

Cy Warren

Reader and Opening Prayer:

Ryan Haedge

Scripture:

Rom. 8:5-8

Preside at Lord's Table:

Steve Ellis

Serve the Lord's Supper:

David Broome, David

Pence, Trey Burns, Bryan Breeden

Closing Prayer:

Joe Burns

Nursery Attendants:

Sharon Broome

Rachel Haedge

TODAY'S EVENING SERVICE

Song Leader:

Kyle Richardson

Opening Prayer:

Ron Read

P.M. Preside Lord's Supper:

Marv Sowell

Closing Prayer:

Bryan Breeden

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2026

Devotional Speaker:

Freddie Klein

Song Leader:

Kyle Richardson

Opening Prayer:

Jon Ferrie

Closing Prayer:

Jeff Rhodes

Sound for 2/1 Week:

Jay Cottrell

Projector 2/1 Week:

Noah Oppermann

THE RECORD

Last Sunday (1/18/2026)

Morning Worship 124

Sunday School NC

Evening Worship NC

Wednesday Night(1/21/2026) NC

Contribution Last Sunday: \$13,744.00

Contribution YTD: \$43,642.00

Contribution Goal YTD: \$42,000.00

PREPARE COMMUNION - FEBRUARY

Cottrell Family

COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS - FEBRUARY

Haedge Family

BUILDING LOCK-UP - FEBRUARY

Deacons

MONTHLY ELDER CHAIRMAN - FEBRUARY

Dan Cottrell

ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPCOMING EVENTS

Please contact the church office to schedule an event.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Church Wide

Today - L2L practice, 2pm

Today - Super Bowl party at the Broomes, following evening services

March 1 - Potluck with Dietlinde and Raymond

March 12 - Share Group Outing to In-N-Out Burger

March 14 - Sip, Style, & Shine

March 29 - Kite Day

Super Bowl Party

The Broomes would like to invite everyone over to their house for a Super Bowl party Sunday, Feb 8 immediately following evening services. Please bring your favorite finger foods and desserts to share. If you have any questions, please contact David.

Magi Boxes

For the month of February, the Dorcas Ladies are requesting donations of the following items: soap bars (no Irish Spring), toothbrushes with holders, soap containers, and bandages.

Save the Date

Many of you know Dietlinde is a native of East Germany, born there in 1939. Dietlinde has a beautiful story. Some of you may not have heard Dietlinde's story, or may want to hear it again? On Sunday March 1st we extend that opportunity! We will be having a potluck lunch with Dietlinde right after morning services. For anyone that would like to attend to hear Dietlinde's story, there will be a sign up sheet in the foyer. If interested, please sign up, and plan on bringing a dish to share.

Indoor Work Day

We are scheduling a "Work Day" at Southern Hills, Feb 28th. This is to work on multiple items that need to be addressed inside the building. This is for ALL members. Breakfast will be served, and instructions will be provided when you arrive. Contact Ryan or Rachel Haedge with questions.

MISSIONS MEMO...

Velaphi Mlangeni • Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

As 2025 has come to an end, we find it proper to thank you our loving Brothers and Sisters for so many accomplishments made during this past year.

First, we thank our Elders at Rainbow Church of Christ for their wise decision in starting this evangelism work in Zimbabwe in 2002. This has resulted in 15,484 World Bible Students being taught the Bible and 3314 baptized (that we could count). 62 congregations have been planted in various districts throughout Matebeleland and Midlands Provinces.

Twelve boreholes were drilled, and water provided to the poor as Zimbabwe has perennial droughts. Imagine how many would not survive during these droughts without water?

We thank our Southern Hills Elders and brethren for starting a program of food distribution in Zimbabwe. It's very difficult to preach to hungry people. Our Lord experienced this. You have no idea how many lives you have saved from starvation!

We thank our Rainbow Elders for starting the School of Preaching in Bulawayo. The goal of this school is to train church leaders how to win lost souls. It's also important that church leaders are taught to respect the authority of the Bible in all religious matters. This school will continue fortifying the church in Zimbabwe by training men to respect Bible authority for many years to come even after we are all gone.

We're thankful for so many other things including monthly support for full time preachers, trucks used for preaching; especially in remote bush areas for those who need baptism to distant rivers, drip-irrigation resources, tents for Gospel Meetings, wheelchairs for disabled, funds for medical treatments and funeral expenses when we lose very close relatives. The list is endless. All this shows that we are one big God's Family. The weekly Bulawayo Gospel Radio Program is reaching tens of thousands.

We have just mentioned a few areas where you our Brothers and Sisters have partnered with us. We sincerely thank you for all the good things you have done and are still doing in Zimbabwe. If you don't help, who will?

Yes, we are all God's children, and we know full well that our partnership in the Gospel is genuine and we shall carry it through to completion until Christ calls us home.

Please pray for us so that we may continue to propagate the Gospel Truth with all vigor!



UPCOMING EVENTS



February 20-22 - CYC

This year the cost for each participant will be \$100. This covers housing, food and registration. Please contact Cy with any questions you may have.

March 8 - Maury County Area Wide Devo

The next Maury County Area Wide Devo will be the night of March 8 at West 7th church of Christ in Columbia. Additional information forthcoming!



March 29 - Spring Kite Day

We will have our annual kite and Spring fun activities day the afternoon of our 5th Sunday modified schedule.

Lads to Leaders Practice Schedule:

Today - 2pm

Feb 15th - 1pm, after teacher's lunch

Feb 22nd - 2pm

March 1st - 2pm

March 15th - 2pm

March 22nd - 2pm

TIMES of SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - 9 AM

BIBLE CLASS - 10 AM

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP - 5 PM

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE - 6 PM

Classes for all ages

Southern Hills Church of Christ

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