

May 2017

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Church Newsletter

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Matthew 6:34

³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

If I had to make a list of commands in the Bible that I struggle to follow, this Scripture would be very close to the top. It sounds simple enough, "...do not worry about tomorrow...". One can also easily agree with the last sentence, "Each day has enough trouble of its own." "Sure does!" we think! However, in the application it's not that easy at all.

I'm pretty good at rationalizing. In fact, after a couple decades as a disciple of Christ, I'm pretty good at using Scripture to rationalize. I'm confident some of you are as well. Quoting Luke 14:28 to myself, *"Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it?"* I'd say, "See, I am not worrying, I am counting the cost." Or, I'd whip out Phil 3:13-14, *"¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."* and exclaim, "I'm not worrying, I am pressing on toward a goal!"

The real truth is I sometimes worry. When I worry I am being disobedient. Instead of rationalizing with Scripture I need to obey Scripture.

¹³ Now listen, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money." ¹⁴ Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. ¹⁵ Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that." ¹⁶ As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is evil. ¹⁷ If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them.

Working on worrying less and trusting more!!!

God bless,
Pastor Rob

May Calendar

Monday, May 1

- 2017-18 Fiscal Year Begins

Wednesday, May 3

- Quarterly Report Deadline

Thursday, May 4

- National Day of Prayer

Sunday, May 7

- Lord's Supper Services

Thursday, May 11

- Merry Widows Dinner

Sunday, May 14

- Mother's Day

Saturday, May 20

- June Newsletter Deadline
- YOUTH-Spud Run Prep

Sunday, May 21

- Spud Run Youth Fundraiser
- Quarterly Business & Annual Budget Meeting @ 5 PM
- Covered Dish Dinner

Monday, May 22

- Last Men's Monday Night Ministry for the summer

Friday, May 26

- Chisholm Heights Baptist Church Youth Choir Ministry Arrives

Monday, May 29

- Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 31

- Cook-out with Chisholm Heights Baptist Church

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

8:15 am.....	Adult Bible Study	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:15 am.....	Berean Adult Fellowship (studying Philippians)	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:15 — 9:30 am	1st Adult Coffee Fellowship	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am	Youth Bible Study	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:15 — 10:30 am	1st Nursery	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am	Children's Church	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am	Young Adult Bible Study	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:30 — 10:30 am	1st Worship Service	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 — 11:00 am	2nd Adult Coffee Fellowship	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm	2nd Nursery	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm	Children's Church/Pre-K Church	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
11:00 am — 12:00 pm	2nd Worship Service	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
1:15 — 2:00 pm	Retirement Ministry Worship Service	Regal Estates, 500 Enterprise, League City

Monday

6:30 pm.....Men's Ministry Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship(May 22 ~ last meeting for the summer)1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

Wednesday

6:30 — 7:30 pm.....Youth Discipleship

6:30 — 7:30 pm.....Praise, Prayer and Bible Study



Regular Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday
9:30 AM—1:30 PM

The Church office is open Tuesday through Friday, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. The main office phone number is 281-474-3281. If you call while the office is closed or after hours please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible.

May 2017 Tellers

May 07John & Cheryl Harrison, Norma Keeler & Margie Minix
May 14Mary Johnson, Jackie Lally, Kathy Slater & Pat Smartt
May 21Don Cartwright, Gene & Heather Engel
May 28Karen Broyles, Michelle Hazlett & Linda Long

Tithes & Offering

A look at the church finances...General Funds

March 2017.....\$22,876.25

Thank you for your faithful giving!

Do You Need Prayer?
We would love to pray for you!

Prayer Request Form

M a y Birthdays



Zachary Lowry
Joyce Wagner
Dale Huls
Kenneth Mecom Jr.
Patricia Smartt
Tim Boyd
Mary Beth Griffin
Andrew Augustine
Don Lilja
Christy Stilwell
Cynthia Bounds
Catherine Fain
Dave Stanton
Katie Kerr

Quarterly Report Deadline

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

Reporting on February, March, and April



Thursday, May 4, 2017



Sunday, May 7, 2017

**OBSERVANCE OF
THE LORD'S
SUPPER**

9:30 & 11:00 AM Service

Merry Widows Dinner

Thursday, May 11, 2017
Carpool leaves the church at 6:00 PM

The Merry Widows are going to eat dinner at a restaurant to be announced at a later date. Please meet at the church at 6:00 pm and we will carpool or if you prefer you can meet us at the restaurant at 6:30 pm.

All ladies are welcome, you don't have to be a widow to attend. We have a great time! For more information please see Norma Keeler.

HAPPY
Mother's
DAY



Sunday,
May 14th

Deadline
for June 2017

**Newsletter
Submissions**

Saturday,
May 20, 2017

Spud Run Youth Fundraiser

Sunday, May 21, 2017



The youth will serve fully loaded baked potatoes following the 9:30 and 11:00 am worship services for only \$5.00.



R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry

(6th through 12th grade)

R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Sunday School meets every Sunday, **9:15—10:30 am** in the #1 portable building directly behind the main church building.

R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Wednesday Activities start at **6:30 pm**, ends at 7:30 pm, and meets in the #1 portable building.

Saturday, May 20 ~ Spud Run Prep

The youth will meet at the church at 4:00 pm to prepare potatoes and all the toppings. The more help we have the less time it will take! Everyone is needed! If you are going to Super Summer, please make sure you can come help!

Sunday, May 21 ~ Spud Run Youth Fundraiser

The youth will serve fully loaded baked potatoes following both services for only \$5.00. This fundraiser will help send 4 students and a team leader to Super Summer 2017.

Sunday, May 21 ~ Graduate/Baby Picture Deadline

If you are graduating, please email Lori a baby picture AND a graduation picture at loriaforrest@gmail.com no later than Sunday, May 21st.

May 26—June 2 ~ Chisholm Heights Youth Choir Ministry

FBC-Seabrook youth are encourage to join Chisholm Height Youth in the Service work throughout the week.

Saturday, May 27 ~ Astros Game

FBC-Seabrook youth group will plan to join Chisholm Heights youth at an Astros game at 6:15 pm. More details to follow.



Sunday, May 28 ~ Youth Lead Children's Church



The youth will be teaching Children's Church during the first service. This is always a fun time for the kids and an opportunity for the youth to be servants of the Lord. YOUTH please be in the children's church room no later than 9:15 am.

Sunday, June 4 ~ Graduate Recognition during the 2nd (11:00 am) Worship Service.

CHURCH BUSINESS

Quarterly Business & Annual Budget Meeting

Sunday, May 21, 2017 at 5:00 PM

Covered Dish Dinner

Immediately following the business meeting

Members please bring a main dish and veggie or dessert to share. The church will provide beverages and rolls.



CHISHOLM HEIGHTS
BAPTIST CHURCH

Chisholm Heights Baptist Church Youth Choir Ministry

Arrives at FBC-Seabrook on Friday, May 26st
Departs FBC-Seabrook on Friday, June 2nd

On **Friday, May 26th** seven adults and 22 youth from Chisholm Heights Baptist Church, Youth Choir Ministry, Mustang, Oklahoma will arrive at FBC-Seabrook. They will be leading worship on **Sunday, May 28th** and doing service work in and around the church during their week-long stay. We encourage all our church family and friends to participate in the service work throughout the week.

MEMBERS...we need your showers! The group will be staying in the church building, which is not equipped with showers. If you can offer your home/shower during this week please see Pastor Rob so we can coordinate a schedule that will work for everyone.

On Wednesday, **May 31st** we will have a cook-out and fellowship beginning at 6:30 pm. Watch your Sunday bulletins and announcements for more details. Please see Pastor Rob if you can help cooking, setting up and/or cleaning up.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Three Adult Sunday School Classes Available

For you early birds... The **Adult Bible Study Class** is led by Bob Wilk and meets every Sunday at **8:15—9:15 am** in the #2 portable building directly behind the main church building.

The **Berean Adult Fellowship** meets every Sunday at **9:15 am** in the #2 portable building directly behind the main church building. This group is starting a new Max Lucado study on the book of Philippians.

The **Young Adult Sunday School Class** meets every Sunday at **9:30 am** in the #2 portable building directly behind the main church building. (18—30 yrs. olds)

AFTERSHOCK

Young Adult Small Group Meets Every Thursday at 6:45 PM

**At the Woodworth's home,
2515 Clover Ridge, League City**

This small group is for high school graduates through 20-something year olds. We are focusing on life lessons, Biblical teachings, mission work and having a whole lot of fun and fellowship. If you can't attend try Skype! For more information please call 281-316-0917.

Men's Ministry

Connection, Accountability, Encouragement & Prayer

Men's Monday Night Ministry

Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship

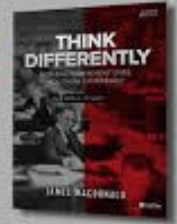
Every Monday thru May 22, 2017

Snacks/Fellowship at 6:30 PM

Bible Study begins at 7:00 pm, followed by dinner

THINK DIFFERENTLY

Nothing is different until you
think differently



by James Macdonald

Everybody Bible Study

Wednesday's at 6:30 pm ~ June, July and August
SIGN-UP Today!

Why do we lose our temper? Why do we tend to hurt those we care for most? How do families find themselves broken? The reason is often the way we think. Beyond behaviors and deeper than attitudes, thinking determines outcome more than anything else. The Book of Romans challenges us to be no longer conformed to the patterns of the world but rather to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. So much of what we are missing in life is associated with the way we process events in the world around us, draw conclusions about our circumstances, and act out of conclusions uninformed by the truth of Jesus and the gospel. In a world constantly bombarded by the fictions of a self-absorbed culture, managing our thinking becomes an even trickier proposition.

If you repeatedly find yourself in places where you don't want to go, it's your thinking that's leading you there. This 10-session Bible study by James MacDonald identifies strongholds, examines how they came to be, and offers believers a biblical path toward repentance and the renewing of their minds. God offers our only hope for victory over disposition, dysfunction, double-mindedness, and every other mental stronghold. With Him we can think differently.

Session topics:

- June 7 Introduction
- June 14 Destroying the Strongholds of Your Disposition
- June 28 Destroying the Strongholds of Your Family Dysfunction-1
- July 5 Destroying the Strongholds of Your Family Dysfunction-2
- July 12 Ending Double-Mindedness
- July 26 Destroying Manufactured Strongholds
- Aug. 2 When Strongholds Crumble
- Aug. 9 Repentance
- Aug 16 When You Fail to Think Differently
- Aug 23 Renewing Your Mind



May 2017 Lamplight ~ Fan the Flame

My DLife group recently tackled Revelation 3:14-21 where we discussed questions ranging anywhere from “How does Christ introduce himself to the Church in Laodicea?” to “If you were to take your spiritual temperature today, would it be cold, hot, or lukewarm?”

Jesus, the “Amen, True Witness, and Beginning of God’s Creation” gives a warning to the Church in Laodicea... *“I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth.” ~ Rev. 3:15-16*

The English Standard translation says, “... I “will” spit you out of my mouth.” However, a closer look at the original language reveals something interesting...

οὕτως (Thus) ὅτι (because) χλιαρὸς (lukewarm) εἶ (you are) καὶ (and) οὔτε (neither) ζεστός (hot) οὔτε (nor) ψυχρός, (cold) μέλλω (I am about) σε (you) ἐμέσαι (vomit) ἐκ (out) τοῦ (the) στόματός (mouth) μου (of me/my).

Translation: Thus, because you are lukewarm and neither hot nor cold I am about to vomit you out of my mouth.

This slight adjustment in translation reveals the depth of God’s patience with His people. God faithfully disciplines his children, and the words —“Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent” — not only serve as a warning, but should also remind us about God’s boundless love. He loves us way too much to allow us to become self-sufficient or complacent. Therefore, whenever we forget **whose** we are and **why** we are, God faithfully heats things up.

As my DLife group pondered the question, “If you were to take your spiritual temperature today, would it be cold, hot, or lukewarm...” the initial response was, “Can we just skip that one?” It’s obviously one of those questions that puts you on the spot. After a few minutes I suggested that we look at the question a little differently. Instead of measuring our spiritual temperature by “what we do”, I suggested that we measure our spiritual temperature by “what God is currently doing in our lives.” Then, instead of measuring by the amount of church attendance, Bible reading, or hours spent in prayer, we focused on God’s activity in our lives.

I fully believe that a vibrant relationship with God is not measured by anything that we do. On the contrary it is measured by what God is doing in and through His children. Oswald Chambers touched on this when he wrote, “Never forget that our capacity and capability in spiritual matters is measured by, and based on the promises of God.”

Personally, I guess it can be summed up this way... The only thing special about me is God’s promised Holy Spirit that indwells me. I am completely dependent upon Him for all things eternal. Because of the Holy Spirit, God is able to change me from the inside out. He aligns my heart and mind with His plan, and as long as He continues to fan the flame of my spiritual temperature, there is no limit to what He can accomplish through me.

In conclusion, please consider the prayerful lyrics from the song *Soul on Fire*, by Third Day...

*God, I’m running for Your heart, I’m running for Your heart, Till I am a soul on fire.
Lord, I’m longing for Your ways, I’m waiting for the day, When I am a soul on fire.
Till I am a soul on fire.*

*Lord, restore the joy I had, I have wandered, bring me back
In this darkness, lead me through, **Until all I see is You***

May this be our prayer!

Remember this... you are loved and you are always in my prayers.

In Christ,
Cheryl

May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1  6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	2	3 6:30-7:30 PM Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study Quarterly Report Deadline	4 	5	6
7  9:30 & 11:00 AM Lord's Supper	8  6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	9	10 Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study 6:30-7:30 PM Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study	11  6:00 PM Merry Widows	12	13
14  HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY	15  6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	16	17 Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study 6:30-7:30 PM Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study	18	19	20  June Newsletter Deadline 4:00 PM Spud Run Prep
21  Spud Run Youth Fundraiser 5:00 PM Quarterly Business & Annual Budget Meeting Covered Dish Dinner following meeting	22  6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	23	24 Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study 6:30-7:30 PM Youth Bible Study & Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study	25 Chisholm Heights Baptist Church  Youth Choir arrives today	26	27  6:15 game
28	29  memorial DAY	30	31  CHURCH COOKOUT 6:30 PM	Regular Sunday Services 8:15-9:15 AM Adult Bible Study 9:15-10:15 AM Berean Adult Fellowship & Youth Bible Study 9:15-9:30 AM 1st Adult Coffee Fellowship 9:10-10:30 AM 1st Nursery / Children's Church 9:30-10:30 AM Young Adult Sunday School 9:30-10:30 AM 1st Worship Service 10:45-11:00 AM 2nd Adult Coffee Fellowship 10:45-Noon 2nd Nursery / Children's Church 11:00-Noon 2nd Worship Service		