# Serving Soon

Volunteers	Next Week Nov 26	Two Weeks Dec 3
Worship Leader	Jacob Glaspell	Jamie Fee
Opening Prayer	JD Sandoval	Mike Wilson
Communion	Steve Liles	JD Sandoval
Announcements	Jeff Felzien	Jimmy Williamson
Children's Church	Kara & Cinda	Kara & Cinda
Sound Booth	Jamie Fee	Jordan Rinard
Nursery Attendant	ТВТ	Alisha Meadows

#### Statistics

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Sunday Bible Classes 65	Buaget
Sunday Worship130	Contribution \$8,286
Small Group58	

#### Leadership

Wednesday Classes ..... 63

Elders	Deacons	Ministers
Jeff Eldridge	David Hubbard	Chuck Forsythe
Dick Moore	Kenny Hoyle	Jacob Glaspell
Gary Stidham	Shane Barker	
Jimmy Williamson	Jamie Fee	Office Manager
	Jeff Felzien	Ashley Eldridge

# **Meeting Times**

Sundays	Wednesdays
Sunday Bible Classes 9:30	Bible Classes 7:00
Sunday Worship 10:30	
Sunday Evening 6:00	

Our mission is to bring people to Jesus and help them become fully devoted followers who demonstrate God's love through service.

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## Sunday, November 19, 2023



# This Morning

Welcome Chuck Forsythe
Worship LeaderAdam Pugh
Farther Along
Just A Little Talk With Jesus
Prayer Dennis Hilby
Ivory Palaces
CommunionRandy Shaw
How Beautiful Heaven Must Be
Offering
Jesus Is All The World To Me
Children's ChurchShelly & Caden
Sermon Chuck Forsythe
More About Jesus

Announcements .....





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#### Paul The Ideal Witness (Part 2)

As a persecutor and enemy of the Faith, and therefore unlike the Disciples, he DID NOT WANT to see a Resurrected Jesus. He was glad he was dead and believed he got what He deserved (as the later Jewish Talmud would say about Jesus).

He was a faithful Jew and would never accept such heretical views like the Jewish Messiah would be both Man and God or the idea that the Messiah would be killed and rise again.

AND YET THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT HE CAME TO BELIEVE RATHER SUDDENLY AND COMPLETELY....

This is where the Critical Scholars start to fidget a bit. What happened to him? It doesn't add up. This puts the scholar in a very difficult position.

You have a leading enemy, who is also a credentialed scholar, in charge of eradicating a faith he suddenly and completely embraces and for which he becomes its leading advocate and scholar. All of this happens overnight. WHY?

PAUL SAYS IT WAS BECAUSE HE SAW THE RISEN JESUS. What do critical scholars say? They say Paul thought he saw the risen Jesus! But he really didn't.

Remember, one of Paul's greatest values is that he is a first-person eyewitness. He is telling you what he saw ... words from his own mouth.

So, why do these critical scholars doubt Paul? When asked this very question, Bart Erdman quickly responded, "he couldn't have. People don't rise from the dead."

But isn't that the point? Would a bad dream or hallucination leave you blind for 3 days? Why would he give up everything and submit to persecution, death threats, beatings, imprisonments. He had it all. He was the best of the best in Israel. Why?

Using the critic's own standards, there is really only one reasonable answer: Jesus rose from the dead and he personally appeared to Paul, just as Paul said.

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Robert Hall

# **Small Groups**

Beavercreek	Young Adult	Teen Group
Group	Group	Jacob Glaspell
Jeff Eldridge	Gary Stidham	304-917-6912
937-603-4269	937-728-4700	Sundays at 6:00
Sundays at 6:00	Sunday at 6:00	
		Building Group
Ladies Group	Beavercreek	Jimmy Williamson
Sharon Felzien	Group	937-776-5021
937-848-7641	Dick Moore	Sundays at 6:00
Sundays at 6:00	937-609-3530	
	Sundays at 5:00	Small Group
		Gary Forrester
		931-993-2080
		JD Sandoval

## **Prayer Requests**

Dessie Neatherton Cole Garringer Jim Villinger Charlie Lightle Charlie Ayers

Mark Lewis **Chris Stewart** 

**College Students** 

Leah Hovle **Grace Beerbower Boston Begley** Nate Strawser

A.J Keys

Alexis Johnson Iennica Fee Madison Liles Shiloh Drake

#### **News and Events**

**NEED TEACHERS:** We need a Teacher for Winter Quarter. 1-3 grade for Wednesday nights.

HOPE RISING NEEDS: Crib sheets, Hooded towels,

Boys and girls shoes sizes NB and 7-13, Gently used diaper bags, winter hats size Preemie, NB, and boys 12 months

LADIES CHRISTMAS PARTY: The annual Ladies Christmas party and gift exchange will be on December 5th at 6p.m. at the home of Debbie Eldridge. Please bring a gift in the \$15 -\$20 range for the exchange, as well as an appetizer to share. For more info see Debbie and sign up on the table in the foyer.

XENIA CHRISTMAS STATION: Friday, December 1st. We will have a booth set up. More info to come.

**BLOOD DRIVE:** The next blood drive will be held December 10th 1-7pm, please see Chuck if you are able to volunteer.

**GOSPEL MISSION:** December 31st, please see Len Moses for questions about serving.

#### WINTER QUARTER CLASSES:

#### **Sunday Morning (Fellowship Hall):**

(round table side) Kenny Williams is teaching using the book: Daniel: Living Among Lions: How to thrive Like Daniel in Today' Babylon.

#### Wednesday night (Fellowship Hall:

(round table side) Len Mose is teaching Lessons from the Major Events in the Life of Christ

#### **Student Ministry**

## grow up, grow out, grow together

**ZOOM BIBLE STUDY:** Thursday nights from 5:30-6:30 starting September 7th. See Jacob for link.

TEEN CHRISTMAS PARTY: December 16th @ 5pm in the Fellowship Hall.

WINTERFEST 2024:ACTS - Feb 15-18. Please see Jacob if you are interested in attending Winterfest this year. Price is \$125 per student. 6th-12th Grade.

SAVE THE DATE: Family Game Night December 8th.