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**SUNDAY:** 9:30 A.M.  
**BIBLE STUDY** 10:30 A.M.  
**WORSHIP** 5:00 P.M.  
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**CHILDREN'S BIBLE HR** 5:00 P.M.  
**WEDNESDAY:** 6:30 P.M.  
**BIBLE STUDY**

**IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY**  
Sundays at 7:30 AM on KOGB—TV34  
November 06, "Authentic Christianity"  
November 13, "God Has Spoken"  
November 20, "Giving Thanks"  
November 27, "Five Warnings"

**SERVING THE CONGREGATION**  
**November 13 2022**

**AM SERVICE:**  
Announcements: Steve Kelly  
Scripture Reader: Dale Beard  
Song Director: TBD  
Opening Prayer: Paul Harris  
Sermon: Logan Edmison  
Closing Prayer: Eddie Beard

Lord's Supper: Roger Farris  
Elevator Side: Dennis Brodersen  
Annex Side: Tracy Gettle

Projection: Bob Stephens  
Video/Audio: Keith Lawrence


**PM SERVICE-PRAYERS:**  
Opening Prayer: Jim Walling  
Closing Prayer: Dalton Path


**WEDNESDAY PM DEVO:**  
Song Leader: Paul Harris


**TIPTON HOME**  
Our Tipton Home collection for the months of **September, October, and November** will be **Paper Towel, Toilet Tissue, and Kleenex.**  
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**Videos will be uploaded later in the day.**



**Elders:**  
Paul Harris  
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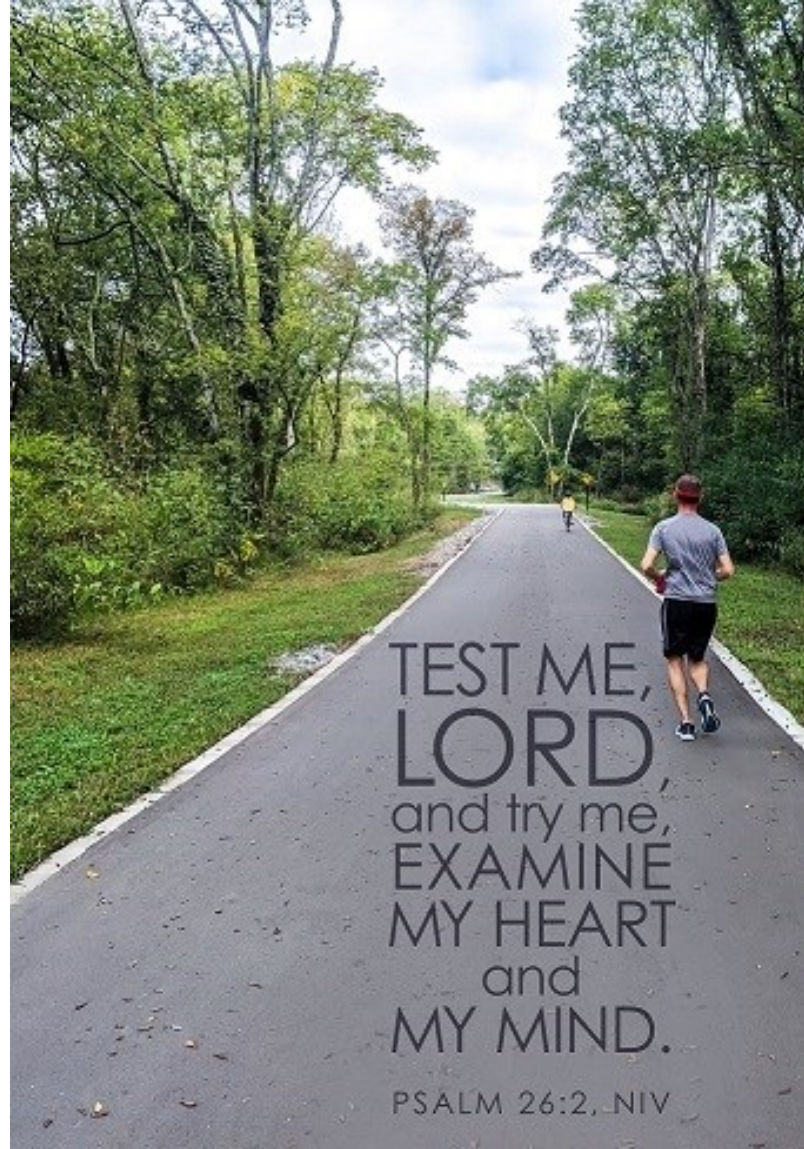
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## Born Again

In John 3, Jesus tells a Pharisee that one must be born of water and Spirit to enter the kingdom. The Pharisee thinks this is somewhat peculiar, but Jesus seems to expect a religious leader to understand this concept. When a Jewish boy, for example, is born, they have a heart, mind, and spirit, and then they are circumcised according to the covenant.

God, through Ezekiel, describes Israel's nativity scene. They were born and no one took care of them. They were helpless and alone, but God took her [Israel], cleaned her and raised her as His own. The baby [Israel] was as good as dead, but God said, "Live!". The woman [Israel] grows into a beautiful woman and the chapter describes her in marriage terms with God. We might think this odd, but Israel was not literally born, nor were they literally married to God, but spiritually.

We all know that circumcision was something that took place at birth for a male Jewish baby, but God expected the entire nation of Israel, male and female, to be circumcised in their heart (Deuteronomy 10:16). "And the Lord your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants, to love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, that you may live" (30:6). This was a major problem in the time of Jeremiah, so he pleads that the people "take away the foreskin" of their "hearts" (Jeremiah 4:4). After captivity, God planned on giving the people a new heart (24:7; 32:39) with a new covenant (Jeremiah 31:31-34).

When we are born again of water and Spirit (John 3:5-6) we are no longer of the flesh but of the Spirit. We've "crucified the flesh" and "live" and "walk in the Spirit". The spiritually newly born has a new Spirit, new mind (Philippians 2:5), and a new heart as a "new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17). We are crucified with Christ and Christ lives in us (Galatians 2:20). And God circumcises our hearts (Colossians 2:11-12). The rebirth is at baptism (when we are born of water and Spirit). As newborn children, we have a new Father, a new family, and a new covenant.

The problem is that the Pharisee talking to Jesus missed the spiritual importance of Israel. It was to be an Israel of moral excellence, obedience to God, and love from a pure heart. Only in Christ do we have this new birth through baptism that puts us into a new relationship, new covenant, and new life with God.

-- Logan Edmison



## Thoughts and Prayers

**We have no members currently in the hospital.**

**Chad Beard** continues to recover after surgery. There are some side effects that have arisen due to medications that have caused some severe problems. Please continue to pray for Chad's healing as he recovers.

**Beau Carter** has had some minor health concerns. He will have an appointment with a specialist for possible treatment.

Let's remember all our shut-ins, those recovering from recent procedures and those that will have upcoming procedures.

3 Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

4 Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?"

5 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

John 3:3-6

## RECORD FOR November 06, 2022

Bible Study	50
AM Worship Service	98
PM Worship Service	33
Wednesday PM Classes	32
Contribution	\$3,154.39

### Reading the Bible in a Year Together

November 14, 2022  
John 19:17-21:25

November 15, 2022  
Acts 1-2

November 16, 2022  
Acts 3-5

November 17, 2022  
Acts 6-7

November 18, 2022  
Acts 8-9

November 19, 2022  
Acts 10-11

November 20, 2022  
Acts 12-13

### CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

Chad Beard	Blake Carter
Boyd Cheney	Carla Dame
Marcia Dennis	Dwyane Dennis
Fredith Hanifan	Sandon Hilditch
Kevin Lafoon	Diane Lawerance
Don Mack	Clay Markle
Lola Mullinax	Winona Seikel
Lynn Stephens	Carl Weeks
Yuvonda Weeks	

### LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday AM Bible School at 9:30 am  
Sunday AM Worship at 10:30 am  
Sunday PM Worship at 5:00 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study at 6:30 pm