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Sunday Morning: Phil Stroud & Potluck Lunch Sunday Evening: No Evening Service!

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"But my righteous one will live by faith. And I take no pleasure in the one who shrinks back." But we do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved!"

~ Hebrews 10:38-39

Satan is an absolute villain... the adversary, the deceiver, the accuser, the "roaring lion seeking someone to devour" (I Peter 5:8). He has been granted limited power and authority over the earth to attempt to "deceive the whole world" (Revelation 12:9). He takes the truth of God's holy word, lifts it out of context, then twists and distorts it to try to make it say things that are contrary to the will of God; as when he tempted Jesus in the wilderness by quoting scripture (see: Matthew 4:5-6). He tries to make the beautiful bride of Christ, the body of Christ, the Church look like a bunch of egotistical, biased, hypocritical bigots because we hold to the teachings of God's word and refuse to call evil good. He takes the beautiful blessings and gifts that God has given—our capacity for learning, our social connections, the desire for health and wellbeing, our material wealth and possessions, religion, family, food, sex, even rainbows—and tries to corrupt, pervert, and turn it all into something ugly.

So, how do I handle Satan's onslaught? Do I run and hide? Do I bury my head in the sand? Do I shy away, shrink back, and refuse to take a stand? Do I sit back and allow the adversary to bury God's beautiful gifts right before my very eyes; or allow him to get away with all his perversions? Or do I refuse to let him win? Do I dare to stand up and be counted among those who *"fight the good fight of faith"* (I Timothy 6:12)?

No matter how "nice" and "socially acceptable" I may want people to perceive me as being, still, the scripture strongly condemns "the cowardly" (Revelation 21:8). We may want to ask ourselves from time-to-time, "Am I ashamed to be seen as a member of the beautiful family of God, the church?" "Am I ashamed of Biblical teaching, or even willing to compromise the truth of God's holy word for the sake of fitting in, escaping persecution, or having a peaceful life?" "Am I really afraid of rainbows?"

Beloved brethren, isn't it time for us to "put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes" (Ephesians 6:11)?

Standing together, hand-in-hand, with you ~ Phil

## Prayers Needed:

Nursing Care/Shut-ins:

Zelma Mauldin (Tammy Carper's mom), Anna Griffin, Doris Teel, Nelva Jones (Carla Sandusky's mom), Willo Dean Ellis (Linda Freeman's mom), Glynn & Elva Compton (Parents of Coilla Smith), and Letha Fullwood <u>Friends and Family:</u>

Family of Adrian Aguirre, a third grader in Sweetwater who passed away this week from illness with Diabetes complications.

**Taylor Morgan** (Daughter-in-Law of Rick and Brenda Morgan) recovering from brain surgery to remove the remainder of a tumor. The surgery was a success. Please pray for complete healing for Taylor.

**Shaundra Parker** is experiencing ongoing health concerns. Please pray hard for complete healing and treatment options for her!

John & LaTonne Rodgers (Parents of Jonna Herrera) are both experiencing health concerns. Please continue to pray for comfort and healing for both of them.

## Expectant Mothers:

Callie Bell, Hannah Hyde, Tatum Richburg, Amber Summerlin, Sierra Thompson, and Amber Hesterly. Those Battling Cancer:

Faith Boren (Thyroid Cancer), Son of Carolina Perez (8 years old, at Cooks for treatment), Jackson Richburg, Danny Butler, Taylor Epperson, Jimmie Joy, Willis Hughes, Tim & Belinda Ince, Ina Beth McCoy (of Abilene), Amber Appleby, Charles Speer, Charlette Moss, Tad Perkin, Walt Richburg, Sandy Bryant, Linda Sneed, and Koti Lindsey

## Missionaries:

Edward & Elsie Nkosi in South Africa, Alfred Habashy in Egypt, Byron Benitez & Hawatthia Jones in Guatemala, Grayling Church of Christ in Grayling, Michigan, and Cade Pharis and Disciple Trips' work at the St. John's Church in Antigua.

New in Christ: Destiny Maldonado, Junior Juan San Agustin, and Aiimay San Agustin



<u>6th-8th</u>—Downtown 801 E Broadway <u>9th & 10th</u>—@Randall & Coilla's 1530 W Broadway <u>11th & 12th</u>—@Caden & Britt's 4010 CR 111



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Weekly Services:	Elders:	Deacons:	Weekly Records:
<u>SUNDAY</u> Bible Class— 9:30 AM Worship—10:30 AM Evening— 6:00 PM <u>WEDNESDAY</u> Bible Study— 7:00 PM	Kim Alexander Paul Johnson Randall Smith <b>Minister:</b> Phil Stroud	Sean Cain Wade Carper Ronnie Helm Don Martin Shane Parker Allen Pharis Shane Summerlin	Bible Class41 Worship96 Contribution\$5,312 Budget\$3,900
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	eks in December by	<b>January</b> <b>Birthdays:</b> 5th—Willis Hughes 14th—Jeannie McBurnett 14th—David Rich 15th—John Ruben Herrera	

Anniversaries: 26th—Ronnie & Ramona Helm

21st—Alyssa Cain 22nd—Finley Smith 23rd—Michelle Allen 27th—Skye Bishop