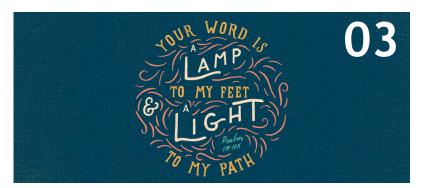


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Psalm 119:105

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Sunshine in Motion 5K FUN RUN | MAY 4 | 9AM PALOUSECHURCH.ORG/SUNSHINE

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE 2ND ANNUAL SUNSHINE IN MOTION FUN RUN!

TOGETHER WE RAISED \$2,300 TO HELP SEND KIDS TO SUMMER CAMP!



Back for a Limited Time!

When: Friday, June 7 @ 5:30 PM

Where: **Great Northern University**

611 E. Indiana Ave. Spokane, WA 99207

GNU's Board of Trustees is hosting a What:

summer cookout fundraiser!

Why: The goal of this event is to raise funds

that are needed as we

accreditation.

How:

GNU requests a \$100 donation per cheeseburger for those who attend. Those who cannot attend can still give.

More details can be found online at:

www.greatnorthernu.org/events/100cheeseburger

CAMP CAR WASH **FUNDRAISER**

Thursday July 25 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Banner Bank Parking Lot

Car Wash by Donation

Youth & Adult **Volunteers Needed**

Contact Brenda Cook: bicook@hotmail.com







LAMP & LIGHT **JOURNEY**

Tim Sievers

This Summer, we're embarking on a journey of scripture memorization.

I know that might sound a little

intimidating, but I assure you, the verses we've chosen have the benefit of being both wonderfully helpful...and...short!

The Apostle Paul, wrote in the second of his letters to his mentee and co-worker, Timothy:

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it 15 and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

What a beautiful description of the divine origin and the authoritative role of scripture for the followers of the Way. All Scripture is profitable for the people of God. It's helpful for correcting our faults and teaching us the way in which we should walk - the way of righteousness.

With the Bible so readily available on mobile and other electronic devices, I've noticed in myself, a distinct lack

of discipline in my life when it comes scripture memorization. course, in my childhood and adolescence, I was eager to memorize scripture, but, that was in a time before Internet and Apps, a time before we all carried mobile electronic devices capable of searching and identifying any scripture you could want in just a matter of seconds. And there's a difference really, there is between having access to the scripture and knowing e in your Believe it or scripture

Lamp and Light Journey Summer Scripture Focus June 2 – Sept. 15

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

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not - there will be times in your life when access to the scripture by way of a printed Bible or digital device may not be possible. At a particular time in my life when I faced great adversity, God brought to mind that wonderful and challenging verse from 1 Thessalonians 5:16: "Give thanks in all circumstances." When I needed a bit of correction, Psalm 119:11: "I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you." God's scriptures are such a help, in the midst of trials, when we're trapped in the grip of grief, when we need to be held accountable for our un-Christian conduct or even when we need just a few words of encouragement to speak to a friend.

I thank God for his faithfulness in bringing to mind scriptures I had hidden in my heart when I needed help. Turning and returning to his word brought light to my path and helped me move forward in the direction God was leading or to offer a word of encouragement to a friend in need.

This is part of the reason God has given us his scriptures - to equip us for the work we are to do in this life: living righteously, loving our neighbor, and sharing the gospel.

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE LAMP & LIGHT JOURNEY

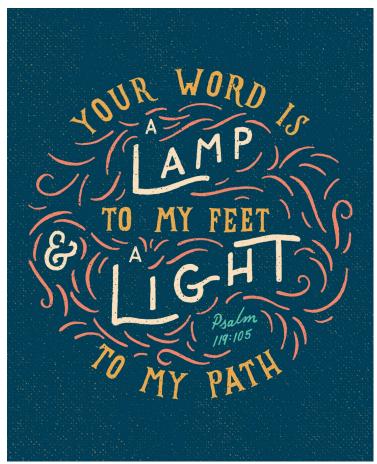
I hope you will join us this summer as we strive to hide God's word in our hearts through the Lamp & Light Journey! You can participate both at church as well as at home or even when you're on the road! Here's how:

AT CHURCH | Each week, outside the sanctuary, we will post a new verse to memorize. On the resource table there will be 4x6 postcards of the same verse that you may take with you as a reminder or send to a friend. Additionally, there will be coloring sheets available for kids (or adults).

AT HOME & ON THE ROAD | The verse also will be featured in our weekly e-mails, and on Facebook. If you're interested in downloading the images for your computer desktop or mobile device, I encourage you to visit www.scripturetype.com, and click "Resources."

ENCOURAGEMENT | If you memorize all 16 verses and recite them to me by the end of September, you will receive a leather embossed bookmark to commemorate your achievement and encourage you to continue on the journey to hide God's word in your heart.

This summer, may we all turn to the scriptures as a lamp to our feet and a light to our paths - to guide us on the journey!



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SUMMER CAMPS @ ROSS POINT

REGISTER FOR ALL CAMPS & RETREATS ONLINE @ WWW.ROSSPOINT.ORG

Junior High Camp 6th - 9th Grades | June 16-21

My First Camp 2nd Grade and Under | June 21-22

Middler Camp 2nd - 4th Grades | June 23-26

<u>Junior Camp</u> 4th - 6th Grades | June 23-28

Senior High Camp 9th - 12th Grades | June 30—July 5

NEED A SCHOLARSHIP? CONTACT BRENDA COOK, PASTOR COREY OR ARIEL SCHULZ.



SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Brenda Cook

Sunday School recently wrapped up for the year and with that, I want to thank our very caring and attentive teachers! We have been able to offer classes to a wide range of agesour youngest students aged 3 and oldest being 16!



Thank you to Carol Fielder, Anita McGovern, Bertha Paul, Paula Schwartz, Justin Brown, Mark Sawyer, Brenda Cook, Mike Patrick and Phil Weagraff. Also, a special thank you to Heather Schwartz for making sure there were snacks downstairs for the kids every Sunday. I appreciate your commitment to teach nine months out of the year - that is a lot of Sundays! We will now take a summer break from

thank you!

classes and resume again in mid-September. Have a wonderful summer and thank you for taking good care-physically and spirituallyof our children. Please thank a teacher when you see them around!

Just because Sunday School is on a break doesn't mean there are not learning opportunities still at church. Consider taking part in our Summer

Lamp & Light Journey of scripture memorization, and as always, you and your families are welcome to join us in worship each Sunday at 9 or 11 am.



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The Bible App

Did you know YouVersion has created a Bible App just for kids? By

for kids? By introducing children to 41 of the "big" Bible stories, the Bible App for Kids helps them understand the overall story that the Bible is telling. Kid-friendly navigation helps them find and select whichever story they want, then reads it aloud to them in a friendly narrative style. Throughout each story, fun, interactive animations keep children engaged, and select stories even include games designed to help them learn, understand, and retain important Bible story concepts.



The Bible App can help you read the scripture and strengthen your faith. Look for The Bible App and the Bible App for Kids in your device's App Store!

- Read the Bible, or let audio versions read the Bible to you.
- Subscribe to Plans, daily portions of Scripture paired with devotional, audio, or video selections.
- Add bookmarks, highlights and private or public notes to any verse in the Bible.
- Compare versions to see how different translations of the Bible express a given passage.
- Easily share Bible passages on social media, in texts, or via e-mail.
- Create verse images, shareable Bible art, that uses your own photos or free background images.
- Add **friends**, you can read plans together and experience the Bible in community.



Bible Studies

Tuesday

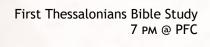
Men's Way Too Early Study Sermon Scriptures 5:30 AM @ PFC

First Thessalonians Bible Study
10 AM @ PFC

Wednesday

Ladies Bible Study Sermon Scriptures 9 AM @ PFC

> Youth Group 6:30 PM @ PFC



Thursday

Ladies Bible Study Sermon Scriptures 3 PM @ Tina Laughary's



CHURCH ON A HILL PODCAST

Each week, Pastor Corey Laughary and Tim Sievers co-host the Church on a Hill Podcast - reviewing the sermon, discussing upcoming events and ministry opportunities and

ministry opportunities and generally having a good time. Each podcast is about 20 minutes so it's easy to listen to on your way to or from Pullman or Moscow...or anytime!

Find us on Apple Podcasts, Tuneln, Google Play Music and the SoundCloud App (for smartphones, tablets, etc.) - search "Palouse Church on a Hill," or click on the link in the weekly e-mail or on the church's Facebook page.

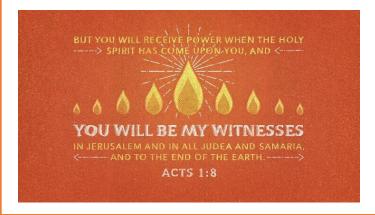
The podcast is a great way to keep up with what's happening when you're on the go. Check it out and feel free to share it with a friend.

THE BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH PENTECOST IS JUNE 9

In the Book of Acts, we read about the beginnings of Christianity. The Jewish festival called Pentecost was a celebration of God's provision from the harvest. God used that ancient established festival as the beginning point of Christianity. God poured out His Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other first followers of Jesus. There was now a great harvest of souls as 3,000 people were added as believers.

Jesus had promised the Holy Spirit, what He called "The Counselor" or "The Helper" (Greek: "paraclete"). The plan of God was not just for Jesus to die on the cross and rise from the dead, but also to make the way for true believers in God to have the Spirit of God within their lives. Having the Holy Spirit is part of the good news of being a Christ follower. We have a deep, close connection with God. This is not of our own doing, but by God's marvelous gift!

Celebrate Pentecost and remember and honor that God has shared His Holy Spirit with the Church, the body of believers throughout all the centuries and on every continent.



LIFE LESSONS

Pastor Corey Laughary

We had 22 local high school seniors involved with our Life Lessons Outreach this past month! That is our biggest number yet, and we are so thankful to God for each one we were able to serve. Thank you to all who prayed and volunteered to make this ministry possible.

Thank you also to all who have given in the past to make the \$250 award available to each and every student who finishes the three classes and mentoring session. You are making a difference with your donation.



If you want to give to the Life Lessons fund you can always designate "Life Lessons" in the memo line of your check, on your giving envelope, or in a note with your online donation.

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DEEP TRUTH FOR DARK TIMES PSALM 88

Pastor Corey Laughary

Psalm 88 is, for me, one of the darkest chapters of scripture in the whole Bible. It ends by saying, "Darkness is my only friend." That's pretty dark. Why would such a dark Psalm be in the Bible? Isn't the Bible supposed to give us hope and encourage us?



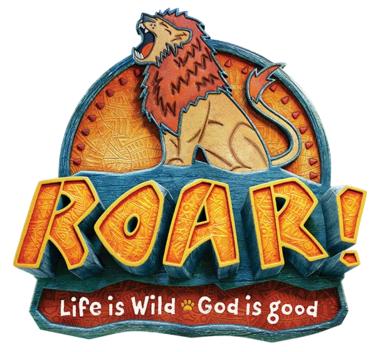
Yes- the Bible has plenty of good news that should encourage the soul that truly believes. We should be encouraged by the amazing goodness of God and His gracious love toward us, even while we were sinners! We should have great hope that God has a plan for our lives and through Jesus has made a way for us to have a new and meaningful life through Him and with Him in eternity forever. Even with all this good news, there is reason for sobering and dark scriptures in the Bible. God knows we live in a beautiful, but broken world. He knows that our souls will at times be in despair. So, God made sure that the Bible included honest reflections of dark experiences. In the Bible you will find not only the darkness of Psalm 88, but you will find the prophet Elijah depressed, you will find Jesus sweating drops of blood, Job in misery on a pile of ashes, and Paul suffering with his "thorn in the flesh." The Bible is not all sweetness and light. It has real stories, real wisdom, and real truth for the difficult circumstances that come from being a human on planet Earth.

I want to encourage you to explore the richness of the Psalms and other scriptures that admit the darkness of this world. Read Psalm 88 and think on it. Admit any of your dark struggles to God. Confess them out loud if that helps. Pray for others you know who struggle with dark issues and feelings. Pray that your heart would break over the dark issues in the world and those who find themselves in a situation where they feel "darkness is my only friend."

There is hope. We have a God who entered our darkness to be our light. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." I believe He truly is. The darkness will not overcome Him.

Depend on Jesus my friends,

Pastor Corey



SAVE THE DATE VBS 2019 | AUG. 5-9

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CONTACT:

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ARIEL SCHULZ arielschulz17@gmail.com (509) 850-8811

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

Ariel Schulz

I want to thank everyone who supports our ministry by providing dinners, offering financial support, praying faithfully for the kids, and being involved in our teens' lives. Your care makes a difference! God has blessed our ministry



so much this last year as we've grown in size, having between 6 and 12 kids that join us most weeks.

Some of the main themes we've been learning about and discussing are friendship, prayer, and following God in the hard times. If you see a kid in church or recognize one of our youth group members out and about in the community, don't be afraid to start a conversation! Ask them about what they're learning or how school is going. Adult mentors in the church have a big impact on lasting faith for teens.

With the school year coming to an end, we're preparing our summer plans. Dates are still to be decided, but we'll be starting up our game days, preparing for camp fundraisers, and looking for service opportunities. Watch PFC's Facebook page for more updates.



UPCOMING TRAINING

Saturday | June 22 | 8 AM to 4 PM

Palouse Federated Church 635 N. Bridge St. Palouse, WA 99161 (509) 878-1509

Cost: \$10 Includes Lunch and Your Workbook (Class Value is \$170)

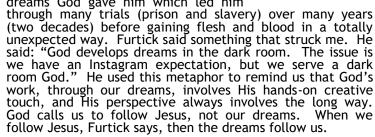
Register online: www.palousechurch.org/mhfa

The cost for this training is subsidized thanks to the generous support of Palouse Federated Church, the Palouse Lions Club, individual donors and a grant from the Innovia Foundation's New Life on the Palouse Grant Program.

Long Beginnings: GNU & Me

Kay Tronsen

I was listening recently to a podcast called "The Danger of a Dream," by Steven Furtick, the pastor of Elevation, a multi-huge church in North Carolina. The sermon was about the Old Testament story of Joseph and the dreams God gave him which led him



A group of professors followed God's call to create a new Christian university called Great Northern University (GNU). We just finished our first official year at GNU (TA DA!) and graduated nine students in May 2019. So, some stats: we have seven full-time professors (all with PhD's), along with adjunct instructors, administrators three fourteen (President, Provost, and CEO). We have two full-time administrative staff, and a full-time registrar. That's us! We had 41 full-time students in the fall and 44 in the spring. We also had 10 to 12 people auditing classes. We felt God's call, dreamed big, and now we are walking it out, sometimes sprinting, up hill and dale, and around the corners as they come. I would say God still is working His stuff in the dark room - the outside red light is on ("Do not enter—pictures are processing"), and those incarnations will be done when they are done. We have seen God do amazing things (come check out our library!). I know I have gotten stronger legs of faith by jumping over hurdles I probably would not have encountered in any other way.



FIRST invitation: I would like to invite you to join GNU on Friday, June 7, 5:30 PM for a really, really, really good \$100 hamburger fundraising event. We are in the process of seeking accreditation which I've learned can be quite expensive (adding to a long list of things I didn't know before starting a university), so these funds will be earmarked for that process. We are located at 611 E. Indiana in Spokane (4th Memorial Church is our host). I do have couches and comfy carpets if anyone wants to stay in my small place! Dale makes a mean omelet.

SECOND invitation: I would also like to encourage you to sign up for our monthly newsletter at https://www.greatnorthernu.org/. Click at the bottom of the page. Our website recently won three "Spark" awards including "Brightest Spark Award" (competing against much larger schools) and an award for our logo. So check us out! By being part of our newsletter family, you are showing support in a real and tangible



support in a real and tangible (i.e., countable) way. Also, if you know any young (or old) person who is looking for an affordable, Bible-centered, and God-honoring education, point them our way!

As I write, I always feel the impulse to express my appreciation for PFC and tell you how much Dale and I miss serving with you all. I still pray for you daily. And (spoiler alert: confession coming), I am not good at maintaining long-distance relationships, as I am sure some of you have noticed. In fact, I

am terrible at it. Please know I would love to see you - so if you are in Spokane (which is where I am), feel free to call me up and re-connect. My cell phone number is the same.

Here's to long beginnings and a faithful God who can see in the dark!

PSALMS OF HELP

Tina Laughary

I once heard an interview with one of my favorite musicians, Bono, who is a singer and songwriter for the Irish band U2. In the interview, he was talking about writing song lyrics. He was asked if he found it difficult to do. I don't remember his exact words, but he said something like:



"I only find it difficult NOT to write them. They play over and over in my head. They wake me up at night. The words pursue me relentlessly until I give them their way and write them down. It is as if God Himself has placed them inside my head. I get no rest until I let them out."

I wondered recently if this was similar to the way King David felt as he penned his Psalms. The Psalms are raw and honest, and deal with depression, despair, regret, shame, guilt, joy, euphoria, celebration and much, much praise. I'm sure King David and the other Psalmists wrote the thoughts and phrases swimming through their heads. I also believe all scripture is God-breathed, and therefore, God directly inspired the Psalmists to write. The Psalms were divinely designed as an outlet, not only for King David, but for me and for you.

I have so enjoyed the series Pastor Corey has recently begun in the book of Psalms. We have only made our way through one chapter so far (Psalm 139), but already we have focused on what I believe to be the key to living in this world, and the key is this: a correct understanding of who God is and who I am in relationship to Him. Who is God? According to Psalm 139, He is the author of all that is. He is the one who designed every living person and thing, who had a beautiful plan long before they were brought into existence. He is the one who never leaves us in our darkness but comes to find us with His light that burns through that darkness. Who does Psalm 139 say I am? I am a creation of God, knit together by Him, fearfully and wonderfully in my mother's womb. I am wanted, planned and uniquely designed. I fall into darkness. I struggle with hatred. I get lost. I get discouraged. But, I have relationship with the one true God. He's light in my darkness. He always knows where I am. He authors my courage and my hope.

I am not a song writer or a poet. Words don't often swirl around in my head demanding I put them to paper. This is precisely why I need the poets and songwriters to express what I am feeling. I need scripture to help my soul pray. God knew I would need this kind of help. He knew I needed the words of the Psalms to encourage my soul, to inspire me to sing praises to His name. This is why he put the words in the head of the Psalmist. If you haven't yet read through the book of Psalms for yourself, I would encourage you to give it a try. Allow the Holy Spirit to speak into your life through scripture. You may just find the words to express what your soul is singing.

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PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for renewal and revival in our region.
- Pray for Juno (cousin of Tecla Blood), lost his home to fire.
- Pray for Keith Sievers, broken femur and hip.
- Pray for Marilyn, friend of Diana Cochran, recovering from surgery to remove a tumor.
- Pray for Anita McGovern, for healing & encouragement.
- Pray for Tony Jeffers, recovering from shoulder surgery.
- Pray for Frances West, ongoing health concerns.
- Pray for the people of Venezuela.
- Pray for Zack & Kelsey (daughter of Will & Penny Thurman) Spear. Zack recently deployed to Afghanistan and Kelsey is working and pursuing a Master's degree.
- Pray for Kaynan Zachow, for strength in his new path.
- Pray for Keiona Zachow, Multiple Sclerosis and for her future and a safe and healthy pregnancy.
- Pray for Bill Dernell, Sr., health issues.
- Pray for Pastor Martin's wife Mary in Uganda, ongoing health concerns.
- Pray for Mike Burnett, cancer.
- Pray for Doreen Hanson's brother Frank, kidney failure.
- Pray for Mary Kernan, broken arm & cancer.
- Pray for Lynda Mills, daughter-in-law of Angie Cochran, heart issues.
- Pray for Sarah McCusker, friend of Tracy Lee Sievers, advanced Huntington's Disease.
- Pray for Ellen, friend of Tecla Blood, ongoing health concerns.
- Pray for Don Comstock, ongoing health concerns.
- Pray for Barbra Vail, ongoing health concerns.
- Pray for Carol Stillman, cancer.
- Pray for Bev Glass, ongoing health concerns.
- Pray for Tecla Blood, ongoing health issues.
- Pray for Carrie Doramus' dad, Richard Gamet, dementia/ cancer.
- Pray for Charlotte, friend of Don Gilliland, Parkinson's.
- Pray for Don Gilliland, ongoing health issues.
- Pray for Paula Fielder Leftwich, cancer.
- Pray for Monte, friend of Tecla Blood—ongoing health concerns.
- Pray for Brittany Sawyer's Uncle Jon-Alzheimer's.
- Pray for Judy Hart, stroke.
- Pray for Meredith Willcox, cancer.
- Pray for our Bishop Place ministry and ministry team.
- Pray for our national and community leaders.
- Pray for our nation that peace, compassion, love and unity win out over hate, discord and division.
- Pray for your Oikos—those that God has strategically and supernaturally placed in your life.
- Pray for active duty service members.

PRAISES AND PRAYERS FOR THESE MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES:

- Pray for Young Life and Wyld Life.
- Pray for our International Mission Partners.
- Pray for the Bible study at Eastern State Hospital and the residents.
- Praise God for our youth ministry leaders. Pray for youth to come to Christ.
- Pray for our missionaries and partner church and orphanage in Uganda (pastors, teachers, orphans).

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS:

Richard Kayser Catherine Tuck Arnetta Tompkins Frances West Don Gilliland Dory Tuttle Steve Gill

MISSION MEASURES

FIVE QUESTIONS TO HELP YOU
DETERMINE IF YOU ARE DEPENDING ON
JESUS TO RESTORE YOUR [IMPERFECT]
LIFE

- 1. How is my daily talk with God?
- 2. What am I busy about?
- 3. How have I made myself available to Jesus today?
- 4. How do I daily serve my neighbor?
- 5. Do I give time to let others help me grow?

OIKOS -WHAT IS IT?

Your Oikos is the 8 to 15 people you interact with on a regular basis that God has supernaturally and strategically placed in your life friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers.



Nobody is better equipped to share the truth of Jesus with them than you.

Pick up and fill out one of our OIKOS Prayer Cards and start praying for the people in your OIKOS to grow in their relationship with Jesus. We even have OIKOS Prayer Cards for Kids!

Or...Download the OIKOS App today - search "8to15" in your app store.

| June 02 | 9 & 11 AM | Psalms Darkness: Feeling Rejected | Psalm 88 |
|---------|-----------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| June 09 | 9 & 11 AM | The Spirit of Truth | John 14:15-17 |
| June 16 | 9 & 11 AM | Psalms Darkness: Where is the Hope? | Psalm 88 |
| June 23 | 9 & 11 AM | Psalms How Long? (Tim Sievers) | Psalm 13 |
| June 30 | 9 & 11 AM | Psalms The Concise Truth | Psalm 117 |



PULLMAN WORSHIP SERVICE

You're invited to join us for worship in Pullman at our Bishop Place Worship Service. Worship Services are at 1:30 PM in the Social Room - 815 SE Klemgard St.





PALOUSE FEDERATED CHURCH CALENDAR

| 13 14 1530 AM Men's Breakfast 11 AM Ralnh Heinlen Me- | y 70 80 80 Y |
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| 2 3 PM Ladies Bible Study @ Tina Laughary's | 3 PM Ladies Bible Study @ Tina Laughary's |
| | 9 AM Ladles Bible Study** 6:30-8:30 PM Youth Group @ 7 PM 1 Thessalonians Bible Study |
| 11 15:30 AM Way too Early 9 AM L Men's Bible Study* 6:30-8:3 | Men's Bible Study* 6:30-8:3 10 AM Bible Study* 7 PM 1 Bible Si |
| 10 5:30 AM Way Men's Bible St 10 AM Bible | 10 AM Bible |
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| 1:30 PM Bishop Place | 11 AM Worship 1:30 PM Bishop Place |

Depending on Jesus to Restore Our [Imperfect] Lives