

# Sharing some pearls from the Bible

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BIG SANDY, Texas—On Saturday, June 13, the Church of God Big Sandy hosted a meal for its senior citizens. Younger members of the congregation plan such meals at various times throughout the year. It is enjoyable to eat the good food and fellowship with friends.

During these meals we often share stories about our lives. I was born on Sept. 8, 1926, which makes me 82 years old. That's long enough to see many good and bad events in the course of history. I was baptized into the Body of Christ in Milwaukee, Wis., in 1956. I have enjoyed the adventure of learning more about God and His Kingdom.

At this last meal our pastor asked us, as senior citizens, to write down some "words of wisdom" that he could put on our Web site to share with the Body of Christ.

Per my pastor's request, I would like to mention the following four sections of Scripture as helpful reminders.

■ ***Ecclesiastes 12:13-14:*** When all has been heard, the conclusion of the matter is to fear (respect) God and to keep His commands, which are for all humanity. For God will bring every act to judgment, including every hidden thing, whether good or evil.

■ ***John 13:34-35:*** Our Savior told His disciples how people should be able to identify them. By this shall all men know.

■ ***1 Corinthians 13:1-13:*** Faith, hope and love will endure. And the greatest of these is love.

■ ***Isaiah 42:1-8:*** I especially like reading this section of Scripture from the Holman Christian Standard Bible translation.