# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Church of God Big Sandy**

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Sept. 8, 2018 • 2:00 p.m. • Sunset 7:36

#### Bible studies and classes

| Interactive study (1:00) | Dave Havir     |
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| Bible study (2:00)       | Lenny Cacchio  |
| Teen class               | . Jeanine Case |

### **Order of service**

| Song leader       | Reg Killingley |
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| Pianist           | Bea Gusner     |
| Scripture reading | Acts 9:10-22   |
| Sermon            | Lenny Cacchio  |

## **Quick takes**

- Welcome to our guest speaker—The congregation welcomes Lenny and Diane Cacchio from the Kansas City area. Mr. Cacchio will be giving the 2:00 Bible study and the sermon during the church service. (He is also scheduled to give the Bible study in our building at the Feast of Trumpets on Monday.)
- Combined for Feast of Trumpets—Here is the schedule for the Feast of Trumpets on Monday, Sept. 10.

■ 1:00 Bible study with Lenny Cacchio

■ 2:00 Church service with Jeff Reed giving the sermon

■ 3:00 Potluck meal

- Day of Atonement—The congregation will observe the Day of Atonement on Wednesday, Sept. 19. The schedule is Bible study at 2:00 and church service at 3:00.
- 4. Financial assistance for those staying in Big Sandy for the Feast—Anyone in the congregation who is staying at our site here in Big Sandy for the Feast of Tabernacles and who needs financial assistance may contact Dave Havir.

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 Recent "Eye on the World" editions uploaded on the website—After Dixon Cartwright returned home from rehab on Wednesday, he was able to reconfigure three editions of "Eye on the World" (that had been distributed in the auditorium) and to post them on our website for those of our extended audience who are interested.

- Two weekly articles are operational again—Two of the weekly articles (Edifying the Body and Among Friends) that had been postponed were created again for this week.
- 7. Edifying the Body—This week's article is "Explaining American Leftists" by Dennis Prager.
- 8. Among Friends—This week's article is "Matthew 5:4" by Dave Havir.
- 9. Eye on the World—This week's "Eye on the World" is 30 pages.

# **Prayer updates**

Please remember the people who have been regularly mentioned in our recent bulletins.

In last week's bulletin, we mentioned that **Ron Avey** was diagnosed as being anemic (which is a new condition for him). The doctor informed him that this diagnosis has already cleared up. Mr. Avey is looking forward to beginning his outpatient rehab. As was previously mentioned, he has received a "release date" of Oct. 2.

On Wednesday, **Dixon Cartwright** was able to return home. He is using a Rollator to get around.

Please remember **Jennifer Faulkner** of St. Louis, Mo. (wife of **Jim Faulkner** and sister-in-law of **Carol Bald**), who has been battling cancer for the last two years and who recently started a very aggressive treatment. Their mailing address is on the bulletin board.

# **New prayer requests**

Several weeks ago, **Leslie Harroff** was diagnosed with lupus. There have been days when she has chosen to remain in bed.

On Tuesday, **Ron Feaker** went to the doctor for an EKG and some blood work. He is dealing with anxiety over missing **Gracie** at night (who has been spending weeks for rehab in Gladewater). On Wednesday, Mr. Feaker fell in the shower. On Thursday, Mr. Feaker went to Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler, where he was diagnosed with "fluid on the outside of his lungs." He is in Room 478.

**Doug More** of Tyler (a man who has mowed the yard of **Laura Moran**) recently learned that he had a mass in his brain and had brain surgery a month ago.

## Feast speaking schedules

## **Big Sandy, Texas**

Monday, Sept. 24 Tuesday, Sept. 25 Wednesday, Sept. 26 Thursday, Sept. 27 Friday, Sept. 28 Saturday, Sept. 29 Sunday, Sept. 30

Monday, Oct. 1

Daniel Botha Dave Havir Ron Avey Bert Moers Ron Avey Reg Killingley Reg Killingley

Lyle Kerby

Stan West and Daniel Botha

## Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Monday, Sept. 24 Tuesday, Sept. 25 Wednesday, Sept. 26 Thursday, Sept. 27 Friday, Sept. 28 Saturday, Sept. 29 Sunday, Sept. 30 Monday, Oct. 1

Jim Johns
Chris Kerby and Dave Havir
Ryan Andrews and Dave Havir
Chad Tate and John Bair
Arnold Stamey

Arnold Stamey Steve Andrews Jim Johns

## **Prescott, Ariz.**

Monday, Sept. 24 Tuesday, Sept. 25 Wednesday, Sept. 26 Thursday, Sept. 27 Friday, Sept. 28 Saturday, Sept. 29 Sunday, Sept. 30 Monday, Oct. 1 Dave Havir Stan West Ray Stapp Dennis Benson Pat Gordon Stan West Family Day Ray Stapp

# **Destin, Fla.**

Monday, Sept. 24 Tuesday, Sept. 25 Wednesday, Sept. 26 Thursday, Sept. 27 Friday, Sept. 28 Saturday, Sept. 29 Sunday, Sept. 30 Monday, Oct. 1

Ken Tate and Neal Parker
Mark Gully
Ben Franklin and Matt Chalmers
Neal Parker
Danny Miller and Neil McIver
Bernie Monsalvo and Dave Havir
Ken Tate
Steven Gibson and Dave Havir

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## "Matthew 5:4"

This article is from the "Among Friends" section of the Church of God Big Sandy's website, churchofgodbigsandy.com. It was posted for the weekend of Sept. 8, 2018.

#### By Dave Havir

B IG SANDY, Texas—Many Bible students enjoy reading scriptures from the section that is generally called the Sermon on the Mount (chapters 5 through 7 in the book of Matthew).

When Christ saw the multitude, He went up on a mountain (Matthew 5:1). When He was seated, His disciples came to Him (same verse). Then, He began to teach them (verse 2). Today, let's look at Matthew 5:4.

*Matthew 5:4*—"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

#### Those who mourn

Let us first acknowledge that our heavenly Father promises blessings to those who have a relationship with Him.

John 10:10—"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

However, let's also acknowledge that our heavenly Father promises that His begotten children will experience trials in this life.

Notice some other verses that promise hard times (including temporary mourning) in this life.

- Genesis 50:20
- Matthew 16:24-27
- Mark 10:29-30
- Luke 14:26-33
- John 15:20
- John 16:20-33
- Acts 14:21-22
- Romans 8:17
- 1 Corinthians 4:9-13
- 2 Corinthians 11:23-33
- Philippians 4:11-13
- 1 Thessalonians 3:3
- 2 Timothy 3:12
- Hebrews 5:7
- 1 Peter 4:12-16

#### They shall be comforted

One of the greatest promises in this life is that our heavenly Father will guide us through the stormy trials.

He understands our mourning and He comfort us.

2 Corinthians 1:5-7—"For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abounds through Christ. Now if we are afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation, which is effective for enduring the same sufferings which we also suffer. Or if we are comforted, it is for your consolation and salvation. And our hope for you is steadfast, because we know that as you are partakers of the sufferings, so also you will partake of the consolation."

2 Corinthians 1:8-10—"For we do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, of our trouble which came to us in Asia: that we were burdened beyond measure, above strength, so that we despaired even of life. Yes, we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves but in God who raises the dead, who delivered us from so great a death, and does deliver us; in whom we trust that He will still deliver us."

Matthew 26:38-39—"Then He said to them, 'My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me.' He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, 'O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will.'"

2 Corinthians 1:3-4—"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God."