

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church of God Big Sandy

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Jan. 25, 2020 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 5:45

Bible studies and classes

Interactive study (1:00)	Daniel Botha
Bible study (2:00)	Daniel Botha
Teen class	Martha Mclver

Order of service—3:00 p.m.

Song leader	Daniel Botha
Pianist	Dixon Cartwright
Scripture reading	Exodus 1:1–22
Sermon	Reg Killingley

Quick takes

1. Interrelating with other congregations—Today, Dave Havir speaks at a church service where two small congregations in the Houston area are combining.
2. Board approved the budget—Last Saturday evening, the church board had a meeting to approve the budget submitted by the Budget Committee.
3. Very rare to cancel church service—It is the custom of our congregation to avoid canceling our church service due to inclement weather. Even with a lower attendance in the building on a specific day due to weather in our area, we still hope to serve the audience on the website.
4. Main reason for canceling church service—Our main reason for canceling a church service is the loss of electricity.
5. Interactive this week—The interactive Bible study today is scheduled to be a continuation of “Proverbs 6:16-19” moderated by Daniel Botha.
6. Edifying the Body—This week’s article is “Finding Angel” by Burt Prelutsky.
7. Among Friends—This week’s article is “Sufferings of the Son” by Dave Havir.
8. Eye on the World—This week’s “Eye on the World” is 24 pages.

Prayer updates

Please remember to pray for the following people who are not able to regularly attend our church service—**Sonny Rosenberger, Laura Moran, Boyd Payne, Annette Payne** and **Timberly Dunnam**.

In the Jan. 11 bulletin, we mentioned how **Eli Benedict** had missed three consecutive weeks of church—due to a variety of challenges that included a rash on his chest. (It was nice to see Mr. Benedict at the church service last week.) He is still dealing with the rash. While the itching is a nuisance, the larger problem is how the rash has interfered with his sleeping. The Benedicts appreciate you prayers.

In the Jan. 11 bulletin, we mentioned that **David Bonilla** was dealing with his heart operating at about 20 percent and with weak kidneys. His wife, **Becky**, mentioned the following two comments. First—while his heart challenges have reduced his energy, he has not been experiencing pain because of his heart challenges. Second—he continues to have problems with his kidneys. (Dialysis has apparently not been recommended because of his weakened heart). They watch the church service via the Internet and they appreciate the prayers of the congregation.

Elaine Holloway continues to rehab at Legend Oaks Nursing Home in Gladewater. She is in Room 109.

Ron Feaker continues to rehab at Legend Oaks Nursing Home in Gladewater. He is in Room 412.

In the Nov. 9, 2019, bulletin, we mentioned that **Tim Roe** of Ore City (son of **Ruth Roe**) was dealing with severe pain in his back, shoulders and knees. He continues to have health challenges and would appreciate your prayers.

In the Dec. 7, 2019, bulletin, we mentioned that **Tom Mitchell** had been diagnosed with cancer in his esophagus and other areas of his body. He was admitted to UT Hospital (on Beckham Street) in Tyler due to a weakened heart.

New prayer requests

Frank Canepa of Flagstaff, Ariz., who had recently been diagnosed with heart problems, has also been diagnosed with liver problems.

Scriptures to consider

Proverbs 6:16-19—“These six things the LORD hates, yes, seven are an abomination to Him: a proud look, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that are swift in running to evil, a false witness who speaks lies, and one who sows discord among brethren.”

Proverbs 10:18—“Whoever hides hatred has lying lips, and whoever spreads slander is a fool.”

Proverbs 12:22—“Lying lips are an abomination to the LORD, but those who deal truthfully are His delight.”

Proverbs 13:5—"A righteous man hates lying, but a wicked man is loathsome and comes to shame."

Proverbs 17:7—"Excellent speech is not becoming to a fool, much less lying lips to a prince."

Proverbs 21:6—"Getting treasures by a lying tongue is the fleeting fantasy of those who seek death."

Proverbs 26:28—"A lying tongue hates those who are crushed by it, and a flattering mouth works ruin."

John 8:44—"You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it."

Romans 1:25—"Who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen."

Colossians 3:9—"Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds."

Revelation 3:9—"Indeed I will make those of the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews and are not, but lie—indeed I will make them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you."

Psalms 15:2—"He who walks uprightly, and works righteousness, and speaks the truth in his heart."

Proverbs 3:3—"Let not mercy and truth forsake you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart."

Proverbs 12:17—"He who speaks truth declares righteousness, but a false witness, deceit."

Proverbs 12:19—"The truthful lip shall be established forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment."

Proverbs 23:23—"Buy the truth, and do not sell it, also wisdom and instruction and understanding."

Ephesians 4:15—"But, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ."

Ephesians 4:25—"Therefore, putting away lying, 'Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor,' for we are members of one another."

Ephesians 4:29—"Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers."

Titus 1:2—"In hope of eternal life which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began."

Hebrews 6:18—"That by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us."

Sufferings of the Son

This article is from the “Among Friends” section of the Church of God Big Sandy’s website, churchofgodbig sandy.com. It was posted for the weekend of Jan. 25, 2020.

By Dave Havir

BIG SANDY, Texas—Recently, I gave a sermon titled “That God May Be All in All.” I chose the title of the sermon from the concluding phrase in 1 Corinthians 15:28.

1 Corinthians 15:24, 28—“Then comes the end, when He [Son] delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He [Son] puts an end to all rule and all authority and power . . . Now when all things are made subject to Him [Son], then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him [Father] who put all things under Him [Son], that God may be all in all.”

I also quoted John 5:22-23.

John 5:22-23—“For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.”

I proceeded to give 10 ways we can show honor to the Son. This week we will look at the fourth concept—the sufferings of the Son.

Suffering prophesied

There were prophecies in the Old Testament that discussed the future coming of the Messiah. Some of the prophecies gave a hint to the suffering that He would experience when He came. Notice a few verses.

Isaiah 53:3-5—“He is despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.”

Told His disciples

Toward the end of the Son’s physical ministry on earth, He told His disciples about what was about to occur in His life.

Matthew’s account (Matthew 16:21) mentioned the following events.

■ Go to Jerusalem.

■ Suffer many things from the religious rulers (elders, chief priests and scribes).

■ Be killed and be raised the third day.

Mark’s account (Mark 10:33-34) described the upcoming events in the following way.

■ Go to Jerusalem.

■ Be delivered to the Jewish leaders (chief priests and scribes) who would condemn Him to death and who would deliver Him to the gentiles.

■ They would mock Him, scourge Him, spit upon Him and kill Him—and He would rise on the third day.

In John 18-19, we read about the Son patiently enduring the harassment and abuse from the Jewish religious leaders and Roman civil leaders.

Personal suffering

Besides the suffering delivered to the Son from the Jewish religious leaders and from the Roman civil leaders, He faced some other personal events.

■ Judas betrayed the Son (John 13:26-27 and Matthew 26:14-16).

■ The Son was “exceedingly sorrowful, even to death” and prayed earnestly to His Father (Matthew 26:38-44).

■ When the Son was arrested in Gethsemane, all the disciples fled (Matthew 26:56).

■ Peter denied the Son on three separate occasions (Matthew 26:69-75).

■ The angry mob asked for Barabbas to be released instead of the Son (Matthew 27:15-26).

■ The Son said the words that would be translated into English: “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” (Matthew 27:46).