

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Church of God Big Sandy

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June 4, 2022 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 8:22

### Bible studies

**Interactive study—1:00 p.m.** . . . . . Dave Havir  
**Presentation study—2:00** . . . . . Dave Havir  
(Also transmitted live)

### Order of service—3:00 p.m.

**Song leader** . . . . . Ron Avey  
**Pianist** . . . . . Dixon Cartwright  
**Scripture reading** . . . . . Acts 1:1–26  
**Sermon** . . . . . Neil McIver

### Quick takes

1. Day of Pentecost tomorrow—The congregation will be observing the Day of Pentecost. Here is the schedule for the day.
  - 1:00 p.m. Interactive Bible study—by Dave Havir
  - 2:00 Bible study—by Dave Havir
  - 3:00 Church service—sermon by Reg Killingley
  - 4:00 Enhanced finger foods
2. Thank you—The congregation thanks David Eishen for presenting the seminar (about monkeypox) last Saturday.
3. Thank you for food every Saturday—The congregation thanks the individuals for organizing the weekly Sabbath treats.
4. Opportunity to serve—If you are available to help with the weekly Sabbath treats, please see Joyce Coleman.
5. Board election continues today—During the nomination phase in May, the congregation selected three individuals (Reg Killingley, Neil McIver and Kemmer Pfund) to be considered for two spots on the board.
6. Wednesday-night Bible study on June 8—Dave Havir is scheduled to continue his series about “Evil and Wickedness.”

7. Traveling speakers—We are pleased to announce the following traveling speakers coming to our congregation.
- June 11          Wynn Skelton
  - June 25          Terry McAdams
8. Please remember to pray for the following people who are not able to regularly attend our church service.
- Mickey Ashcraft
  - David and Becky Bonilla
  - Timberly Dunnam
  - Elaine Holloway
  - Annette Payne
  - Ruth Roe
  - Sonny Rosenberger
  - Ronnie Shirley
  - Elaine Townsend
  - Donna Weese
9. Feast housing in Destin—Since the Pelican finally (after all these years) raised the cost of its rooms, some people may want to consider other venues for housing. Ami Ison of the congregation in Decaturville, Tenn., offered to help. She recommends Emerald Coast by Owner ([emeraldcoastbyowner.com](http://emeraldcoastbyowner.com).) If you want advice, feel free to call her at (731) 614-2635.
10. Feast housing in North Myrtle Beach—A block of rooms will be held for us until Sept. 8, 2022. However, we recommend you book early. (Information is on our website and on our Information Table.)
11. Edifying the Body—This week’s article is “Gun Laws Will Not Fix Problem of Culture and Spirit” by Star Parker.
12. Among Friends—This week’s article is “Evil and Wickedness in the Gospels” by Dave Havir.
13. Eye on the World—This week’s “Eye on the World” is 34 pages. (This edition has eight articles and 246 headlines.)

## Prayer updates

In last week’s bulletin, we mentioned that **Timberly Dunnam** was still dealing with pain from the “vein stone” that was previously mentioned. Yesterday she reported: “The pain has been up and down, but I actually had a few better days this week.”

In the May 21 bulletin, we mentioned that **Linda Avey** had recently fallen. At that time, we did not report that the fall influenced her to have headaches and pain in other parts of her body. On Thursday, she went to her chiropractor and mentioned that the headaches and other pain are gone. While she speaks highly of her chiropractor, she gives most of the credit to your prayers and to God’s healing power.

In the May 21 bulletin, we mentioned that **David Fenney** of Warrington, England, was scheduled for aortic surgery. After his heart-valve replacement, his heart rate was a concern—fluctuating between 130 and 160 beats a minute last Saturday. On Tuesday morning, the medics scheduled to do a stop-restart procedure on his heart to stabilize it. When the heart rate dropped to 75 beats a minute, the procedure was canceled. He was hoping to go home during the end of this past week. He and his wife, **Barbara**, appreciate your prayers.

In last week's bulletin, we mentioned that **Karl Wilson** of Tyler was able to return home after surgery to remove his gallbladder. Due to a complication, Mr. Wilson made a return visit to the hospital during the week. He returned home on Friday. Following is an excerpt from **Sharon**: "Everything is trending in the right direction. Karl will have followup visits with the doctor over the next few weeks. Thank you so much to all friends near and far who have held us up in prayer."

In last week's bulletin, we mentioned that **Antoine Smiley** of Austin was in the hospital after dealing with the effects of a burst appendix—specifically an infection and a partially collapsed lung. He began feeling better and was released from the hospital.

## New prayer requests

**Alice Day** of Marshalltown, Iowa (85-year-old mother of **David Coleman**), has swelling of her feet and hands. Her doctor said that she most likely has a failing heart.

**Faith Hoselton** of Fulton, Mo. (10-year-old daughter of **Brian** and **Carole Hoselton**), was scheduled for bladder surgery last Thursday.

**Gary Johnson** of Rochester, Wash., was diagnosed with an infection in the lower lobe of his left lung.

**Laura Sergio** of Bethpage, N.Y., had an endoscopic procedure to repair the leaky connection from the pancreas to the small intestine.

**Les Cheesman** of Oaklyn, N.J., heard that the cancer (for which he had been treated for several years) has spread to his lower spine and skull.

Weeks ago, **Norma Holladay** of Ooltewah, Tenn., fell in her home and hurt her right hip. She is feeling much better—after spending six days in the hospital, 12 days in rehab and 20 days with home therapy. Although she still has some pain in her right hip and leg, she is able to put full weight on her right foot and leg. She was told that it might take a year to fully recover.

On April 25, **Kevin McMillen** of West Virginia (friend of **Dave Havir**) rolled his mower, resulting in broken ribs. In the early stages of recovery, the family wanted to limit information being announced to avoid worrying his mother. While in the hospital during the early days following the injury, Mr. McMillen had to deal with pneumonia. Recently he returned to the hospital for surgery to remove scar tissue and remaining fluid in his lungs. Last Sunday his lungs were fully inflated, and he was able to return home on Tuesday. He and his wife, **Linda**, thank you for your prayers.

**Gary McClure** of Alum Creek, W.Va., died on May 31. Please remember his wife, **Kay**, and the rest of the family in your prayers.

## Thought for the week

"Sometimes it takes me all day to get nothing done."

## Evil and Wickedness in the Gospels

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 June 4, 2022.

**By Dave Havir**

**B**IG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I gave a presentation titled “Evil and Wickedness—Part 4.” The focus of this study was about evil and wickedness in the Gospel writings.

### Various categories

Notice some of the various categories where the subjects of evil and wickedness could be placed.

- The evil one—Matthew 5:37, Matthew 6:13, Luke 11:4 and John 17:15.

- Evil spirits—Luke 7:21 and Luke 8:2.
- Evil generation seeks a sign—Matthew 12:39 and Luke 11:29.

- Evil mentioned in parables—Matthew 20:15 and Luke 16:25.

- Is it lawful to do good or evil on the Sabbath day?—Mark 3:4 and Luke 6:9.

- Pilate asked what evil Christ had done—Matthew 27:23, Mark 15:14 and Luke 23:22.

### Sermon on the Mount

**Matthew 5:11**—“Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.”

**Luke 6:22**—“Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man’s sake.”

**Matthew 5:39**—“But I tell you not to resist an evil person. But whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also.”

**Matthew 5:45**—“That you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.”

**Luke 6:35**—“But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil.”

**Matthew 7:11**—“If you then, being evil,

know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!”

### From the heart

**Mark 7:21-23**—“For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lewdness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within and defile a man.”

**Luke 6:43-45**—“For a good tree does not bear bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For men do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they gather grapes from a bramble bush. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.”

### Other valuable references

**Mark 9:38-39**—“Now John answered Him, saying, ‘Teacher, we saw someone who does not follow us casting out demons in Your name, and we forbade him because he does not follow us.’ But Jesus said, ‘Do not forbid him, for no one who works a miracle in My name can soon afterward speak evil of Me.’”

**John 3:19-20**—“And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.”

**John 7:7**—“The world cannot hate you, but it hates Me because I testify of it that its works are evil.”

**John 18:23**—“Jesus answered him, ‘If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil; but if well, why do you strike Me?’”