



**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Our church will be hosting the One Day Lectureship January 9th. Details below.**
- **Cards for the Hutcheson family can be mailed to their new address: 5 Peyton Oaks Place, Gurley, AL 35748.**
- **Blanket donations can be dropped off in the designated bucket in the back by the stairs.**

**Bridgeport One Day Lectureship**

Sunday, January 9, 2022

"Come Unto Me"

9:30 AM Leaning on Christ Peter Ray Cole  
10:30 AM Laboring with Christ Dan Kessinger  
6:00 PM Learning from Christ Brent Gallagher

Light Refreshments will be served after Sunday Night Services.

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# Bridgeport Church of Christ

December 19th, 2021



## Don't Believe Everything You Think

I admit a curiosity for bumper stickers. On occasion, one succinctly states a great truth or at least provokes reasonable thought. Once I stopped at a light, and the car in front of mine had the sticker, "Don't believe everything you think!" The more I thought about it, that statement struck me as appropriate.

Often people reason, "If I think it, it must be right." The press and the politicians seem to believe that if one repeats something often enough, even if it is wrong, people will believe it. When people decide that this propaganda is what they believe, then it must be right.

While the mores of society are in transition, morality is not. Society thinks that we have a new morality, but thinking it does not make it so. In spiritual matters, the dangers and consequences are so much more serious because they affect the eternal. Naaman made this mistake because things did not turn out as he thought they would. He became furious saying, "Indeed, I said to myself 'He will surely come out to me, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and wave his hand over the place, and heal the leprosy'" (2 Kings 5:11).

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## Times of Service

### Sunday:

**Bible Study 9:30 am**

**Worship 10:30 am**

**Evening Worship 6 pm**

### Wednesday:

**Bible Study 7 pm**

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Because of his thinking, Naaman. could have lost the opportunity for healing simple because what God, through Elisha, required was not what Naaman thought it should be. People reject God's plan of salvation because it differs from what they think. Different folks think that God ought to save them by certain means — faith only, sprinkling, good works. Others think God should save them in their sins, not from their sins.

Many become indignant when it is suggested that what they are practicing whether in worship, works, or manner of life does not have God's approval according to the Scriptures. The defense offered is that this is what attracts people, what pleases people, and what people think they should do.

A good reminder to all men is, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways," says the Lord, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are lily ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:8-9).

Whether it is our judgments about our fellow man, about the world around us, or about our responsibility to God, remember that in every case truth should be the measuring standard. Please, do not believe everything you think!

Oran Rhodes  
via Findlay church of Christ  
Sparta, TN

**Word SCRAMBLE**  
Unscramble the letters to form a Bible word!  
**N U N A M O I T**  
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Clue: A place where Jesus prayed  
BulletinDigest.com

**December Card Distributor:** Jessica Kerns  
**December Baptismal Garments:** Lois Jenkins  
**December Greeters:** 12- Karen Seyler 19- 26-

**Our Record: December 12th**

**Sunday Morning Assembly**

73

**Sunday Bible Class**

54

**Sunday Evening**

26

**Wednesday Bible Study**

23

**Contribution (Budget \$4,000)**

\$3,130

**December Birthdays / Anniversary List:**

9-Rachel West 11-Terry & Yonnie Southall (A) 13- Andrew & Rachael Seyler (A) 14-Brenda Fortney 15-Adam Epler 18-Tim Richmond 19- Tim & Rebecca Jorgensen (A) 21-Kristina Riffle 22-Noah Hart 23- Raymond & Debbie Anderson (A) 24-Millie Cate Currey / Robert & Julie Armstrong (A) 25-Ken & Brenda Fortney (A) 29-Curtis Sleeth 29-Josh Carpenter 30-Rick & Sherri Gallagher (A)

**Prayer Requests**

**For Our Congregation:**

- **Our Shut-in's:** Jackie Moore, Helen Potts, Brenda Fortney, Darrell Eddy, Yvonne Maxwell, and Judy Garner
- **Cindy Moore**— answers for health concerns

- **Jerry Maxwell**— Skin cancer removal.
- **Heather Blizzard**— Lingering Covid symptoms & effects.



**For Our Family & Friends:**

- **Robbie Craig (Cheryl's Brother)**
- **Kay Butnett**— Metastatic Cancer
- **Lorna Hutcheson**— discharged from the hospital and feeling better.
- **Ed Jenkins**— Removal of another tumor.

- **John Butcher (Friend of Raymond)**- found more cancer outside his esophagus.
- **Robert Anderson (Raymond's Brother)**- recovering from back surgery and waiting to see the oncologist for cancer treatments.
- **Philip Newberry (Linda's Brother)**— in the hospital

(If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin— Please email it to [bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com](mailto:bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com) or write it down and give it to Natalie Seyler before Thursday of that week.)