

## ACTIVITIES FOR NOVEMBER:

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Our next dessert fellowship will be *next Sunday, December 4th*.
- The Senior Group's new name is the "Young at Heart", and they will hold their next meeting at 1:30 on December 5th to fix holiday baskets for the shut-ins.



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### Pleasant Acres Ministry:

We are collecting the following items for residents at Pleasant Acres:

Baby Wipes

Lysol Liquid

Deodorant

Toothpaste

Liquid Body Soap

Please place items in the collection box in the foyer.

**Elders:** Raymond Anderson, Don Riffle, & Wayne Hartman

**Deacons:** Gene Wright & Robbie Buffington

**Minister:** Mark Jones Phone: (304) 842-6738

# Bridgeport Church of Christ

November 27th, 2022

## Stick With It

"Footprints in the sands of time are never made by sitting down." Perseverance, endurance, and plain ole' stubborn tenacity are needed to hold on to our hope in the midst of difficulty. If our life's work will leave behind footprints in the sands of time, it will be because we have striven to go in a direction that is different from the well-traveled road taken by the world.

The Christian life is compared to many things in the word of God. Surrounded by "so great a cloud of witness," it is a race in which we must "lay aside every encumbrance, and the sin which so easily entangles us" and run with our eyes fixed upon Jesus, "the author and perfecter of faith" (Heb. 12:1-2). The Christian life is much like a race. But, it is not so much a sprint as it is a marathon. Speed is not required so much as stamina. Therefore, we have a great need for endurance.

Our ability to remain in the struggle—to keep on keeping on—is measured by the strength we receive from the Lord, not by the strength we receive from men. God is the one who gives perseverance and encouragement (Rom. 15:5). While it is true that God may use others as sources of encouragement to help us develop greater endurance, God is the only one who can provide the spiritual sustenance we need to finish the race.



## Times of Service

### Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6pm

### Wednesday:

Bible Study 7 pm

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One way God provides endurance is through suffering. Most of us would prefer another method. But there are no shortcuts to endurance. Those who compete in marathons know the importance of training. A person doesn't just decide the run the grueling 26-mile course on the spur of the moment. Training is needed to gradually build up endurance to complete the course.

The trials and tribulations which come our way in this life have a way of helping us develop spiritual endurance. By turning to God for strength and learning from what we suffer, we can develop a stronger and deeper character, one that will see us through to the end of life's journey.

As we run the race, our perseverance is inspired by hope (1 Thess. 1:3). The hope of heaven is a grand and glorious hope, one that will motivate and inspire us to endure whatever hardships or difficulties come our way. We fix our eyes on Jesus. He is our goal. To be with Him is our destiny. In the meantime, we must hold to the course that is set before us, never giving up but always keeping our trust in Him.

Glen Elliott  
Greenbrier church of Christ  
Greenbrier, AR

**Word**   
**SCRAMBLE**  
Unscramble the letters to form a Bible word!

**R H E T B E N R**

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**Clue: Fellow Christians**

**BulletinDigest.com**

**November Card Distributor: Lois Reed**

**November Greeters: Karen Seyler (13th)**

**Baptismal Garments: Lois Reed**

**Events for Bridgeport 2022**

December 4th: Dessert Fellowship

December 5th: Young at Heart Meeting

December 10th: 20s-30s Christmas Party

**Our Record: November 13th**

<u>Sunday Morning Assembly</u>
93
<u>Sunday Bible Class</u>
60
<u>Sunday Evening</u>
15
<u>Wednesday Bible Study</u>
22
<u>Contribution (Budget \$4,000)</u>
\$2,800

**November Birthday / Anniversary**  
**List:**

7-Jackie Moore 8-Lou Skidmore

12-Rex & Cheryl Kelch (A) 19-Cathy Hart 21-Aaliyah

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28-Andrew Seyler

## Prayer Requests

### For Our Congregation:

- **Our Shut-in's:** Jackie Moore, Helen Potts, Brenda Fortney, Yvonne Maxwell, and Judy Garner
- **Susan Hartman:** Pray for her and the family as they deal with the loss of her mother.
- **Ed & Lois Jenkins:** Health Issues
- **Evelyn Griffin:** Continuing to struggle with her health recovering from bronchitis.



### For Our Family & Friends:

- **Kent Fetty (Sally Harper's Friend):** diagnosed with cancer and declining health.
- **Rachel West's Family:** Her grandmother passed away.
- **Rick Beck:** Preacher at Weston. Has been in the hospital so they can work on his lungs.
- **Adam Epler's Aunt:** Lung Cancer

*(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.)*