

## When you pray, please remember...

- **Nancy Dale Carroll:** recovering from recent breathing troubles
- **Jill Spaulding:** continuing to undergo medical testing
- **Colleen Jeffers:** recovering from surgery
- **Mike Jeffers:** recovering from pneumonia
- **Silas Fleming:** shoulder surgery scheduled for February 18<sup>th</sup>
- **Scott Schulz:** undergoing immunotherapy treatments
- **Macy Jackson:** recovering from her battle with cancer
- **Pregnancies:** Sabrina Terry (**Jan**); Macy Sieberns (**Feb**); Ally Barger (**Feb**); Emily Fravert (**Apr**); Haleigh Curry (**July**)

### Those with ongoing health difficulties:

Debbie Bratcher  
Alma Churchman  
Martha Fleming  
Sharon Gardner  
Paula Graf  
Steve Greene

Paul Hoke  
Sam Jeffers  
Cheryl Landrum  
Steve Orthober  
Debby Ricketson  
Shirley Roberts  
Bob Thomas  
Freedia Zurschmeide



**Steve Holland  
& Luke Robertson**  
were baptized last Sunday

**Joshua Vaughn** recently met with our shepherds and expressed his desire to be a member of our church family. Let's do everything we can to welcome him.



### Sundays:

9:30 AM - Worship  
10:45 AM - Bible classes  
5:00 PM - Worship

### Wednesdays:

7:00 PM - Bible classes



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## Bookends for Life From Psalm 118

*Jason Hardin*

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!

That's the first and last verse—the bookends—of Psalm 118. There are many encouraging, perspective-shaping ideas in between...

The LORD is on my side; I will not fear.

What can man do to me? (118:6)

It is better to take refuge in the LORD  
than to trust in man. (118:8)

The LORD is my strength and my song;  
he has become my salvation. (118:14)

This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it. (118:24)

...but what powerful bookends at the beginning and the end.

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!

The bookends of Psalm 118 are the best bookends for life. Hearts can and should be shaped from our earliest years to say and sing, "God is so good." What a blessing to recognize in our final days on earth, "God's steadfast love endures forever!"

What a great thing to remember and express—first thing in the morning, last thing at night—"Oh give thanks to the LORD." From the first day of this week to the last, what powerful perspective...

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!

We're glad you're here to give thanks to the LORD with us.

### To our guests...

#### WELCOME

We're glad you're here today. Here's what you can expect in our **Sunday morning assembly:**

- Welcome
- Song
- Prayer
- Song
- Lord's Supper song
- Lord's Supper
- Song
- Sermon
- Invitation song
- Closing song
- Closing prayer
- Announcements

We're thankful you're here. Please take a moment to tell us a little about yourself using this QR code...





1. Joy and happiness are not the \_\_\_\_\_  
Happiness is based upon what \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_;  
Joy is \_\_\_\_\_: based upon \_\_\_\_\_ I am and who I \_\_\_\_\_ to
2. Those that have lost joy try to fill it with \_\_\_\_\_ moments

The Story of David: 1 Samuel 17-27

- At least \_\_\_\_\_ of the Psalms were written during this time  
**We see three lessons from David's Troubles**  
(1) It lasted a \_\_\_\_\_:  
(2) David did \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) Through this trouble, David did not \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_
- David's troubles were \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps 6:6-7)**  
You don't have to \_\_\_\_\_ that the pain that you feel is not \_\_\_\_\_  
Biblical faith is not \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ to what is going on around you  
To have joy does not mean that you have \_\_\_\_\_ all of your \_\_\_\_\_
- David took his troubles \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord, not \_\_\_\_\_ from the Lord**  
David's pain drove him \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord, not \_\_\_\_\_ away  
Instead of growing \_\_\_\_\_, David became more \_\_\_\_\_  
Instead of seeking \_\_\_\_\_, David sought \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord
  - the season of troubles did not \_\_\_\_\_ God's \_\_\_\_\_
  - even hiding in a cave, God was still \_\_\_\_\_
  - even being chased, God was still \_\_\_\_\_
  - even when Saul seemed most powerful, God was \_\_\_\_\_
- David's joy did not come from his \_\_\_\_\_, but from his \_\_\_\_\_ in who God is**
- David refused to find \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ shortcuts**  
Biblical joy can never come from \_\_\_\_\_  
Peace that comes from \_\_\_\_\_ never lasts
- David through his troubles \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord (Ps 57:7-11)**

David entered the cave running for his life...he left the cave with a deeper faith, a stronger trust and a song in his heart  
*If God could give David a song in a cave, He can give you joy in the midst of your troubles*



Bible classes for ALL AGES begin 7 minutes after our morning assembly has ended and we'd love to have you join us. ADULTS have 3 options:

Contagious & Confident Christianity

THESSALONIANS

Auditorium

Room B2

E3 Discipleship

Room B5



Maps showing the location of all our children's classes are available at the Welcome Booth in the foyer.



This Evening • 5:00 PM

Lessons From the Journeys  
*Abraham & Sarah*

**Singing Practice**  
Next Sunday afternoon  
(4:00-4:40 PM)  
in the Auditorium  
**All invited!**

DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

- MONDAY** - Deuteronomy 28 & Hebrews 6  
**TUESDAY** - Deuteronomy 29 & Hebrews 7  
**WEDNESDAY** - Psalm 119:1-8  
**THURSDAY** - Deuteronomy 30 & Hebrews 8  
**FRIDAY** - Deuteronomy 31 & Hebrews 9  
**SATURDAY** - Proverbs 6  
**SUNDAY** - Psalm 119:9-16

SMALL groups

- This Evening:**
- The **College-Age Group** will meet at Joel & Mary Stuart Boser's house
- Friday (6:30 PM):**
- The **Young Couples Group** will meet at Jason & Shelly Hardin's house