

# WHISPERING HILLS

## Church of Christ

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### Worship Times

Sunday Worship 10:30AM

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### Our Religious Conviction

God chose to save the world  
by sending His Son,  
Jesus to die on the cross  
for our sins (Rom 10:17).

Those who choose to listen  
and obey the Gospel  
message SHALL be saved  
(Ac 2:38).

God adds them to the church  
of the Bible which His Son is  
coming for because it is  
purchased with His Blood  
(Ac 20:28; 2 The 1:7-10).

### HOW TO BE SAVED

1. Hear (Jn 6:45; Rom 10:17)
2. Believe (Jn 8:24; Heb 11:6)
3. Repent (Lk 13:3, 5; Ac 2:38)
4. Confess (Mt 10:32; Rom 10:9, 10)
5. Baptized (Mk 16:16; 1 Pet 3:21)

## TO DO LIST

1-Minute Bible Love Notes

1. Spend time with Jesus  
Psalm 27:8.
2. Let Him prioritize my day  
Matthew 6:33.
3. Pray instead of worrying  
Philippians 4:6.
4. Be honest about my sins—  
James 4:10.
5. Think of others  
Philippians 2:3-4.
6. Wait patiently for God to act  
Psalm 27:14.
7. Be willing to do hard stuff  
Matthew 16:24.
8. Read God's Word  
Psalm 119:9-16.
9. Do what it says  
James 1:22
10. Let Christ lead me  
Matthew 11:29.

### Thank you for visiting with us

Our goal is to worship God according to His Will  
just as the Christians in the first century did (Ac 2:42).

Please ask us a question about the reason why we worship the way we do (1 Pet 3:15).  
Also, please take the time to fill out an attendance card today (in the holder facing you)  
and give it to one of our members acknowledging your presence with us.

You BELONG Here!

Acts 2:42-47 and Romans 12:10



# Prayer Request

We are here to Pray for you



## Continued Prayers

Walter Simon, Mack & Carolyn Cloud, Ron Forge,  
Jewel Hunter, Joyce Fair, Billie Guthrie, Mary Ervin,  
Curtis Ward, Sheila Harris, Michael Neazer,  
Jessica McCants (Bro Ramsey's daughter)

## Grieving

## General

Demetria Washington,  
Greg Owens (Bro Owens' brother),  
Michael Porter (Sis Owens' brother),  
Joel Sotelo (Bro Ramsey's brother-in-law)

## Updates /Announcements

- [1] Our PRAYERS should echo loud and clear on a daily basis for God's GRACE, MERCY and LOVE by taking nothing for granted as [we] continue to live up to His Expectations and Commands through obedience (Mt 7:21-23)
- [2] Bro Wesley Pollard [Elder, Dowlen Rd Beaumont, TX] (Bro/Sis Simon brother-in-law) several procedures for blockages
- [3] Greg Jimison (Sis Rowlett's/Stafford's nephew) scheduled for open heart surgery
- [4] John Rowlett, Sr (Sis Rowlett's/Stafford's brother) having several problems and asking for strength to endure
- [5] John Rowlett, Jr (Sis Rowlett's/Stafford's nephew) had a stroke
- [6] Judy Blessings (Bro/Sis Hunter's neighbor) in rehab and scheduled for heart surgery on Monday (12 Jul)
- [7] Sis Guthrie experiencing soreness and sensitivity from her medical procedures soliciting strength and endurance, daily

# Birthdays & Anniversaries



## July '21

- [11] James Curtis
- [14] Billie Guthrie
- [17] Corey Allen
- [18] Barbara Birdow
- [21] Arthur Busby

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- [07] Joe & Mary Erwin
  - [22] Ashley & Corey





**FOOD FOR  
THOUGHT**

**A PSALM OF FEAR AND FAITH  
PSALMS 56:1 - 13**

**INTRODUCTION:**

1. Does this appear to be a PRAYER of commonality?
2. This PRAYER begins several of the psalms. Who among us would not want God to be gracious?
3. David is detained in Gath by the Philistines (1 Sam 21:11-16; 27-29).
  - A. Like a dove in a strange land whose captivity gives rise to a mixture of "...*FEAR and FAITH*".

**BODY:**

**1. BE MERCIFUL UNTO ME**

- A. It may seem like mankind is just trampling on us all day long; but, this is not actually happening.
- B. The Philistines oppressing David on this occasion seems unlimited (1 Sam 29:2-9).
  1. How encouraging it is to see the sweet Spirit of psalmist plead to the mercy of God for assistance.

**2. I WILL TRUST IN THEE**

- A. This is the meaning of crying out to God. It is trusting in Him; praising His Word; more than verbal.
  1. Standing tall, God at your back facing the enemy w/ the attitude: "what can mere man do to me?"
- B. David was NO coward nor given to false fearlessness. What gives him the confidence to trust in God?
- C. In times of distress, we are driven by God's Word knowing *with* fidelity He Will keep His Promise.
- D. Who are we to fear what flesh can do to us? We can not give what is not within us to give.
  1. Lk 6:46; Rom 15:4; 2 Cor 5:7; Gal 1:10; 2 Tim 2:15; 1 Pet 4:11; 2 Pet 1:3, 5-14, 20, 21
- E. Have a plan of attack the next time you feel the whole world is against you.
- F. The enemy is not the one you may think is after you or persecuting you. Your enemy is the devil.
  1. The way to face the enemy is to follow the Apostle Paul's advice: "And whatsoever ye do, do *it* heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ" (Col 3:23, 24).

**3. THEY MARK MY STEPS**

- A. All who live righteously should expect those who do not to continually extort the correct meaning.
- B. The oppressors lay an ambush being entirely bent on doing evil; so in fear and frustration, we cry out!!
- C. God will judge the oppressors by His Word (Jn 12:48).

**4. WHEN I CRY UNTO THEE**

- A. Just as the Philistines mark David's step, God observes every detail they are making.
- B. God is equally paying due diligence unto David because of His acknowledgment: "for God is for me".
- C. Are we able to witness the precise and exact interest God shows us on a daily basis? (Isa 12:2)

**5. IN GOD HAVE I PUT MY TRUST**

- A. Fear has been swallowed up in faith, the time has come to praise God (Psa 100:1-5).
- B. David says, "I will not be afraid what man can do unto me" (Heb 13:6).
- C. David is convinced with God on his side, he has become the majority.

**6. I WILL RENDER PRAISE UNTO THEE**

- A. Under the direction of affliction, David has made a vow of thankfulness to God.
- B. Making vows are commendable only if fulfillment follows (Psa 56:12; Pro 20:25).
- C. Often we are willing to make these vows, but quickly forget or unwilling to honor.
  1. David resolves he will not forget to fulfill his sincere acknowledgement of preserving life's path.
- D. God snatched him from the jaws of death (Rom 6:23; 7:24).
- E. Notice this traumatic experience and how he heavily relied on God [continually] to preserve him.
- F. David's Spiritual Maturity is expressed on continued reliance to walk in the light of the living.
  1. Lk 18:43; 19:37; 1 Cor 4:5; Eph 1:6, 14; Php 1:11; 4:8; Heb 2:12; 13:15; 1 Pet 1:7; Rev 19:5

