

HIGHWAY 32 MESSENGER



Highway 32 Church of Christ

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Sunday Bible Class	10:00AM
Sunday Morning Assembly	11:00AM
Sunday Evening Assembly	6:00PM
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00PM

Privileged to Serve

Announcements:	Lowell Smith
Song Leader:	Tom Mayes
Lord's Table	Don Salisbury Alan Springer Steve Wright Les Smith
Opening Prayer:	Aaron Humphries
Sermon:	Marc Curfman
Closing Prayer:	Keith Pennington
PM Song Leader:	Lowell Smith

Attendance

	Last Week	Week Before
Sun. Bible	46	38
Morn. Assembly	91	70
Sun Eve.	24	**
Wednesday	04	**
Zoom Class	15	16
Contribution:	\$3629.00	\$2637.00

Where did you hear that?

"Have you heard the news?" Well, maybe you didn't hear the news, instead you heard the "propaganda." I find it amazing how two people can witness the same event and have completely different conclusions or talking points. Years ago while living in Rio de Janeiro we had visitors from abroad stay with us. One couple immediately fell in love with the beauty, tropical climate and warmth of the people. Another person came and daily complained about the heat, the crowds, and trash in the gutter. Both saw the same sites and both met the same people. What was the difference? It starts in the heart. Far too often people see what they are looking for rather than the reality before them.

In our news feeds and electronic media we see the same. One side can never say enough good about the political or cultural changes while the other can only see bad. I don't say that the truth is somewhere in the middle. That may sound politically expedient but if you want to understand better, first understand the source. What is in the heart of that herald of good tidings or the prophets of woe and destruction? Know your source before listening to their conclusions. In books it is more vital to understand the author and his or her core values than to read their conclusions.

Proverbs 21:4 states: **"Haughty eyes and a proud heart, The lamp of the wicked is sin."** That particular word translated "sin" means to take a false step or a mis step. In other words, before they open their mouths to speak, before they lift up their hand or move in any direction, the heart has already chosen a path of evil. Later in that same chapter we are told: **"A false witness will perish, But the man who listens will speak forever."** Prov. 21:28. We need to carefully consider the words we hear and not jump to conclusions. Listen, investigate, and verify. Soon you will discover truth that will not only guide your steps but you can be a source of truth for others.

Proverbs 18:17 tells us: **"The first to plead his case seems just, Until another comes and examines him."** Imagine a world where people didn't just believe what they wanted to believe but were willing to ask questions, examine the evidence and seek truth. Unfortunately, that is not our world. But it must be my own world, my own position, and my personal choice.

So, before you buy that used car or invest in that perfect opportunity or partner up with that person, get to know their heart. Understand whether or not they step into righteousness or does their heart focus on that false step. Don't just check out the story but get to know that storyteller. And also make sure you know the ways of God.

"There is no wisdom and no understanding and no counsel against the Lord." Prov. 21:30. People claim so much but truth is in God's word.

People can put on a great show. Often times the greatest liars are those who are the most easily offended. **"A wicked man shows a bold face, But as for the upright, he makes his way sure."** Prov. 21:29. In other words, bold words and claims are no substitute for righteous action. **"The horse is prepared for the day of battle, But victory belongs to the Lord."** Prov. 21:31. Dress up your words and claims all you want, but in the end, God's way brings victory. So, the only question is which side leads my life? Before you are quick to be influenced by some claim or speech, consider the source. Where did you hear that? Understand hearts. Motives reveal so much.

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Welcome to Highway 32 Church,

We are a group of Christians worshipping God according to the Teaching in the New Testament. May we all worship our loving Father today with sincere hearts, open and receptive to His Spirit and His love.

July Teachers

Cradle Roll - Libby/Melody
Pre-K-K - Nancy Salisbury
1st-6th - Jessica Mayes

Sunday Morning Adult classes:

Frank Glover

Wed. Eve. 7:00 pm – Don Salisbury



July Teacher
Morgan Gelter

Note: Children will go to Bible Hour during the song before the morning lesson.



June
Building & Communion
Linda Shinkle/Betty Sutton

Zoom Meetings – Zoom meeting
(Ecclesiastes) every Thursday 7pm.
See Sue for the link if you would like to participate.

Announcements:

VBS will be July 28-30. 5:30-7:30pm. Ages 6 months to 6th grade. Please see Lindsey to sign up for VBS. Flyers are available to pass out.

Zoom Class on Thursdays will now be starting with the book of Ecclesiastes at 7pm. If you would like to join see Sue Curfman for the link.

Ladies Class Saturday 7/26/25 at 9:30am in the lobby. See you there.

Mark Your Calendars, October 18th will be a grill out for everyone at Jim and Laura Hutchings home. More details to come later.

Joyce Norvell is still unable to see out of her right eye. She has an appointment on Monday. Keep her in your prayers.

July Birthdays

7/4 Connie Daniel & Kirt Martin
7/7 Adeline Mayes
7/15 Kellie Wright
7/18 Don Salisbury
7/22 Lynn Beard
7/25 Keith Pennington
7/26 Carl Beard
7/27 Betty Sutton

July Anniversaries

7/23 Lynn Prickett

Continue to Remember: Mark Book, Karen Smith, Carol Basham, Ruth Barnes, Paul Sena and our church family.

"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."