

The presence of Jesus in the gathering of His people is the sweetest blessing we enjoy when we meet. We pray that you will find peace, comfort, and power for living today.

A visitor's card is provided in the book rack, to give us a record of your visit.

SUNDAY		ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY	
Bible Study	10:00 AM	Morning Worship	31
Worship	11:00 AM	Evening Worship	
Evening	6:00 PM	WEDNESDAY	15
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STU	DY 6:30 PM	Contribution	\$1903.00
Fellowship Meal	12:30 PM		
(Every 1st Sunday)			
Men's Meeting	5:00 PM		
(Last Sunday of every r	month)		

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TO OUR FRIENDS:

MESSENGER FOR CHRIST



BRUNSWICK CHURCH OF CHRIST

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An Unprecedented God By Joe Chesser

In the entire known history of the world, never had the entire wall of a city suddenly collapsed just because some people marched around it for a few days and blew a trumpet and yelled. Never! But that's what God promised, and what happened (Josh. 6:5, 20).

In the entire history of the world, never had the sun delayed going down for about a full day just because a man asked God to do it. Never! But it did that day (Josh. 10:12-14).

Never in the history of the world did the waters of a sea separate allowing people to walk across it on dry land. But it did that day (Ex. 14:21-22).

Never in the history of the world did a man skip death to ride a chariot of fire up to heaven in a whirlwind. But Elijah did! And Elisha saw it happen (2 Kings 2:11-12).

Never in the history of the world did a man get out of a boat and walk on water. Never! But Peter did, even if it was just for a brief moment (Matt. 14:29-30).

The Bible is full of such stories. And because we believe the Bible is the word of God, we believe these stories actually happened. About the time we think we have God figured out, He surprises us by doing something totally unprecedented. He made a widow's oil and flour last until the drought ended (1 Kings 17:14). He turned a boy's lunch into enough food to feed 5000 people (John 6:5-13). A man who had been dead for four days was given life again (John 11:38-44). Peter's prison chains unpredictably fell off and an angel led him to freedom (Acts 12:6-19).

This last incident illustrates a valuable lesson we need to learn. Sometimes in our minds we put God in a box and expect Him to work only within that box.

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"...The Churches of Christ salute you." Romans 16:16

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We sometimes think that because we have never heard of God doing "something like that" before, then He won't do it now. Oh, we believe that the Bible says that "all things are possible with God" (Matt. 19:26), but we struggle with believing that God will actually do something unheard of. For example, when Peter was in prison, the church had gathered at Mary's house (the mother of John Mark) to pray for him (Acts 12:12-17). They no doubt expected God to answer their prayers, but what they didn't expect is when and how God chose to answer them. So, when Peter knocked on Mary's door, the servant recognized his voice and told those inside that Peter was at the door, "You are out of your mind," they told her. They believed in God. They believed in prayer. They believed that "all things are possible with God." But they didn't believe that Peter was at the door! In their minds they could not imagine that God so quickly let Peter out of jail. They couldn't imagine that Peter was actually standing at the door! Anyone who said he was had to be crazy, out of their minds!

What do you believe about God? Do you actually believe that "all things are possible with God"? Do you believe that God will still do unprecedented things? Are you limiting how God can work by your limited view of Him (Matt. 14:31)? Sure, it's a slippery slope. Sure, people will think you are crazy. But if you are wholly anchored in the word of God you will expect God to do whatever He wants however He wants to do it!

GOD'S PLAN FOR MAN

HEAR GOD'S WORD Heb. 11:6; Rom. 10:17 BELIEVE IN JESUS Jn. 8:24 REPENT OF SINS

Lk. 13:3; 2 Cor. 7:10

CONFESS JESUS' NAME

Mt. 10:32-33; Rom. 10:9-10;

Mt. 16:15-16 BE BAPTIZED

Mk. 16:15-16; Mt. 28:18-19; Acts 2:38, 41; Acts 22:16;

Rom. 6:3-4

LIVE FAITHFUL UNTIL DEATH

Mt. 10:22; Rev. 2:10

The Bible study topic for Wednesday night:
Bible Reading Marathon
Images of the Master
Bible study starts at 6:30 PM.



Men's Meeting

The men's meeting is scheduled next Sunday at 5:00 pm. Mark your calendars.



Opportunities to Serve

	loday	02/24/19
Welcome	John Bowling	Albert Sturdivant
Song Leader	Willie Gore	Dick Phillips
Opening Prayer	Albert Sturdivant	Jim Hobbs
Communion	*Lee Shepherd	*Willie Gore
	Tom Walsh	Lynn Means
	Lynn Means	Tom Walsh
Scripture Reading	Lynn Means	Lee Shepherd
Speaker	Rick Massey	Rick Massey
Closing Prayer	John Bowling	Albert Sturdivant
Evening	Jim Hobbs	Devotion/John
Nursery	Lelia Gore	Hannah Garner

The nursery will be open following the communion for children 3 years and under.

Please remember to pray for the sick, lonely, and especially anyone outside Christ.

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<u>Health</u>

Elmoe Adams Mickey Sholar Walker Family Nancy Walsh

Delores Larkins

The complete prayer list is on the bulletin board.

James 5:16

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.



The Ladies bible study will be held Tuesday, at 10:30 am in the fellowship room. We are studying "Why Am I Here – A Purpose Driven Life". Our time together will include prayer and songs of praise. You are welcome to join us.

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Labor of Love

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The Labor of Love will meet Saturday at noon in the fellowship room. Iris Garner will present the devotion. Don't forget your gift of love for Hope Harbor.