

The church received this message from John Board: “Thank you so much for the opportunity to be a part of your effort to glorify God in last weekend's Gospel Meeting. I was impressed with your congregation from your leadership and membership (young and older). My family and I were treated in such an amazing way and were made to feel so welcome. Since returning to our work in Elizabethtown I have been further encouraged by the many notes from members and from the elders. I thank my God to have been able to become better acquainted with you all. I now will thank God upon every remembrance of you. I pray you will maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace! May God bless us all in accordance to our love for Him.”



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By the President of the United States of America, a Proclamation

Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor—and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint Committee requested me “to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness.”

Now therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be—That we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks—for his kind care and protection of the People of this Country previous to their becoming a Nation—for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his Providence which we experienced in the course and conclusion of the late war—for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty, which we have since enjoyed—for the peaceable and rational manner, in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national One now lately instituted—for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed; and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us.

And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech him to pardon our national and other transgressions—to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually—to render our national government a blessing to all the people, by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed—to protect and guide all Sovereigns and Nations (especially such as have shewn kindness unto us) and to bless them with good government, peace, and concord—To promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the encrease of science among them and us—and generally to grant unto all Mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as he alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand at the City of New-York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789.

Go. Washington

Issued by President George Washington, at the request of Congress, on October 3, 1789, Source: National Archives

Leadership

Elders Hayward Blanton, Jerry Casey
Deacons Clint Smith Jr, Robby Stocksdale
 Joe Sweeney
Pulpit Minister [David Wright](#)
Associate Minister [Irvin F. Williams](#)

Panama Missions

Evans Campbell Pablo Sanchez

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Class 10:00 AM
 Morning Worship 11:00 AM
 Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Class 7:00 PM

Those Privileged to Serve November 24, 2013

AM Service		PM Service		AM & PM Services	
Song Leader	Michael Hawkins	Song Leader	Clint Smith Jr	Announcements	Clint Smith Sr
Opening Prayer	Greg Blanton	Bible Reading	Hank Tincher	Lord's Supper	Robby Stocksdale
Scripture	Jeremy Montgomery	Selection	8	Offering	Joe Sweeney
Sermon	David Wright	Prayer	John Keaton	Usher	David Blackwell
Lord's Supper		Sermon	Singing Emphasis	Count Offering	Robby Stocksdale
Message	Jerry Casey	Closing Prayer	Leon Stocksdale	Assist Count	Hank Tincher
Attendant	Harold Tincher	Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Romans 12:11			
Attendant	Ron Iverson				
Closing Prayer	Irvin Williams				

Those Privileged to Serve December 1, 2013

AM Service		PM Service		AM & PM Services	
Song Leader	Michael Hawkins	Song Leader	Robby Stocksdale	Announcements	Clint Smith Jr
Opening Prayer	Grover Blanton	Bible Reading	John Keaton	Lord's Supper	Hank Tincher
Scripture	Clint Smith Sr	Selection	9	Offering	Harold Tincher
Sermon	David Wright	Prayer	Ernie Marshall	Usher	Greg Blanton
Lord's Supper	John 18:1-40	Sermon	David Wright	Count Offering	Joe Sweeney
Message	Josh Wright	Closing Prayer	Joe Sweeney	Assist Count	Harold Tincher
Attendant	David Blackwell	Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Romans 12:11			
Attendant	Jeremy Montgomery				
Closing Prayer	David Wright				

If unable to serve please call: Art Patrick 502-819-9481 or Harold Tincher 502-409-3511

God's Timing Is Best

David Wright

"Father Knows Best" was a popular sitcom with a six-season run (1954-60). The show portrayed the middle class Anderson family. Jim was in the insurance business. He and Margaret, his wife, had three children—Betty, Bud, and Kathy. Despite the title of this program, human fathers don't always know best. But our Father in heaven always does.

Hezekiah's experience is an apt illustration. This king reigned over Judah in a troubled time (c. 715-686 BC). The people had rejected the Lord and embraced idols. Ahaz, Hezekiah's own father, outraged heaven by sacrificing his children in the fire. Divine wrath threatened to fall on Judah like a swirling black thunderstorm. The cruel Assyrians had invaded Judah, fully intending to crush Jerusalem.

King Hezekiah, though, trusted the Lord. He fervently prayed for deliverance from the hosts of soldiers besieging the city. God heard and answered. One night an angel struck dead 185,000 Assyrian warriors. Invincible Sennacherib, the Assyrian king, was turned back from Jerusalem, even though the vastly outnumbered and badly frightened Hebrews hiding inside the city walls had never shot the first arrow.

Shortly afterward, Hezekiah became gravely ill. Dying so young, at 39, seemed unfair to a man who had so completely trusted in God. In prayer he begged for more time. The Lord granted him 15 more years.

When the Babylonians learned of this sickness and subsequent recovery, they sent envoys to express their sympathy. Flattered, Hezekiah proudly showed off his treasures. Isaiah the prophet sharply rebuked the king for his conceit. "The days are coming," he warned, "when all that is in your house, and that which your fathers have stored up till this day, shall be carried to Babylon. [...] And some of your own sons, who are born to you, shall be taken away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon" (Isa. 39:6-7).

If Hezekiah had accepted God's timing for his death, he would now be remembered as one of the greatest men of faith in the Bible. Instead, he stained his record in those additional years with an act of pride that paved the way for the Babylonian invasion of Judah a century later. The heavenly Father truly does know best.

¹ At that time Merodach-baladan the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent envoys with letters and a present to Hezekiah, for he heard that he had been sick and had recovered. ² And Hezekiah welcomed them gladly. And he showed them his treasure house, the silver, the gold, the spices, the precious oil, his whole armory, all that was found in his storehouses. There was nothing in his house or in all his realm that Hezekiah did not show them. ³ Then Isaiah the prophet came to King Hezekiah, and said to him, "What did these men say? And from where did they come to you?" Hezekiah said, "They have come to me from a far country, from Babylon." ⁴ He said, "What have they seen in your house?" Hezekiah answered, "They have seen all that is in my house. There is nothing in my storehouses that I did not show them." ⁵ Then Isaiah said to Hezekiah, "Hear the word of the Lord of hosts: ⁶ Behold, the days are coming, when all that is in your house, and that which your fathers have stored up till this day, shall be carried to Babylon. Nothing shall be left, says the Lord. ⁷ And some of your own sons, who will come from you, whom you will father, shall be taken away, and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of

Babylon." ⁸ Then Hezekiah said to Isaiah, "The word of the Lord that you have spoken is good." For he thought, "There will be peace and security in my days." Isa. 39:1-8

Sermons

November 24th

2 Peter 3:10

The Coming of the Lord (a.m.)

Singing Emphasis (p.m.)

December 1st

Romans 8:1-4

Jesus Paid It All (a.m.)

The Deceitfulness of Sin (p.m.)

Hamburg Pike Happenings

The next issue of the bulletin will be December 8th. Please note that those to serve, the sermon titles and scripture readings for the next two Sundays are listed in this issue.

Our Sunday evening worship on November 24th will be a "Singing Emphasis" service. Men and young men who would like to lead a song or read scripture please sign up.

The MNM group will not meet Monday Nov 25th. Our next MNM meeting is scheduled for Monday Dec 2nd. The menu is breakfast foods; please sign the sheet if you plan to attend. Hope to see you there.

The Mitchell church of Christ is planning their annual coat give away. Marian Stephens is traveling to Mitchell for the Thanksgiving Holiday and will deliver the coats. If you have any gently used coats in sizes children to adult to donate please see Marian.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the "Orphans Sunday" contribution. The church will donate \$4904.00 to the orphan's relief effort.

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