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WEEK OF DECEMBER 04, 2022

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 04

- Bible Class for all ages - 9 a.m.
- Worship Assembly - 10 a.m.
- Worship Assembly - 5 p.m.
- *Scripture* - 2 Chronicles 20:15
- *Sermon* - Valley of Fear, Valley of Blessing
- Children's Bible Class - Fellowship Room
- University Place Services - 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY - DECEMBER 05

- Prayer Conference Call with Floyd Miller - 8-9 p.m.
- Call (605) 313-5695 - Passcode is 718815

TUESDAY - DECEMBER 06

- Ladies Bible Class - 10 a.m. - Room 35
- Ladies Night Out - 6-8 pm - TaMolley's
(sign-up in back, please)

WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 07

- "Feeding the Flock" Meal - Resume Jan. 2023
- Food Pantry Open - 5-6 p.m.
- Short Devotional - 6:30 p.m.
- Bible Class for all ages - 6:45 p.m.

THURSDAY - DECEMBER 08

- Men's Brown Bag - Noon - Room 10

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 10

- Redeeming the Tears - 10 a.m. - Will **NOT** Meet

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

BIBLE BOWL/MATTHEW STUDY

5 p.m. - Rm. 17/19 - 3rd-12th grade
Open to All

COMMUNION TO THE SHUT-INS

Sunday, December 11, 2022
After AM Worship

YOUTH DEVO.

Sunday, December 18, 2022
After AM Worship

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SRS. IN MOTION MTG/MEAL/GAME

Monday, December 12, 2022
10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Fellowship Area

THIRD FRIDAY GAME NIGHT

Friday, December 16, 2022
6 p.m. - Fellowship Area

ASSEMBLE HOLIDAY BASKETS

Saturday, December 17, 2022
9:30 a.m. - Fellowship Area

YOUNG FAMILIES DEVO.

Monday, December 19, 2022
6 - 8 p.m. @ Power Up Inflatables

MEETING TIMES

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9 a.m. - Bible Class for all ages
10 a.m. - Worship Assembly

SUNDAY EVENINGS

5 p.m. - Children's Bible Class
5 p.m. - Worship Assembly

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

5:30 p.m. - Fellowship Meal - Resume Jan.
6:30 p.m. - Short Devotional
6:45 p.m. - Bible Class for all ages

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRING YOUR BUDDY NIGHT

Sunday, December 11, 2022

After the PM service - Fellowship Rm

Bring your Buddy and a snack!

THE WHITE ROCK FUND

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PRAYER REQUESTS

MEMBERS

Kenneth & Charlotte Longley - Prayers
Ruby LaRoque - Pacemaker - Home now
Kerry Miller - Covid
Troy & Tay Moore - Traveling
James Sumners - Foot injury
 (Achilles tendon)

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Randall Carr - Health concerns
 (Brother of **Carrie Bower**)
 Freddie Famble - Home now
 (Former Member of BHCC)
 Joel & Kendra Paris - New baby girl
 Klara Layne Paris - 11/23/22
 (Son-in-Law & Daughter of
Larry & Pam Sullivan)
 Jazun Rodriquez - Hospital - Dallas
 (Grandson of **Eric & Maxine Spears**)
 Paul Vinson - Thyroid cancer treatments
 (Brother of **David Vinson**)
 The People of Russia & Ukraine

SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILIES OF

John Sullivan - 11/21/22, Oklahoma
 (Brother of **Larry Sullivan**)

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Pauline Baskett	Phyllis Bonner
Billie Brown	Janet Bruns
Johnnie Feaster	Jim & Connye Hays
Curtis Johnson	
Leroy and Mary Mason	
Perry & Shirley Neely	Jo Potter
Frances Pruett	Melinda Simmons
Laveta Youngquist	

CANCER FIGHTERS

Paola Abdullah	Jena Madeley
Lewis Maness	Jesse Thomas
Minnie Woody	

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

NEXT PANTRY PALS SUNDAY

TODAY

Canned Sweet
 Potatoes,
 Cranberry Sauce,

**Carrots, Green
 Beans, Instant
 Potatoes (Box),
 Instant Potatoes
 (Packet),
 Stuffing, Gravy Mix**

IT BUILDS CHARACTER!

I don't know how often I have heard those words uttered when some young person or child is going through a difficult time in their life. I know I have said those word more than once, "It will build their character!" Actually, the idea is a biblical one. Our character is built, transformed, and strengthened by struggle. The Apostle Paul, who himself had encountered struggles and suffering that we might not be able to fathom, said it this way:

"Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope." (1 Corinthians 5:3-4)

I don't know that I am ready to glory in my suffering, but it is clear that God can work in us through our suffering. Many of us (maybe even you?) have made the comment or at least thought it: "why does God allow this to happen?" Why does God allow us to suffer loss, illness, pain, etc.? This passage encourages me to move forward after suffering and to use it as a springboard to greater things! It builds perseverance in us that helps us the next time we are faced with suffering. It strengthens the character we need to be good examples to others. It makes our hope in what God has promised us all that much more secure!

There is one more important aspect to suffering that we don't want to miss: Suffering enables us to comfort others. (2 Corinthians 1:3-11) Suffering can become a tool that helps us relate better to people . . . people we want to reach with the good news of Jesus.

While visiting an apple orchard, a fellow was amazed at some of the trees that were so loaded down with fruit that the branches had to be propped up to keep them off the ground. Looking closer, he noticed that the trunks on those high producing trees were covered with gashes and gouges. He asked the owner about that and received this answer: "We discovered a long time ago that when you take a healthy apple tree that may not be producing a lot of fruit, and you cut it, gouge it, or slash it, there is something in that tree that causes it to respond in a positive way. It never fails. The trees with the most scars produce the greatest fruit."

Look in the faces of those around you. They may have scars, gashes, gouges in their character as a result of suffering. God allows that. He allows it because he knows it makes us better, stronger and more effective in influencing those around us. That brings God glory! **So . . . maybe I should be able to glory in my suffering!**

Larry Sullivan

BHCC Preaching Minister

OUR LEADERSHIP

MINISTERS

Larry Sullivan
(Preaching)
 Luke Bower
(Youth and Family)

DEACONS

Hank Davis
 Marty Gray
 Christopher Hall
 John Hanson
 Eric Hunt
 Chris Jeter
 Kenneth Longley
 Scott McGaha
 Dean Newman
 Justin Rosenquist
 James Sumners
 Gregg Taylor

ELDERS

Richard Bower
 Ed Cowart
 Robert Dennis
 Charles Goodnight
 Richard Oller
 Larry Taylor
 Stuart Tiner

ELDER OF THE MONTH
Richard Bower

LAST WEEK

All numbers reflect
 In-Person attendance

Bible Class - 104
AM Assembly - 156
PM Total - N/C
Assembly - N/C
CBC/Other - N/C
University Place - 33
Wednesday Devo - 100

Contribution - \$5,843
Weekly Goal - \$9,600