



Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another"

- James 5:16 -

- Rodelio Baaqin & Family - working with congregations of the Lord's church in the Philippines
- Josiah Carelse & Family - working with the Lord's church in Cape Town, South Africa
- CA Fires - Please pray for those who have lost loved ones, homes & possessions and the fire fighters & rescue personnel; also the Pasadena church of Christ whose building was destroyed
- Leslie Denbow - left knee needs replacement surgery; experiencing nerve pain in right foot
- Filomena Derecho (Cathy's mother in the Philippines) - numerous health issues
- Retha Flack (Terry & Betty's Christian friend) - 2 blockages in heart; treatment being evaluated
- Richard Miles (Kathleen's nephew) - undergoing chemo & radiation to combat a rare sarcoma; recently had large tumors surgically removed from his abdomen; prognosis is not favorable
- Wayne Sampson - **Welcome back!** Incision from Femoral Bypass Surgery is almost completely healed; skin graft surgery no longer needed 😊
- Hurricane Victims - prayers for those affected by the devastation brought on by these storms
- Tornado Victims - prayers for those affected by more than 100 tornadoes in 8 states; at least 43 lives lost; Cave City Church of Christ building in Arkansas was completely destroyed
- Families of those who perished - in the January plane crashes in Philadelphia /Washington DC
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray for those not with us today — the sick & suffering and those who are spiritually weak & struggling

"Pray without ceasing." — 1 Thess 5:17

Body, Soul and Spirit



In 1 Thessalonians 5:23, Paul wrote: "Now may the God of peace Himself, sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit [Greek - *pneuma*], soul [Greek - *psyche*], and body [Greek - *soma*], be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." This verse plainly teaches that man is a triune or three-part being. And while most of us basically understand the human body and its function, it is often difficult to fully grasp or completely comprehend the difference between the soul & the spirit and their relationship with one another. In fact, at times the terms are used interchangeably, which tends to blur any real distinction between the two. The following definitions are offered to help us try to gain a better understanding of their distinct, specific function.

The body of course is the tangible, physical aspect of a person. It includes all biological and physiological functions and is the vehicle with which we move through and interact with our world. The body is subject to physical laws, and experiences sensations, pain, and pleasure. It is the body that provides a home for the soul and the spirit while we are in this world. And, as we know, both humans and animals have bodies. When we die, our bodies return to the earth (Gen 3:19; Job 34:15; Eccles 3:20, 12:7).

The soul is often considered the essence of a person. It encompasses emotions, thoughts, and personality. The soul is the seat of consciousness and individuality. It can be thought of as kind of a bridge between the body and the spirit. It is the seat of the will, the character, the intellect, the thoughts, and the emotions. In practical terms, it is synonymous with the mind and is that place where we think and reason. Your soul animates your body and allows you to interact with the world and with other people. It provides for you a self-conscious awareness. In short, your soul is that part of you that makes you ... YOU! It is what makes you who you are. The soul will continue on after death, as we see in the Lord's teaching of the rich

man & Lazarus (Lk 16:19-31). In Jesus's account of the rich man recorded in Luke 12:20, the Lord said to him: "This night your soul will be required of you!" We also see the eternal nature of the soul addressed in Matthew 25, and many other places in Scripture.

The Spirit is where any similarities between man and animals end completely. It could be said that while the soul makes us *self*-conscious, the spirit enables us to be *God*-conscious. The spirit is associated with the metaphysical or non-material aspect of a person—that which makes a spiritual connection with God. The spirit is the source of life and vitality. It is linked to one's sense of purpose and is that which provides our moral compass. The spirit will also exist beyond physical death. "Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it" (Eccles 12:7).

When we leave this world, the soul & spirit shall return to God to be dealt with accordingly (Eccles 12:7, 14). The redeemed shall go on to heavenly glory (Jn 14:1-3; Mt 25:21, 23). The lost ... to eternal condemnation in Hell (Ps 9:17; Mt 25:30, 46; 2 Thess 1:8-9). — **Terry Schmidt** ✍

**"Sirs, what must I do
to be saved?"**

- Acts 16:30 -



Hear the Gospel - John 6:44-45; Rom 10:14,17
Believe [trust in] God - John 3:16; 8:24; Ac 16:31
 Heb 11:6
Repent of sins - Luke 13:1-5; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 17:30
Confess Christ - Mt 10:32-33; Ac 8:36-37;
 Rom 10:8-10
Be baptized - Mk 16:16; Ac 2:38; 8:36; 22:16;
 1 Pet 3:21
Be faithful unto death - Mt 7:21; Rev 2:10

😊 **Welcome Visitors!** 😊

We are glad to have you as our honored guests!



Kathleen Judkins - April 10th



Jim & Pat — April 28th



We will enjoy our potluck meal next Sunday after services. We hope you will stay for this special time of food, fun & fellowship! 😊

Visits to Our Web Page

Last Week: 5,042

This Month: 4,156



SNACKS!

April 6: Terry K

April 13: Paula



Weekly Statistics

Services were not held last Sunday due to the bad weather and dangerous driving conditions.

Order of Worship

April 6, 2025

*"It is good for me to draw near to God;
I have put my trust in the LORD God,
That I may declare all Your works."*

📖 - Psalm 73:28 - 📖

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Song—66

Opening Prayer: Wayne Sampson

Song—521

Scripture Reading: Louis Bureau
~ Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7 ~

Song—48

The Lord's Supper
Jim Miller (lead) & David Larrabee

Song—668

Sermon: Terry Schmidt
"A Biblical View of Human Life"

Song—593

Announcements & Closing Prayer
Jason Kennedy

Alternates: George Cuvellier /
Mike Doucette

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Lord's Supper Prep: Pat Miller

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*We love Him, because  
He first loved us.  
- 1 John 4:19 -*

## April 6, 2025

**Meeting on the Lord's Day:**

9:30 am — Bible Class

10:30 am — Worship

*"Let us consider one another in order  
to stir up love and good works, not  
forsaking the assembling of ourselves  
together, as is the manner of some, but  
exhorting one another, and so much the  
more as you see the Day approaching."*

- Hebrews 10:24-25 -

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