

New Here?

Welcome to Gospel Light!

We're so glad you came to worship with us and want to do all we can to help you feel at home. Please stop by Capachi's Coffee Shop for a complimentary cup of coffee.

Connection Card

If this is your first visit with us, if you need prayer or have any questions, we'd like to know how to serve you. Please fill out the Get Connected Card and bring it to Capachi's Cafe in the Atrium to receive a free gift. You can also leave it at the connection corner or drop it in the offering plate and someone will contact you.

Small Groups

If you are desiring a closer relationship with Jesus Christ, one of the best ways to make that happen is by being part of a Small Group. Small Groups are weekly small gatherings where we dig deep into the Word of God, find fellowship and support, as well as ways to provide service and outreach into our community. Come by "The Connection Corner" in the atrium for more information.

Ministry Contacts

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Announcements

Christmas Gift to Jesus

"Christmas Gift to Jesus" offering will be received today, use designated "Christmas Gift to Jesus" envelope.

Church Offices Closed

The Gospel Light offices will be closed on January 1st.

Save the Date

Ladies' Brown Bag Brunch on Saturday, January 18th at 11:00 a.m.

Equip Groups

Beginning in the middle of January our Winter Equip Groups will kick off with four (4) opportunities for topical in-depth study of various aspects of the Christian Life. For the ladies there is a study of the book of James, "James – Mercy Triumphs" from Beth Moore as well as a study of the book of Esther entitled "Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman" also from Beth Moore. Also being offered in the Winter Groups is a study on marriage, "The Art of Marriage" from Family Life and a study on sharing your faith, "Just Walk Across the Room" using material from Bill Hybels. In order to be able to properly plan, we are asking that you sign up for these Group Classes as soon as possible. You may sign up by calling Jamie Wagner at Gospel Light at (501) 624-5288 ext. 40 or by emailing her at jamie.wagner@gospellight.org.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

9:00 am Adult Small Groups (Childcare provided)
Student Fellowship

10:30 am First Adult Worship Service
Children's Worship Service and Small Groups
Adult Small Groups

6:00 pm Second Adult Worship Service
Children's Activity Time
Student Activity Time
Adult Small Groups

Wednesday

7:00 pm Student Worship Service and Small Groups
Adult Small Groups

Financial Update

Tithes/Offerings	\$18,109.79	• Give online: www.gospellight.org
Missions	\$3,153.15	• By mail:
Bus	\$535.00	600 Garland Ave, Hot Springs, AR 71913
Total	\$21,797.94	• Giving Questions?

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GOSPEL LIGHT

BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship Guide

December 29, 2013

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Our Purpose

“To Glorify God”

Our Mission

“To Make Disciples of all Nations”

Our Method

“To Connect with God through Worship”
“To Connect with Each Other through Discipleship”
“To Connect with the Church through Service”
“To Connect with the World through Outreach”

DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

Day 1 Romans 8:39	Day 2 John 10:10	Day 3 Romans 12:12	Day 4 Proverbs 18:10	Day 5 Psalm 46:10	Day 6 Zephaniah 3:17
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I heard recently that a Christian economist who did some research on giving in the American church at large came to find that fifteen to twenty percent of the people give ninety percent of the money. Now I am sure that number varies from church to church, but the overall statistic is staggering. It has always been incredible to me that so many give so little, because when you and I become to know Christ as Savior and our lives are transformed. Our love for him ought to be so powerful that we say, "Lord, here is my life, and everything that I have belongs to you." Instead, people say things such as, "I thought just the 10% belongs to God?" Yes, God owns the 10%, but He also owns the other 90% as well. When it comes to giving it is not just about giving a certain percentage and doing what you want with the rest. Giving to God's purposes ought to be one of your greatest joys, and you should give or spend every penny for the glory of God. So if you have a little or a lot; be faithful with what you do have so that one day you will hear the words, "Well done good and faithful servant." No matter how much money you have God wants you to be faithful with the resources that He has given you for His glory. If there is anything that I can pray with you about, please let me know. I love you. Pastor Eric

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH

Sharing the gospel normally creates stress and anxiety in most Christians. Sometimes knowing some practical pointers helps in relieving that pressure. Listed below are some evangelism ideas that you might try. The gist of the list is how to advance the personal one on one conversation about the gospel with your peers. The Christmas Season is a perfect opportunity to bring up spiritual concepts and ideas. Hope it helps!

- Let people around you know you are a Christian (in a natural, unforced way)
- Listen to your friends problems – maybe offer to pray for them
- Give them a book to read
- Offer to read the Bible with them
- Ask friends about their faith – and just listen!
- Share your problems with others – testify to how your faith helps you
- Answer objections and questions
- Invite them to a church event / service
- Invite them to a Small Group meeting

Let's pray for God to open doors for the church (that's us) to share the good news this week!

PRAY FOR OUR CITY

This week we are praying for the Walnut Valley Baptist Church of Hot Springs and their pastor, Bro. Tim Forrest. We are also praying for the Change Point Pregnancy Care and Parenting Resource Center, which is an organization whose purpose is to serve families by defending the sanctity of human life thru educating and equipping families with the truth of God's love and design.

Day 1: Pray for the staff and counselors that serve at Change Point that they will have wisdom as they counsel the young women in the difficult decisions concerning pregnancy.

Day 2: Pray that those young women who are deciding to have an abortion will seek out help and counseling from Change Point.

Day 3: Pray that God would provide the necessary funding to meet the needs of the programs and expenses of operating Change Point, especially during this time of year.

Day 4: Pray for Gospel Light to have wisdom and direction as we develop ways to "come along side" Change Point to assist them in their ministry.

Day 5: Pray for the Executive Director, JoAnn Carter that she will have God's wisdom and love as she makes the day to day decisions that affect people's lives.

Day 6: Pray that all the women that come thru their programs would find salvation in Jesus Christ through the prayers and support of people just like us who desire to stand with them.

PRAY FOR OUR WORLD

Our prayer focus for this week is Steve Carter serving in Japan. Drop the Carter's an email at cartersjapan@gmail.com

Day 1 –For our church—one of the main things that is on our hearts is for the husbands and fathers of our church folks to be saved. We have 5 families in our church whose fathers are not saved. Their interest in salvation varies from a few of them who come to church occasionally to several who have never been, to one who is absolutely against any kind of Christianity for himself. Please pray for these men, so that our families can be whole not just physically but spiritually. This is has been a burden for our ladies for many years.

Day 2 –Also, please pray for a number of our members who have lost, or are in the process of losing their jobs. We are praying that they can find good jobs in the area so they can stay here at Akigawa Baptist Church.

Day 3 –For our family—please pray that God will give me wisdom to shepherd the people He has entrusted me with.

Day 4 –Also pray for Bethany as she takes care of Asher, our little one, while also ministering to the ladies in the church.

Day 5 –For our older two—pray for them as they jump into the school year here in Japan.

Day 6 –Pray for God's hedge of spiritual protection on two ladies as He draws them to Him. This may be the beginning of their journey to salvation as I teach them God's Word.

NOTES:



Absolute Surrender to Getting the Message Out Acts 24-25-26

The goal of the message today is:

That you would see and _____ afresh the absolute priority of telling other people about what _____ has done for you.

Four challenges in getting the message out.

1. Get the message out even when _____.
We must wake up, sing up, pray up, and pay up but never give up or let up or back up or shut up until the cause of Christ is built up in this world.
2. Get the message out even when _____ seems to _____.
3. Get the message out even when you have said it _____.
Don't grow weary in well doing, for in due season we shall _____ if we _____ not.
4. Get the message out even when you are _____.

In King Agrippa's response to Paul's message he said, "Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian."

Are you:

- Almost _____.
- Almost _____.
- Almost _____.

Let's commit ourselves afresh in 2014 to getting the message out.

I Thessalonians 2:4, "But as we were allowed of God to be put in _____ with the _____, even so we speak. Not as pleasing _____ but _____, which trieth our hearts."