



A Weekly Publication of the



120 Cave Street
Horse Cave, KY 42749

We gladly welcome you to our congregation, trusting that – if you are *seeking Christ* you will find Him here, if *sorrowing* you will receive comfort and strength here, if *troubled in spirit* you will gain the blessing of peace here, if *discouraged* you will rejoice in encouragement and hope here, if *friendless* you will find companionship and Christian love here. That these and other blessings may be yours is our prayer.

TIME OF SERVICES (CST):

Sunday: Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. **Wednesday:** Bible Study 6 PM

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Are You A Pilgrim?

Peter writes with the authority of an "apostle" of Jesus Christ and he writes to the Christians who were scattered. In 1 Peter 1:1, Peter speaks of "pilgrims of the dispersion." He was likely speaking of the Christians who had been scattered since the days when persecution had scattered the church everywhere (See Acts 8:1ff). Many of these brethren had to leave their homes in order to keep their faith and family together.

A pilgrim sees himself as on a journey. The houses he happens to stay in are viewed as temporary places to stop on his way to the enduring land he seeks. Many of us in these prosperous United States have come to think of ourselves as permanent residents of our homes. We work and live as if it is all about having and keeping this house. We allow ourselves to become slaves of material things. One day all of this stuff is going to burn up. Our children will need "faith" in God and spiritual directions for living.

We need to see ourselves as pilgrims, just passing through this world, on our way to the more permanent home prepared for God's people. Do you really view yourself as a "pilgrim"? Is your heart set on going to heaven? Do people you live with KNOW that your heart is set on something greater than this world offers? How can you really be a pilgrim if no one you work with or no one you live with knows that your heart is set on going to heaven? Pilgrims make preparations for their journey. What kind of preparations are you making for heaven? - - Terry Benton

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[I am reminded of the first verse of the gospel song "*This World Is Not My Home*" that expresses the sentiment of the above article. WH]

*This world is not my home, I'm just a passing through
My treasures are laid up somewhere beyond the blue;
The angels beckon me from heaven's open door,
And I can't feel at home in this world anymore.*

Chorus:

O Lord, you know I have no friend like you, If heaven's not my home, then Lord what will I do? The angels beckon me from heaven's open door, And I can't feel at home in this world anymore.

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FOCUS on one Luke 15:4

What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and

go after the one which is lost

NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Becky Hatcher dialysis 3X times a week; Becky Bush, also her daughter Angela and a great-grandson is having health issues; Joyce Dye lost her balance when getting into their truck and fell backwards and landed on her back which compounded her back issues; Joey Palmore recovering from a meniscus tear repair in his knee; Fran Mears; Mary Whittington; Mike & Vickie Thompson; Jackie Coop; Linda Lewis (Diana Proffitt's sister undergoing treatments); Carl Thomas; Steve Seaton; Mary Hatcher; Parker Bybee; Bobby Pedigo; Mark Isenberg (a friend since childhood) who lives in Murfreesboro, TN undergoing treatments; Cindy Binkley (daughter of our late Genie & Marilyn Hogan) has been diagnosed with cancer. She is seeking medical care at MD Anderson in Houston; Clayton Gerald (former member here) suffered a stroke recently. He is now in a Rehab facility in Elizabethtown and doing better.

Sympathy and prayers for the family of Diane King who passed away Nov. 9th; the family of Lance Corporal Le'Braun Hamilton, 2023 graduate of Caverna High School.

FRIENDS IN OUR COMMUNITY Tim Shipley; Brittany Smith; Melinda Grant; Darrell Wilkerson (throat cancer); prayers for our local schools; the severe aftermath of Hurricane Helena and Milton

PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks
World English Institute (WEI) - Darrell Wallace
Manna Project

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10 a.m. The auditorium class is studying the book of *John*. A great study on the life of Christ. Dennis Hogan is the teacher

PREACHING TODAY:

11 am Dennis Hogan "Do You Think You're Better Than Jesus?"

5 pm Dennis Hogan "Radically Different Christian" #4

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY 6 PM

A new study in *Genesis* is underway on Wed. night. Dennis Hogan is the teacher. Bring your bibles and be a part of this good study.

OUR LOCAL RADIO PROGRAM

We encourage you to listen to our radio program "***In Search of the Lord's Way***" heard on WLOC 101.7 FM or 1150 AM here in Horse Cave each Sunday morning from 8:30 - 9:00 with **Phil Sanders**. Please pray for this great ministry as the gospel is being proclaimed. Phil Sanders does an excellent job!!! Search website: <https://www.searchtv.org/>

NOTE: If you are unable to pick up the station or do not live in our area, you can go to wloconline.com and choose to listen on your computer or select the **tunein** app for your mobile device.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

If you are visiting with us today, we are very thankful for your presence. Please use one of the QR cards on the pew or on back of the pew in front of you as we would like to have a record of your attendance. You always will be welcomed at any of our services. You may drop it in the collection plate when it passes.

You are not expected to give a contribution, unless you want to.

POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME & FAMILY MINISTRIES

As we have done for many years, we will be helping with their Commodities Outreach. These pantry items:

Ziploc Sandwich Bags	AuGratin Potatoes
Wheat Thins	Banana Nut Muffin Mix
Diapers Girls 4T-5T	

They will be here to pick up our donations the week of **January 5, 2025**. If you prefer, they will also accept a monetary donation if you are unable to shop.

CONSIDERING TIME CHANGE FOR SUNDAY EVENINGS

Be sure and listen for announcements from our elders asking for your input about the possibility of meeting earlier on Sunday for the evening service.

ONE CALL PHONE SERVICE

We will soon be implementing this program to quickly get in touch with you regarding important announcements.

Dennis Hogan's Podcast

<https://jesus360degrees.podbean.com/>



You may listen to previous sermons!! Check it out!!

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