WOLFFORK NEWS

FEBRUARY 2025



We probably think of romance when Valentine's Day comes. That's fine, but there's more to the story than that.

St. Valentine was a Christian priest and martyr who lived about A.D. 270. The Roman emperor at the time was Claudius II. Claudius had been a successful general. would not allow his soldiers to marry, because he wanted to make sure they could go to battle quickly. He thought family ties would make the men reluctant to leave home. Because Valentine promoted marriage and family life, he was jailed and later convicted of going against the orders of the emperor. He was martyred on February 14, the day we remember him and our loved ones.

While he was in jail, the jailer's daughter befriended him. He wrote her a letter of appreciation and signed it "Your Valentine." The tradition of exchanging valentines grew out of that heartfelt gesture.



Souper Bowl Sunday February 9

Immediately following morning service, we will enjoy our **Souper Bowl Sunday** dinner together. Please bring your favorite soup, sandwich, or dessert to share with others and enjoy a great time of fellowship.



Wolffork Baptist Church is in need of volunteers to assist with the following:

Prayer Request List—To assist with keeping the list updated, contacting those one the list, and keep the church updated on their condition or need.

Church Newsletter—The church provides a monthly newsletter that is mailed to 130 plus families each month. A team of 2 to 4 persons are needed to assist once a month with folding, stuffing and addressing the mailout. Depending on the number of volunteers it will take 2 to 4 hours to accomplish the task. One morning out of the month.

If you feel God is leading you to volunteer in one of these positions, please talk with the pastor.



Weekly Activities at **Wolffork Baptist Church**

Sunday:

9:30 AM—Continental Breakfast

9:45 AM—Sunday School—Bible

study for all ages

11:00 AM—Morning Worship

5:00 PM—Prayer Meeting and

Bible Study

Wednesday:

5:30 PM—Food Pantry Opens

6:00 PM—Wonderful Wednesday

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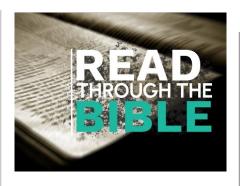
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Word for the Day

Listen daily to "Word for the Day," the Daily Devotions from Wolffork Baptist Church at Wolffork.com/ Video-devotion or Facebook.com/ Wolffork.

Listen to the Sunday Sermon at Wolffork.org/sermon.





365 Bible Reading Through the Bible in 3 Years February 2025 Readings

- 1. Amos 3
- 2. Amos 4
- 3. Amos 5
- 4. Amos 6
- 5. Amos 7
- 6. Amos 8
- 7. Amos 9
- 8. Obadiah 1
- 9. Psalm 76-77
- 10. Psalm 78
- 11. Psalms 79-80
- 12. 1 Corinthians 1
- 13. 1 Corinthians 2
- 14. 1 Corinthians 3
- 15. 1 Corinthians 4
- 16. 1 Corinthians 5
- 17. 1 Corinthians 6
- 18. 1 Corinthians 7
- 19. 1 Corinthians 8
- 20. 1 Corinthians 9
- 21. 1 Corinthians 10
- 22. 1 Corinthians 11
- 23. 1 Corinthians 12
- 24. 1 Corinthians 13
- 25. 1 Corinthians 14
- 26. 1 Corinthians 15
- 27. 1 Corinthians 16
- 28. Psalm 81-82





BIRTHDAYS

Walt Stancil—7

Sandra Thurmond—9

Holden McCracken-17

Amy Hicks-21

Heather Page—21

Babs White—21

Wanda Buchanan-22

Lizzie Page-22

Joe Buchanan—23

ANNIVERSARIES

Dart and Kea Fifer—8

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please let Pastor Bill know.





February 2—Ivy West Brook and Rosa Miller

February 9—Linda Page and Amelia McCracken

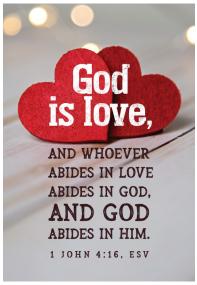
February 16—Alicia McCracken and Kim McIntire

February 23—Margaret Howard and Arlene Barker

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To Know Christ and to Make Him Known

Victorious Christian Living by Billy Graham



former president rightfully emphasized the urgent need for a spiritual revival in America. In our Crusades. we see powerful glimpses of this revival ลร thousands commit to full-time Christian service and make transformative decisions for Christ. However, a true revival

will manifest only when Christians meet specific biblical conditions.

Despite large gatherings and strong church cooperation that clearly indicate God's work, the sweeping revival many have longed for has yet to materialize. It is evident that God grieves over the state of contemporary Christianity; far too many believers have strayed from their first love and are lukewarm, echoing the church at Laodicea as described in Revelation 3:17.

While the church may appear well-organized and affluent, we must confront our spiritual poverty. The Bible categorizes people into three distinct groups: natural men and women, who lack understanding of spiritual matters; carnal Christians, who grieve the Holy Spirit and exhibit spiritual immaturity; and spiritual Christians, who grasp deeper truths through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

This raises a vital question: How can a carnal Christian transition to becoming a spiritual Christian? If you once felt a profound connection with God and now find yourself distant, yearning for the joy of a renewed

relationship, rest assured that you can reclaim that joy and power through genuine repentance and faith in Jesus Christ.

The Bible emphatically assures us that we can experience daily victory. Romans 6:14 declares, "For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace." Paul candidly describes the struggle between sin and grace in Romans 7:24-25, concluding with a triumphant expression of gratitude for deliverance through Jesus Christ.

Romans 8:2 boldly states, "For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death." We are reminded in 1 Corinthians 15:57, "But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Defeated Christians are not living in alignment with the power provided through Christ. Backsliding and carnality simply do not represent a normal Christian experience. The presence of Christ in believers means there is never a reason for defeat; every temptation can and must be resisted.

It is important to acknowledge that Christ can be dethroned in our hearts, leading to failure in spiritual battles. A victorious life springs from giving Christ His rightful place in our hearts.

Every Christian confronts three primary enemies: the world, the flesh, and the devil. "The world" represents the evil system around us that can lead us toward sin. While our daily responsibilities—such as caring for family or earning a living—are essential, they can become distractions that hinder our spiritual growth (Mark 4:19). The Bible steadfastly warns against loving the things of this world (1 John 2:15).

The second enemy, the flesh, refers to our fallen

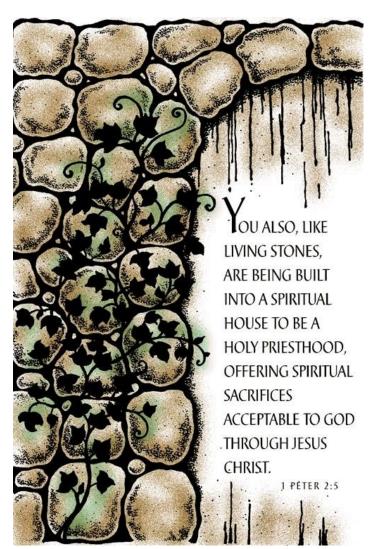
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human nature. As Paul stated, "In my flesh nothing good dwells" (Romans 7:18). Many sins arise from this source, including irritability, pride, and selfishness.

The third enemy is the devil, known as "the prince of the power of the air" (Ephesians 2:2). Though Christ has decisively defeated him, he continues to oppose God's will.

Our response to these enemies must be a wholehearted renunciation of sin without compromise. Christians are called to experience daily victory by turning to Christ. For those who have yet to know His peace, forgive yourself and seize the opportunity for forgiveness through faith in Jesus. Why not turn to Him today?



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Victorious Christian Living

The theme of preaching on Sunday morning for 2025, will be Victorious Christian living. God has called His children to a victorious, joyous life and lifestyle. It is not for some Christians but for all Christians. You can have an enjoy the victorious life in Christ.

"Victorious Christian living" is a lifestyle where a believer actively lives out their faith in Jesus Christ, overcoming challenges and temptations through the power of God, essentially experiencing a life of triumph over sin, fear, and worldly pressures, rooted in a deep trust and reliance on God's grace and strength; it is a life characterized by faith, obedience to God's word, and perseverance through hardship, ultimately finding victory in Christ.

Key points about victorious Christian living:

Faith in Jesus: The foundation of a victorious Christian life is complete faith in Jesus Christ, believing that through his sacrifice, believers have access to victory over sin and the world.

Power of the Holy Spirit: The Holy Spirit empowers believers to live victoriously by providing guidance, strength, and the ability to resist temptation.

Overcoming challenges: This includes overcoming personal struggles like addiction, negative thoughts, and worldly desires.

Living according to Scripture: Actively studying and applying the teachings of the Bible to daily life is key to victorious living.

Community and fellowship: Supporting other believers and participating in church life strengthens one's walk with God and contribute to a victorious lifestyle.

"You are from God, little children, and you have conquered them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world" (I John 4:4 CSB)