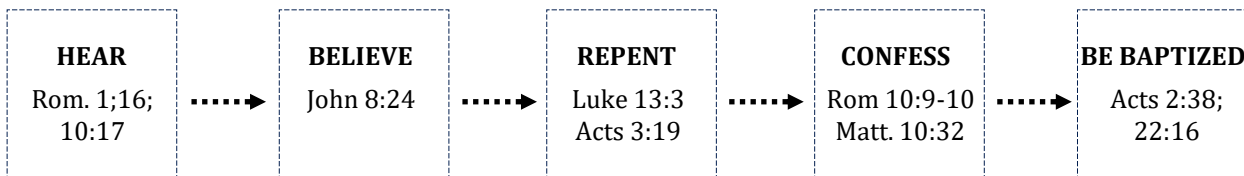


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**Sermon Notes**



**WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?**



**THE MESSENGER**

*"This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all." **1John 1:5***

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**WELCOME VISITING FRIENDS**

If you are one of our visitors today, please know that we are indeed honored to have you. If you are a member of the Lord's body, thanks for choosing to worship with us today. If you are not a member of the Lord's church, we would be happy to meet with you and discuss how one becomes a member of the church which we read about in the New Testament. We aim to speak as they spoke and do as they did. We also offer a free Bible Correspondence Course which can be mailed to you. Or, someone would be glad to meet with you for a one-on-one Bible study. You can indicate your desire on a visitor's card and place it in the collection tray located at the front on the communion table.

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**Sunday**  
Young Christians' Class .....10 a.m.  
Sun. Adult Bible Class.....10 a.m.  
Worship Service .....11 a.m.

**Wednesday**  
Bible Study (on Zoom)...7:00 p.m.

*I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."  
**Psalm 122:1***

# CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

## PATIENCE FOR ALL

**W**hile driving for work one morning last week, I ignored Google Maps and was 15 minutes late to an appointment. Later, I was on the phone and not paying attention at the car wash. I failed to put my car in neutral and let go of the wheel while lining up for one of those pulleys. There were a couple of other events that made me want to crawl into a hole.

We can turn our attention from our lives for just a moment, and situations seem to just blow up! Shouldn't my life as a Christian be without errors or feelings of anger and disappointment? The Bible teaches that our life is only for a few days and full of trouble (Job 14:1). Not a particularly hopeful passage on its own, but combined with other scriptures the Word teaches us, we just have to lean on the Lord and be...among other things...patient. It takes patience to let go of our problems, lay them at the feet of our Lord, and wait for the sunshine.

Waiting on the Lord renews our strength, and each renewal makes us stronger for the challenging times yet to come. And check this out. Roman 8:28 tells me that "all things work together for good to them that love God, and are called according to his purpose."

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During the afternoon of the day I mentioned above, a good friend texted me the funniest observation I have ever heard! I laughed so hard and felt so much joy, the troubles of the morning melted away. Be encouraged knowing that when things seem bleak, there's gonna be a blessing. Because ALL things work together! So wait for the "ALL" y'all! And be ready for the blessing!

*Bro. David A. Brantford*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## REMINDERS:

~Please silence your *cell phones*.



~There is no *eating* allowed in the auditorium.

~Please be diligent in observing *CDC guidelines* by getting vaccinated, sanitizing, social distancing, and masking up. This includes wearing a proper fitting mask that covers both your mouth and nose.

~Please dispose of your used *communion cups* in the trash can in the foyer .

~You are encouraged to use the *PayPal* option for electronic offerings.

We will have our 1st picnic at the WHCOC building at the end of Aug. Date, to be determined (TBD). There will be a sign-up sheet on the ledge for food and entertainment. More details to follow.

## FOR PRAYERS :

Prayers for Sis. Wyatt whose nephew, Robert Suggs was shot and survived a home-invasion. Sis Wyatt also lost her great-niece; Melanie Jordan who's funeral service will be held in Rockford on, August 20th.

Please continue to pray for Bro. Ed. Davis, Bro. AJ Cunningham whose friend, Joseph Miller was cremated on Thursday. There is no scheduled memorial. Bro. Brian Gamble's cousin, Gloston (Bud) Graves will be laid to rest this Friday. Keep the Carter & Shields family in your prayers. Bro. Booker Carter, who hasn't been feeling well. Sis. Davis, Christopher Strickland, Sis. Wyatt, and Sis. Annette Brantford.

## CLASSES:

The Sunday morning children's Bible class teacher is Sis. Jameka (lower level-2G).

The Sunday morning young adult class is temporarily being held in the auditorium.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### THIS WEEK:

### BIRTHDAYS~

\*Brooke Gamble Mon.- Aug.15th

### NO- ANNIVERSARIES~

### SKILLS BANK~

Remember to submit your information, and do your own verification for licensing.

**Sis. Webster & Sis. Tillman**.....Real Estate Agents

**Sis. Debra Woodard** .....Financial Advisor  
**Gambles** ..... Property Preservation & Custom Home Décor

### Order of Service

Song

Announcement

Song

Opening Prayer

Song

Scripture Reading

Song

Sermon

Song

Lord's Supper

Offering

Song

Closing Prayer

### Last Week's Record

Sunday AM Worship & Zoom	59
Wednesday Bible Class (Zoom)	52
Last Sunday offering:	\$3390.58
Weekly Budget	\$2625.00