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A Godly Influence

(Excerpt from Devotional:
"Experiencing God Day by
Day")

Then the LORD said to Noah,
"Enter the ark, you and all your
household, for I have seen that
you alone are righteous before
Me in this generation."
GENESIS 7:1

The children of Noah faced a significant decision. They lived in a world where everyone blatantly disregarded God. Wickedness was the norm. No one would have condemned Noah's sons for living evil lives like the rest of society—no one except their father. In a world rampant with ungodly attitudes and every form of wicked behavior, they were fortunate to be Noah's sons. When their father invited them to spend the next hundred years building an ark in obedience to a word from God, Noah's sons had to choose whether to believe those around them or to trust their father. They chose to join their father. What a wonderful testimony of Noah's godly

influence in his home! How fortunate for Shem, Ham, and Japheth that their father refused to compromise his integrity even though everyone else in his society had done so.

Your life has an influence on those around you as well. Your spouse and your children are profoundly affected by your choices. Your co-workers, your neighbors, and your friends will all be impacted by your life. As the world tries to persuade people to follow its standard, your life should stand in stark contrast as an example of a righteous person. Your life should convince those around you of the wisdom of following God. Do not underestimate the positive effect that your obedience will have upon those close to you.



Praise the Lord Bethesda for how you have responded to Tuesday night's prayer meeting that we are now calling "The Bethesda Baptist Church's Hour of Power." If you have not been able to join

us at 6 PM on Tuesdays, I encourage you to do so. If you desire to see your walk with Christ improve and if you desire to see Bethesda Baptist Church climb new heights as we press the upward way, then I want to challenge you to make this a priority. Most people use prayer as a last resort. However, prayer needs to be your first option for everything in life. If you are wondering "why must I pray?" here are 10 real reasons for prayer:

1. Draws you closer to God
2. Gives you strength to avoid temptation
3. Provides answers
4. Helps you find direction in your life
5. Aligns your will with God's will
6. Works miracles
7. Is the path to forgiveness
8. Gives Hope
9. Reduces selfish attitudes
10. Brings peace and helps you become more like Jesus



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join the Sunday school as we study the book of Galatians from an evangelism/discipleship perspective. We will study Paul's strategies for witnessing, his use of apologetics and his relational style within the context of the culture he lived in. Come, let's grow together!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are still recruiting volunteers for VBS, which is scheduled for June 27th - July 1st. Sign up today. Registration forms are on the table by the church office, or you may download the form from the church website. Please note: "The virtual VBS Orientation meeting that is scheduled for Saturday, 6/18/22 has been changed to an onsite meeting at the church. The meeting will start at 9:00am and will be held in Room 120."

JOHN D. BUSSEY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications are available electronically and for pick-up outside of the church office and due by June 26th. Beginning today and the remainder of this month, we are asking all members of Bethesda to use their scholarship envelopes to make contributions. Please contact Sister Erika Thompson with any questions.

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DORIS JORDAN BOWMAN LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The Bethesda Baptist Church Doris Jordan Bowman Library Committee acknowledges the ministries that have worked and compiled information for the Archival Library Memoirs. Thank you for helping to record accurate information about your ministries. Our goal is to have 100% of our ministries' information recorded and stored. There is still time to submit information. If you need any assistance, reach out to Sister Jennie Sanders or Brother Leonard Higgs.

Sister Adrilla Howard, Chairperson

SIBLEY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL SENIOR ASSOCIATION CLUB MEMORY PROGRAMS INITIATIVE

You are invited to join monthly Care Partner Support Groups. Via Zoom on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month beginning August 9th and August 23rd 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. (EST). Register in advance for the meetings with Jihan Starr, Community Dementia Program Manager at jstarr12@jhmi.edu or 202-660-6822.

SPRNG 2022 MEMORY VERSES

- Psalm 23
- 1 Thess. 1:6
- 1 Thess. 2:7
- 1 Thess. 2:14a
- 1 Thess. 3:12
- 1 Thess. 4:7
- 1 Thess. 4:16-17
- Matthew 28:6
- 1 Thess. 5:8
- 1 Thess. 5:24
- 2 Thess. 1:11-12
- Matthew 24:42
- 2 Thess. 3:1
- 2 Thess. 3:13

GIDEON BOOKS

"Please don't forget to pick up your life books from the Gideons. Each member is asked to pass out a minimum of 5. You can pick them up from the church office. Thank you!



Tuesday, June 14th

6:00 pm

BBC Hour of Power

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83096366206?pwd=J7wZ8bwAcBA1snP5SgRuYhW4E2DsU.1>

Meeting ID:

830 9636 6206

Passcode: 199366

To use your cell phone or land line, please dial:

1. 301. 715. 8592

Meeting ID:

830 9636 6206#

Passcode: 199366#

Wednesdays, June 15th

10:00 pm

Men's Ministry Prayer Hour

Conference call-in number

1-717-908-1972

Access Code: 875378#

Thursday, June 16th

12:00 Noon

Bible Study

Conference call-in number

1-717-908-1972

Access Code: 875378#

Victoria Hartridge, cousin of\
Carrington, Constance, and Angie
Miller went home to be with the
Lord. Please keep the family in
prayer.

Expressions may be sent to:

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Constance Miller
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