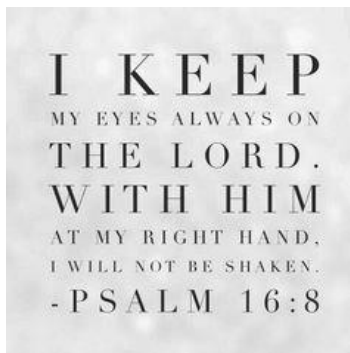


# PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

July 16, 2023

## Welcome!



*"For behold, He who forms mountains, and creates the wind, who declares to man what his thought is, and makes the morning darkness, who treads the high places of the earth - The Lord God of hosts is His name."*

Please Join us tonight at 6:00 pm for Charlie Baker's report on Missions in Mexico

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## Prayer List

**Martha and Lowell Gregory** are at home with covid.

**Maria Hunter Harrington** will be entering a clinical trial for treatment of her cancer

**Steve Webb** is home from Houston, still waiting for Vanderbilt to schedule his surgery.

**Bigge Shepherd**, father of Darrick Shepherd who preaches for the Una Church of Christ, has stage 4 colon cancer

**Diane Singleton** continues to struggle with her health

We rejoice with **Kristine Garrett** as she got great news from her latest cancer scans

Continue to pray for: **Forshia Pennington, Carol Saling, Keith Walker, Camille Brosky**, those in **Ukraine**; **Judy Cook**, the **Brown family, John Hayes, Nick Phifer, Weston Johnson** and **Bill Gillock**

**Remember Bible Bowl practice at 5 this afternoon**

*We invite everyone to join us Wednesday night at 7:00 when Dale Jenkins will bring us a lesson from Romans 8:1-4*

## Serving Today

**Song Leader:**  
Charlie Baker

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:30 am)

**Scripture Reading:**  
Eddie Walker

**Prayer:**  
Jearmie Gupton

WORSHIP (10:30 am)

**Scripture Reading:**  
Mike Reed  
**Joshua 24:14-15**

**Wait On Table:**  
Ricky Mayo

**Serve:**  
John Buchanan  
Doug Demonbreun

**Prayer:**  
Johnny Walker

## Service Times

Sunday Bible Study	9:30 am
Sunday AM Worship	10:30 am
Sunday PM Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 pm

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# A Lack of Reverence – Filled With Awe For God (Part 2)

At the crucifixion of Jesus, we are told: *"When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were **filled with awe** and said, 'Truly this was the Son of God!'" (Mt 27:54, ESV – emphasis added)*

What would our lives look like if we were truly "filled with awe" for what God has done for us?

## Reverence for God Brings Selflessness

In Luke 18, Jesus tells a parable about two men who enter the temple to pray. One of these is a Pharisee and the other a despised tax collector. The Pharisee seeks to bring attention and glory to himself, but the tax collector *"would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'" (Lk 18:13, ESV)*

Having reverence for God means understanding that we are hopelessly lost and NOTHING without Him. Human nature leads us to promote ourselves in all situations, but a healthy respect for God will lead us to cast aside selfish interests and seek Him as the only way to eternal life.

## Reverence for God Brings Sincerity

In I Samuel chapter 1, Hannah is praying earnestly to God for a son. She is only praying in her heart and no sound can be heard from her lips. Eli, the high priest, accuses her of being intoxicated with alcohol. Hannah responds, *"No, my lord, I am a woman troubled in spirit. I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been **pouring out my soul before the Lord.**" (I Sam 1:15, ESV - emphasis added)*

When was the last time we can honestly say we were "pouring out [our] soul before the Lord?" Instead, we dabble in Christianity without allowing it to penetrate us. Being in awe of God and His plan will lead to a transformation of our innermost being, and will compel us to be dedicated to the study of His Word, to singing, and to prayer. These things will not be an exercise of simply going through the motions, but will involve the deepest areas of our heart, soul, and mind.

## Reverence for God Brings Sacrifice

After his incredible treatise on God's mercy and plan for salvation, Paul challenges the Christians in Rome *"to present [their] bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God..." (Rom 12:1, ESV)*. To be a "living sacrifice" means that every aspect of life is dedicated to His service. If we truly revered God, and understood the significance of His mercy, would it not be our natural reaction to give our lives to Him?

All of us should examine our lives to determine if the level of reverence we have for God has brought about these results. If not, then it should be a reminder for us that more time is needed in study and prayer to truly understand the majesty of God and His plan.