

# THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

## SUNDAY

**MORNING SERVICES** • 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM ORCHESTRA / CHOIR • WORSHIP CENTER  
• 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM – WORSHIP BAND • LIVE & LOUD

**NORTHWEST KIDS** • ALL SERVICE TIMES • KID'S CHECK-IN

**SPECIAL NEEDS AVAILABLE** • 9:30 AM & 11 AM • ROOM 108

**HIGH SCHOOL & JR. HIGH** • 9:30 AM • STUDENT MINISTRY BUILDING

**THE WORD CLASS** • 9:30 AM • ROOM 109

**COLLEGE (AGES 18-28)** • 6:00 PM • STUDENT MINISTRY BUILDING

## MONDAY

**DIVORCE CARE** • 6:30 PM • ROOM 206

**GRIEF SHARE** • 6:30 PM • ROOM 115

**PRAYER TEAM** • 12:00 PM • PRAYER ROOM • WORSHIP CENTER

## TUESDAY

**GLORYLAND BAND (REHEARSAL)** • 6:00 PM • LIVE & LOUD (G101)

**SPIRIT CHOIR (REHEARSAL)** • 7:00 PM • LIVE & LOUD (G101)

## WEDNESDAY

**JR. HIGH SCHOOL** • 6:30 PM • STUDENT MINISTRY BUILDING

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**KID VENTURE (PRE-K - 3RD)** • 6:30 PM • KID'S CHECK-IN

**ACTIVATE (4TH - 6TH)** • 6:30 PM • KID'S CHECK-IN

## THURSDAY

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** • 6:00 AM • LIVE & LOUD

**EARLY BIRDS (WOMEN)** • 7:00 AM • LIVE & LOUD (G101)

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** • 10:00 AM • LIVE & LOUD (G101)

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY (FOR ALL WHO HAVE HURTS, HANG-UPS & HABITS)**  
• 5:30 PM DINNER • 6:30 PM WORSHIP • 7:30 PM SHARE  
GROUPS • 8:30 PM DESSERT • LIVE & LOUD

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP (SERMON BASED)** • 6:48 PM • RM 203C

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**PRAY FIRST** • SATURDAYS • 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM • WORSHIP CENTER

**SOUTHERN GOSPEL CONCERT** • 2/19/19 • 7:00 PM • WORSHIP CENTER

**COMEDY NIGHT** • 03/01/19 • 6:30 PM • LIVE & LOUD

Giving Summary from 02/04/19 - 02/10/19

	Last Week	Year to Date*
Budget Needs	\$ 37,000	\$ 1,517,000
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 36,000	\$ 1,35,000
Difference**	- \$ 1,000	+ \$ 18,000

\*Fiscal Year begins May 1 \*\*Includes miscellaneous gifts



02.17.19 | PASTOR WILL STOLL

**THE INTERNAL ELEPHANT** (MT. 18:21-22 & 23-26)

1. YOU OWE GOD A **DEBT**. (ROM. 3:23 & 10; PS. 40:12)
2. YOUR DEBT IS MASSIVE AND **UNPAYABLE**. (JER. 2:22; ROM. 3:20)
3. PAYDAY IS **COMING**. (HEB. 9:27; ECC. 12:14; REV 20:12; MT. 18:27)
4. JESUS **STEPPED** INTO YOUR SPOT. (MT. 20:28; ROM 3:24; 2 COR. 5:21)
5. JESUS IS **WILLING** TO FORGIVE YOUR DEBT. (PS. 103:12; MIC. 7:18-19; MT. 18:21-35)
6. YOU MUST SHOW MERCY.

**PRACTICING FORGIVENESS**

- VERTICAL **FORGIVENESS**. (MK. 11:25; MT. 6:14)
- HORIZONTAL **FORGIVENESS**. (LK. 17:3)

**FORGIVENESS IS NOT...**

- **DENYING** THE OFFENSE OCCURRED.
- **TRUSTING** THE OFFENDER.

**IF YOU FAIL TO FORGIVE...**

1. YOU BREAK **FELLOWSHIP** WITH GOD.
  - **ETERNAL** FORGIVENESS. (IS. 43:25)
  - **FELLOWSHIP** FORGIVENESS. (MT. 6:15; 1 JN. 1:9)
2. **BITTERNESS** RUINS YOUR OTHER RELATIONSHIPS. (HEB. 12:15)
3. YOU TAKE THE **MESS** WITH YOU.

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## LIFE GROUP NOTES

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### FOR STARTERS:

WHAT WOULD YOU DO TO CELEBRATE IF ALL OF YOUR DEBTS WERE CANCELED SUDDENLY?

### QUICK REVIEW:

GOD'S STANDARD FOR US IS PERFECTION. ANY THOUGHT, WORD OR DEED THAT FALLS SHORT OF PERFECTION LEAVES US IN DEBT TO A HOLY GOD. DESPITE OUR IMPERFECTION, JESUS OFFERS US FORGIVENESS THROUGH HIS DEATH ON THE CROSS. NELSON MANDELA ONCE SAID, "FORGIVENESS LIBERATES THE SOUL. IT REMOVES FEAR. THAT IS WHY IT IS SUCH A POWERFUL WEAPON." THIS WEEK PASTOR WILL DETAILED HOW BITTERNESS CAN IMPACT OUR HEART. WHEN WE UNDERSTAND THE GOSPEL AND HARNESS THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS, IT COUNTERACTS AND ROOTS OUT BITTERNESS.

### DIGGING DEEPER:

1. DO YOU FORGIVE OTHERS EASILY? WHY OR WHY NOT?
  - A. WHAT ACTS OF MERCY HAVE YOU SEEN OR HEARD ABOUT RECENTLY?
  - B. WHAT ARE SOME SITUATIONS OTHERS HAVE FACED THAT YOU WOULD FIND DIFFICULT TO FORGIVE?
2. WHAT QUESTION DID PETER ASK JESUS IN MATTHEW 18:23-35?
  - A. WHAT SURPRISING ANSWER DID JESUS GIVE PETER IN 18:22?
  - B. HOW LIKELY ARE YOU TO FORGIVE SOMEONE WHO HAS WRONGED YOU? ONCE, TWICE, OR EVEN THREE TIMES?
  - C. HOW LIKELY ARE YOU TO FORGIVE SOMEONE BEYOND THREE TIMES? WHY?
3. CONFESSING SINS AND OWNING BITTERNESS IS ESSENTIAL TO THE CHRISTIAN LIFE. READ 1 JOHN 1:8-10 TOGETHER AS A GROUP.
  - A. ACCORDING TO THIS PASSAGE, WHAT IS THE RESULT OF CONFESSING ONE'S SINS?
  - B. READ 1 JOHN 2:1. HOW DOES IT MAKE YOU FEEL TO KNOW THAT JESUS SPEAKS TO GOD, "IN OUR DEFENSE?"

I. WOULD THIS UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT JESUS DOES HELP YOU WITH BITTERNESS?

4. WE HAVE ETERNAL FORGIVENESS THROUGH CHRIST'S SHED BLOOD. READ COLOSSIANS 1:13-14 WITH THIS GOSPEL TRUTH IN MIND.
  - A. HOW SHOULD WE LIVE ACCORDING TO THE FORGIVENESS THAT CHRIST HAS IMPARTED ONTO US?
  - B. HOW DOES GOD ENABLE BELIEVERS TO SHARE IN HIS INHERITANCE ACCORDING TO THIS SCRIPTURE?

### FOR PRAYER:

IS THERE A PERSON THAT YOU NEED TO FORGIVE? NAME THAT PERSON AND PRAY FOR THEM AS A GROUP.

### ARE YOU HAVING A MAJOR LIFE EVENT?

- HAVING A BABY
- JOB LOSS
- ILLNESS
- DEATH
- INJURY
- GETTING MARRIED

*We want to encourage you, pray for you, care for you, and reach out in support.*

**CONTACT OUR CARE PASTOR TODAY:  
(599) 931-1963**

### FOR COUNSELING

- MARRIAGE PROBLEMS
- FAMILY ISSUES

*Marriage & Family Therapists, Pastoral Counselors, Clinical Social Workers.*

**CONTACT LINK CARE:  
(599) 439-5920**