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Unnamed Evangelists

During the next few weeks I want to share a few thoughts from our evangelism class discussions on Sunday morning in order to encourage each of us to GO into our community. In Acts 11:19-23 we see the beginning of the church in Antioch. It occurs because after the execution of Stephen, the early Christians spread to avoid persecution and some of the disciples come to Antioch and begin to tell others about Jesus. It is striking that none of these individuals are named. There are no Apostles or great evangelists listed by name. It was simply a group of Christians who were willing to share their faith with others. This is the key to a growing congregation.

Every Christian has a responsibility to make sure they GO in some way or another. It is important because there is no one person who can reach out to everybody, but everybody can reach out to at least one person. This is the key to reaching the world. Every person has within his or her sphere of influence a person or persons who could be influenced with the gospel of Jesus Christ. We must not freak out when faced with this opportunity, instead we must speak out. Remember your goal this month is to put together a list of individuals that you want to invite to our campaign for Christ in August. Think about these individuals. Pray about them. Realize that you may be the only evangelist that can reach them, and make that a priority. If we will all commit to this, the church at South Gate will continue to grow. See you Sunday!

Prepare To Meet Your God

Amos 4:12 Therefore this is what I will do to you, Israel, and because I will do this to you, prepare to meet your God, O Israel.

Israel had warning after warning from God yet they continued to sin and remain far removed from God. The people continued to go to Gilgal and Bethel to make sacrifices to their idols. God had caused them to consider why they were facing horrible times but they refused to turn to him. Israel had endured empty stomachs, rain that prevented a harvest, a lack of water to drink, blight and mildew that destroyed crops, locusts that devoured fig and olive trees and plagues. In all of this they did not return to him. Amos let them know that if they did not repent then they will be taken away with fish hooks through broken holes in the walls of the city. One of the final calls comes from Amos stating, "prepare to meet your God".

The entirety of our life is a preparation to meet God. The New Testament makes it very clear that we will stand before God in order to give an account of the things we have done while in the body - whether good or bad. After our death we will face this judgment. Are you ready to meet him? Can you describe your life as service to God? Solomon declared that we are here in order to fear God and keep his commandments. Do you know his commandments and are you keeping them? Meeting God on one hand seems to be a terrifying event and yet on the other hand we have confidence as Christians because of what Jesus Christ has done for us. Make every day count and live each day as a preparation to meet our Maker. If we are unprepared the end result will be far worse than Israel being led off with fish hooks through the broken down and defeated city. In all you do, strive to please God because one day you will meet him.

John

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: OUR MEMBERS

- Mike Andrews Alice Bolton
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WORSHIP LEADERS MARCH 18, 2018

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M

Welcome	Jerry Wilson
Song Leader:	Greg Lusk
Prayer:	Charlie Willis
Lord's Supper: Presiding	
Gary Boyd	Conner Arnett
Blair Keeling	Ed Hargrove
Daniel Thomas	Sonny Hargrove
David White	Colton Hixson
Read: 2 Peter 3:3-9	Trent Hill
Sermon: Repent	John Thomas
Announcements/Closing Prayer	Jerry Wilson

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader	Daniel Thomas
Prayer	Barry Cross
Read: Joshua 1:1-9	John Allen Thomas
Sermon: GO Joshua	John Thomas
Presiding	Mike Kinzer
Announcements/Closing Prayer	Shaun Townsend

Ushers: Mike Lyle, Tommy Skelley, Brennon White

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NURSERY CARE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 6:30 P.M.

	Song Leader:Nathan Hixson
A.MAngie Massey & Jennifer Winchester	Prayer:Ryan Grice
P.MDana Daniels & Jessica Daniels	Announcements/Speaker:Jerry Ballard