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## Our Blueprint

*Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.*

### I Timothy 4:13

Tonight we get to begin our third annual Foundation of Faith. We will read through God's word during the next three days and one thing is certain. God will bless our efforts as we read His word. There is something powerful that happens when God's people come together with the sole purpose of reading the Bible. It has always brought blessings that I didn't realize it would bring. We shouldn't be surprised though God's word tells us so much about what happens as we study.

It will equip us for every good work.

### II Timothy 3:17

It allows us to have hope as we see what has happened in days past. **Romans 15:4**

It tells us the good news of Jesus Christ.

### I Corinthians 15:1-4

Our study will make us wise for salvation thru faith in Christ Jesus. **II Timothy 3:15**

These are just a few promises. I hope each of us will dedicate ourselves to a deeper study of His word.

John

## The Power of God

Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

Our annual Bible reading will take place this week. This is an event that every member of South Gate can participate in. Christians are to be students of God's word and this is a special way in which we can be involved in reading God's message to us. Will you not set aside a time between Wednesday and Saturday to spend time reading within the South Gate building? Reading God's word will change our lives and will bring us closer to God. What does this verse teach that God's word will do for us?

The Bible is not some old fashioned book that has lost its meaning. It is not a dead letter. Rather it is described as living and active. Peter talked about us being born again due to the living word of God. The idea behind active is powerful and effective. God's word energizes us and gives us life from the dead acts of sin. God's word is like a sword - particularly a doubled-edged sword. This would have been the sharpest device known in Roman times. It would do the job whichever way you swung it. God's word will always accomplish much if we will just put it to use. Just as a sword will penetrate flesh, God's word will divide soul and spirit. The Word has cutting power and is capable of piercing a person's heart bringing about godly changes. One more thing the word of God is capable of doing is to judge our thoughts and attitudes. People do not know the human's motives but God's word will expose them especially on the day of judgment. With all this power, why not spend some extra time reading your Bible this week?

Joe

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**OUR MEMBERS**

- Iris Anderson - undergoing chemo
- Mike Andrews
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Ruth Childress - NHC Hillview, Rm. 218B
- Mary Chumbley
- John Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox
- J.W. Gilliam
- Margaret Johnson
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Linda Luna
- Libby Moss
- Katherine Nicholson
- Frances Petty - NHC Columbia, Rm. 137-A
- James Ed Pollard - NHC Hillview, Rm. 206
- Jimmy Quirk
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview, Rm. 101B
- Ethel Spears
- Virginia Staggs-Poplar Estates 101
- Melissa Stutts - undergoing chemo
- Donald White
- Elaine Whitehead

**Attention Ladies:** G2G meets at the home of Carla Brown on Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. Please sign up to bring finger foods in the foyer. Sign up to bring items for the Hope House as well.

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

Claude Crowe, father of Debbie Massey, Willie Mae McWilliams, aunt of Rita Gray - MRMC, Rm. 356, Carolyn Hutcherson, sister of Larry Nicholson, Billie Andrews, Kathy Reed - friend of Linda Mabry, Tracey Davis Baker, daughter of Donnie & Sharon, Sherry Pritchett - mother of Jody - home, Dora Bolton - mother of James, JoAnn Anderson - mother of Katherine Nicholson, Ginger Chesnut - cancer, Jay Morgan - father-in-law of Kim, Elvis Frierson - friend of John Mayberry, Glenda Collins - sister of John Mayberry, Katherine Jones - mother of Alice Bolton, Scott Brown - brother of Barry, Daniel Harrington, Mike Primm, Nick Tank - student at Baker - leukemia, Clara Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage, Clarence Weaver - Poplar Estates, Rm. 219, Joan Hermsdorfer - aunt of Robin Weaver - Home, Stacey Brown - cystic fibrosis, Billy Oliver (Poplar Estates, Rm. 201) - brother of Corrine Goetz, Evan Rector, Lou Miller NHC Columbia Rm 152, Dorothy Rea - sister/Elmer Lusk, Evelyn Felker, sister/Benny Bolton, Ann Graham - Morning Pointe, Rm. 113, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Jane Davis - sister of Nell Hood, Allen Brown, Ronnie Springer-leukemia, friend of John & Debbie Massey, Stormy Lyle - 1305 Old Mill Road, Moore, OK 73160, David Luther, Jacqueline Potts,, Mary Blocker, NHC Hillview Rm. 106, Marna McAdams - knee surgery Dec. 16.

**Deepest sympathy is extended to Donna Altobell in the death of her aunt Cynthia Ragsdale Floyd last week.**

**WORSHIP LEADERS DECEMBER 6, 2015**

**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M**

Welcome.....Richard Farris  
 Song Leader.....Kevin Mick  
 Prayer.....Conner Arnett  
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Benny Bolton  
     Jeremy Britt                      Jim Anderson  
     DeWayne Hickman              Barrow Brown  
     Ed Johnson                      Terry Burgess  
     Cheyenne McNeese              Larry Nicholson  
 Read: I Corinthians 13:4-8.....Chris Mobley  
 Sermon: Loving Church Members.....John Thomas  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

**SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.**

Welcome/Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson  
 Prayer.....Charlie Willis  
 Read: Ephesians 6:1-4.....Trent Hill  
 Sermon:  
 How To Raise Faithful Church Members.....John Thomas  
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Duane Allen  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Donnie Davis

**Ladies are invited to a baby tea for Carly Britt Sunday, Dec. 13 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. She is registered at Target, Amazon.com and www.greenmountaindiapers.com.**

Ushers: Jerry Williams, Tommy Skelley, J.W. Gilliam  
 Greeters: John, Debbie, Angie Massey, Myrna Jett  
 Audio/Visual: Chase Thomason

Security Team: A.M. Jerry Williams, Jesse Gilliam P.M. Corey Massey, Greg Lusk

**If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (446-0668) or Joe Williams (388-9183) Or go to our website and follow the "Unable to Serve" link and submit the information.**

**NURSERY CARE**

A.M.....Rhonda & Baylie Farris  
 P.M.....Edith Burgess, Jackie Hargrove

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 9, 2015 - 6:30 P.M.**

Song Leader .....Rhett Heflin  
 Prayer.....Gary Boyd  
 Announcements/Spoker.....Greg Lusk