

AND THE PEOPLE CAME...

- Week of October 27, 2024 -

Sunday School	33
Sunday Morning Service	53
Sunday Evening Service	22
Monday Eve., 10/28/24 Service	13
Tuesday Eve., 10/29/24 Service	11
Wednesday Eve., 10/30/24 Service	20

AND THE PEOPLE GAVE...

- Week of October 27, 2024 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	\$ 1,129.09
Auditorium A/C Replacement Fund	\$ 150.20
Love Offering, Dr. Phil Stringer	\$ 1,603.00
TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 10/27/24:	\$ 2,882.29

- Week of October 20, 2024 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	\$ 2,352.76
Auditorium A/C Replacement Fund	\$ 190.20
TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 10/20/24:	\$ 2,542.96

- Week of October 13, 2024 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	\$ 605.55
Auditorium A/C Replacement Fund	\$ 150.20
TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 10/13/24:	\$ 755.75

- Week of October 6, 2024 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	\$ 2,538.48
TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 10/06/24:	\$ 2,538.48

- Week of September 29, 2024 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	\$ 515.11
Auditorium A/C Replacement Fund	\$ 150.20
TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 09/29/24:	\$ 665.31

Average amount of Undesignated Offerings needed for church operating expenses EACH WEEK, as a minimum = \$ 1,600.00



WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED

1. Admit that you are a sinner.
2. Admit that God says all sins must be paid for.
3. Accept the fact that Christ took upon Himself the suffering necessary to pay for all your sins.
4. You must change your mind about sin and sinning (God calls this repentance).
5. By an act of your will, accept by faith the Lord Jesus Christ, Who can save you from the penalty of sin. Then, tell God about this in a simple prayer. Believe that God keeps His promise to save you, and thank Him for His salvation.

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Todd W. White	Pastor
Debra Carlton, Mickie Shatwell, Lois Mae Floyd	Pianists
Derek Quinnelly	Greeter
Kim Phillips; Shirley White/LeAnna White; Berdena Bergman/Debra Carlton; Daniel Avery/GiGi Avery; & Keith Shufelt	Teachers
Larry & Mary Byars	Outreach
Keith Shufelt	Men's Prayer Group
GinaMarie Shufelt	Ladies Bible Study/Flowers
Seth White	Sound/Video
Larry Byars, Derek Quinnelly, David Smith	Trustees

REMINDER



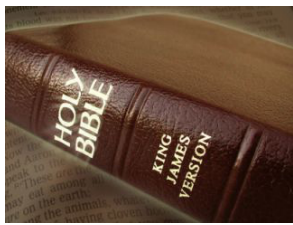
10 REASONS WHY CHRISTIANS SHOULD VOTE

Believe it or not, only 25% of all self-described Christians actually make it to the voting booth on Election Day. Why? Many may believe that their one vote doesn't really matter. Others may be conflicted—believing that no candidate measures up to their standards of moral conduct or matches their beliefs on all the issues. While others simply believe that politics is a dirty game and they don't want to be a part.

10 REASONS WHY CHRISTIANS SHOULD VOTE:

1. Each vote makes a difference in the cumulative numbers and that is how we as Christians are to influence our society for good, as salt and light in the darkness of godless deeds. (Prov. 12:26)
2. Voting recognizes the equality of all citizens and their right to express their values through their votes. (Prov. 29:2) (Psalm 34:14)
3. Voting is a privilege of our free nation, and one not shared by many other countries of the world. It was won and protected by the shed blood of patriots and should not be taken for granted. Those who reap the benefits of living in a democratic Nation should play a part in upholding the constitutional republic that defines it. (Isaiah 1:26)
4. Voting promotes the application of biblical standards in the selection of elected officials in our country, and to whose authority we are to submit, as is established by God. (Rom. 13:1)
5. Not voting is a form of voting, as it affects the outcome. "All that is required for evil to prevail is for good men to do nothing." Edmund Burke. (James 1:22-25)
6. Voting is one way to obey God's command to seek good for those around us and to protect our nation. (Proverbs 11:3)
7. Voting shows that we care about who our leaders are, as we are told [in Scripture to offer prayer on their behalf. (I Tim 2:2)
8. Voting is a simple, yet significant way to do something about public policy in our country. As people of faith, we will be held accountable for our actions, as well as our lack of action. (Luke 12: 48)
9. Voting has biblical precedence. For example, Acts 14:23 describes how the early Christians elected elders by voting.
10. Voting is a part of stewardship to use all the resources we have been given in ways that honor God. To waste a vote is to squander a gift. (Matt. 5:13)





7 REASONS WHY THE KING JAMES BIBLE DOES NOT NEED ANOTHER SUPPOSED REVISION

Ever since the 1770s, people have been calling for a revision of the King James Bible because it is too old, and no one can understand it. According to Margaret Hills (*The English Bible in America - 1961* published by the American Bible Society), there have been over **1200** new English Bibles published between 1777 and 1961. Many of these Bibles claimed to be a “revision” of the KJB. This claim has been made falsely many, many times. Today, a number of Christian leaders and teachers are again saying that the time has come for a real genuine revision. Some of them, no doubt, are genuine and really believe something could be accomplished for the cause of Christ by doing so. Some are just trying to escape the concept of an authoritative Bible! Here are several reasons why the King James Bible doesn’t need to be revised/updated:

Reason One: There have been so many phony claims of being a KJB revision that any such claim is met with overwhelming suspicion today. This is not the time for any such project. It would not be taken seriously.

Reason Two: There have been a few previous such projects that were genuine attempts at revision like the *King James II*. They have all failed dramatically. There was simply no market for them. They simply did not sell. The liberal crowd did not want anything similar to the KJB and most Bible believers were not looking for anything new. Their KJB was precious to them, they understood it well and Biblical language was precious to them in their daily devotions. The few loud voices calling for a revision were not enough to make a revision successful. There is not a legitimate demand.

Reason Three: Evangelicalism, fundamentalism, and the independent Baptist movement are all splintered, fractured, and politicized beyond recognition. Any genuine revision would immediately be rejected by the vast majority before it was even looked at. The atmosphere does not exist today to produce a common Bible.

Reason Four: The people qualified to tackle such a bold project do not exist today. Our era has valued genuine scholarship very lightly. We have too many self-proclaimed scholars and experts. We do not have a group of people with similar qualifications to those of the King James translators. No one is entitled to designate themselves as a scholar.

Reason Five: The complaints about the King James Bible are not legitimate. Some loudly complain that you cannot present the gospel out of the KJB because lost people cannot understand it. Meanwhile, thousands of churches around the English-speaking world are leading people to Christ using a King James Bible every

week. Loud voices say that Christians cannot grow in the faith using a KJB because they cannot understand it. Meanwhile, every morning millions of people in the English-speaking world are beginning their days with devotions in the King James Bible. It’s clear doctrines, Biblical English, and beautiful phraseology are dear and precious to them.

Reason Six: Having a Bible that is easy to understand is not a godly goal. We are never encouraged to such an idea in the Scripture. Spiritual growth comes from diligent study. We need an accurate Bible, not necessarily an easy one. That is why we have preachers and teachers. The cry that everything must be “easy” is the cry of our day, but it is the opposite of spiritual growth. Much of the Bible is “meat” and requires diligent study. We must have a Bible that is an accurate translation into English of the words that God gave. Growing believers must be willing to study and learn if they wish to grow. Everyday millions of people in the English-speaking world prove that that can be done with the King James Bible.

Reason Seven: As always, most of the people calling for a revision do not really want one. They want an atmosphere that is not bound by one Bible that is the sole authority. They want a *flexible* authority. They want human authority to be the final authority.

In summary, bus kids, farmers, factory workers, schoolteachers, bus drivers, mechanics, farm hands, etc., do not have trouble with the King James Bible - even though many seminary professors sometimes do...

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SBC Megachurch Features Mummies, Zombies, and Dead Bodies During Worship Service

Church by the Glades in Coral Springs, Florida L, has turned this “church” into nothing short of a circus. Instead of nourishing souls with the gospel, Hughes seems more concerned with putting on a show. They hit a new low this past weekend with its performance of Bruno Mars’ “*Runaway Baby*”, replete with mummies, zombies, and dead bodies. It’s almost as though they were performing a parody of their own audience.

This “church” needs the gospel—desperately.

Once, they opened one of their “worship” services with Kendrick Lamar’s explicit “N95,” and blasted secular rave music by DJ John Summit—a promoter of drug use—as “worship.” One Sunday, they went full Disney Week with a rendition of *The Little Mermaid*. In another, they sang Beyoncé’s “Freedom”, supposedly in honor of MLK, Jr.

Another time, they worshiped to the Addams Family theme.

And just to push it further, they celebrated “family” with Sister Sledge’s LGBTQ anthem, “*We Are Family*”, inviting yet another worldly influence straight into their service. And much, much more.

Charles Spurgeon hit the nail on the head when he warned that

the church would one day be full of clowns entertaining goats, rather than shepherds feeding sheep. This church made headlines when its pastor was invited to the 2020 Southern Baptist Convention, a meeting thankfully canceled due to the “COVID” “pandemic.”

NEWS OF INTEREST TO CHRISTIANS

• **UNIVERSITY PUTS TRIGGER WARNING ON “EXPRESSIONS OF CHRISTIAN FAITH” IN CHAUCER** - The following is excerpted from “*University Puts Trigger Warning*,” *The European Conservative*, Oct. 15, 2024:

“A leading UK university has been strongly criticised for putting a trigger warning on Geoffrey Chaucer’s *Canterbury Tales* advising students that the work contains ‘expressions of Christian faith.’ Critics say the University of Nottingham is ‘demeaning education’ for warning students that the Medieval collection of stories of pilgrims on their way to Canterbury Cathedral may contain Christianity. ... The *Canterbury Tales* is one of the most famous works of Medieval English literature. It is a collection of stories about various characters on their way to the tomb of Saint Thomas Becket, then one of the most popular pilgrimage sites in Europe. The stories also contain explicit references to rape and antisemitism, neither of which the university’s warning mentions.... Frank Furedi, director of MCC Brussels and an emeritus professor of sociology at the University of Kent, added, ‘Warning students of Chaucer about Christian expressions of faith is weird. Since all characters in the stories are immersed in a Christian experience there is bound to be a lot of expressions of faith. The problem is not would-be student readers of Chaucer but virtue-signalling, ignorant academics.’”

CONCLUDING NOTE: The “Christianity” promoted by Chaucer is Roman Catholicism, which is not biblical Christianity, but the authors of the trigger warning in this report do not know that.

• **CHRISTIANITY TODAY’S APOSTASY - Christianity Today** (CT) has been on the cutting edge of evangelical compromise and apostasy since its inception. Founded by Billy Graham in 1956 to “express evangelical Christianity to the present generation”, it quickly moved from a fairly conservative biblical stance to going beyond any semblance of biblical soundness: promoting the most radical ecumenism, defending “evangelical Catholics”, questioning the infallible inspiration of Scripture in countless ways, crowning the heretic C.S. Lewis as “Superstar,” defending Pentecostal gibberish, concluding that self-esteem guru Robert Schuller was not a heretic, promoting secular and Christian rock, and glorying in neo-orthodoxy. All of this is the product of evangelicalism’s “renunciation of separatism.”

At the National Pastor’s Conference in San Diego, February 2009, Andy Crouch, a senior CT editor, engaged in a positive interview of William Young, author of *The Shack* - a man who makes no claim of saving Christian faith, a man who rejects the God of Scripture and defines God as a woman who does not exercise wrath toward sin, does not send unbelievers to an eternal fiery hell, does not require repentance and the new birth, puts no

obligations on people, does not accept the Bible as the infallible Word of God, and does not mind if the early chapters of the Bible are interpreted as “*myth*.” Crouch did not even hint that there might be a damnable theological problem with the way that God is depicted in this book.

Most recently, *Christianity Today* hired Amisho “Sho” Baraka, a cussing, radical ecumenist and marijuana promoter, as director of the “*Big Tent Initiative*”. **Big Tent** means “navigating between differences” and “bridging between cultures.” It means radical ecumenism. It means building the “one world church.” Baraka says, “I joined Christianity Today to contribute to the wonderful weirdness of building the kingdom.” (“*Christians Are Peculiar, and That’s Okay*,” *CT*, Aug. 19, 2024). He calls himself a “theological nomad” and labels John the Baptist “a pre-modern hipster wandering the desert.”

• **ANOTHER COMPANY DITCHES DEI** - The following is excerpted from “*Caterpillar makes policy changes*,” *Fox Business*, Sept. 20, 2024:

“Heavy equipment maker Caterpillar is making changes after reviewing its diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) policies amid mounting scrutiny of such initiatives at corporations around the country. A memo sent by Caterpillar executives to the company’s employees that was reviewed by FOX Business explained that the DEI changes include requiring that all corporate training be oriented to focus on business operations, as well as requiring approval from senior leaders for bringing in external speakers or participating in external surveys and awards. The changes come as anti-DEI activist Robby Starbuck said he had been in discussions with the company about his plans to ‘expose their woke policies’ which resulted in the preemptive changes, which he outlined in a social media post. Caterpillar said in the memo that going forward, ‘All training, both formal and informal, must be focused on our business and designed to foster high performance and execution of our enterprise strategy.’ ... Caterpillar’s DEI rollback follows similar moves at Molson Coors, Lowe’s, John Deere, Ford and Tractor Supply [and Harley-Davidson].”

