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Special Points of Interest

- Men's Fellowship: Free Breakfast is the First Saturday of every month at 9am. Everyone Welcome! See Rev. Richard Abram for more information.
- Women's Meeting: Forth Thursday of every month. Speak to Sis. Judy Hensley to help or if you have any ideas.
- EPIC Youth— see calendar for upcoming Youth Events. See Tangy Sims for details.
- Remember our youth: They need our help. Contact Tangy Sims to see how you can help.
- Want to write or help with the newsletter? Contact Pat Davis
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How to Know God

Have you ever thought, what does it take to begin a relationship with God? How do I become a better person so that God will accept me?

God has provided a very clear instruction in the Bible for how we may know Him. The following explains how you can begin your very own relationship with God, through the only way, Jesus Christ. The Bible is the Word of God and the basis of truth. The Bible says:

There is only one way to Heaven

In **John 14:6** Jesus says: I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Good works cannot save you

Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Trust Jesus Christ today! Here's what you must do:

We are all sinners. You must first realize and admit you are a sinner.

Romans 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

Romans 5:12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

You must believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried, and rose from the dead.

Romans 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Through prayer, you must invite Jesus into your life to become your personal Savior.

Romans 10:9-10 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Romans 10:13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Prayer is simply a communication channel for talking to God. God knows our heart and is not so much concerned with the words we speak as He is with the attitude of our heart. The following prayer is a suggestion to guide you. If it expresses the desire of your heart, then you may pray as outlined. If your request is sincere, Christ will come into your life, as He promised.

"Dear God,

I understand that I am a sinner and that sin separated me from you. I need forgiveness God. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His precious blood and died for my sins. I believe he rose again to give me life. I am willing to make a change and turn from sin. I invite Christ to come into my heart and life as my personal Savior right now. Help me in the days ahead to understand and follow the teachings of the Bible."

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

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Pray for our Church Leaders

Pastor - Rev. Wesley Luke

Associate Pastor -

Rev. Judith Luke

Associate Ministers -

Rev. Richard Abram

Rev. Heyward Jacobs

Rev. Warren Morris

Rev. Marvin Tenant

Rev. Diane Parker

Rev. Tangy Sims

Prayer Request - Sister Rilda and Brother Johnny need prayer for physical healing in their bodies and strength to be able to come to church.

Prayer Request - Sister Pat Ortman had knee surgery. Continue to remember her in prayer as she recovers.

Prayer Request - Sister Thelma Floyd has been out of church for an extended period of time due to illness. Please pray for her complete healing.

Prayer Request - Sister Clea Liles fell and had to receive stitches in her head. She needs healing for dizziness and complete restoration for her equilibrium.

Prayer Request - Sister Connie has been very sick, pray for her.

Prayer Request - Sister Gina Braham requests prayer for her mother who had eye surgery.

Prayer Request - Sister Diane Parker asks that we continue to pray for her son, Matthew Roach, who is having problems with his back.

Praise Report - Sister Angela Barnette testified that she was having pain her eyes and she asked Sister Diane Parker to pray for her, and after that the pain was gone.

Praise Report - Our Pastor, Reverend Wesley Luke, is celebrating his 84th Birthday! He has led this church family through many tough times with a vision for a new sanctuary to minister the love of God to the Elgin community. Because of his steadfast commitment we now enjoy the benefits of worshipping in a beautiful House of God. Happy Birthday and thank you Brother Luke, we love you!

EPIC Outing



The Chosen Vessel

The Master was searching for a vessel to use;
 On the shelf there were many - which one would He choose?
 Take me, cried the gold one, I'm shiny and bright,
 I'm of great value and I do things just right.
 My beauty and luster will outshine the rest
 And for someone like You, Master, gold would be the best!

The Master passed on with no word at all;
 He looked at a silver urn, narrow and tall;
 I'll serve You, dear Master, I'll pour out Your wine
 And I'll be at Your table whenever You dine,
 My lines are so graceful, my carvings so true,
 And my silver will always compliment You.

Unheeding the Master passed on to the brass,
 it was wide-mouthed and shallow, and polished
 like glass. Here! Here! cried the vessel, I know I
 will do, place me on Your table for all men to view.

Look at me, called the goblet of crystal so clear,
 my transparency shows my contents so dear,
 though fragile am I, I will serve You with pride,
 and I'm sure I'll be happy in Your house to abide.

The Master came next to a vessel of wood,
 Polished and carved, it solidly stood. You may use
 me, dear Master, the wooden bowl said,
 but I'd rather You used me for fruit, not for bread!

Then the Master looked down and saw a vessel of clay.
 Empty and broken it helplessly lay.
 no hope had the vessel that the Master might choose,
 To cleanse and make whole, to fill and to use.



Ah! This is the vessel I've been hoping to find,
 I will mend and use it and make it all Mine.
 I need not the vessel with pride of its self;
 nor the one who is narrow to sit on the shelf;
 nor the one who is bigmouthed and shallow and loud;
 nor one who displays his contents so proud;
 not the one who thinks he can do all things just right;
 but this plain earthy vessel filled with My power and might.

Then gently He lifted the vessel of clay.
 Mended and cleansed it and filled it that day.
 Spoke to it kindly. There's work you must do,
 Just pour out to others as I pour into you.

By Beulah V. Cornwall

(Submitted by Angela Barnette)



Pearls of Wisdom

Compiled by James Walker Gaskins

He was my daughter-(in-love), Julie Roach's, grandfather. I was so touched by the words of wisdom that his family shared with us, that I wanted to share a few with you all. Hope they bless you as they have me.

Rev. Dianne Parker

- It's not the bad days that get you down, but the good ones you missed.
- Sorrow looks back, worry looks around, FAITH looks up.
- A church is not a museum for saints, but a hospital for sinners.
- Anyone who doesn't cultivate a sense of humor may grow weeds on their disposition.
- Work as if you will live to be 100. Pray as if you will die tomorrow.
- If you don't live it, you don't believer it.
- Enjoy life. This is not a dress rehearsal. It's the real thing.

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November 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Daylight Savings Time—Set Clocks back tonight
2 *Family Day Pastor Luke's 84th Birthday	3	4	5 EPIC Youth	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15**Pine Ridge Boys Gospel singing at 6:00 pm
16	17	18	19 EPIC Youth	20	21	22
23/30 EPIC Youth Service 6:00pm	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving	28	29

Nov 2nd is Family Day and will also be celebrating Br. Luke's 84th Birthday. *Covered Dish dinner will be served after morning service.



**THE PINE RIDGE BOYS from Inman, SC will present a gospel singing at the Elgin congregational Holiness Church 1331 Smyrna Rd, Elgin, SC on Saturday, Nov. 15th at 6pm. Bring a friend and join us for this event. For information contact Pastor Wesley Luke at [803-438-5351](tel:803-438-5351)

Remember, Daylight savings time begins Nov. 2nd--don't forget to turn clocks BACK one hour when you go to bed on Saturday night.

