

**2023**  
**SET YOUR HEARTS ON THINGS ABOVE**

**The War Rages On!**  
2 Corinthians 10:3-6

- WE ARE AT** \_\_\_\_\_  
We must know the \_\_\_\_\_.
- We are \_\_\_\_\_ in the army of God (1Tim. 6:12)
- We must know the \_\_\_\_\_.
- He is our \_\_\_\_\_ (1Pet. 5:8)
- We must know his \_\_\_\_\_.
- He uses \_\_\_\_\_ - arguments - pretension - \_\_\_\_\_ (Judges 21:25)
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- WE HAVE** \_\_\_\_\_  
Our weapons are provided by \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph. 6:10-18)
- We have God's \_\_\_\_\_, God's \_\_\_\_\_, God's \_\_\_\_\_.
- Our weapons are \_\_\_\_\_ by God.
- The message, knowledge, and \_\_\_\_\_ are from God.
- Our weapons are \_\_\_\_\_ by God.
- They are \_\_\_\_\_ for the battle against Satan (1Pet. 5:9-10)
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- WE MUST** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ this war is not an option!
- Heaven is not to be \_\_\_\_\_!
- \_\_\_\_\_ is NOT an option.
- We must live the winning \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 12:1-2)
  - We must never cease caring, trying, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ (Jude 22-25)
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**SCHEDULE**

<b>Sunday</b>	
Bible Classes for all ages	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	
Bible Classes for all ages	6:30 p.m.

**ELDERS AND STAFF**

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**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

Bible Hour Shannon Cottam	
ELDER for Oct.	Dale Donaghe
LADIES COMMITTEE for Oct.	Sharon Donaghe



**OCTOBER 22ND, 2023**

<b>Order Of Worship</b>	
Song Leader: Ryan Bliss	
Welcome.....Dale Donaghe	
408 Low In The Grave He Lay 359 Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross	
Prayer.....Buzz House	
438 My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less	
Lord's Supper.....Bob Murray	
852 Freely, Freely	
Offering.....Brian Donaghe	
805 I Come To The Garden Alone	
Scripture Reading.....Shawn Johnson	
Morning Service....."The War Rages On!" .....Roy Senior	
698 Thou Thinkest Lord Of Me 669 This Is My Father's World	
Closing Prayer.....Mike Cottam	
Evening Worship.....5 PM	

**PRAYER IS IMPORTANT**

**ENCOURAGING WORDS**

**WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

<b>Oct. 22nd</b>	Morning Class @ 9:30 AM Worship @ 10:30 AM Evening Worship @ 5 PM
24th	Kevin Thompson's birthday
25th	Evening Service @ 6:30 PM
28th	Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 AM Bridge House Meal Outreach

**BRIDGE HOUSE SIGN UPS**

There are sign-up sheets in the foyer for the Bridge House meal that is to be served 10/28/23. please take a minute & see how you can help.



**THOUGHT FOR TODAY**

Patience can't be acquired overnight.  
It's just like building up a muscle.  
Every day you need to work on it.

**SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY**

*I implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love.*  
~ Ephesians 4:1-2

**-Bob Donald** went to Marian hospital this past Monday. He has pneumonia in his right lung but is battling back with antibiotics. **Jinny** is also under the weather. Please keep them both in your prayers for swift recoveries.

**-Roy Senior** asked that we keep his daughter-in-law **Kimberly Senior's** father **Tony**, in our prayers. He was recently diagnosed with Stage 4 colon cancer. Please keep him in your prayers for his long recovery ahead.

**-Kassie Gladden** asked for prayers for her fiancé's father. He had emergency brain surgery. She also asked that we keep her mom **Shawn** in your prayers as she waits for results from her biopsy last week. Her MRI is scheduled for October 26th. Please pray the doctors are able to find the source of her pain.

**-Jan Hayes** asked for prayers for her granddaughter **Kara** as she looks for a new job. Please keep her in your prayers.

**-Ann Thompson** asked for prayers for **Kevin & Glenn's** backs. Pray that they will find treatment soon to alleviate their pain.

**-Mike Cottam** asked for prayers for his neighbor's grandson **Nico**. He lost his foot as a result of a bad accident. Prayers that he will do well in rehab & thrive moving forward.

**-Shawn BJ** asked for prayers for **all the children** that don't have the opportunity to come to church or don't want to. Prayers they will have the opportunity to change that. Prayers also for she & **Shawn's** upcoming move, that it go smoothly.

**-Alora Cottam** asked for prayers for her friend **Kym**. She has been battling cancer for many years. Prayers that she will be healed.

**-Russell Capshaw** asked for prayers for his daughters **Beth Annie & Melody Rose**. Prayers that Russell will be able to instill in them the need & love for God.

**-Roy Senior** asked that we keep his son **Drew** in prayers as he considers a career change. Pray that God directs his steps to his next move.

-Please keep **Debbie T Nelson's** in your prayers. She will be traveling home Nov. 4th. She has a great doctor in ARK. that is helping her eye condition. Prayers that she finds an eye specialist here. Please keep her in your prayers for peace in her life.

**-Lynn Nothstein** is waiting for an MRI but is still required to do PT. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Please keep **David & Kim Senior** in your prayers as they travel in Thailand visiting **Cristin & Corina** & the kids.

Oh, the Heart!

"Well, the heart wants what the heart wants" is a statement heard many times as justification of a decision that someone has made. Think about that for just a moment and where such a statement might lead. What would happen if each person on this earth simply followed the inclinations of their hearts and did what felt right to them?

What would happen at traffic intersections if each person just followed the inclinations of their hearts? What would happen in schools if each person just followed the inclinations of their hearts? You get the idea. The philosophy that "The heart wants what the heart wants" leads to chaos and danger. These standards and rules are set in place for a reason!

Even greater, there are laws set in place by the Creator of the universe, which must be obeyed. God has put all of His laws in place "for our good always" (**Deut. 6:24**), "that it may be well with you" in this life and that you enter into "eternal life" (**John 6:68; 1 John 2:21-29**). Who are we to question God and choose to "follow our hearts" instead of Him?

But, for some reason, certain people think that their "thoughts" and their "ways" are as good as or better than God's. How foolish! God describes His infinitely superior knowledge and understanding by stating, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts" (**Isa. 55:8-9**). Oh, that we would trust Him!

Truly, "There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death." (**Prov. 14:12**) May God help us to diligently train our hearts to want what God wants, and to be where God is!

Roy Senior