



Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 AM
 Worship 10:30 AM
 Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study 1:30 PM
 7:00 PM

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For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth... in every place. (1 Thessalonians 1:8)

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Positive Thinking

Awriter was in his study and began writing...

1. Last year my gallbladder was removed I was in bed for a long time.
2. The same year I reached the age of 60 and had to leave my favorite job. I spent 30 years with this publishing company.
3. The same year my father died.
4. The same year my son failed his medical exam because he had a car accident. He was hospitalized with a cast on his leg for several days. The destruction of the car was a second loss.

His concluding statement: "Alas! It was a bad year!"

He showed it to his wife and she rewrote it.

1. Last year I finally got rid of my gallbladder which had given me many years of pain.
2. I turned 60 with sound health and retired from my job. I can utilize my time to write with more focus and peace.
3. The same year my father died at 95 without depending on anyone, without critical conditions, and met his Creator.
4. The same year, God blessed my son with life. My car was destroyed, but my son was alive and without permanent disability.

Her concluding statement: "This year was an immense blessing."

Finally brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, just, pure, lovely, of a good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy meditate on these things...Philippians 4:8. The Proverbs writer says, "a

cheerful heart does good, like medicine. Our attitude can shape how we see things. If your glass is not full, let it be half full. Think positive! -JW

A denominational preacher, in his concluding remarks during a funeral lesson, said, "If there is anyone here that does not know he is a Christian..." He continued with some remarks about salvation, which really are not found in the Bible. However, my attention was grabbed by the beginning of that comment. I know that many live with doubts and with worry. Whether or not you are a child of God should not be one of those worries. There should be no doubts. You have two witnesses to your becoming a child of God, a Christian.

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs — heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. Romans 8:16-17 ESV

The Spirit bears witness through the word of God. You can read in the Bible what God requires of you to become a Christian (Romans 10:9-10; Mark 16:15; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16). Your spirit bears witness with the Holy Spirit that you have done that. Now, it is up to you to live faithfully to God. Make sure you do that daily. -TLM

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