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# TIMBER RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

## NEWSLETTER

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February 2022

*Happy Valentine's Day*  
*February 14th*



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEB 3 -	PRAYER MEETING 6:30 – 7:30 PM
	SHARIE ECKENRODE'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 4 -	ERIC REID'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 6 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
	LADIES FELLOWSHIP MEETING
	TOM JENKINS' BIRTHDAY
FEB 7 -	BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
FEB 8 -	HARRY SPAID'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 9 -	ROSIE REID'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 12 -	LARUE KUMP'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 13 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
FEB 14 -	VALENTINE'S DAY
	BIBLE STUDY 10 AM
FEB 17 -	PRAYER MEETING 6:30 – 7:30 PM
FEB 19 -	MEN'S BREAKFAST 9 AM HAYFIELD
	PHIL CASH'S BIRTHDAY
FEB 20 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
FEB 21 -	NO BIBLE STUDY
FEB 27 -	SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
	HILDA SECRIST'S BIRTHDAY
	HILDA & DAN'S WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
FEB 28 -	BIBLE STUDY 10 AM

### BACKPACK MINISTRY

For our portion of the Backpack Ministry, we delivered backpacks to the Capon Bridge Middle and Elementary schools during the month of January. Our next rotation will be in May and we would greatly appreciate any help that anyone is able to give us.

### Sunday School Begins New Study

Sunday school will begin a new 12 week class on 1 & 2 Peter and Jude. We invite anyone who would like to see how the writers of the New Testament encouraged believers to live in a hostile world.

### BIBLE TRIVIA

What son of David led a major revolt against his father??

*If you think that you know the answer contact Alan or Ginger and we will post the names of those who got the correct answer, along with the correct answer in next month's newsletter.*

We welcome any comments and suggestions.  
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### *PASTOR'S PEN*

#### **Broad Brush of the Gospel**

Although there is only one gospel, declaring one message, promoting one Savior, the bible describes the outcome of that gospel proclamation using more than one term. Because God paints the gospel message with a broad brush, we get to see just how much is accomplished by the substitutionary atonement of Christ. Don't let those big words bother you, though. What is being said is still quite simple. It's just a fancy way of saying that Christ took your place. He was your substitute, and He paid the debt you owed God for your sin.

While paying your penalty for sin is the singular message of what Christ did on the cross, God describes the effects using a litany of terms like justification, satisfaction, salvation, redemption, regeneration, reconciliation, and adoption. And it's this broad depiction of the outcome of Christ's work that allows us to see the love of God most fully. Our backgrounds, life experiences, and emotional health are all unique, causing us to see things from a particular point of view. Some will hear the gospel message more fully through the idea of legal justice. Others will find the concept of redemption and restoration more winsome. Another group will see the love of God best through the idea of the relational assimilation of adoption. What's amazing is that God has given us all these varied terms.

Justification and satisfaction address both the root of the problem and the needed remedy. When you judge yourself against the backdrop of God's holiness, you see just how far your sin has brought you from perfection. Recognizing this allows you to see that God's justice needs to be satisfied. Something you are unable to do yourself. This fact makes the gospel good news.

Salvation and redemption speak of the bondage to sin, which leaves you unworthy of God's love. Yet, He leaves heaven and comes to rescue you. He was paying the redemption price and securing your freedom. You may feel unworthy of this high price, but God doesn't think so. The concept of redemption speaks to the heart of those who feel like they've lived unworthy lives. The gospel message we see here puts value on the sinner God has purposed to save, and that makes the gospel good news.

Regeneration and reconciliation express God's desire to be in a direct relationship with you. To make this possible, God must change your heart, causing you to be born again of a living hope. When you find yourself losing hope for the future, remember these words speak of God's power to change you. And for those who need to change that's good news.

The last word in our list, adoption, reminds us of the ultimate result of the gospel message. God not only satisfies His justice while saving you, redeeming you, regenerating your heart, and reconciling you to Him, He makes you, His child. God planned the broad brushstrokes of the gospel message to paint the full measure of His love for you, a sinner. May those broad brushes remind you in many ways that His message is always good news.

~ Pastor Mike