

Sunday: 08-27-17
9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Mark & Missy Zielke)
10:30 AM Short session meeting in Sunday School room
10:45 AM Sunday School

Sunday: 09-03-17
9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Ross & Alyssa Evans)
Peace Offering
10:45 AM Sunday School
4-6 PM Light meal served prior to Gymanfa Ganu
7:00 PM Gymanfa Ganu

Announcements:

The 2017 VBS slides will be shown after the service. They are also on the website where copies can be ordered.

Adult Sunday school will take place 15 minutes after the service.

Drive Your Tractor to Church on September 17, there will be an informal Meal served following the worship service.

****Card shower**** for Dorothea Plikerd for her 85th birthday on September 6th. Her new address is Roselawn, 420 E Fourth St., Spencerville, OH 45887. Please participate by sending out a birthday card.

Please take photos and contribute recipes, thoughts, and ideas for the August newsletter. Submit them to secretary@salemchurch.cc.

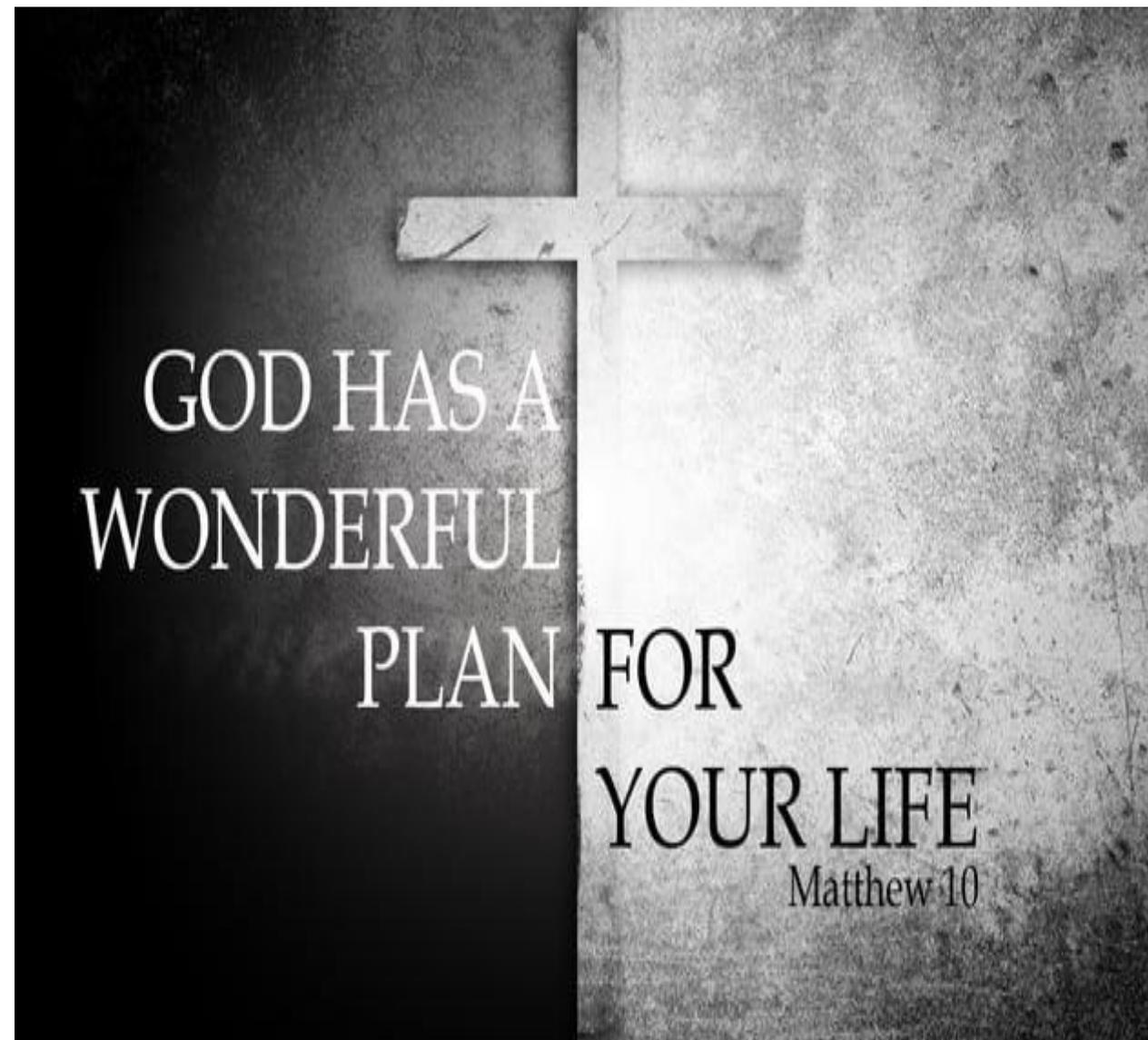
Upcoming Birthdays

27th-Barb Owens
Sept 1st-Elizabeth Adkins

30th-Kelly Lloyd
1st-Kim Ebel

Upcoming Anniversaries

27th-Tom & Carol Emery



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Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)
Doris Evans (cancer)
Colin Good (diagnosed with emphysema – son of Charlie Good)
Larry Howell (St. Rita's hospital)
Linda Howell
Jeremy Hughes (recovering from MRSA)
Noell Hunter (Type 1 diabetes)
Nancy Lautzenheiser (colon cancer - friend of Evelyn Martz)
Betty Lloyd
Elizabeth Markus (depression & salvation)
Janet Mohr
Marian Morris
Ronnie Neate (throat cancer)
Dorothea Plikerd
Walter Poling (heart attack & possible kidney failure)
Lewis Price (bladder cancer, stones, Paul Price's brother)
Joyce Profit (cataract surgery)
Bob Pugh (arm healing)
Randy Richards (Lutheran hospital-mowing accident)
George Siler (physical therapy)
Bill Stewart (brother of Kim Coil)
Keith Stoller (surgical complications)
Thad Summersett (malignant brain tumor – grandson of Warren S.)
Warren Summersett (cancer)
Natalie Wilkins (90 years old and failing in health)
Noah Wyatt (son of Stuart Wyatt)

Condolences to the family of Melanie Huddleston

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TEACHING POINTS

First, God can use anyone to build His Kingdom.

Second, because God's purpose endures, therefore God's people endure.

Third, like the Hebrew Midwives, we are to walk by faith, for the world to notice.

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY PASSAGE

But because the midwives feared God, they refused to obey the king’s orders. They allowed the boys to live, too. (*Exodus1:17 NLT*).

ACTION POINT

How do people like Moses happen? One can't explain it entirely by the environment. There must have been ten thousand children in the Pharaoh's court that, to all outward appearances, had the same gifts and graces, brilliance and charisma of a Moses. Moreover, history does not produce holiness, but God does. Because God is in control, suddenly, in a dark and despairing world, appears a chosen instrument. Why not also be a chosen instrument of God. God uses ordinary people in ordinary circumstances to do His work – no matter how big or small the task. He may even be using you right now. Why not talk with God and tell Him, “Here I am Lord, use me for your purposes.”

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