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"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." Ecclesiastes 12:13



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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM
SUNDAY AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM
SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM
WEDNESDAY - 6:30 PM

Notice the Little Guy

By Phil McIntosh



There are many ways in which the word *little* might be implemented and understood. If someone was talking to a child who was a boy they might call him "little guy." If someone attends a dinner invitation and is served dessert they might only ask for a little piece of whatever the choice is. After a long week of work and stress someone might admit they are a little tired. Surely the word could be utilized for an individual who is shorter than what is considered a "normal" adult height. The word is even used in reference to the general masses who lack the power and influence of the ruling class in a country who may feel as if they are too often stepped on or over by the rich and politically powerful (i.e. overlooking "the little guy").

For the moment, we're going to borrow the definition of *little* that references a short person. There have been many famous short people- from television and movie to historical political and military figures. I fired up the ol' Google in a search for "famous short people." There were actually some interesting names of whose diminutive (small) stature I was unaware. Time does not permit, not the intent of this article, to list all of them. However, as an example, Winston Churchill was 5'6", Mahatma Gandhi was 5'5", and James Madison (the 4th President of the US) was 5'4". I doubt there is any human more famous just for being short than Napoleon Bonaparte (he was 5'6"). There is an entire complex named for him because of the obsession he apparently had with his height and how others perceived him.

What about a famous short biblical character? Well, we all know that's Zacchaeus. In Luke's gospel account there is a record of the day this man met Jesus. We'll dig into that momentarily; let's first discuss his height. The fact is, the Bible does not tell us how tall Zacchaeus was. A little online searching results in findings that says, "the average height for a Jewish man in that era was 5 feet 5 inches" (Google AI Overview). The assumption then might be, because he could not see over the crowd, that he may very well have only been about 5 feet tall, or perhaps shorter. That's short alright.

Zacchaeus wasn't a "little guy" in another form of the phrase. He may have been little physically, but politically and financially he was a "big man." The text of Luke 19 tells us that he was not only a tax collector, but "a chief tax collector" and additionally that "he was rich" (*Lk 19:2*). The Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges include a note which says that "publicans... (were) employed to regulate the balsam duties and exports and imports between the domains of the Romans and of Antipas- were the chief classes at Jericho." We do not know the exact details of Zacchaeus' position or measure of wealth, only that he was important and rich. Men in this position were usually hated by the Jews; one might imagine they would especially be hated if they were Jews, since they would be Jews hounding Jews for taxes that would then be handed over to Rome, a government the Jews vilified.

This rich, important man had heard about Jesus; how or when we do not know. Look at the text which Luke writes concerning the lengths to which this important man went to get a glimpse of the Lord:

"Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. ²Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. ³And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. ⁴So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way."
-Luke 19:1-4

Imagine, for a moment, a rich and important man scurrying up a tree just to see Jesus; climbing above the crowd to peek at Him with the enthusiasm of a 6-year-old clambering up his dad's shoulders to see a famous athlete walking down the street! One wonders if Zacchaeus thought any further than that he wanted to see Jesus. Not only did he see Him, but the Lord actually noticed him. Jesus does not forget "the little guy" (*1 Tim 2:4; Jn 3:16*). Watch what happens:

“And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, “Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house.” ⁶ So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully.” -**Luke 19:5-6**

Jesus didn't forget the little guy; but sometimes we do. Zacchaeus was little in his physical stature; and he was little in the eyes of the multitude who had come to meet Jesus. He wasn't little to Jesus though. If you'll allow me to connect this passage to a challenge given to you- remember that all of us who are in Christ are a part of the same body:

“...so we, *being* many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.”
-**Rom 12:5**

Also remember that every part of the body of Christ is important and every part needs attention, love, assistance, and support:

“But now indeed *there are* many members, yet one body. ²¹ And the eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you”; nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²² No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary. ²³ And those *members* of the body which we think to be less honorable, on these we bestow greater honor; and our unpresentable *parts* have greater modesty, ²⁴ but our presentable *parts* have no need. But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that *part* which lacks it, ²⁵ that there should be no schism in the body, but *that* the members should have the same care for one another.”
-**1 Corinthians 12:20-25**

Nobody wants to be “the little guy” who gets overlooked or forgotten. Perhaps sometimes people might want to be left alone, but nobody wants to be discarded and ignored. This time of year especially you can challenge yourself to “not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble” (**Rom 12:16**). Jesus said that we should treat others how we want to be treated. You want to be loved, appreciated, soothed when hurt, picked up when dinged up, and treated with respect. Extend to your Christian family the same that Jesus did to Zacchaeus- notice the little guy who might otherwise fall through some cracks and be left to take care of themselves. Not only did Jesus acknowledge Zacchaeus' existence, He purposefully engaged in a personal experience with him. Establish purposeful connections with the body of Christ this holiday season and meet the needs they may have, because they aren't *little*, they're a different part of the same body you are (**Jn 13:34**).

SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday AM: “The Kingdom of Christ”

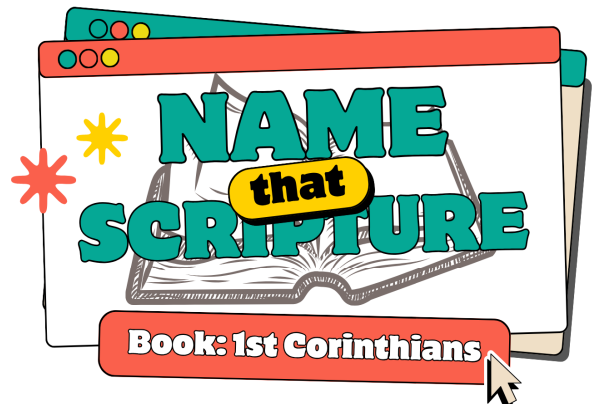
1 Peter 2:9-10

⁹ *But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;*
¹⁰ *who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.”*

Sunday PM: “Overview of God's Word: Nahum” **Nahum 1:2-3**

² *God is jealous, and the Lord avenges;*
The Lord avenges and is furious.
The Lord will take vengeance on His adversaries,
And He reserves wrath for His enemies;
³ *The Lord is slow to anger and great in power,*
And will not at all acquit the wicked.
The Lord has His way
In the whirlwind and in the storm,
And the clouds are the dust of His feet.”

SAVE THE DATE!



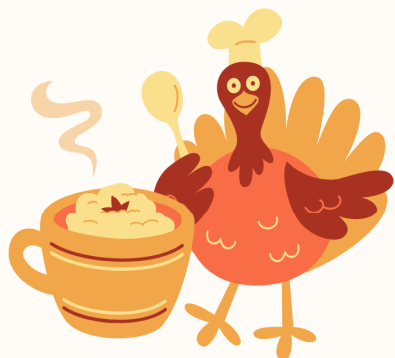
Test Your Bible Knowledge!

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

JANUARY 9TH, 2026
6:30 PM

Place: Fellowship Hall

Thanksgiving Meal



All are welcome but we want to especially extend this invitation to singles, widows/widowers, couples without nearby families, or anyone who otherwise will not have access to a Thanksgiving meal. Please sign up in the foyer or call the office.

**Do not bring food, just yourself.*

27 NOVEMBER

12:00 PM
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - MAYA LEWIS
1 - EVELYN ASARE
6 - KYEOSHA BATES
9 - AMANDA PETTIES
10 - NICHOLE WILLIAMS
22 - SHIRL FOSTER
24 - ASHLEY DIMMERLING
25 - JUDY WALL
26 - LEILANI FANE
26 - KYRO FANE

November Nursery Schedule

2-Evelyn & Josephine
9-Victoria & Nichole
16-Amanda & Natalie
23-Brenda & Brittini
30-Gayle & Tracy

**We are in need of more ladies to help in the nursery. If you would like to be on the nursery list, please contact the office. Thank you!*

ORDER OF SERVICE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025

- ANNOUNCEMENTS: PAUL PORTLEY
- 1ST PRAYER: DAVID STARK
- SONG: REGGIE BASS
- SCRIPTURE READING: EVAN HALVORSEN
- SONG: REGGIE BASS
- SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- INVITATION SONG: REGGIE BASS
- SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:
REGGIE BASS
- COMMUNION:
GAYLEN WILLIAMS & GAVIN ROWELL
- SONG: REGGIE BASS
- OFFERING:
GAYLEN WILLIAMS & GAVIN ROWELL
- CLOSING SONG: REGGIE BASS
- CLOSING PRAYER: JARED STEPP
- AUDIO/VISUAL:
PATRICK SELLERS & JUELZ MCKENZIE
- SECURITY: ROGER DEEM, SCOTT DAVIS, & BRUCE BROWN
- NURSERY:
VICTORIA POLANCO & NICHOLE WILLIAMS

November Cleaning Calendar

- May be done any time before the next Sunday.
- Please consult with your team leader for further questions.

2-TEAM LEE Natalie Ken Adam Nicole LC	16-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Rubye George	30-TEAM PHIL Michelle Ivette Juelz Ashley Madison Amy
9-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda Alexis Sid	23-TEAM KINGSFORD Kim-Marie Gaylen Nichole	12/7-TEAM JAMES Victoria

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Tim Matter is contracting in Saudi Arabia.
- James Chism will be away in through November for field exercises.

**PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED
ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

- Adam Zak will have a throat scope this Friday.
- Glenda Boudreaux's mother has pneumonia.
- Josephine Spear's cousin, Printella, has been diagnosed with cancer.
- Ken Sellers is recovering from hernia surgery.
- Jared Stepp's friend Joe Jensen has an abscess in his lung.
- Ron Dinwiddie's brother-in-law has improved from pneumonia. His sister is having back and leg pain.
- Diedra Jones is recovering from hip surgery.
- Jared Stepp will be in Mexico this week.

SYMPATHY: We wish to extend our sympathy to Yvonne Hardiman and her family on the recent loss of her brother last Tuesday.

CONTINUED PRAYERS LIST: Hanna Fane's family; George Loomis' mother; Lois Brown; Janet Bass' sister; Jim Dukes; Katelyn Bowles; Julie Odum's mother; The Arch family; Scott Davis; Donna Hines' husband; Judy Wall's husband; Brenda Sellers' grandson; Rubye Portley; Lee Fisher's aunt and nephew; LC Ramsey's brother; Ivette Saria's father; Tiffany Verna; Shirl Foster; Dawn Ramsey; Eddie Gandy; Yvonne Hardiman's sister; Rufus Brown; Quincy Daniels' mother; Zack Petties' father & Amanda Petties' family.

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL: Join us for a Youth Devotional tonight at 6:30 pm, in the fellowship hall. Please bring food and drinks.

NEW CONVERTS FELLOWSHIP: New Converts and spouses are invited to a meal and game night next Sunday, November 16th, at 6:30 pm, in the fellowship hall.

Holiday Baskets

Please join us as we prepare & distribute holiday baskets at 9:30 am, on Saturday, December 6th, in the fellowship hall.

If you would like to donate to this effort, please see Lee or Natalie Fisher.

*Our Speaker is
Phil McIntosh*

We want to especially welcome our visitors!

If you are visiting, please fill out an attendance card from the back of the pew directly in front of you, and drop it in offering box as you leave. Thank you for your visit and please join us again!

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NOVEMBER CALENDAR

9-Youth Devo @ 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall

11-Office Closed for Veterans Day

12, 19-Ladies Bible Class @ 10:00 am in the fellowship hall

15-Ladies Breakfast & Workday @ 9:00 am in the fellowship hall

16-New Converts Fellowship & Game Night
following evening worship

20-Youth Gathering (@ 7:00 pm at the Williams'

23-Youth Singing @ 3:00 pm at Rosewood Villas

23-Lads2Leaders meeting @ 4:00 pm in the fellowship hall

25-Tuesday Singing Night (No Wednesday mid-week service)

26-28 Office Closed for Thanksgiving

27-Thanksgiving Meal @ 12:00 pm in the fellowship hall