

WALK IN HIM

Colossians 2:6-7

Receive _____ with
_____ – v. 6a

Make your _____ match your
_____ – v.6b

Make Jesus the _____ of your life, not
_____ – v.7

Develop a _____
- v. 7b

July 30, 2023

Song Leader-Ronnie Moore

Welcome

475-Glory to His Name
144-O Worship the King
797-Lord, We Come Before
Thee Now

**Prayer
Ted Aldred**

**Scripture Reading
Colossians 2:6-7
Terry Branson**

350-When My Love to Christ
Grows Weak

**Lord’s Supper and
Contribution
Rickey Wilson**

467-We Have an Anchor

Coins for Christ/Bible Times

NIB-I’m All Wrapped Up, Tied
Up, All Tangled Up in Jesus

**Lesson- DJ Stucky
“Walk In Him”**

909-There’s a Fountain Free

**Announcements
Shepherd’s Prayer
Ronnie Moore**

Welcome Guests! We are honored that you have joined us today and hope that you will be blessed by your time with us in worship. The following are some helpful tips on making the most of your visit with us this morning.

Register- Our guests, as well as members, are asked to register their attendance as the pads are passed down each pew.

Attended Nursery is available for children up to three years of age in the west wing. (Kid Zone)

Bible Times is for older twos through fourth grade. Two’s-K are in the children’s wing, room 4, and 1st-4th are in room 6.

Quiet Bags for children are available at the table by the children’s wing.

The Welcome Center has details about ministries, classes and more. It is in the main entrance outside the auditorium.

To access internet, connect to West Freeway Guest. No password needed.

Phone:817-246-8000

Website: www.wfoc.org

July 30, 2023

Assemblies:

Sunday

Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening 4:00 p.m.
Communion will be offered at each Sunday meeting.

Wednesday

7:00 p.m.

Minister

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Elder of the month: John Robertson



**A Call to Follow
Philippians 3:17-21**

Trying to put together a puzzle without the box is often an exercise in futility. Without a picture or a pattern of the final product, it is nearly impossible to fit the pieces together. Metaphorically, this is true in all aspects of life. Whether it is performing a piece of music or learning a new skill on the jobsite, many people learn best when they can observe a concrete example. In Philippians 3:17-21, Paul calls on believers to find faithful Christians and follow their example.

Paul begins this section by imploring the Philippians to first follow his example (Phil. 3:17). In the previous context, Paul discussed his spiritual focus. His desire was not for the things of the world, but for Christ (Phil. 3:7-14). Paul encourages the Philippians to seek others who desire Christ the same, and to take note of those who are walking well. The word translated “note” is *skopeo*, which means to examine or consider carefully. Thus, Paul commands us to find faithful Christians, examine their lives closely, and follow them as they follow Christ (1 Cor. 4:16; 11:1). The scriptures provide us a vast library of examples, containing records of many faithful men and women who could be set as role models (cf. Heb. 11:1ff). However, reading about the faithfulness of others, and observing their faithfulness on a daily basis are very different things. Even Paul desired to see the Philippians face to face rather than communicate with them in letters (Phil. 2:24; cf. 2 Jn. 12). Therefore, we must find people with whom we interact to be our examples, because “as iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another” (Prov. 27:17). Spiritual growth is far more likely when we find a mentor to teach and guide us in the Way. These mentors provide a pattern for us by demonstrating what Christian living looks like in 2023. The word translated “pattern” in verse seventeen is the word *typos*, which means a blueprint or an example. A *typos* demonstrates exactly what must be done, explaining the process all the way through to the intended outcome. A spiritual mentor should do the same. Paul had offered several examples already: Jesus (2:5-8), Timothy (2:19-22), Epaphroditus (2:25-30), and himself (3:12-14; 4:9). **(Continued on page 3)**



August 2

First responder's lunch. There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome table to help with food.

August 10

Silver Saints, bring a sack lunch and eat lunch at 11:00, and play games at 12:00.

August 13

Back to school devotional and ice cream supper! Bring your favorite homemade, or store-bought ice cream to share with everyone.

Men

Men's Bible Study, **Tuesdays** at 6:30 p.m.

Men's Breakfast

Held each Tuesday morning at 7:00 at Westside Café. Come join in the fellowship.

Ladies' Bible Class

Tuesdays in the Fellowship Area 9:30 a.m.

Mission Work Session

Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Area. If you have any questions, please see Ollie Taylor-Brewer.

HomeMission

Please pick up a copy of "WAYS TO MAKE A VISIT". There will be new issues each week. The HM newsletter will keep you up to date on the latest things happening with HomeMission.



We are in need of pop tarts, small individual containers of peanut butter, vienna sausages, spam, canned chicken, tuna, spaghetti-o's and raviolis, or any canned meals or meat that does not require cooking or refrigeration.

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Our heartbeat (7/23/23)
Bible Class: 68
AM Worship: 137
PM: 53
Wednesday: 52
Contribution: \$7,603.10
Weekly Budget: \$8,145.00
Difference: \$ -541.90
Average: \$7,823.32

QR Code for online giving



Praying without ceasing...

Love and sympathy to **Sybil Beal and Paula Teel** and family on the loss Sybil's son, **Johnny Boyes**.

Jean Sikes had an arteriogram done Tuesday, and they found that she has 80-90% blockage. She had open heart bypass last Thursday. Please limit calls and visits.

Dolores Thatch needs a change of medication and will be having testing.

Glenda Graham will be having surgery on her wrist on August 4th.

Melinda Hay will be having surgery to remove a tumor on the left side of her head on July 31st.

Other Members in need of Prayer: James Blakley, Tom Cain, Marie Clark, Bob Durko, Margaret Hamilton, John Johnson, Reba Myers, Frank Piksie, Diana Richardson, Dolores Thatch, Donna Williams.

Family Members:

Lisa Wilson's nephew, **Nathan Hampton**, had a slight heart attack. Prayers requested for his health as he is a temporary worker and will lose his job during recovery.

Izzy Garcia, relative of **James Herring**, was seriously injured in a wreck. 16-year-old Izzy is in the hospital with several broken bones, recovering from surgery.

Debbie Robertson, John Robertson's sister-in-law, had a cancerous tumor removed from her throat.

Former member, **Ron Gardener**, has been placed on Hospice as he enters the end stage with his battle with cancer.

Each one of these men lived spiritually focused lives in which they loved others better than themselves. That is the charge for each person who bears the name of Christ (Phil. 2:1-4; 3:12-14; 4:8). If we want to do this well, then we must emulate others who provide a solid spiritual blueprint (cf. 2 Tim. 1:13; 2:2). Find a mentor who can help you fulfill your charge in Christ!

Unfortunately, not every person is worthy of emulation (Phil. 3:18-19). Paul admonishes the Philippians to note those who are walking well, because in their midst were those who were walking as enemies of Christ. While we note those who are walking well, we must also be diligent to note those who are walking wickedly and avoid them (Rom. 16:17; 2 Tim. 2:16, 23). However, we should never do this with a hateful attitude, but with hearts full of sorrow. Paul was brought to tears thinking about these people because they could no longer participate in Christ's blessings. Indeed, those who belong to Christ have a great many blessings to be joyful for. Instead of being purely Roman citizens, as many in Philippi would have been, Christians have their citizenship in heaven (Phil 3:20). Christians have the assurance of being resurrected in a perfect body because our savior Jesus overcame sin and death (Phil. 3:21; 1 Cor. 15:20, 42-49). The end of the Christian is an eternal life of joy. On the other hand, destruction awaits those who follow their own desires and glory in their sinfulness (Phil. 3:19). We should grieve when people rebel against Jesus and disqualify themselves from heavenly citizenship. If we have the attitude of Paul, who wept over these erring brethren, we will diligently seek the erring one and turn him back to the truth (Jas. 5:20). Paul did not want the Philippians to fall away as others had. That is why he called on them to follow godly examples, and that is why we must do the same.

DJ Stucky

My Favorite Gospel Song
2023 Summer Series
West Freeway Church of Christ

August 2-**Ronnie Hoover**, West Freeway
"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

August 9-**Bruce Martin**, Whitney
"I Am a Sheep"