

Seek Out from Among You
Acts 6:1-7

How can a church find great, dedicated leaders?

1. Have P_____ P_____
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2. Have P_____ P_____
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3. Have P_____ P_____ (5)

September 17, 2023

Song Leader-DJ Stucky

Welcome

155-Highest Place
578-We Will Glorify
202-Joyful, Joyful, We Adore
Thee

Prayer
Les Sweeton

Scripture Reading
Psalm 133
Terry Branson

180-Jesus is Lord
315-When I Survey the
Wondrous Cross

**Lord's Supper and
Contribution**
Roger Shiflet

694-Servant Song

Coins for Christ/Bible Times

634-We'll Work till Jesus Comes

Lesson- Chris Graham
"Seek Out from Among You"

679-'Tis So Sweet to trust in
Jesus

Announcements
Shepherd's Prayer
Mike Tinius

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.

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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

Chris Graham
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Associate Minister

DJ Stucky
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John Robertson 817.343.7586
Mike Tinius 817.657.1431

Elder of the month: James Herring



Sosthenes

Christians often tend to imagine who might be good soil for the seed of God's word. Paul certainly began his ministry in a new place in the synagogue (Acts 9:20; 13:4,14; 14:1; 17:2,10; 18:4; 19:8) or a place of prayer as in Philippi (Acts 16:13),but he didn't limit his preaching to those most likely to obey. He found opportunities wherever they presented themselves.

Paul always seemed to view every soul as a prospect. He saw a prospect in the Philippian Jailer. He cared enough for his captor to shout and stop his intended suicide, and he taught him the saving gospel of Christ (Acts 16:28). Paul taught everywhere he had opportunity, including the Areopagus in Athens (Acts 17:22); the school of Tyrannus in Ephesus (Acts 19:9); and at his trials before Felix (Acts 24:24-25), Agrippa (Acts 26), and, eventually, Caesar (2 Timothy 4:16-17). While confined in Rome, the whole palace guard knew that Paul's chains were in Christ (Philippians 1:13). Paul concluded his epistle to the Philippians with greetings from "those who are of Caesar's household" (Philippians 4:13).

One of the most intriguing examples may well be found in comparing Acts 18:17 to 1 Corinthians 1:1. "Sosthenes" occurs only these two times in the New Testament. In Acts 18 the Jews tried to end Paul's ministry in Corinth through intimidation as they had done in Antioch of Pisidia (Acts 13:50), Iconium (Acts 14:5,6), Lystra (Acts 14:19), Thessalonica (Acts 17:5), and Berea (Acts 17:13). Inciting a riot failed in Corinth. When the Jews made their accusations against Paul, Gallio, the proconsul of Achaia, refused to hear their case. He drove them from the judgment seat (Acts 18:12-17). Instead of Paul suffering punishment, Sosthenes, the ruler of the synagogue,(was beaten. Gallio did nothing to interfere.

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September 23
Family and youth Devo at the Graham's home at 5:00 p.m.

October 4
First Responders Lunch

October 7
Family Game night

October 12
Silver Saints game day

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.

Foster's Home for Children Annual Golf Tournament. Friday, October 13th. There is a sign up sheet on the welcome table. If you would like more details, please see Bob Estep.



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Our heartbeat (9/10/23)
Bible Class: 75
AM Worship: 137
PM: 42
Wednesday: 51
Contribution: \$6,662.00
Weekly Budget: \$8,145.00
Difference: \$ -1,483.00
Average: \$7,747.29

QR Code for online giving



Praying without ceasing...

Love and sympathy to **Shirley Durko** and family on the loss of her brother, **George Shultz**.

Carolyn Morris has been moved to Ridgmar Medical Lodge for rehab.

Gary Brasher had a heart procedure done yesterday. It went very well. Gary would like to thank everyone for all the prayers.

Allen Teel will be having surgery to remove lymph nodes on September 15th, and will be starting radiation.

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

Family Members:

Vince, a friend of **JoAnne Wendt**, will be having double knee replacement, and requests prayers.

Marsha Boyd, who has been visiting with us, has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.

Barbara Forsander, John Robertson's sister, is having hip replacement.

Debbie Robertson, John Robertson's sister-in-law, had a tumor removed from her neck, and will be starting radiation.

(Sosthenes)

In 1 Corinthians 1:1, a Sosthenes is identified as "the brother" and a co-author with Paul. Is this the same person? No one knows for certain. Perhaps, as some suggest, Sosthenes was a common name, and they could be two different people. However, it is consistent with Paul's love for souls to believe that it is the same person.

One can easily imagine Paul, during the "good while" he remained in Corinth (Acts 18:18), looking up the humiliated Sosthenes. Would he have said, "I know what it's like to be beaten? Do you know about the one who was crucified for us?" Perhaps Crispus, the old ruler of the synagogue, shared the gospel with Sosthenes, the new ruler.

There is only one way to tell whether someone will respond to the gospel. Tell that person about Jesus.

Chris Graham

Adult Classes for fall quarter:

Sunday Mornings
Auditorium-Joe Brown - "Spiritual Warfare"
Adult classroom #1 - DJ Stucky - "Learning From Relationships".

Wednesday nights
Fellowship Area - DJ Stucky
"Apologetics/Evidences"

Auditorium Ladies class - Penny Brown - "Anxious for Nothing".