



The Pearland Harvester

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS FOR THE WORK OF SERVICE, BUILDING UP
THE BODY OF CHRIST

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MORALITY: WHO NEEDS GOD? ATHEIST OR ANTITHEIST?

By Justin Gonzalez

The Word of God is so powerful and so convicting with its truths that one would think no man could resist its compass. Sadly, however, there are those who don't believe in "The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers" (Acts 3:13a). These are the men and women who claim from their own knowledge and/or their own findings that there is no God.

The New Atheists say that man does not need God for morality, and some push this agenda as if they are trying to make disciples. The first thing that must be pointed out about the people with this mindset is this: they are not Atheist. They are Antitheist. They are Anti God of the Bible.

You see, real Atheists will say they don't believe in any *gods*— plural. People who truly practice Atheism don't care if we believe in the God of the Bible or Buddha; they are happy in their ignorance and do not want it disrupted.

Therefore they stay out of arguments concerning God or gods.

Make no mistake about it: the pioneers of Antitheism are out to steal souls away from the God of the Bible, and it is Him that they attack. Let's bring to attention a very basic fallacy of their ideology. Why would the Antitheist spend so much energy to convince you that you have believed a fantasy? To be true to their atheism, it would be a horrible waste of time on their part. If it is truly fantasy to them, then why bother to argue for something that they perceive does not exist?

I think it was said best in this statement: "Who is more irrational? A man who believes in a God he doesn't see, or a man who's offended by a God he doesn't believe in?" The fact is that man does indeed need God to show us the standard of morality. Otherwise we would be wondering to the lust of our own desires no matter what the outcome or who we hurt.

We would like to welcome our new preacher, Justin Gonzalez, his wife Christine, and their children Gabriel, Trevor and Ezra.

Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Beginning Thursday, October 5, 2017:

Thursday— 2 Timothy 1-2
 Friday— Numbers 9-12
 Saturday— 1 Chronicles 15-19
 Sunday— Psalms 102-104
 Monday— Proverbs 20-21
 Tuesday—Hosea 8-14
 Wednesday— John 10-12

KEEP IN PRAYER

- **Carmey Bazil**, long time friend to Ralph Bryant, lost her life during Hurricane Maria in Dominica. Her husband, Christian Bazil, was injured but survived. Please pray for Bazil as he mourns the loss of his wife, as well as for their family and friends.
- Please pray for all of the people currently suffering from the effects of natural disasters, including those in **Texas, Florida, Dominica and Mexico.**

Our Members:

Gary Adams, Sarah Brown and baby Prudence, Jared Johnson, Bennie Sue Galindo, Fran Barnhill, Dawn Bell, Haley Biegay, Annette Bumpers, David Clayton, Jeff Coe, Daisy Dees, June Evans, Ross Genaro, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Murrell Hill, Judy Indest, Wanda Kirby, Dorothy Kirkland, Jo Knight, Wanda Knight, Clifford & Nina Layton, Jan Lemoine, Valerie McHargh, Harold & Alice Moore, Adam Parker, Vi Price, Betty Pridgen, Chase Shelton, David Smith, Loma Stone, Sandy Stone, Doris Stuteville, Angela Terry.

Others:

Daniel Ingram, Judy Moore, Thomas Mauney, Mike Humphries, Michael Smith, Jim Alford, Leona Anderson, Catherine & Cecilia Bailey, Octaline Beupierre, Erica Matte Blair, Jeffrey Buesch, Linda Bynum, Raquel Castillo, Debbie Cook, Evelyn Cordell, Ray Craycraft, Judy Dame, Billie Dykes, Linda Evans, Roger Farmer, Gwen Fikes, Glenda Garner, Betty Goad, Sarah Goeman, Robert Hudman, Kaliya Kelly, Elaine King, Kerry Lemoine, Martha Locke, Austin & Celia Matthews, Jim & Julie Maxcey, Shirley McWhorter, Mary Means, Pat Miller, Lewis Moss, Jean Nudelman, April Parker, Wilma Parker, Mark Pridgen, Alice Puckett, Ryan Rangel, Tenna Russell, Everett Sanderson, Butch Sapp, Henry Schaefer, Don Scott, Sherly Scott, Andrew Shock, Tony Smajstrla, Andrew Smith, Michael Smith, Rick Stone, Erin and Elijah Timmons, Leon Vanderveer, Mary White, Wanda Williams, Anthony Young, Lesli (friend of Heather Brown's

For the Record—10/01/2017	
Sunday AM	149
Wednesday (9/27)	49
Contribution	\$5,548
Weekly Budget	\$5,800
YTD Contribution	\$168,690
YTD Budget	\$226,200

TRIVIA

CHALLENGE

The Bible says the following animals would lie down together in peace: wolf, lamb, leopard, kid goat, calf, lion, and yearling. What else was unusual about this group of animals?

Answer to last week's question: Isaiah, Solomon, or Paul (Isaiah 52:7, Song of Songs 7:1, Romans 10:15). James Maxcey was first to give a correct answer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ The church annex will be used as an early voting location from **10/23 to 11/03**. During this time, **all classes typically held in the annex will be moved to the auditorium** on Wednesdays and Sundays.
- ◆ We need volunteers for sound and projector through the end of the year.
- ◆ **Chris Lindelof** is our contact elder for **October**. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please see Chris.
- ◆ The ladies in the **October food preparation group** are **Canova Genaro, Heather Brown & Heather Cook**.
- ◆ **Friends and Family Day** has been moved to **October 8th**.
- ◆ A baby shower for **Sarah Brown** will be held on **October 8th** at 3PM.
- ◆ **Arms of Hope** will be doing their grocery run **October 23-27**. The recommended donation item is **coffee**.
- ◆ **The church-wide encampment** is set for **October 27-29** at Martin Dies, Jr. State Park. The park is about halfway between Woodville and Jasper on US 190. It is approximately ,145 miles northeast of Pearland. All sites have water and electricity for tents and full hookup for RVs. There are nice bathhouses, hiking trails and paved roads throughout. There are also canoe and kayak rentals. Each camper is responsible for making their own reservations. Reservations can be made at tpwd.texas.gov. Please make your reservations early. We hope we have a good turnout. If you have any questions please see Bob Williams.

We have had an overwhelming number of responses via cards, emails and phone calls from people in and around our community who want to express their thanks to this congregation for meal deliveries, cleaning supplies, gift cards and monetary help they received. Please see the bulletin board in the foyer if you would like to read some of the cards that have been sent. You will also see

October Birthdays

1	Brenda Riggs	8	Ginny Lindelof
16	Clifford Layton	16	Joy Sloan
20	Susan Lenamon	20	Angela Parker
27	Jerri Farmer	27	Sarah Romain
28	Steven Cuellar	28	Daniel Townzen
29	Nnenna Osuorji	29	Jimmy Terry

October Anniversaries

2	Nina & Clifford Layton	5	Lynn & Lucille Adams
28	Dwight & Leah Bateman	29	James & Laurie Maxcey

October Events

2	Secret Sisters at Casa Olé —6:30 PM
4	WNWTM
8	Friends and Family Day
8	Baby Shower for Sarah Brown at 3PM
23-27	Arms of Hope Grocery Run
27-29	Church-wide encampment

Those to Serve

Pearland Church of Christ

...equipping the saints for the work
of service, building up the body of Christ...

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Wednesday Evening October 4	Wednesday Evening October 11
Building Lock Up —Bob Williams	Building Lock Up — C Lindelof

Morning Worship October 8	Morning Worship October 15
Opening Prayer Bob Williams Song Leader Greg Fabian <p style="text-align: center;">Communion</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Presiding Zack Williams</p> Grayson Townzen Daniel Brown Blake Williams Russell Genaro Jacob Carriere Alan Pearson Announcements and Closing Prayer Chris Lindelof <p style="text-align: center;">Nursery Attendants</p> Candice Townzen Sarah White <p style="text-align: center;">Ushers (* indicates head usher)</p> *Clifford Layton, T Langford, N Scarsdale <p style="text-align: center;">Greeters</p> Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale <p style="text-align: center;">Audio/Projector</p> Derek & Tracey Mauney Building Lock Up AM /PM — C Lindelof	Opening Prayer James Maxcey Song Leader Greg Fabian <p style="text-align: center;">Communion</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Presiding Bobby Parker</p> Wendell Romain Josh Hundley Chris Wallace Jeremy Brown Derek Mauney Jake Satterwhite Announcements and Closing Prayer Chris Lindelof <p style="text-align: center;">Nursery Attendants</p> Molly Godwin Laurie Maxcey <p style="text-align: center;">Ushers (* indicates head usher)</p> *Lynn Adams, Phil Godwin, Jimmy Terry <p style="text-align: center;">Greeters</p> Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale <p style="text-align: center;">Audio/Projector</p> VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Building Lock Up AM/PM — Bob Williams

Evening Worship	Evening Worship
Song Leader Greg Fabian Communion Jimmy Terry, James Maxcey Closing Prayer Wendell Romain	Song Leader Blake Williams Communion Alan Pearson, Zack Williams Closing Prayer Daniel Brown

<p>Worship Times:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sunday</i></p> Bible Study9 am Morning Worship.....10 am Evening Worship.....6 pm Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

ELDERS

Gary Adams 281-797-2575
Chris Lindelof 281-224-2183
Kevin Scarsdale 713-447-1866

DEACONS

Bobby Parker
Bob Williams

MINISTERS

Justin Gonzalez Minister
Zack Williams Youth Minister

MISSIONARIES

Benin, West Africa:
Paul Tohionon - Bohicon
Pascal Djedatin - Dassa
Blaise Atta - Bétérou
Clément Djebede - Okéwo
Gaston Nda - Natitingou
Valentine Ndimonte - Natitingou
André Assogba - Gobé
Dorotheé Tchekpo - Savé et Bessé
Paul Kouagou - N'Dali
Jonas Sambieni - Kaboua
Gabin Agbeci - Savalou
Portsmouth, Dominica, West Indies
Lewis Romain