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church is walking in the comfort of the Holy Spirit. The word translated "comfort" means to walk in the encouragement, consolation, and exhortation of the Holy Spirit. This is not something magical and mystical, but rather simply what the work of the Holy Spirit was all about before the New Testament was written. Jesus promised the apostles that "the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you" (John 14:26 KJV.) Therefore, the comfort of the Holy Spirit is found in the inspired word delivered to the church within the pages of our Bibles. And if you connect the fear of the Lord with the encouragement, consolation and exhortation of the word of the Lord, the result for the church is the power of multiplication.

The factors of fear and comfort remain keys for church multiplication today. Please pray that the peace of God dominates our lives as we are edified and the church multiplies. Wonder where Ben invested his money?

Rick Bright

(	í It's God's Plan for Man	Be Baptized: Acts 2:38, 1 Peter 3:21, Galatians	۱
		3:26-29, Acts 8:36-38,	
	Believe: Hebrews 11:6, Mark 16:16, Acts 8:36-37, Acts 16:31	Acts 22:16, Romans 6:3-4	
	Repent: Matthew 4:17, Acts 2:38, Acts 17:30		
	Confess: Romans 10:9-10, Acts 8:37	Live Faithfully: Romans 6:4, Matthew 7:21,	
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### The Power of Multiplication

Acts 9:31 Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.

Even though school is out for the summer, the power of multiplication doesn't get left behind in a locked classroom. For Ben, the power of multiplication was in motion year round. At age 19, Ben decided to invest \$2,000 every year for eight years. He picked investment funds that averaged a 12% interest rate. Then, at age 26, Ben stopped putting money into his investments. Ben, with his total of \$16,000 invested over eight years, was a millionaire at age 65. How? By the power of multiplication! Ben's \$16,000 multiplied to a balance of \$2,288,996. (Data from www.daveramsey.com/blog/how-teens-can-become-millionaires)

God put in motion the power of multiplication. His very first command to man was simply, "*Be fruitful and multiply*" (*Genesis 1:28*). God designed his creation to populate the earth by the power of multiplication. According to Google, the earth's population as of May, 2019 was approximately 7.7 billion. How? By the power of multiplication.



The first century church started with 12 men who were convinced without question that by the power of the gospel the church would multiply. And multiply it did, first 3000, then 5000, then in Acts 21 we read "And when they heard it, they glorified God. And they said to him, 'You see, brother, how many thousands there are among the Jews of those who have believed'" (Acts 21:20 ESV. ) And this is just in the city of Jerusalem!

In Acts 9:31, Luke gives us two key factors that contribute to the power of multiplication of the church. The factors result from the power of the gospel that is preached and the effect it has upon those who desire to do those things that are pleasing to God. First, truth when embraced by faithful christians produces a walk in the fear of the Lord. This fear is essential for church growth and multiplication. The total respect and reverence for the Lord is one of the most valuable treasures that we can gain because God is our Creator, and if we are to find true success, we have to live according to His design. God knows what is best for our lives. In Proverbs 8:13, Solomon defines what results when we fear the Lord: *"The fear of the Lord is to hate evil."* And then Solomon tells us what God hates: *"The pride and arrogance and the evil way and the perverse mouth I hate."* As we gain wisdom about God's ways and choose to value what He values, we will mature as His children and the church will be multiplied by walking in the fear of the Lord.

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## **Privileged to Serve**

Worship **Coordinator**: Terry Cruise Announcements: Ron Peck

# Sunday AM

Before Service Greeters: Kay Lewis & Ruth McMasters After Services Greeters: Daniel & Margot Hyder Songleader: Jerry Cruise Lord's Table

\*John Marchand, Eddie Watkins Jacob Marchand, William Dill **Opening Prayer:** Leon Moon **Closing Prayer:** Larry Chafin Sermon: Rick Bright

## Sunday PM

**Before & After Services** Greeters: Jeff Fisher & Phyllis Fisher Songleader: John Hopkins Lord's Table: Tim Brashears **Opening Prayer:** Bob Lewis Closing Prayer: Bobby Lewis Sermon: Rick Bright

# Wed. Night

**Before & After Services** Greeters: Nacho & Beverly Bram **Devotional:** David Page Songleader: John Hopkins Praver: Paul Fisher



## News and Announcements:

### Welcome Visitors

Please leave a record of your visit by filling out a visitor's card and placing it in the collection plate.

**Special Contribution:** The wonderful generosity of this congregation is reflected once again in last week's contribution to be used for the Maasai work. Thank you for your willingness to aid the Lord's work in this way.

VBS: Appreciation goes out to all who attended last weeks VBS meeting. Thank you to all who are working to get things ready and operational. Next meeting June 23 after evening worship.

**VBS NEEDS:** Please save and bring the following to the church building for Nicole Hampton's VBS class: any size cardboard box; egg cartons; plastic and brown grocery bags; toilet paper rolls.

Food and Music: Everyone is invited to Bob and Kay Lewis's home at 6:00 pm Saturday, June 22, for a get together and music jam session. Bring finger foods and drinks.

New Class: An adult class is being added for Sunday mornings. Leon Moon will begin teaching the book of James on June 23.

Colombia Trip: Nacho Bram will be leaving June 26 for his mission trip to Colombia. Please pray for Nacho's work and safe travel.

Jonah King, grandson of Paul and Phyllis Fisher, left June 5th with the MSU Chamber Choir on a 9-day trip to Ireland. Pravers are requested for a safe journey.

## **On your Agenda!**

Kid Sing starts at 6 p.m. this evening.

Singing this afternoon at Webco (2:00), Marshfield Place (3:00) and Marshfield Care Center (3:30). Plan to lend your voice to encourage those who are confined to nursing care.

Business Meeting 4:15 today: All men are invited and encouraged to participate.



June 16—Fathers Day June 23—Youth Focus June 30-Fifth Sunday Singing CALENDAR July 7–Fellowship dinner July 14—Singing at Nursing Homes July 14–Business Meeting July 15-19–Vacation Bible School July 28- Area Youth Night at Marshfield

## **Remember in Prayer:**

*The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man* avails much. James 5:16 \* indicates local member at Marshfield

- Andrea BeBee,, Helen Marchand's daughter, has been diagnosed with asthma.
- **Joe Burney**. Randy Hyder's uncle, takes chemotherapy when his blood counts permit.

Chris (last name not given), friend of Lorrie Chafin, has serious life issues.

- Ken Cooksey has stage 4 renal failure and other health issues.
- Belinda Crews, sister-in-law of Wanda Crews, has cancer that has returned.
- \*Donna Demshar has scheduled her knee surgery for July 18.
- Tim Hayes, Hannah Greer Hayes' father-in-law, has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.
- Karen Ramsey Helms, friend of Lorrie Chafin, has cancer and is starting chemo and radiation.
- **Cecil Jones**, brother-in-law of the Cruises, will start chemo.
- Marsha Kammerer has begun her cancer treatment. .
- **Tim Lambert** has been waiting a couple of years for a kidney transplant and is currently on 2 different lists.
- Mike Lillard, friend of Lorrie Chafin, has heart issues.
- Julie Matney has upcoming brain surgery.
- Keith McHenry continues to have a multitude of health problems while waiting for a kidney donor.
- Tye McMasters is doing better and is able to walk short distances with a walker.
- Ronnie Oliver, Norma Nash's son, has metal poisoning from a 5-year-ago hip replacement. He is waiting to have surgery scheduled to remove it and have another hip put in.
- Gordon Polston, Marla Graves's uncle, has stage 4 cancer. He and his wife, Helen, will celebrate their 64th anniversary at Thanksgiving.



Birthdavs

Steve Crews 6/3

Rick Bright 6/10

Helen Buman 6/5

Dena Kanengieter 6/08

Justin Kanengieter 6/12 David Haffner 6/13 Dean Buman 6/16 Cathy Bright 6/18 Beverly Bram 6/19 Dale Graves 6/19 Brock Henslee 6/22 Judy Phillips 6/23 Robert Comer 6/24 Miley Fisher 6/26

### Anniversaries

Rick & Cathy Bright 6/28 Scot & Diana Greer 6/29 John & Norma Nash 6/29

Dean Schoonover, Debra Chafin's brother, has recurring cancer symptoms.

- Micaiah Sedlacek, JoAnne's nephew, needs both hips replaced, but there is a problem scheduling because of kidney failure.
- Issie Tabor (13), has reoccurring cancer and it is now growing again.
- James Taylor, a friend of the Hyders, is battling cancer.
- Liz Barrows Taylor, friend of Leon Moon and daughter Patty, is confined to a walker with rheumatoid arthritis in her knees.

Morelia Ortiz Vallejos in Colombia had malignant tonsils removed with further treatment to come. Richard Vesti, fighting cancer in his bones.

#### **Remember The Homebound**

- Judy Barrow (Webco)
- Fave Blazer (Marshfield Care Center)
- Ronnie Cantrell (Hermitage)
- **Bonnie Doherty** (Webco East)
- Ina Gillette (Colonial Springs in Buffalo)
- Pat Lamb (Webco) Zoe Lawless of Conway (Webco)
- Rosalie Rosenberger (Thad Lavne's sister) is in a nursing home in Jacksonville, FL.

#### Daily Prayer List Additions

- 1. That God provides an Eldership
- 2. That God will bless the congregation with continued growth
- 3. That our VBS will be evangelistic
  - It is all about LOST SOULS

#### **Record for June 2**

Sunday AM	137
Sunday PM	70
Wed. PM	76
Total Contribution:	\$6850



