



The Messenger

ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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From the Pastor's Desk

There is a quality of the genuine Christian life that the Bible calls *endurance*. It is sometimes translated with the word *patience*. The word in Greek is pronounced hypomoné (from hypó, "under" and ménō, "remain, endure"). So the idea is, *remaining under*, endurance; steadfastness, especially as *God enables* the believer to "*remain (endure) under*" the challenges He allots in life.

In the Bible, enduring means more than simply putting up with trials or adversity. Endurance involves our mind and heart, or the way we react to hardships. A person who endures manifests courage, steadfastness, and patience. Endurance is "the spirit which can bear things, not simply with resignation, but with blazing hope," says one reference work. "It is the quality which keeps a man on his feet with his face to the wind. We can flourish and develop in new ways, or we can drown in despair."

There is a story from India: One night two frogs found themselves in a dairy. Hopping and jumping around as frogs do, they both jumped into a milk pail half full of milk.

After swimming around for some time, they tried to get out. But the inside of the pail was too slippery, and there was nothing on which they could rest so that they could jump out. One frog thought it was useless trying to swim on and just gave up hope and sunk and was drowned.

The other carried on swimming, hoping against hope that something would turn up. He swam and he swam until he began to feel tired. But by this time the milk, which was full of cream, had become thick. When the frog had swum some more the cream had been stirred so much that it became a solid lump of butter. On this the frog could scramble and rest. And from it he could easily jump out of the pail into safety.

As Paul wrote to the Thessalonians, he was rejoicing, as he was "remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labor of love, and patience (endurance) of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father." 1 Thessalonians 1:3

We are all facing trying times right now because of the difficulties of a pandemic, the disruption of jobs, school, and church services. My prayer is that you will find the endurance that is found in the Hope of Christ, and just keep swimming, until you can hop out of the pail.

Terry Fortner

ZHBC Drive Thru VBS
Saturday, July 25, 8am - noon
Bible story, crafts, music, snacks, photo
booth, recreation, school supplies, more!
Pre-register your child! Call 501-988-4989.

JESUS! OUR STRONG FOUNDATION!

StoneBridge Ministry Reminder

Susie Dodson has been taking cards of encouragement and magazines to the StoneBridge Senior Community in Cabot the first Monday of every month. If you could help with this ministry, please bring your items to the church by noon on August 3. If you have any questions about the ministry please call Susie or the church office. We have card stock, envelopes, stickers, etc., available for you to use if you want to help.

August Activities

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| 2 | 9:30am | Deacon Meeting |
| | 9:45am | Co-Ed 4 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| | | Sunday Worship, 11am, and 6pm Bible Study |
| 4 | 10:00am | Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| | 10:00am | Searchers Class Bible Study, Mickie Vann's home |
| | 7:00pm | Co-Ed 3 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 5 | 6:30pm | Wednesday Night Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 6 | 6:00pm | Co-Ed 2 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 9 | 9:45am | Co-Ed 4 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| | | Sunday Worship, 11am, and 6pm Bible Study |
| 11 | 10:00am | Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| | 10:00am | Searchers Class Bible Study, Mickie Vann's home |
| | 7:00pm | Co-Ed 3 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 12 | 6:30pm | Wednesday Night Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 13 | 6:00pm | Co-Ed 2 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 16 | 9:45am | Co-Ed 4 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| | | Sunday Worship, 11am, and 6pm Bible Study |
| | 6:30pm | Finance Committee Meeting |
| 18 | 10:00am | Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| | 10:00am | Searchers Class Bible Study, Mickie Vann's home |
| | 7:00pm | Co-Ed 3 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 19 | 6:30pm | Business Meeting |
| 20 | 6:00pm | Co-Ed 2 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 23 | 9:45am | Co-Ed 4 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| | | Sunday Worship, 11am, and 6pm Bible Study |
| 25 | 10:00am | Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| | 10:00am | Searchers Class Bible Study, Mickie Vann's home |
| | 7:00pm | Co-Ed 3 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 26 | 6:30pm | Wednesday Night Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 27 | 6:00pm | Co-Ed 2 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| 30 | 9:45am | Co-Ed 4 Class Bible Study, Fellowship Hall |
| | | Sunday Worship, 11am, and 6pm Bible Study |

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