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ary 16, 2022 #41 13, 2022 #40 Flight from Egypt God's Care of the Is-Exodus 13; 14 raelites Exodus 15:22 -27; 16:1-36; 17:1-7

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it. (Ecclesiastes 12:7)

That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.

(John 1:9-10)

The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1Corinthians15:56-57)

# SERVICES

SUNDAY:

New Boston church
1. Second Class p
N. McCoy Blvd, N

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WEDNESDAY: Bible Class 9:30am Ladies' Bible Class Worship 10:25 am 10:00 am

Worship 6:0	0 pm	Bible (	Classes 7:00 pm
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## God of Life

Sometime back in one of our classes, we discussed the ritual purification laws under Moses. These laws were designed to show that God was a God of life, not of death. The ancient Egyptians worshipped several gods of death including Anubis, Ma'at, Thoth, and Osiris. Even Ra, the Sun god, was lord of the underworld. The culture of Egypt was a culture of death.

God, through Moses, wanted to show that He was not like these false gods, but that He was a God of life. The entire Law of Moses was designed to protect and encourage life. The fifth commandment sums this up when it says, "Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee" (Exodus 20:12). God wanted His people to live and have a long life. This message is reflected in the New Testament also. Peter wrote, "For, He that would love life, And see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips that they speak no quile" (1 Peter 3:10).

Some may get the mistaken impression that God wants us to die so that we can go to heaven and be with Him. That is not the case at all. The message of the gospel is designed to help people live their life without the problems of guilt, shame, and despair. Jesus died so that we may live for Him (1 Thessalonians 5:10)! He wants us to have lives of peace, love, grace, and joy. That was His original intention from the outset. The Devil is the one who brought death into the world. Thank God that Jesus took away his power (Hebrews 2:14).

God bless you, and I love you.

**Kevin Cauley** 

<b>OUR FAITH IN ACTION</b>		
Wednesday, Feb 2, 2022		
PM Bible class 50		
SUNDAY, Feb 6, 2022		

AM Bible class	54
AM Worship	71
PM Worship	n/a
Contribution	\$2,936.00
Average to Date	
Budget	\$3,100.00

Servants, February 13, 2022				
Announcements: Jim Patterson				
AM Prayers	PM Prayers			
Thomas McGee	Ernest Shelton			
Jim Patterson	Eddie Cauley			
Lord's Table				
Justin Arsenault	Jody Thomas			
	John David Thomas			
PM Communion: Jody Thomas				
Pick up cards: Gavin Cauley				
Servants, February 20, 2022				
Announcements: Jim Patterson				
AM Prayers	PM Prayers			
Blake Tyndell	Derrell Patterson			
Ben Dooley	Jamey Thomas			
Lord's Table				
Justin Arsenault	Jody Thomas			
	John David Thomas			
PM Communion: Jody Thomas				
Pick up cards: Maddux Tyndell				
If for some reason you cannot serve, please call Mike Raney-903-559-4141, or				

John D. Thomas-903-490-5572

Please Pray for .	Wyvon May			
Don Grider	Faith Salfen			
Mary Hankins	Gerald Watkins			
John Seagraves	Robin Upson			
Winnie Tucker	Blake Drinkard			
Marie McPherson	Keith & Helen			
James Love	Clark			
Clara Inman	Henry Murray			
Marc Higgs	Tim White			
Amanda Georgakis	Kimberly (Shute)			
Charles Downs	McDaniel			
Cayden Harris				
Norma Crawford	Linda Roberts			
Dale Stephens	Vince Hardage			
Art Schwiethale	Valerie Martin			
Jimmie Thomas	Jon Schwiethale			
Peyton Clark	Sue & John			
Shelton Family	Powell			
Scott and Stephen Fillingame				
PANTRY	Vienna Sausages			
<u>Birthdays!</u>				
David Conley	Feb 14			

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David Conley	Feb 14		
Makayla Renee	Feb 15		
Larry Stinson	Feb 18		

### Notices/Reminders

- 1. February 25th, De Kalb church of Christ will hold their annual Singing. Details are on the bulletin board.
- 2. Our Potluck Luncheon is scheduled for February 20 after morning worship.
- 3. Bros. Jimmy Smith and Scott Hobson may/will preach this Sunday in Kevin's absence.
- 4. **Members**: Please make sure we have your information (address/birthday/ phone/children) in the office for our directory. Office hours 9a-12p, M-F

### Life Expectancy

Years ago, a series of "What to expect" books were published to an eager demographic of soon-to-be parents, new parents, etc. The books provided factual, relatable information that prepared (worried? comforted?) the readers. The phrase "life expectancy" is actually oxymoronic, in that, as an average and combination of several factors, it cannot apply properly to any given individual. However, James tells us all what can apply to us, giving us reliable information and realistic expectations. He says our life is even a vapour that appears for a time and vanishes away. Just after the flood, God's promise about life in general was that seedtime and harvest would not cease while the earth remains. (Genesis 8:22).

The Bible also has the ONLY reliable information about life beyond the grave. We reflect on the words of Peter spoken to the Lord "to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." Peter would later exhort all Christians to be "ready to give an answer go every man that asketh a reason for the hope that is in us" (1 Peter 3:15).

While it is true there's no guaranty of definitive prosperity or length of days while we are here (Luke 12:20; Ecclesiastes 12), we can have certainty about eternal life. God keeps His promises! Such is the basis of all our hope and faith. We study God's word and get the reminders of how unfailing He is, and our hope is renewed. The expectations based on God's promises are the most realistic and reliable! We cannot help but have joy in our hearts as we think of life in Christ! (Romans 6:23).jp

Thank you card from Shelton family: To our dear church Family:

There are not enough words to "THANK YOU" all for what you have done for our family. We are blessed to have such wonderful loving and compassionate friends who provided for us in many different ways over the past few weeks. One of those caring moments was providing lunch for our entire extended family on Saturday, the day of Mom's/ Meg's Service. We know it takes time and a lot of effort from many people to feed such a large group. From the bottom or our hearts... We love you and we thank you!

Love, the Shelton Family (Ernest Beth, Marie & Cheryl)