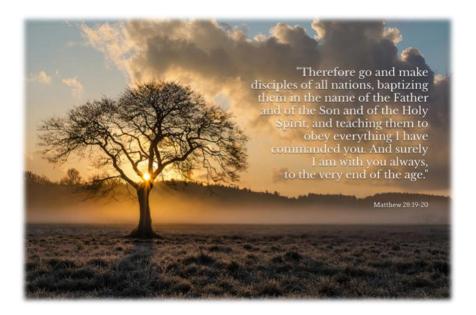
# Welcome





## **Sunday 10:30am & 6pm**

Coffee & Donuts Fellowship before Sunday Morning Service Sunday Services Streamed Live

# Wednesday 6pm Life Recovery Tuesday 6:30pm



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#### WATER BAPTISM

We will be having a water baptismal service right after church this morning at the pond/lake at First Methodist Church. Anyone that want to follow us or meet there we have a map to give you.

Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, **baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit**. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age. —Matthew 28:19-20

#### Wednesday Bible Study—6pm

"The Awe of God" study continues this week. Small meal at 5:30pm. Section: Irresistible Holiness

## Chapter 18 "Longevity" for this week.

My steps have stayed on your path; I have not wavered from following you. —Psalm 17:5

The fear of the Lord I crucial to avoiding the ensnaring evil that would shorten our tenure as effective ambassadors of Christ. We can sum it up in one word; longevity. A Bible university professor; who through extensive research studied individuals in scripture whom God called and commissioned. He discovered that 75 percent of the chosen messengers had their effectiveness cut short, and many of them didn't finish well.

The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever..—Psalm 19:9 NKJV How joyful are those who fear the Lord . . . Their good deeds will last forever. Such people . . . will long be remembered.—Psalms 112:1, 3,6

#### WHY WE CAN'T FULLY COMPREHEND GOD

Since earliest times men have seen the earth and sky and all God made, and have known of his existence and great eternal power ...—Romans 1:20 (TLB)

If you try to rationalize God exhaustively, you will fail. There are mysteries about God that we will never understand in this life. How can the small and finite, limited to time and space, understand an infinite God! We should not think it strange that it is impossible to explain many mysteries in the realm of matter.

Who can explain why objects are always attracted to the center of the earth? Who can fathom the law of gravity? Newton discovered it, but he could not explain it. Who can explain the miracle of reproduction? . . . Thus many evidences and many arguments could be advanced to indicate there is a God.

Yet the plain truth is this: God cannot be proved by mere rationalization. He cannot be contained in a tiny man-made test tube or confined to an algebraic formula. If God can be fully proved by the human mind, then He is no greater than the mind that proves Him.

**Prayer:** Lord God almighty, although my finite mind cannot comprehend the magnitude of Your greatness, I have felt Your presence in the quiet of my heart and I am gladdened.

## Everyone Deserves a New Day

#### Another Prophetic Signal Sounds from the Temple Mount—Charisma

There are moments in history that grab us by the collar and demand our attention. Not because they dominate the headlines, but because they are mile markers on God's prophetic timeline. What just took place on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem this Rosh Hashanah is one of those moments.

In 2025 on the Gregorian calendar, but year 5786 on the Jewish calendar, nearly 900 Jews ascended the Temple Mount for Rosh Hashanah. That is the largest number in modern history for the Feast of Trumpets. Even more significant, for the fourth time since 2024 the shofar was blown on the Temple Mount after nearly 2,000 years of silence.

This time there was video. A man stood blowing the shofar as a policeman looked on. The officer did not stop him midblast or tackle him to the ground. He let him finish, then quietly confiscated the shofar and escorted the man away. There were no riots or clashes, just a quiet, peaceful moment. That is history unfolding before our eyes.

The Meaning of the Shofar—The shofar has always carried deep spiritual meaning. At Mount Sinai it announced the covenant of God with His people in Exodus 19. The prophets described it as a call to repentance and readiness, such as Joel 2 and Isaiah 27:13 which says, "A great trumpet will sound and it will gather God's people from exile."

The New Testament connects the shofar to the return of Christ. Paul wrote in 1 Thessalonians 4 that "the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God." The fact that the shofar is sounding again on the Temple Mount after two millennia is not coincidence. It is a prophetic signal that we are closer than ever to the events foretold in Scripture.

Israel Against the Nations—But the prophetic picture goes beyond Jerusalem. On Sept. 18 the United Nations Security Council held its 10,000th meeting. Members voted on a resolution demanding Israel lay down its arms and accept a permanent ceasefire with Hamas. Fourteen nations voted for the measure. The United States stood alone and vetoed the resolution.

The American representative Morgan Ortagus said the resolution failed to condemn Hamas and instead legitimized false narratives. She was right. Yet the picture could not be clearer. Fourteen against one. Israel against the nations. This is exactly what the prophet Zechariah declared when he said Jerusalem will become a cup of trembling and a burdensome stone to all people.

The UN presents itself as a force for peace, but in reality it rewards Hamas for October 7 while condemning Israel. It pressures God's people while excusing terrorists. Scripture told us this would happen, and now it is unfolding before our eyes.

America's Fragile Allyship—For now, America remains Israel's last line of defense on the world stage. Among the permanent members of the Security Council, the United States is Israel's only consistent ally. Yet this will not last forever. All it would take is a single administration to reverse course. The Biden administration came close, but the day is coming when a future administration will fully abandon Israel.

When that day arrives, Israel will stand alone. This is not speculation but biblical prophecy. Zechariah 14:2 says God will gather all nations against Jerusalem to

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battle. All nations means none will stand with Israel in the end.

Genesis 12:3 still stands as a warning. God told Abraham, "I will bless those who bless you and curse him who curses you." To turn our back on Israel is to invite judgment upon ourselves. Do not buy into the lie that the church has replaced Israel or that God has revoked His promises. Romans 11:29 declares the gifts and calling of God are irrevocable. His covenant with Abraham still stands.

The Prophetic Clock is Ticking—Taken together, the shofar blasts on the Temple Mount, the world aligning against Israel, and America's fragile allyship are not random events. They are converging signs pointing us toward the final chapters of God's plan.

Jesus told us in Matthew 24:32 to learn the lesson of the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and puts forth leaves, you know summer is near. In the same way, when we see these things, we know the end is drawing closer. This is not meant to stir fear but to wake us up. Time is short and the mission is urgent.

**Our Call to Action**— So what must we do? Two things. First, stand with Israel. Do not be deceived by the lies of this world. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem, because Psalm 122:6 promises that those who love her will prosper.

Second, stand boldly in faith and fulfill the Great Commission. Jesus told us in Matthew 28:19 to make disciples of all nations. That is our calling until the trumpet of God sounds and Christ returns.

#### Live and Let Live—Joyce Meyer

Make it your ambition and definitely endeavor to live quietly and peacefully, to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands.—1 Thessalonians 4:11

The phrase live and let live means "you mind your business, and I'll mind min—and vice versa." nd the Bible confirms this is a good practice. I have discovered that the application of this principle aids me greatly in enjoying my life.

Many times we get into things that are really none of our business, and sometimes those things make us miserable. I encourage you not to become entangled with the lives of others. Be a good friend, but beware of entanglements. It is possible to love yourself in someone else's life, but that is not God's plan for you.

Most of us have enough business of our own, without getting involved in the business of others. So make it your ambition to mind your own business and endeavors to live quietly and peacefully. It'a great way to live!

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. Lamentations 3:22-23 (KJV)

## WATER BAPTISM — FIRST METHODIST CHURCH POND/LAKE

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The pond they use for baptism is located at the northwest rear corner of their property.



## Water Baptism

The word "baptism" means to wet with liquid through immersion, or to submerge in liquid until completely covered by the liquid. In this context the body is immersed in water until completely covered. The word "baptism" is not a translation, but rather a transliteration of the Greek word, "baptismo" and was used when something was totally immersed. An example is being dyed or baptized into a new color.

## Jesus, Our Example

Jesus, Himself, was baptized, being completely immersed by John the Baptist in the Jordan river. Jesus' baptism symbolized His death and resurrection. Death as He was immersed in the water, and resurrection as He came out of that same water. In the same way, we obey the command of Jesus to be baptized, basing our faith in His sacrificial death for our forgiveness.

Simply explained, obeying the command of Jesus regarding baptism is to identify with His death, His burial, and His resurrection. With immersion in water, we symbolically participate in His death and burial. With emersion from the water, we participate in His resurrection to newness of life. We bury our sins in the sea of God's forgetfulness, and we come out redeemed to a new life.

#### His Baptism

Matthew (one of Jesus' disciples, who wrote the first book of the New Testament), records the great event of the Lord's baptism. In Matthew 3:13 thru 17 we read: Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. And John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

#### Heaven's Response

In Matthew 3:17, we discover how the Father responds to the humility and obedience of Jesus. The heavens opened as He arose from the waters. All of heaven, the angels, and hell itself with all its demons, were witnesses to Jesus' declared commitment to be forever in alliance and united to the will and purpose of His Father.

Our heavenly Father does not remain indifferent when any of His children publicly declare their commitment to follow Him all their days. Christianity is not like a pair of shoes worn only for a season of time or until they wear out. It is a lifetime commitment to follow the Lord and do His will. He is a good and great God, faithful to His word, and gives us all that is good for our souls in the Name of His Son Jesus!

Following Jesus in water baptism demonstrates our obedience, our intent to be faithful to Him. God will open the heavens and cause His favor to be poured out. He makes known to all His commitment to His child, powerfully declaring: "This is My beloved child in whom I am well pleased."

#### Jesus Baptized Others

In John 4:1 we read, Therefore, when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John..." Jesus, just like John, made disciples and baptized them.

#### It's Commanded

In Matthew 28:19-20 we read: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you..." We should follow the example of our Teacher, our role model. We need to be baptized in water, and afterwards baptize anyone who accepts Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.

#### Our Testimony

It is importance to belong to and attend regularly, a local church that believes in the ordinance of water baptism. If you haven't been baptized, ask your pastor of baptize you in water, fulfilling in this way a marvelous transaction between you and heaven. Invite others, such as the members of your family and your friends, to be eyewitnesses of your choice to follow Jesus. Your decision may well be a way to lead them to Christ.

#### Our Commitment

Let us obey our heavenly Father's command, following the example that Jesus left us and be baptized in waters. In this way we will die to self-dependence, while acknowledging and declaring our dependence upon God. His favor and His grace will follow our lives when we openly declare our surrender to His will.