# Walking With God or Walking With the World?

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None of us would argue that we are living in tumultuous times. Every day we are reminded of the wicked world around us. From the way people treat one another to the murderous violence we are reminded of in our daily news sources, no doubt we are living in the midst of evil. In spite of this, God calls us to be set apart and live differently than the world (Rom. 12:2).

Sadly, for some people this can be a struggle. Many people think because we live in the world, we have to live like the world. Some even plead that it's virtually impossible to live the kind of life God desires because of the world we have to live in. Is this true? Is living godly in an ungodly world impossible?

Being surrounded by wickedness is nothing new. If we go all the way back to the days of Noah we find people struggling to live holy lives. In fact, we should note that the people in Noah's day were so evil Moses recorded, "every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" (Gen. 6:5). Did you catch that? Every intention and thought of their hearts were evil continually.

We might think the world we live in today is perverse, but it would appear our world fails in comparison to the days of Noah. The world he lived in was so wicked God was even sorry He had made man (Gen. 6:6). Thus, God sent a flood and destroyed all the world in that day except for Noah and his family (Gen. 6-9). Why did God spare them from the flood but no one else? According to Moses, it was because Noah didn't live like the world around him. He was a just and blameless man who walked with God (Gen. 6:9).

Although he lived in the midst of severe ungodliness, Noah remained a righteous man. What does God see when He looks at you and me today? Does He see righteous people who are walking with Him or wicked people who are walking with the world? Let's strive to learn from Noah's example and live a godly life in this ungodly world.

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## Schedule of Services

Sunday AM Bible Study 9:45 AM Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM No Sunday PM Service Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study 10:00 AM Wednesday PM Bible Study 7:00 PM

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# We welcome all who are here today.

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a Visitor Card (on the back of the pew in front of vou) so we may have a record of vour visit. Later in the service we will pass around a collection plate. As a visitor you are obviously not expected to give but we would like for you to place the Visitor Card in the collection plate. Thanks.

There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs for infant care.

Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent during Bible study and worship.



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# *Friendly Reminder* - **BLUE LIGHT** When the "blue light" is lit at the front of the auditorium it means "**Quiet Please**"

**<u>Prayers</u>** In our prayers, let's praise God, recognize His greatness, and thank Him for His blessings.

Butts Sumner Let's pray for him as he continues to deal with health issues. Let's pray for Edie also.

Carol Jones has been under the weather recently but was able to be with us for Bible study on Wednesday.

Cassandra Kern, Louella Hopkins' granddaughter, had dental surgery Thursday.

David Alcorn had an endoscopy recently and found no cancer.

Jeffrey Elder is asking for prayers to help him and his family deal with the pressures and verbal attacks that come with the politics of running for mayor.

Bryan, Denise Garlitz' son in law, is having health issues. He will have ear surgery in Dec.

Louise, Anna Brink's sister, has hand issues. She had surgery on the 18<sup>th</sup> and had the stitches removed recently.

Jessica, Rick & Fran Fees' daughter, will have gall bladder surgery soon.

**Edna Jones**, age 87, Wayne Carter's aunt in VA, was in the hospital. At first they thought it was a mild stroke but it turned out she had a mild brain bleed. She is now in rehab in Blackstone, VA.

Gene Russell, Wayne Carter's cousin in Richmond, VA is scheduled for bypass surgery tomorrow.

**Sharron Gantt** had a basal cell growth on her lower eye lid. She had surgery on 18<sup>th</sup>. The incision was to be left open and covered with a patch until the 21<sup>st</sup> when she was to have reconstruction surgery to close it up. She had another patch put on after the second surgery and went Tuesday for the doctor to remove it and check things out. After seeing the Dr. Tuesday she has no more patch but she has a lot of after care every hour. No pain, just sore. She is thankful for such a good outcome. She thanks everyone for their prayers and well wishes and sends her love and hugs.

Let's pray for members affected by job strikes that it will be over soon.

Let's pray for children, families, and the staff at **Potter Children's Home**.

Let's pray as we continue our preacher search process.

Let's pray for the congregation in Fenwick, ONT as they do the same.

### **Upcoming Events** (Lord willing)

- **Oct. 27 Today.** Quick Men's Business Meeting downstairs in the conference room to discuss *Conflict of Interest Policy*.
- Nov. 02 Set clocks back one hour before going to bed.
- Nov. 03 Potluck Groups 4, 5, & 6 to setup and cleanup.
- Nov. 11 Veterans Day
- Nov. 16 Security Meeting with Dave DiTullio here at the building. 2:30-4:30 PM There will be an hour presentation and an hour question and answer period. The entire congregation is invited. If you have concerns, please come to the meeting.



2 Timothy 2:15

Next Sunday

# <u>Classes and Sermon</u>



Serving Today

Sun. AM Adult Bible Study Matthew	Announcements	Mark Dailey
Sermon Topic Today: Being Calm In A Turbulent World	Song Leader	Rodney Jones
Scripture Reading: Psalm 46:8-11	<b>Direct Communion</b>	Ray McArthur
	Serve	Mark Dailey
No Sun. PM Service	Serve	Ron Cameron
Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study 10 AM	Serve	Michael Rice
Wed. PM Bible Study 2 <sup>nd</sup> Kings	Clean Trays	Kris Kinney

#### Notice

The church has received a thank you from Potter Children's Home & Family Ministries for our monetary donation and prayers. It is posted on the back bulletin board.

#### LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The ladies bible class is beginning a new series of lessons this Tuesday morning dealing with living in peace. Jean Cameron will facilitate the class examining the word "peace" and the necessity for it in all aspects of our lives. The class begins promptly at 10 AM and all ladies are encouraged to join the group for fellowship and study. Lessons can be obtained from Audrey.

## LADIES NIGHT OUT

Mark your calendar for November 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM for a presentation of "*The Miracle Worker*" at Niagara Falls High School Performing Arts Center. More details coming soon.

### **Business Meeting Minutes**

Minutes of the September and October meetings are on the back table.



#### Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, following morning worship. There will be a Money/Gift Card Tree if you would like to honor them. They are also registered at Target and Bed. Bath and Bevond

# Nov. Birthdays

04 Rick Fees05 Ray McArthur05 Connor Orton07 Anna Brink

08 Lisa Nichols19 Bev McArthur26 Laura Kyle28 Charles Bennett

### Nov. Anniversaries

27 Dennis & Darlene Reed