

# Tuskawilla Church of Christ

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Sunday: 9:30 AM Bible Class

10:30 AM Worship

Wednesday: 7 PM Bible Class

**Welcome to our Visitors.** You are our honored guests. Please fill out a visitor's card and let us know if you have any questions about our congregation.

### Serving Today

**Song Leader:** Jimmy Wilson

**Opening Prayer:** Roger Weaver

**Scripture Reading:** Austin Bruce

**Communion:**

- Lead: Jerry Sirmans
- Assisting: Andrew Yoches
- Side: Dennis Furin
- Side: Kenny Wilkerson

**Sermon:** David West

**Closing Prayer:** Ken Lathrop

**Usher:** Roger Weaver

### Today's Service

- 532
- 457
- Opening Prayer
- **Scripture Reading: Revelation 2:12-17**
- 161 (Communion)
- 381
- **Sermon: Beware of Following Baalam's Corrupt Counsel**
- 317 (Invitation)
- Closing Prayer

### Announcements

- **Sally Westover** will be returning to OH this week. We wish Sally a safe trip and look forward to her return this winter.
- **Our thanks to the Parker's** for hosting yesterday's Church Family & Friends Day.
- **Bill Brown**, friend of the Robey's fell and broke his hip and is hospitalized. Please keep Bill and Betty in your prayers.

### Continuing Prayer List

- Genny Naugle Susan Dinsmore
- Toby Scavotto David Marion

- Corrine Jacobsen Deb Taylor
- Gwen Means Tillie Johnson
- Ann Clark Tom Forrester
- Wyona Howard Erma Barr
- Craig Cannaday Jackie Cannaday
- Maggie McDonald and Maggie's Mother
- Buddy Williams Brenda Summers

### Prayer Requests

- **Jerry Gialdella**, Tom Lester's Cousin – Very ill. Hospitalized in TN.
- **Elva Shade** – Recovering from surgery
- **Sally Westover's Son**, Jeff – Recovering from stroke
- **Yvonne Parker** – Recovering from surgery
- **McMorris Tater** – Recovering from leg injury
- **Tom Lester** – Ongoing health issues
- **Suzy Wilkerson** – Ongoing back pain
- **Iwana Smith** – Ongoing health issues
- **Joe Weathers** – Friend of the Lester's. Under treatment for recurring cancer

### Event Calendar

**June 13<sup>th</sup>** – Ladies' Bible Class, 7PM

**July 11<sup>th</sup>** – Ladies' Bible Class, 7PM

**July 31<sup>st</sup>** – Potluck Luncheon after services.

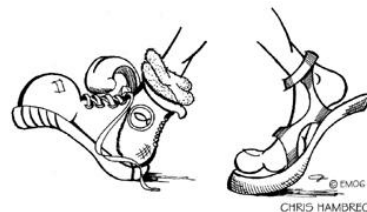
### Upcoming Birthdays

**June 4<sup>th</sup>** – Tater McMorris

**June 7<sup>th</sup>** – Ken Lathrop

**June 10<sup>th</sup>** – Michael Westmeyer

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Kenny Wilkerson



LORD, PLEASE WALK WITH ME!!

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## LET US RUN THE RACE

"Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1).

BETWEEN NOW AND THE TIME OF OUR DEPARTURE FROM THIS LIFE, THERE IS A "RACE" THAT HAS TO BE RUN. And frankly, the image of a race is mainly an image of pain. Anyone who has ever run a footrace of any distance knows that before the end finally comes, every muscle in the runner's body cries out for relief. And the longer the race, the more tempting it is to simply quit running.

*A great cloud of witnesses.* When we run as God's people, we are doing something that many, many others have done before us. And the writer of Hebrews describes those who've gone before as a "great cloud of witnesses," a stadium full of supportive spectators cheering us onward with the hearty cry, "You can do it!"

*Lay aside every weight.* In addition to supporters, we also happen to have a spiritual adversary whose purpose it is to defeat us. We must not let him have his way. The "sin which so easily ensnares us" must be laid aside. It's a very simple matter. Either we decide to lay our sins aside or they will be our undoing.

*Run with endurance.* We are not in a sprint but a marathon. For all we know, it may be many years before the time comes for us to rest. But remember the "cloud of witnesses"? One of those witnesses is Paul, who wrote toward the end of his life, "I have finished the race" (2 Timothy 4:7). He did it, and we can do it too.

But there's no chance we'll do what Paul did if we're not motivated by what motivated him: *the glorious prospect of being with Christ forever*. He said that he had sacrificed every worldly thing that ever mattered to him: "that I may gain Christ and be found in Him . . . that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead" (Philippians 3:8-11). Any goal less powerful than this will fail to keep us going. We must fix our hearts upon our Lord and determine that we are going to run the race,

come whatever may. There can be no question or equivocation about it. So let us not merely study or think about running the race. *Let us run the race.*

"To believe in heaven is not to run away from life; it is to run toward it" (Joseph D. Blinco).

Gary Henry – WordPoints.com

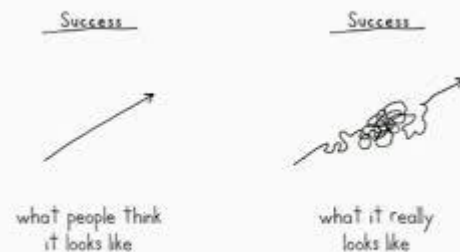
### Today's Bible Question

In our scripture reading today, Baalam told Balack how to get the Israelites to sin? Who was Balack?

- A. King of Midian
- B. King of Edom
- C. King of Moab
- D. King of Ammon

Failures, repeated failures, are finger posts on the road to achievement. One fails forward toward success.

C. S. Lewis



### Answer to Today's Bible Question

Answer: C  
Numbers 22:10