

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: Ken Lathrop

Scripture Reading: Austin Bruce

Communion:

- Lead: Roger Weaver
- Assisting: Andrew Yoches
- Side: Dennis Furin
- Side: Kenny Wilkerson

Sermon: Jerry Sirmans

Closing Prayer: David West

Usher: Ken Lathrop

Today's Service

- 626
- 457
- Opening Prayer
- **Scripture Reading: II Timothy 4:6-8**
- 170 (Communion)
- 436
- **Sermon: What will YOUR Epitaph be?**
- 284 (Invitation)
- Closing Prayer

Announcements

- **Paul Eldridge** is in the Life Care of Orlando rehab facility, 3211 Rouse Rd, Orlando, 32817. Visitors are welcomed.
- **Opal Grissom** is back home and doing better. The family thanks you for the prayers on her behalf.
- **August Service Roster.** The August Service Roster is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. Copies are available on the table in the foyer.
- We have several members who are, or will be traveling. Please keep them in your prayers.

Special Prayer Requests

- **Opal Grissom**
- **Paul Eldridge**
- **Elva Shade**
- **Yvonne Parker**
- **Tom Lester**
- **Suzy Wilkerson**
- **Iwana Smith**
- **Billy McCoy** - Iwana Smith's Brother
- **Kathy Eldridge**
- **Helen Moore**
- **Jenneta May** - Member at Gary and Pat Miller's congregation in KY.
- **Debra Urbin** - Doris Booth's Daughter
- **Jerry Gialdella** - Tom Lester's Cousin
- **Joe Weathers** - Friend of the Lester's

Continuing Prayer List

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| - 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 |

Event Calendar

August 8th - Ladies' Bible Class, 7PM

Upcoming Birthdays

August 2nd - Ben Blaylock

August 6th - Jimmy Tater

August 29th - Sara Robey



Today After Services

FAITH, HOPE AND PATIENCE

“These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth . . . But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them” (Hebrews 11:13,16).

PROMISES ARE INTERESTING THINGS, AND THE PROMISES OF GOD ARE THE MOST INTERESTING OF ALL. Promises always have to do with the future. They create an expectancy, a forward-looking attitude toward some event that is not yet a reality but only an idea. Consider how the three great virtues — faith, hope, and patience — work together to determine our response to God’s promises.

Faith. The virtue of faith determines our “intellectual” response. It means that we believe that God’s promises will be kept, that whatever God has predicted will come to pass just as He has said. It involves more than a merely intellectual processing of information, of course, but even so, it is an act of the intellect. When God says, “This is going to happen,” we must trust His prediction.

Hope. Based on the faith that God’s promises can be counted on, hope makes an “emotional” response to those promises. It fervently longs for those promises to be fulfilled. In the confidence that whatever God brings to pass, or even allows to come to pass, will be better than any other possible scenario, we eagerly anticipate the fulfillment of His promises. We don’t merely accept the realities that God brings about — we embrace them joyfully.

Patience. With this virtue, we come to a “volitional” response to God’s promises. Volition has to do with our will, and so patience means that we exercise the power of our will to obey God faithfully while we are waiting for His promises to come to pass. This is not easy to do, especially since we are looking forward to them with such eagerness and since the conditions in which we have to wait are so painful. When our hearts cry out “How long, O Lord?” and God says “Not yet,” we must make the choice to be patient.

Faith and hope are important, obviously, but without patience all is lost. Since the beginning of time, many have put their faith in God, and some even their hope. But few have had the patience to wait until He is ready to make all things beautiful . . . *in His time.*

“God makes a promise; faith believes it, hope anticipates it, patience quietly awaits it” (Anonymous).

Gary Henry – WordPoints.com

Today’s Bible Question

In II Peter, the Apostle lists eight character qualities that a Christian should possess. Which of the following qualities was listed after “patience”?

- A. Knowledge
- B. Brotherly Kindness
- C. Godliness
- D. Love



Answer to Today’s Bible Question

Answer: C
II Peter 1:6