

## IMPORTANT INFO

- We are thankful to God for this new Lord's Day. It is the day we honor His Son and the Love that He has shown us through Him. Let us worship in spirit and in truth!
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## Measuring Spiritual Progress

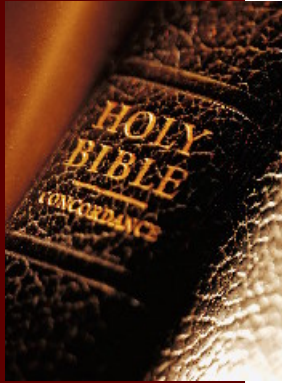
Our society is fascinated with measuring things. As early as kindergarten children are taught to use a ruler and think about weight. Physicians measure children's height, weight, and circumferences at the time they are born and then at regular checkups. With adults, they measure blood pressure, pulse, and temperature each time you visit. We are fascinated with measurements in the weather: humidity, highs and lows, dew points, and wind speed and direction. In business all kinds of things are measured: sales, quotas, employment, terminations, production, etc. And let's not even get started on how many things the government measures!

Considering how many things can be measured, do we stop and think about measuring our personal spiritual progress? I'm sure that someone, somewhere might say, "You can't measure that!" Can we? The fact of the matter is that anything that we may be motivated to do spiritually can be measured and God gives us plenty of spiritual activities in which we are to be engaged. Consider some of the following questions compiled by a Christian

friend of mine who lives in Ohio:

1. Have you made all Sunday morning services this year? (Hebrews 10:25)
2. Have you taken any notes at church this year? (2 Timothy 2:15)
3. Did you review your notes later at home? (2 Peter 1:13-15)
4. Did you share your notes with someone else? (Mark 16:15)
5. Have you visited those in need, the elderly, the sick, the orphan? (James 1:27)
6. Have you purchased outside study material this year? (2 Timothy 4:13)
7. Have you attended any gospel meetings this year? (Acts 20:7)
8. Did you read your Bible last week? (1 Timothy 4:13)
9. Have you handed out any tract information this year? (Matthew 28:18-20)
10. Do you attend mid-week classes when your child has sports? (Matthew 6:33)
11. Do you think about the words during congregational worship? (1 Corinthians 14:15)
12. Have you ever missed Sunday Evening services for the Superbowl? (1 Corinthians 10:31)
13. If your church holds a gospel meeting, are you there? (Hebrews 3:13)
14. Do you sing out loud with the congregation or mumble through? (Colossians 3:16)
15. Do you pray each day? (1 Thessalonians 5:17)
16. Did you read your Bible every day this month? (Acts 17:11)
17. When was the last time you taught a class at church? (Hebrews 5:12)
18. When last did you study the Bible with someone, outside of Church? (Acts 8:4)
19. When was the last time you helped clean the building? (Philippians 2:3-4)
20. In the past, when relatives have visited, have you skipped a service? (Matthew 16:24-26)
21. Do you prepare for your classes before attending? (1 Peter 3:15)
22. When you travel, do you attend a mid-week Bible

# Bible Studies for the Week of April 23rd, 2006



AM Sermon.....	Not Just Ticket Punching
Scripture Reading .....	John 4:21-24
PM Sermon .....	Lessons from the Life of Elisha
Scripture Reading .....	2 Kings 2:9-14
Sunday Class .....	The Book of Matthew
Wednesday Class .....	Minor Prophets: Zechariah
Ladies Bible Class .....	The Book of 2 Timothy
Nursing Home Bible Study.....	The Book of Luke

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## Measuring Spiritual Progress (cont.)

- study? (Acts 28:15)
23. When you travel, do you attend more than once on Sunday? (1 Peter 1:22)
  24. Do you study the Bible each day with your children? (Ephesians 6:4)
  25. Do your children have a regular Bible study schedule? (Deuteronomy 6:7)

These questions are not designed to make anyone feel guilty for not engaging in such activities. Neither are they designed for us to measure our own righteousness and tout that above others. These are personal questions to be answered privately by each individual, to motivate us to examine our level of spiritual health and encourage us to become more spiritual. Each of these questions are supported by

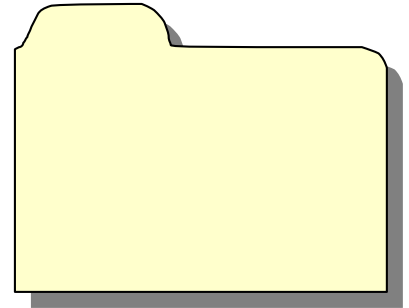
scripture that they are things that we need to be doing. Some of them are specifically enjoined; others are enjoined generally. We can measure our personal level of spiritual involvement if we are open, honest with ourselves, and willing to abide by the word of God (2 Corinthians 13:5). I want to encourage each one of you to take some time this week and go through this list and pick a few things upon which to focus so that your life can be more spiritual. This exercise is between you and God; there will be no test given by the elders or the preacher; there will however be a final exam one day.

*Kevin Cauley and  
Travis Main*

*“And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins. Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ” (2 Peter 1:5-11).*

## For The Files: April 16th, 2006

Sunday Bible Class.....	58
Sunday AM Worship .....	77
Sunday PM Worship .....	42
Wednesday Night Study .....	55
Contribution.....	\$1692.80
Budget.....	\$1743.39



### Kevin's Korner

Let me say first of all congratulations to Callie Smith for winning 1st place in the mile and two mile event at the Berryville track this past week. Having taken up running myself, I can testify that it is testing to run for that length. That Callie won first place—whew!—it's enough to make me sweat just thinking about it! Great job Callie!

This past Monday, the Berryville nursing home had a volunteers banquet. At this banquet, the church was recognized for volunteering the second highest number of hours as a group at the nursing home last year with 34 hours. (Valley View Baptist was the first with 36 hours.) We were presented with a framed certificate.

This past Tuesday I was asked by the Community Center to hold a class on Internet safety for kids. This class was held at 7:00. Two individuals came. We discussed different dangers for kids on the Internet. I believe those that attended left

better educated about what can be done to prevent children from getting into dangerous situations online and accessing inappropriate materials. If anyone would like a copy of this information, there are still a few packets left down at the community center.

This past Friday, Mary Lynn, Eddie, Austin and I all went to Harrison for Austin to compete in the district science fair. We were disappointed when Austin didn't place, but we had a good time nonetheless and it was a valuable learning experience for us all. We're thankful that Austin did so well in the school science fair and have already started talking about next year's project.

We have several events that are coming up that we all need to put on our calendar and make plans to attend. First, our family and friends day is June 4th. That's just a little over a month away. I want to encourage each one of you to get one of the flyers in the back and hand it to someone you know

whether family or friend. I also want to encourage you to put a flyer up in your place of business and also to take one to your bank and frequent public places that you visit. Let's get the message out!

Second, we have our vacation Bible school coming up June 21st—23rd. This is a great family time as well for us to get together and study the Bible. We want EVERYONE to participate this year and there is something that everyone can do to help with this event. See Rusty if you need something to do for this event.

Third, July 28-30th we will be hosting a lectureship. There will be people coming from all over the country to attend. We have a lot of work to do to prepare. That weekend will be one to remember, so make your plans to be here; I guarantee that you will be encouraged. So, let's make our plans now to be at these events, be together, and participate in the work of the church!

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## Announcements

- We extend our sympathies to the families of David Giles and Marvin Connell who recently passed away.
- Please remember in prayer: Vaughn Farmer, Lorene Matthews, Wilene McCullough Nellie Teaher, Unis Whitely.
- The youth devotional scheduled for May 6th has been requested, by the youth, to be Friday, May 5th. Please join us at Kevin's house at that time.
- We are in our last weeks of ladies Bible class. We are finishing up the book of 2 Timothy and will break for the summer at the end of May.
- Next Sunday afternoon is our quarterly singing at the nursing home. Please be with us as we encourage our elderly residents by singing praises to God!
- A new outreach list has been posted in the copy room. Please check the assignments for your participation.
- Don't forget our weekly Bible studies at the nursing home, Thursdays at 2:00 PM. All are welcome!
- We have friends in our community that need the gospel. Are you talking to them about the truth?
- Our pantry item is: Pinto Beans.

## God's Salvation Plan

1. **Hear** the Gospel—Romans 10:17
2. **Believe** on the Lord & His Word—Mark 16:16; John 8:24
3. **Repent** of your sins—Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30
4. **Confess** Christ—Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9
5. **Be Baptized** for the remission of sins—Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27
6. Live a **faithful**, dedicated life—Revelation 2:10; 2 Peter 1:5-10

# Welcome!

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## Times for Worship and Study

Sunday Morning Bible Class: .....	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship:.....	10:20 AM
Sunday Evening Worship: .....	6:00 PM
Wed. Ladies Bible Class: .....	10:30 AM
Wed. Evening Bible Class: .....	7:00 PM

## Serving Each Other

	<i>April 23rd, 2006</i>	<i>April 30th, 2006</i>
<b>Sunday Morning</b>		
<b>Songs:</b>	Barrett Brown	Ken Smith
<b>Preaching:</b>	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Bruce Foster	Bill Fort
<b>Scripture Reading:</b>	Brandon Foster	Leon Duncan
<b>Lord's Table</b>	Bill Fort	Rusty Windle
	Rusty Windle	George Eddings
(assist)	Matthew Morrell	Jerry Roller
	Ervin Hand	John Gass
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Glenn Quigley	Dan Hand
<b>Sunday Evening</b>		
<b>Songs:</b>	Rusty Windle	Barrett Brown
<b>Preaching:</b>	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Glenn Williams	Clay Bozarth
<b>Scripture Reading:</b>	Dan Hand	Ken Smith
<b>Lord's Table</b>	Leon Duncan	Bruce Foster
	Clay Bozarth	Matthew Morrell
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Bill Fort	Ervin Hand
<b>Wednesday</b>		
<b>Songs:</b>	Bruce Foster	Kevin Cauley
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Dale Pinkley	Michael Morrell
<b>Invitation:</b>	Kevin Cauley	Leon Duncan
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Dan Hand	Jerry Roller

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