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Sunday, September 13, 2026

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The Truth Hurts Sometimes

You're losing your hair. (Ouch!)

You're a little overweight. (Double ouch!)

You're in sin. (OOOWWW!)

We've heard it said, "The truth hurts." Who hasn't been stung when the truth is critical to us personally or contradicts us in some way?

The truth can tend to expose our deficiencies and pierce our souls.

Sometimes, our reaction to constructive criticism is hurt feelings, which might morph into resistance to the critique, even though we know that if we changed, it would be better for us.

But, stubborn people that we can be, we dig in and refuse. Somebody once said, "The truth will set you free, but first, it will make you mad." Yes, sometimes the truth hurts.

We can learn from some ancient priests and elders how they reacted to the truth when Jesus flatly brought them to a decision (Matthew 21:23-27). When they challenged Jesus' authority, He simply asked them about John's (the Baptist) baptism. Was it from God and thereby approved by Him, or was it simply a man-made ritual? They were between the proverbial rock and a hard place.

They couldn't say John's baptism was from God because that would authenticate Jesus and His work since John endorsed Jesus. To agree that John's baptism was from God would be to recognize the authority of Jesus. They couldn't repudiate John because everyone else thought John was certainly a God-approved prophet. So they played dumb. Do we do as these ancient religious leaders did?

When we read or hear God's word, and it flatly contradicts our beliefs, our inclinations, or our actions, do we just decide not to deal with it at all?

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Prayer Requests

Penny Ball Please continue prayers for her health to improve.

***Larry Cockrell** De Ann Gammons Dad passed away Friday Morning. There is no other information at this time.

Gracie Cox Please keep this baby in your prayers for continued healing. She was able to go home.

Drew Dunn (Christian's cousin).

Please continue praying for his recovery

Gregg Ferrell Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Bill Gammon Please remember him in prayer as he continues to recuperate at home from a broken hip.

Fredia Gampp Please keep her your prayers.

Mark Gampp Please pray for God to give him strength and healing.

Zoe Gampp Please keep her in your prayers as she serves in her mission in Liberia, Africa.

Linda Gardner (Julie Miller's Mom). Please pray for her continued strength and improved health.

Peggy Hollback Please pray her health will improve.

Mike Lemon Please be praying he will have healing from his lung problems.

Heath Robison (Cousin to Don & Jon)

Recently diagnosed with cancer, he is currently going through chemo. treatment. Please pray for his healing and for his family.

Hayes Wilcox Please keep him in your prayers as he recuperates at home from a broken ankle.

Linda Gardner **Elbrooke Pavillion Rm. #402**
Peggy Hollback **The Courtyard Assisted Living**

Please pray for our Country
And our World to have peace.

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Please pray for our Military Men & Women
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ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

SUNDAY A.M. : 188

SUNDAY P.M. : 76

WEDNESDAY : 57



* **Friends & Family Day at Noble Farm**

September 13, 10:00 AM

***Fall Home Groups - October 4 - 25**

Sunday Evenings @ 6:00 PM

Welcome To All of Our Guests

Thank you for coming. Please come again!

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Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion bread available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the **Welcome Center**. You're welcome to pick it up before services on your way into the auditorium.

We Are So Glad You Are Here!

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KID'S Club

Kids Pre-K - 6th Grade

Wednesday Evening Bible Class.
It includes a short & fun video
reviewing the lesson taught on Sunday

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#### **Come Join Us!**

**Wednesday Evening Bible Study**

**7:00 PM**

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* **The September Item Is ***

Paper Plates

For Mid Western Children's Home
Thank You!

SUNSHINE CHURCH of CHRIST
We Invite You To Join Us

Sunday Morning 10:00 A.M.
Sunday Eve. Class 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 P.M.

You may also call 855-565-7670
to hear the lessons by phone.

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WELCOME EVERYONE!
TO

SUNSHINE FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY
AT NOBLE FARM

WE ARE SO HAPPY YOU HAVE COME TO JOIN
US FOR WORSHIP THIS MORNING.

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We've gathered here at Noble Family
Farm to have our Morning Worship in
God's great outdoors.

Afterwards lunch will be provided for
you and a day filled with fellowship.

You are welcome to enjoy all the fun
activities here on the farm, plus we'll
have our annual Corn Hole

Tournament right after lunch.

Thank You for inviting friends and
family to come along with you.

Enjoy! Have a great day!

There will be no PM Service.
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COME WORSHIP WITH US NEXT SUNDAY!
WE'D LOVE TO SEE YOU AGAIN.
SUNSHINE CHURCH OF CHRIST

*** FALL HOME GROUPS**

SUNDAY EVENINGS OCTOBER 4-25

MEETING AT 6:00 PM

If you would like to host a group in your
home, please sign up at the Welcome
Center.
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*** MID WESTERN GOLF SCRAMBLE**

September 25,2026

Majestic Springs Golf Club

9:00 AM Reverse Shot Gun Start

1631 Todds Fork Rd.

Wilmington Ohio 45177

For information Call 513-877-2141 or
www.mid-western.org
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Jesus taught with authority and clarity.
Crowds were astonished because He spoke
unlike scribes, but like God.(Matt.22:28-29)
Central themes recur: Love for God, self, and
neighbor, humility, forgiveness, obedience, and
the coming kingdom. Jesus commanded
Christians to "seek first the kingdom of God."
Jesus taught that true religion is heart-oriented,
not ritualistic, but also done according to truth.
(John 4 :24)
His teaching still shapes Christian discipleship.
It calls for repentance from sin, obedience to His
Word, and a transformed heart.

Re: Matt Wallin

Family Bible Time

Adult Classes Month of September

***Sunday Evening Auditorium**
Zach Coriell

***Wednesday Evening Auditorium**
Logan Boston

***Wednesday Evening Ladies Class**
June Book

Giving Thanks for The Church
1 Corinthians 12:4-26, Hebrews 13:17
Acts 20:28-31, 2 Timothy 4:1-5, Colossians 2

Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning	09/13/2026	09/20/2026	09/27/2026
Worship Leader	Worship at	Jared McCray	Zach Coriell
Scripture Reading	Noble Farm	Jesse Tunnell	Andy Paston
Prayer		Jon Coriell	Justin Spengler
Communion		Don Coriell	Jeff Vannetta
Message		Jamie Riley	Jamie Riley
Announcements / Prayer		Rich Book	Shaun McCray
Sunday Evening	09/13/2026	09/20/2026	09/27/2026
Worship Leader	No PM Service	Zach Coriell	Dave Deacon
Communion		Mike Gampp	Levi Coriell

ONLINE RESOURCES:

WEBSITE	SUNSHINECOFC.CHURCH
LIVE STREAM	SUNSHINECOFC.CHURCH/SERMON-MEDIA
FACEBOOK	FB.COM/GROUPS/SUNSHINECOFC
YOUTUBE	YOUTUBE.COM/@SUNSHINECOFC
PHONE STREAMING	855-565-7670



Sunday Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:00 pm

Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 pm

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Maybe we look for excuses (“I couldn’t help it!”) or even rationalizations (“Look at him over there! He does the same thing!”) But all the excuse-making and rationalizing doesn’t change the truth according to God’s Word.

Winston Churchill once said, “The truth is incontrovertible, meaning it is completely true and impossible to doubt, deny or argue against. Many things such as malice may attack it, ignorance may deride it, but in the end, there it is” THE TRUTH.

Jesus said we will be judged by truth, specifically the truth of His Word. (John 12:48) While the truth can hurt when it points out our flaws, ignoring a truth will definitely be much worse. Yes, while we think the truth hurts, it always helps.

“He who rejects me and does not receive My word has one who judges him. The words I spoke will judge him on the last day.” (John 12:48)

GOD LOVES YOU AND WE LOVE YOU TOO