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Sunday, Sept. 3, 2017

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The use of shading in paintings or sketches allows for depth and realism. Shading the truth only brings lies and deception to the forefront. I once colored a picture and was showing it to an artist. She said, "I love your use of shadow, it makes it look like the sun is shining." I looked at the picture I had drawn, studied the colors as I could see where I pressed harder on the left side of the paper, and lightened the coloring as I moved to the right. I looked at her and admitted in all honesty, "It does look cool. But I never purposely tried to shade the picture. I guess I just got lucky." Shading a colored picture is brilliant; shading the truth is another story.

We've always known people who've shaded the truth; we've even done it ourselves. Abraham introducing Sarah as his sister while ignoring the glaring truth that she was also his wife shaded the truth to the Egyptians (Gen. 12:10-13). However, it seems that the shading in our society has gotten darker not lighter. Stephen Colbert coined the phrase, "truthiness," to describe a person or people who hold convictions as true, even though empirical evidence, logic, or intellectual examination of the facts say otherwise. At the beginning of the year, Kellyann Conway coined the phrase, "alternative facts" (i.e. truth) to counter the report of the low turnout for the Presidential Inauguration. If fact is fact, or truth is truth, then what exactly is an "alternative fact," if not shading the truth?

This last week, in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, *FaceBook* lit up in what only became known as the next cycle news story perpetuated by those who like shading the truth. The facts slowly emerged, but never fast enough to counter the lies. What is true is the Lakewood Church, home of Joel Osteen's mega church in the old Compact Center, never opened its doors for the displaced. Another truth is that the outcry against him was heard all over the internet. As the facts emerged, Lakewood was never asked to open their doors by the city, for fear of another Superdome tragedy from Hurricane Katrina (bad plumbing, no showers & fresh water, and reports of sexual abuse). The Compact Center received its own damage during the rains; between flooding and structural integrity issues, the city feared escalating problems. Besides, the city had made arrangements for a number of other places designated as refugee spots, and using the Compact Center was only a last resort plan.

In all candor, I am not a fan of Joel Osteen, but that doesn't mean I don't that I have no admiration for him. Not only do I admire his personal narrative of how he reluctantly entered the preaching ministry, but I also admire his ability to attract people who flock to his church every week in a culture where many (or most) churches are struggling to maintain status quo (Phil. 1:18 might apply here). My critique is that in his attempt to offer a "positive" message, the message he offers is rooted in the self-help, prosperity gospel. If we're going to criticize someone, let's make sure the accusations against them are the truth, without having to shade them for our advantage. Osteen never closed his doors to the people of Houston, but offered assistance where his church could.

See *Shades* on page 3...





For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their respective nations

For our nation

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti, and other places.

For those who are being martyred and persecuted for Christ in our own time.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chhetri and Ashok Basfor

For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel

Prayers For Sunshine Family

Alan Graff Chemo treatments have been discontinued. At home and is welcoming visitors.

Garnet Lindeman is requesting prayers.

Bill Gammon is home recuperating from heart by-pass surgery.

Judi Allison is home and still recovering.

Cheryl Lemon is home now.

Helen Creech prayers for ongoing strength.

Gene and Esther Crisp has been moved to River Bend House: 900 Pirate Dr, Wheelersburg, OH 45694. Continued prayers. Loves visits.

Merritt Hayward recovering at home.

Ben Shumway is home recovering.

Jerry Gampp recovering at home.

David Bradshaw has a bad tear in rotator cuff and will be having an upcoming surgery soon to repair his shoulder.

Wayne Gampp fell this past week and broke his wrist. Had successful surgery on Friday and is recovering.

Prayer Requests

Bonnie Grashel (Kathy Gampp and Terry Grashel's Mother) has been diagnosed with colon cancer. Prayers for Bonnie.

Ida Partlow (Jon's mother) was admitted to the hospital this past week due to blockage in bowels.

Condolences and prayers for the family and friends of **Janet Burgett**. She passed away this past week.



9/3	Promotion Sunday
9/29	Deep Love Marriage Enrichment Event
9/29-10/1	Youth Work Camp
10/8	Friends and Family Day
10/13	Football Concession Stand
10/15-11/5	Home Groups
11/3-4	Ladies Retreat

Sunshine Church Service Info

Anonymous Prayer Request Hotline:
Text **94706** & your request to the phone # **22333**

Sunday Morning Live Streaming: <http://media.sunshine-church.com> or <http://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

Welcome To All of Our Guests

We give a special welcome to all of our guests today. If this is your first time to visit with us this year, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, sign our guest register and pick up your gift for being one of our guests today.

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You can simply pick it up before the services or on your way into the auditorium.

Promotion Sunday!!

Today is Promotion Sunday here at Sunshine! Our evening classes tonight will be the first night for any student that progresses to the next class. We have also made some changes in our younger students' classes to try to balance our class numbers. Please check the lists posted on the windows to see which class your child is in if you are unsure. There will also be lists posted on class rooms tonight! We hope to see everyone at 4 p.m. for our celebration!

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION

Next Sunday, Sept. 10, we will be having a special contribution for the flood victims of hurricane Harvey.

You're Invited

Jacob Miller and Michaela McCoy are getting married! The ceremony will be here at the building September 16th, 2017 at 4:00pm. Reception to follow at 111 Church Road Piketon, Ohio 45661. Please RSVP by Sept 3rd on the sheet in the back, by phone (740) 222-1185, or by going to **JacobandMichaela.com** They're registered at Kohl's, Walmart, and Amazon.

Ladies Day!

Elm Grove Church of Christ will be presenting Diamonds In The Rough on Saturday, September, 16 from 9:00 am– 1:00 pm. **Heather Gragg** will be the guest speaker! There will be a light continental breakfast (during registration), a light lunch, and prizes after lunch. For more information see the bulletin in the foyer.

Football Concession Stand

Sunshine will be working the Minford football concession stand on Friday, Oct. 13. and will be needing volunteers to help work. Keep your calendars free and come out for a night of service and fellowship. Thank you!

Youth Work Camp

There will be a youth work camp coming soon! Mark your calendars for Sept. 29–Oct. 1 to join us at Peace Valley Camp for a weekend of worship, work, games, good food, and more! Call the church and register by Sept. 1st! See you at the camp!

Deep Love Marriage Enrichment Event

Mark your calendars for a marriage enrichment simulcast event that Sunshine is offering on Friday, September 29. More information to follow soon.



Home Groups

Our fall homes will begin Oct. 15 and go through Nov. 5. We are still in need of host homes and if you are interested in hosting a home group, please sign the sign-up sheet in the foyer. Thank you!

Friends and Family Day!

We would like to invite the congregation to come out to Noble Family Farms for a cookout on October 8th. There will be a special sermon from Jon Partlow and we will be having tons of fun! Keep your calendars free for a fun filled day! More information to come.

Christmas Program Committee

A sign up sheet for anyone who is interested in being on the Christmas Program Committee. There will be a meeting on Sunday, Sept. 10 at 5:00 PM before evening service. For more information please see Pam Coriell. Thank you!

Deacons Meeting

There will be a Deacons meeting today, Sunday, September 3rd.

Shades cont.

FaceBook has become a breeding ground for Fake News, which is another word for lies. We share and post articles without determining their validity. We assume far too much, and it helps perpetuate lies. We post memes because they fit our conclusions. We've stopped reading, and when we do read we fail to allow for reflection on what we've read. We share articles without ever double checking the source, the agenda, or consulting with www.snopes.com (a website committed to filtering the truth from the lies).

Jesus claimed to be truth (Jn. 14:6). Paul exhorted his readers to embrace truth and reject lies (Eph. 4:25). David plays the role of Diogenes as he searches for anyone who will tell the truth, but he searches in vain (Ps. 12:1). Maybe it's time for our discipleship to Jesus to force us out of the shades and into the light of truth.

Soli Deo Gloria!

Family Bible Time

Week 36:

Sept. 3—Lesson 71 Joshua 3

Sept. 6—Lesson 72 Joshua 4

Discussion Questions for Families:

1. What river did Joshua lead the Israelites across into Canaan?
2. Why did Joshua set up 12 stones after crossing the river?
3. Name 2 reasons given in Joshua 4 for God separating the Red Sea and the Jordan River.

Week 37 Text:

Joshua 5 & 6

Those Who Serve

<u>Sun. Morning</u>	<u>9/3/2017</u>	<u>9/10/2017</u>	<u>9/17/2017</u>
Welcome	Don Coriell	Jon Coriell	Wayne Gamp
Reading	Johnny Beekman	Jacob Book	Roger Cooper
Midservice Prayer	Derek Miller	Shane Mougey	Greg Shepherd
Communion	Gabe Coriell	Jason Coriell	Gary Glispie
Sermon	Jon Partlow	Jon Partlow	Jon Partlow
Closing Prayer	Price Gammon	Mike Gamp	Tim Gamp
<u>Sun. Evening</u>	<u>9/3/2017</u>	<u>9/10/2017</u>	<u>9/17/2017</u>
Song Leader	Matthew Partlow	Jon Coriell	David Deacon
Reading	Mark Gamp	Pete Kouns	Aaron McCray
Communion	Mike Gamp	Ed McLaughlin	Don Ramey
Assist	Jordan Book	Alex Coriell	Eli Cordle
Prayer	Gregg Ferrell	Mark Risner	Garris Coriell
<u>Wed. Evening</u>	<u>9/6/2017</u>	<u>9/13/2017</u>	<u>9/20/2017</u>
Song Leader	Rich Book	Zach Coriell	Mark Gamp
Prayer	James Jacobs Sr.	Aaron Kallner	Caleb Miller

Regular Service Times

Sunday

Early Worship - 8:15 am

Late Worship - 10:00 am

Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

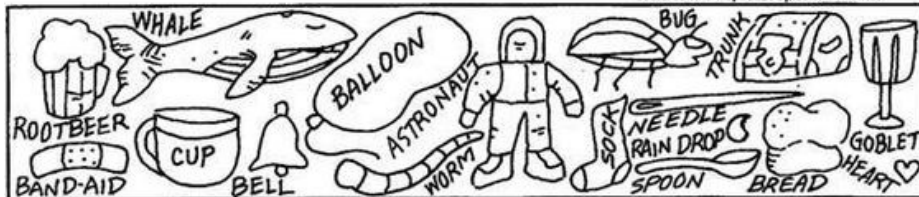
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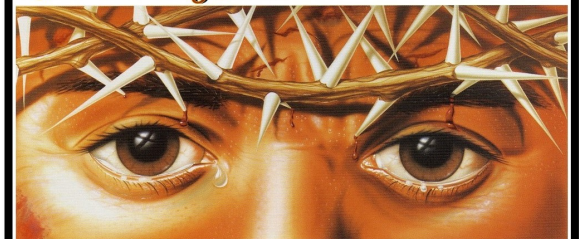


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