



God Is Good All the Time

God is good!

That pithy phrase pops up in my newsfeed several times a day, usually in a comment where someone reports something good in their life. It could be favorable results from a medical test, the arrival of a new baby, a financial windfall, the purchase of something new, or one of many, many other fortunate things we usually rejoice over. "God is good!" people exclaim.

And indeed, He is very, very good, and it's easy to "*rejoice with those who rejoice*" (**Romans 12:15**) when good befalls them.

But what about when things aren't so rosy? What about when one's body is wracked with pain or the bank account is empty and the rent's due?

Paul the apostle penned the letter to the Philippians when he was in a Roman prison cell. The charges against him were serious, and though he was hopeful, there was no guarantee he'd be released. Yet, he clung to a profoundly simple truth: "*I can do all things through Him who gives me strength*" (**Philippians 4:13**). It was this simple truth that not only helped him learn contentment, but also to see God's goodness in even the most dire circumstances.

Though others had the power to take his life, they could not take his faith. Nor could they take the reward of faith which he anticipated. So he exclaims, "*Rejoice in the Lord always! Again, I will say, rejoice!*" (**Philippians 4:4**). Paul prospered through pain or pleasure because he knew the source of strength and goodness, no matter what was happening around him (see **Philippians 4:10-12**).

And there's the lesson:

- God is good, *period*.
- God is good, *always*.

Not just when something fortunate happens to me, but even when I'm suffering the hard consequences of my own— or someone else's —actions. Even when I can't see whether there is a light at the end of the long, dark tunnel I'm in. Even when the storm that surrounds me seems to rage fiercer and fiercer. Or when I'm simply having a bad day, God is good.

Our lives are a manifestation of what we think about God and what we think He has— or hasn't —done for us. Circumstances, good or bad, may influence that thinking, but may not truly reflect reality. The bottom line is that God is good even when life isn't. He is the One who provides strength for trials, comfort for sorrow, and determination for endurance.

God is good. Period.

"*Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, rejoice!*" (**Philippians 4:4**).

~Zeke Flores

September Assignments

Welcome/Prayer: Dak Jones

Song Leader: Jim Barnes

Scripture Reading: James Crumpton
Romans 3:23-25

Lord's Supper Devotional: Mitch Netterville

Lord's Table and Communion

Bread Prayer – Bob Reed

Fruit of the Vine Prayer – Gene Hampton

Offering Prayer – Dak Jones

Assisting with Communion – Drew Brown,
Preston Patterson, & Rich Luckie

Attendance Cards: Greyson Smothermon &
Jaxson Smothermon

Greeters: Jerry Cannon

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Maintenance

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TIME OF SERVICES

Bible Class: 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Evening 6:00 pm
Wednesday 7:00 pm



Birthdays

David Davenport 10/6

Kathy Patterson 10/10

Cindy Schindler 10/10

Terry Davis 10/11

Anniversaries

Tommy & Kelli Hunter 10/7

Carl & Lacey Lucas 10/10

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¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20

To:

Be sure to tune in to "***Let the Bible Speak***" Sundays 6:30 am on KTEN NBC 10 and 9:30 am KTEN ABC 9.

Keep in your prayers			Shut-Ins / Long-Term / Rehab Members	
Margorie Grady, mother of Pat Jones, is needing our prayers. Billy Don Smith is not doing too well and needs prayers. Diana Smothermon, mother of Johnny Smothermon, had open heart surgery to replace 2 heart valves. She is home now and doing great. She started rehab this past Friday. Thanks to all of you for everything you have done for me. God is Good! Marion Farrell started radiation and chemo treatments. The Lucas family got word that there may be an appeal being filed on the judge’s decision for Everleigh to come back to them. Please pray that they don’t lose her again. Pat Jones will be having shoulder surgery October 7th. Raea Davenport will be having another thyroid surgery in November. Nell Reed is now at Whitesboro Health and Rehabilitation Center. Visitors are welcome but they ask that you come after 11 am, to allow them time to work with her in the mornings. The best time to visit is between 11 am and 1 pm. Charles Snell had a watchman pacemaker put in. Adell Thompson will be in TMC. She is seeing if she will be having surgery on a hurnia she is having problems with. Brad Foshaug, Kelli Hunter’s uncle, had a stem cell transplant. He now has a blood infection. Please pray that his body starts producing new cells and fights the infection. Pat Jones was taken to TMC. Please keep her in your prayers.			Jim & Sandra Westfall – 606 Rice Rd – PO Box 722., Collinsville, TX 76233 Sylvia Goodman - 25525 FM 902, Collinsville, TX 76233 Dorothy Jones – 4864 West Line Rd., Whitesboro, TX 76273 Charles & Juvean Snell – 612 Kiowa Dr. E., Lake Kiowa, TX 76240 Juanita Vannoy – 2789 Cordell Rd., Sadler, TX 76264 Melba Welch – 228 Hollinghead Rd., Whitesboro, TX 76273 Tom & Adell Thomson – 158 CR 266, Gainsville, TX 76240 Loretta Sills – 319 Beauty Ln., Whitesboro, TX 76273 Eddie Baker – 215 Jordan Creek Rd, Collinsville, TX 76233 Martha Flowers – 326 Flowers Ln. – PO Box 87, Collinsville, TX 76233 Ron & Regina Spencer – 120 Cayuga Tr., Lake Kiowa, TX 76420 Wanda Hackney - Meadowbrook Care Center, P.O. Box 307, Van Alstyne, TX 75495 Wilma Tutt - Eagle Ridge Alzheimer Care, 2505 Brinker Rd. Room 104, Denton, TX 76208 Runez Pruitt - 23891 FM 902, Collinsville, TX 76233 Joe & Cindy Price – 804 Joggers Trail, Collinsville, TX 76233 Billy Don & Zoretta Smith – 600 Bois D’ Arc, Whitesboro, TX 76273 Curtis & Shirley Walker – 112 Bowie Dr. E., Lake Kiowa, TX 76240 Ruby Atkins – 204 Colt Dr. E., Lake Kiowa, TX 76240	
Those to continue to remember in prayer.			MILITARY	
Lisa McAden	Bob Rushing	Brad Kerr	Chad Lorenz	Mason Inman
Darrin Ross Lewis	Lisa Spoon	CurtisWalker	Seth Rodriguez	Zack Turpen
Runez Pruitt	Beckett Way	Ruby Atkins	Hunter Brewer	Matt Upton
Chris Price	Charla Lawson	Don Swindle	Christopher Carney	
Joy Fowler	Braden Rubey	Zoretta Smith		
Shirley Walker	Layton Hunter	Doug Davenport		
Teresa Davenport	Loney Dunn	Chase Reed		
Dorothy Pawalowski	Barbara Taylor	Billy Don Smith		
Jasen Hampton	Marilyn Long	Steve Booth		
Jimmy Garner	Butch Johnson	Martha Vannoy		
Katie Machechnie	Dudley Cummings	Ann Young		
Chase Hampton	Vicki Farrell	Lori Tullman		
Martha Flowers	Jeff Goodman	John Wolf		
Mary Nan Cannon	Patti Achimon	David Warren		
Jennifer Merchant	Stephanie McWilliams	Bob Reed		
Nell Reed	Tony Russell	Kevin Hampton		
		<i>And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.</i> <i>Ephesians 6:18</i>		

Bible Class Opportunities	General Information
9:30 am Sunday Adult Auditorium / Ricky Patterson 9:30 am Sunday “The Way” Class with Young Adults with children in school Fellowship Hall / Blaine Patterson 9:30 am various Sunday Bible classes throughout the building for all ages. 10:30 am Sunday Worship in the Auditorium, Facebook, and YouTube. 6:00 pm Sunday Worship in the Auditorium, Facebook, and YouTube. 7:00 am Tuesday Men’s Bible Class 7:00 am Men’s breakfast and Bible class will meet on the first Tuesday of every month. 10:00 am Wednesday Ladies Bible Class (Class will start back Sept. 3rd) 7:00 pm Wednesday night Bible study for all ages. **www.facebook.com/collinsvillechurchofchrist **https://www.youtube.com/@collinsvillecofc **If any of our senior members need help with maintenance around the house, please contact Jerry or Mary Nan Cannon. ***** PayPal If you are interested in a safe way to make your contributions while you’re unable to attend church, look at using PayPal. The church email: collinsvillecofc@gmail.com. ***** T.V. Sermons “In Search Of The Lord’s Way” Sunday @ 7:30 am on KXII (Channel 12) or Sunday @ 8:00 am on KDFI (Channel 27) “In Truth And Love” Sunday @ 7:30 am on KFWO (Channel 27) or Nortex Cable (Channel 21)	<u>Member Service Forms</u> Please take time to fill out your member service form so that we have an updated account for what services you are interested in participating in. You can go to our website at www.collinsvillecofc.org and click on the get involved tab at the top of the page. If you have any questions you can get with Kristy Parrott or call 504-444-5118. ***** <u>The Weekly Newsletter</u> If you have any questions about the Weekly Newsletter and/or, you would like to receive a copy by mail or email, please get with Kristy Parrott. You may call 504-444-5118 or email collinsvillecofc@gmail.com ***** <u>New Church Directory</u> We now have a church directory online at https://instantchurchdirectory.com You will need to create an account with the email you provided the church. You can also download the app from your Play Store or Apple Store on your phone. Once you create your account you will be able to edit or add a photo or family photo. You will also be able to add or edit your information. Please try it and give us feedback. If you have any questions or need help with it, don’t hesitate to call Kristy Parrott at 504-444-5118.
~Know You Scriptures~	
Romans 6:3 Or don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?	
~ Know Your Bible ~	
Last week’s question.... Who was Zadok? <i>High priest under David; 1 Chronicles 16:39</i> This week’s question.... Whom did Christ heal at the Pool of Bethesda?	
Sunday Sermon Titles	
Sunday A.M. “A Clear Vision Of The King” Matthew 17:1-27	Sunday P.M. “James: A Man Of Faith” James 1:2-8

Prayer Request

Marion Farrell is having chemo and cannot attend Church because his immune system is weak, and he can't be in crowds. Please pray for him.

Friendship Friday at Slick City



Silver Seniors
September Birthdays



- October 5th** – 2:30 pm Youth Rally at Pettijohn Springs Christian Camp. Speaker: Jered Hyatt. Meet at the Church building parking lot. We will carpool/bus. Should be back around 8:00 pm – 8:30 pm.
- October 7th** – 6:30 pm Collinsville 2025 National Night Out - Downtown Collinsville.
- October 10th** – 10:00 am “Friendship Fridays” from 10 am – 2 pm during the school year. There is an optional painting class from 2pm – 4pm for \$5.00.
- October 11th** – 10:00 am FREE Painting Class in the fellowship hall. For ALL ages. ALL materials are provided
- October 12th** – 5:00 pm Little Tikes will be making placemats for Meals on Wheels.
- October 12th** – 6:00 pm Sunday Night in the Light at Calera Church of Christ
- October 18th** – 4:00 pm Collinsville Church of Christ Fall Festival at 868 Eastern Valley Lane in Whitesboro. (Hayride, Pumpkin Carving Contest, Bonfire, Cornhole Tournament, Best Costume Contest, and MORE)
- October 25th** – 10:00 am Little Tikes Field Trip to the Pumpkin Patch at Preston Trail Farms in Gunter.

S'MORE BIBLE TIME



**WEDNESDAYS IN OCTOBER
7:00
COLLINSVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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Men's Leadership Retreat

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROVIDED

SPEAKER: MICHAEL WYATT
SESSION 1: LEADING IN OUR HOMES
SESSION 2: LEADING IN OUR COMMUNITIES
SESSION 3: LEADING IN CHRISTIAN SINCERITY

*Hosted by:
Hitchcock Ranch*

10/11/2025 | 7994 FM 902
8:30 AM-2:00 PM | Collinsville, TX 76233



Sign up to be an “Adopt A Grandparent”

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLcrgwByh8Oo7fUjYV6CQfrxesD7_ki-jwJVptliYKhk2JsHUg/viewform?usp=header

Parents with kids in the Illumin8ers Youth Group, please scan the QR code to join the GroupMe message board that will keep you up to date on all the activities and information you might need to know about.



Weekly Bible Crossword – PUZZLE 25

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Across Clues

1. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of _____. (Prov. 1:7)
8. _____ the kine to the cart. (1 Sam. 6:7)
11. _____ Domini.
12. To use oars (2 words).
14. I shall be a _____ forever. (Isa. 47:7)
16. In all the region of _____. (1 Kgs. 4:11)
18. Tasted the water that was made _____. (John 2:9)
20. Registered Nurse (abbr.).
21. Pierced themselves through with many _____. (1 Tim. 6:10)
24. Keepers at _____. (Titus 2:5)
25. David did _____ the shew bread. (Matt. 12:4)
26. Los Angeles (abbr.).
27. The end is not _____ and by. (Luke 21:9)
29. “Entertainment Tonight’s” popular name.
30. The mouth of the righteous speaketh _____. (Ps. 37:30)
31. Shem, _____ and Japheth. (Gen. 5:32)
33. To forbid something.
34. He will hate the _____, and love the other. (Matt. 6:24)
35. Exclamation of satisfaction.
36. And _____ not his sisters here with us? (Mark 6:3)
39. Charged particle.
41. Did all eat the same _____ meat. (1 Cor. 10:3)
45. Gathered the good but cast the _____ away. (Matt. 13:48)
46. He was _____ at that saying. (Mark 10:22)
47. 2,000 pounds.
48. Tax department (abbr.).
49. Neither _____ there any rock like our God. (1 Sam. 2:2)
50. Detached Service (abbr.).
51. This is my beloved _____. (Matt. 3:17)
52. Universally (prefix).

Down Clues

2. Sportsman’s group (abbr.).
3. The Lord...will prosper thy _____. (Gen. 24:40)
4. _____, M, _____ (2 words).
5. In the _____ of this world. (Matt. 13:40)
6. Opened the prison _____. (Acts 5:19)
7. Eastern time (abbr.).
8. Shout unto God with the voice of _____. (Ps. 47:1)
9. Charged particle.
10. He chose David...from following the _____. (Ps. 78:70,71)
13. Expression of pain _____.
15. Thrust through with a _____. (Heb. 12:20)
17. Symbol for radon.
19. Continue in faith...and _____. (1 Tim. 2:15)
21. The Greeks _____ after wisdom. (1 Cor. 1:22)
22. A grain.
23. Of whom the world _____ not worthy. (Heb. 11:38)
24. When they had sung an _____. (Matt. 26:30)
27. What a ghost says.
28. A Pharisee might say: “I _____” (2 words)
30. The beast shall make _____ against them. (Rev. 11:7)
32. Alcoholics Anonymous (abbr.).
33. The centurion loosed Paul from his _____. (Acts 22:30)
37. Offers to buy at auction.
38. Joshua the son of _____. (Josh. 1:1)
39. Ibidem (abbr.).
40. Wherein shall go no galley with _____. (Isa. 33:21)
42. Look upon mine affliction and my _____. (Ps. 25:18)
43. Impersonal pronoun.
44. The unclean spirit had _____ him. (Mark 1:26)

Last Week’s Answers												
PUZZLE 23												
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*Answers will be in next week’s newsletter
(The Jumbo Bible Crossword Collection)

Upcoming Events

October 4th – 9:00 am Keep Collinsville Beautiful “2025 Recycling Day” (See flyer for more details)

October 7th – 7:00 am Men’s Bible Class and Breakfast in the fellowship hall.

October 7th – 6:30 pm Collinsville 2025 National Night Out - Downtown Collinsville.

October 8th – 10:00 am Ladies Bible Class and Lunch Bunch – Speaker: Colleen

Netterville “Rare Insight...The Cynic”. Hostess: Mary Jo Davis

October 8th – 7:00 pm Ladies Bible Recap Class in the fellowship hall classroom

October 11th – 8:00 am The Collinsville Church of Christ Men’s Conference at The Hitchcock Ranch

October 11th – 10:00 am FREE Painting Class in the fellowship hall. For ALL ages. ALL materials are provided.

October 12th – Elders & Deacons meeting in the fellowship hall after evening services.

October 13th – 17th - The Annual Collinsville Church of Christ FREE Clothing Exchange.

October 18th – 8:00 am Whitesboro 59th Annual Peanut Festival.

October 18th – 6:00 pm Area Wide Singing at Commerce St. Church of Christ in Gainesville.

October 18th – 4:00 pm Collinsville Church of Christ Fall Festival at 868 Eastern Valley Lane in Whitesboro. (Hayride, Pumpkin Carving Contest, Bonfire, Cornhole Tournament, Best Costume Contest, and MORE)

October 25th – 5:00 pm Collinsville Church of Christ Annual Chili Cook-Off. Who has the BEST chili?? Anyone can enter the contest if you think your chili, is the BEST.

Announcements

“The Annual Collinsville Church of Christ FREE Clothing Exchange” October 13th – 17th. **Now is the time to start cleaning out your closets, drawers, and cabinets. (We do accept more than just clothing.)** You can start bringing your stuff to the church building between 8:00 am – 1:00 pm, Monday – Friday. If the Church building is closed, contact Kristy 504-444-5118. If you have any questions, please get with Betty Graham or Kristy. **(NEED CHILDRENS CLOTHING – all sizes)**

“Items Left Behind” We have dishes, crockpots, and other personal items that have been left in the fellowship hall kitchen. Please come and pick-up your items as they are taking up room in the kitchen.

“Lost & Found” If you know or think you might have lost something, there is a box in the Foyer of the Church building that has a few items in it. Please be sure to check it. If you have any questions, please get with Kristy Parrott.

“Salty & Lit” Check out Neil’s new YouTube page:
<https://www.youtube.com/@SaltyandLit4Jesus>



“Illumin8ers” The new youth group Facebook page:
www.facebook.com/share/g/16NaHUwx3b/

