

The Man Methuselah

HOW OLD! One may say there is no way how can anyone truly have lived to the age that is given for Methuselah. Brethren the bible tells us he was the oldest man to ever have lived on the earth. He lived to be 969 years of age (Gen. 5: 21-27). In view of the precision of the language and the chronology of events, it is apparent 969 is to be understood as a literal number.

This question of Methuselah is always an intriguing question. Brethren, we need to understand that humans before the flood lived much longer than humans lived after the flood (notice from Adam to Noah, Gen. 5). The average age of the nine patriarchs (excluding Enoch) was 912 years (Gen. 5). The Bible presents the world before the flood as being a **"different world"** in a number of important ways, not just man's longevity (Gen. 2-6; 2 Pet. 3: 6).

So what happen that caused such a difference in age. Well, it is a Biblical fact that there was a slow decline in life-span from 950 years for Noah to 205 years for Terah (Gen. 11), and down to 70 years when Moses wrote Psalm 90: 10. We need to remember that man was created as an immortal being, but sin brought about death "Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned" (Romans 5: 12).

When all is evaluated and theories given we still truly do not know why the change came about. We do know that the world prior to the flood appears to have had a "different system" to provide water as read in Genesis 2: 6. One possible explanation is the somatic mutation theory, random change in the structure of a cell in the body. The possible increase in radiation possibly brought about by a less resistance to the sun, no "mist") could have caused cellular mutation which could have resulted in accelerated aging and death. Of course there are many other theories but when it all comes down to it we just don't know the answer.

Brethren, one thing for sure this earth, its atmosphere and man have undergone drastic changes. Some of these changes may well account for some of the apparent contradictions between the Bible and science, generally viewed. A case in point would be how the age of the earth is determined. Rest assured, the Bible is always right. God gave us He great word showing us how to be freed from sin and to come to Him through He Son Jesus Christ. Who knows maybe we can ask Methuselah about it when we get to Heaven.

NAHUM CHAPTER ONE

S E H T L T E D H R B M E H V R	ABIDE HILLS
W N F E I I R D E A U A T F E O	ACQUIT IMAGE
D T M U V H E G I H N A S U M E	AFFLICT IMAGINE
R L Q E I E N R A B R E S H N J	ANGER MOLTEN
N C R J L A N N E W A R O I A N	BASHAN NAHUM
A E I O B O T I F H U B G W E N	BONDS NINEVEH
E C V U W D S E N P F A O D I D	BURST PERFORM
A G R A R T P N O A M E L N O R	CARMEL POWER
R S A I R E D E M I R O A O D S	CLOUDS PURSUE
T E E M R G W A N M F U L S K S	DRIETH QUAKE
C T W F I I E G F K O F T C T L	DUST ROCKS
H L O O C H Q D L F E L O T E S	EARTH SOLEMN
I R O K P U I S U A L R T M E B	FEASTS UTTER
M S E U A O H L R S E I R E I R	FLOOD WICKED
T D N K D A R T L B T A C L N S	FOLDEN WORLD
N G E Y P S H J D S C U S T H E	GRAVEN WRATH

😊 Special Days 😊

Happy Birthday, February!

Amelia Anthony	4	Philip Anthony	5
Michael Neal	14	Linda Skutnick	22
Happy Anniversary, February!			
Sonny and Donna Wirt			5
Robert and Michelle Lake			16

The Devil Doesn't
Care If You Go To
Church Or Read
Your Bible, As Long
As You Don't Apply It
To Your Life.

WOODBIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST



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February 5, 2017

Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

Elders

Eric Anthony Ernie Maiwald
Michael Neal Lee Porter
Tim Wertz

Deacons

Perry Comeaux Jason Cottoner
Keith George Dan Medina
Niles Wedge

Minister

Ernie Maiwald

Associate Minister

Keith George

***The Woodbridge elders recommend the following
Bible translations for our public worship and study:
King James Version, New King James Version and
American Standard Version, 1901***



Welcome, Visitors!

Thank you for coming to worship with us today. You are our honored guests. We are a Bible church with Bible aims relying on God's word as our only authority. We invite you to join us in worshipping through:

- o singing (Eph 5:19)
- o praying (I Tim 2:1-2)
- o studying (II Tim 4:2)
- o giving (I Cor 16:2)
- o remembering our Lord's sacrifice through communion (Acts 20:7).

We want to have a record of your visit. Please complete the visitor's card that is in the pew before you and place it in the collection basket or hand it to one of our members.

If we can be of service to you, in any way, please let us know. And please visit with us again soon. We look forward to seeing you.

Daily Bible Readings

		Morning	Evening
Epistles	February 5	Hebrews 11 - 13	Hebrews 11 - 13
The Law	February 6	Deut 1 - 3	Deut 1 - 3
History	February 7	II Chronicles 21 - 24	II Chronicles 21 - 24
Psalms	February 8	Psalms 120 - 121	Psalms 120 - 121
Poetry	February 9	Proverbs 31	Proverbs 31
Prophecy	February 10	Nahum	Nahum
Gospels	February 11	Acts 7 - 8	Acts 7 - 8

Bible Class Schedule for the Week

Sunday	Lesson 17	Daniel 3
Wednesday	Lesson 18	Daniel 4

Announcements

Until We Meet Again: Roger, Martha and David Klein will be moving on February 15 to Kansas City. The Klein's will truly be missed. We pray that all goes well for them and their move.

Annual SuperBowl Party: The Medina family will be having their annual Super Bowl Party at their home on **TONIGHT**, following evening services. Please bring your favorite dish for all to enjoy as we eat and have a great time. Please see Dan or Jody if you have questions.

Assignments		
Today	5 February	12 February
Announcements	Comeaux	George
Song	Anthony	Beauvais
Prayer	Crayton	Chris Dollard
Preside @ Table	Wertz	Anthony
Assisting	Chrishon Dollard	Gauvin
Assisting	M. Frazier	Gillispie
Assisting	Z. Frazier	Johnson
Prayer	Neal	Alex Parramore
Evening Worship*	5 February	12 February
Announcements	Comeaux	George
Song Leader	Anthony	Beauvais
Prayer	Caples	Alex Parramore
Communion/Prayer	Wertz	Anthony
Wed. Evening Worship	8 February	15 February
Announcements	Comeaux	George
Song Leader	Anthony	Beauvais
Invitation	Klein	Neal
Prayer	Wertz	Michael Ambrose

Notes:

1. Please arrange for a substitute if you are unable to perform an assigned duty.
2. Notify Tim Wertz, and Karla Anthony of any changes.
3. **Transportation.** If anyone would be willing to help with transportation to and from services on Sunday and Wednesday, please see Niles Wedge.

	February	March	April
Prepare Communion	Dollard	Foxworth	TBD
Building Lockup	Wertz	Maiwald	TBD

REMINDERS			
Mens' Breakfast	2/11/17	8:00 am	OC Buffet
EDP Meeting	2/11/17	9:30 am	Building

Helpful Contact Addresses:

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For our Prayers

New

➤ **Denise Porter** fell down the stairs on Monday. She has many bruises and will be seeing an orthopedic doctor to take a closer look to ensure she has no broken bones. Please no visits at this time. It is too difficult for Denise to down the stairs. Phone calls are fine.

➤ **Elizabeth White** (Tom and Lynn White's granddaughter) has had a temperature around 103 degrees. They are having a hard time getting it to come down.

Update

➤ **Jim Anderson** has had a few job interviews, but is still searching for a job.

Assisted Living

➤ **Gayle Swabb** (Greenfield Assisted Living)

➤ **Charles Swabb** (Betty's Place)

Continued Prayers for Family and Friends:

- **Omer Goolsby** (Sue Bilbrey's brother) Cancer
- **Sandra Lauriano** (co-worker for Kennetha Marbury) cancer
- **Lucille Goolsby** (Sue Bilbrey's sister-in-law) Cancer
- **Harry Sweet** (Cancer)
- **Lenny Skutnik** (Crohns)
- **OT Martin** (Ernie's dad) Alzheimer's
- **Vicky Smith** (Kennetha Marbury's cousin) kidney
- **Les Carlson** (friend of the Merritts) Pancreatic/Liver Cancer
- **Tom Gilley** (Bobbie Girard's brother) memory problems
- **Jesse Medina** (Dan's brother) pulmonary hypertension
- **Don & Margie Dugan** (Roger Klein's uncle and aunt) Health Struggles
- **Johnnie Thompson** (Perry Comeaux aunt) Long Term Care
- **Pat Kelsy** (Katie Wedge's aunt) hospice care
- **Andrew Brown** (friend of Wayne & Kennetha Marbury) cancer
- **Louise Carr** (Erica Riley's mother) strokes
- **Ryan Schick** (friend of the Gillispie's) motorcycle accident
- **Jan Dunlap** (Linda Skutnik's sister)
- **Tiffany Fragala** (Kiera Oyola's half sister's mom) Lyme Disease
- **Cayla Johnson** (Bobby Johnson's daughter) Colitis

Continued prayers for our members

Bobbie Girard	Alwilda Merritt	Neal Family
Colleen Wertz	Christine Liddell	Betty Perez
Tom White	Deb Neal	Endy Family
Zayda McCorkle	Mike Neal	