

## THE HARE AND THE TORTOISE

The Hare once boasted of his speed before the other animals. "I have never yet been beaten," said he, "when I put forth my full speed. I challenge anyone here to race with me."

The Tortoise said, "I accept your challenge."

"That is a good joke," said the Hare; "I could dance round you all the way."

"Keep your boasting till you've beaten," answered the Tortoise.

"Shall we race?"

So a course was fixed and a start was made. The Hare darted almost out of sight at once, but soon stopped, and, to show his contempt for the Tortoise, lay down to have a nap. The Tortoise plodded on and plodded on, and when the Hare awoke from his nap, he saw the Tortoise just near the winning-post and could not run up in time to save the race.

Then said the Tortoise: "Plodding wins the race."

In the race that the Christian runs it is perseverance and not speed that will win the victor's crown! —*Glenn Hitchcock*

"Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1).

### PHILEMON

|                                 |         |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|
| I H S E L F G N I K A M E T E R | AGAIN   | FATHER  |
| T L Q U A D O D O K L I S T R S | ALBEIT  | FLESH   |
| H E A I S I L E G O N I K E A L | ALWAYS  | GRACE   |
| G A T H T E T V E R R O H I D E | APPHIA  | GREAT   |
| I H V N T N J O N H E T W H E W | BELOVED | HAVING  |
| M T E I U I O L C H A A P I N O | BENEFIT | HEARING |
| I M P O N G W E T F A S T S N B | BESEECH | JESUS   |
| S A C U L G I B H C E E S E B G | BONDS   | KNOWING |
| G R E H T O R B T O G S D N O B | BOWELS  | LUCAS   |
| Y N Q U I S P S I E R R O R G I | BROTHER | MAKING  |
| L I I N S E T U F I N D A N D S | COUNT   | MARCUS  |
| R A S H R E W C E S O J I C K Y | CHRIST  | MENTION |
| A G O H T E A R N A P R O N E A | DEARLY  | MIGHT   |
| E A A P R O N A E M A R T I N W | DEMAS   | NOTHING |
| D P E R S O N M B E N I G N N L | ENJOIN  | PERHAPS |
| S T I E B L A S H D A I H P P A | FAITH   | WITHAL  |

### 😊 Special Days 😊

#### Happy Birthday, January!

|                  |    |                 |    |
|------------------|----|-----------------|----|
| Skyler Medina    | 1  | Julianna Okiyi  | 2  |
| Kimberlee Short  | 4  | Kasmyne Pender  | 10 |
| Sharon Lake      | 12 | James Roberson  | 13 |
| Josh Endy        | 17 | Lindsey Dollard | 19 |
| Ireland Dollard  | 21 | Jody Medina     | 24 |
| Kennetha Marbury | 24 | Eric Anthony    | 25 |
| Nancy Davis      | 31 |                 |    |

#### Happy Anniversary, January!

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| James and Suzette Roberson | 8 |
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**WITHOUT GOD**  
**Our Week Would Be**  
**SINDAY**  
**MOURNDAY**  
**TEARDAY**  
**WASTEDAY**  
**THIRSTDAY**  
**FIGHTDAY**  
**SHATTERDAY**  
**7 days without God**  
**Makes one WEAK**

## WOODBIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST



13815 Surrey Drive  
 Woodbridge, VA 22191  
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**January 7, 2018**

### 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: New King James Version, 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 | January 7  | Philemon            | Philemon            |
| The Law  | January 8  | Numbers 21 - 24     | Numbers 21 - 24     |
| History  | January 9  | II Chronicles 1 - 5 | II Chronicles 1 - 5 |
| Psalms   | January 10 | Psalms 111 - 113    | Psalms 111 - 113    |
| Poetry   | January 11 | Proverbs 25         | Proverbs 25         |
| Prophecy | January 12 | Amos 5 - 9          | Amos 5 - 9          |
| Gospels  | January 13 | John 19 - 21        | John 19 - 21        |

**Bible Class Schedule for the Week**

| Week of January 7  |            |  |  |
|--------------------|------------|--|--|
| Sunday             | Lesson 105 | Mark 15:1-20; Matt. 27:3-10                      |  |
| Wednesday          | Lesson 106 | Matt. 27:32-66; John 19:23-24                    |  |
| Week of January 14 |            |  |  |
| Sunday             | Lesson 107 | Mt.28:1-15; Mk. 16:1,7; Lk. 24:1-10; Jn. 20:1-18 |  |
| Wednesday          | Lesson 108 | Luke 24:13-43                                    |  |

Announcements

**Quarterly Potluck** The next quarterly potluck will be **next Sunday, January 14**, after morning services. Please bring a dish and join in the fellowship. Zone 4 will be hosting and responsible for set-up/clean-up.

**Assignments**

|                  | 7 January       | 14 January   |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Announcements    | Comeaux         | George       |
| Song             | Comeaux         | Foxworth     |
| Prayer           | Chris Dollard   | Dukes        |
| Preside @ Table  | Wedge           | Wertz        |
| Assisting        | Porter          | Mike Ambrose |
| Assisting        | Spiess          | Beauvais     |
| Assisting        | Wertz           | Caples       |
| Prayer           | Michael Ambrose | Spiess       |
|                  |                 |              |
|                  | 7 January       | 14 January   |
| Announcements    | Comeaux         | George       |
| Song Leader      | Comeaux         | Foxworth     |
| Prayer           | Neal            | Porter       |
| Communion/Prayer | Wedge           | Wertz        |
|                  |                 |              |
|                  | 10 January      | 17 January   |
| Announcements    | Comeaux         | George       |
| Song Leader      | Comeaux         | Foxworth     |
| Invitation       | George          | Neal         |
| Prayer           | Beauvais        | Caples       |

*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.*

|                          | December | January | February |
|--------------------------|----------|---------|----------|
| <b>Prepare Communion</b> | Wertz    | Anthony | Caples   |
| <b>Building Lockup</b>   | Anthony  | Maiwald | Neal     |

**REMINDERS**

|   |         |          |           |
|---|---------|----------|-----------|
| <b>Mens Breakfast</b>                   | 1/13/18 | 8:00am   | OC Buffet |
| <b>EDP Meeting</b>                      | 1/13/18 | 9:30am   | Building  |
| <b>Qrterly Potluck (Zone 4 Hosting)</b> | 1/14/18 | 12:00 pm | Building  |

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**For our Prayers**

**New**

- **Sherry Wright** came forward asking for prayers.
- **Richard Gunselman** (Meagan Earwood's father) will be having double bypass and a heart value replacement tomorrow.
- **Bobby Girard** has a kidney infection.

**Updates**

- **Daniel and Jennifer Foxworth** – please continue to pray that Daniel will receive a job offer soon.

**Assisted Living**

- **Gayle Swabb** (Whispering Pines - Luray)
- **Charles Swabb** (Betty's Place – Manassas)

**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
- **Jesse Medina** (Dan's brother) pulmonary hypertension
- **Johnnie Thompson** (Perry Comeaux aunt) Long Term Care
- **Jan Dunlap** (Linda Skutnik's sister)
- **Cayla Johnson** (Bobby Johnson's daughter) Colitis
- **Jean Long** (Sue Bilbrey's sister) brain tumor
- **Joyce Porter** (Lee's mother) FSG
- **Robert Cottoner** (Jason's father) prostate cancer
- **Angelica Garcia** (friend of Linda Skutnik) acute leukemia
- **Sammie Thompson** (Perry Comeaux's cousin) cancer
- **Ida Dollard** (Chris Dollard's grandmother) ICU
- **Cleopatra Johnson** (Kenneth Marbury's mother) high blood pressure and elevated blood sugar

**Continued prayers for our members**

|                |                   |               |
|----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Bobbie Girard  | Alwilda Merritt   | Bobby Johnson |
| Colleen Wertz  | Christine Liddell | Betty Perez   |
| Tom White      | Deb Neal          | Mike Neal     |
| Zayda McCorkle | David Caples      |               |

**Sometimes God Doesn't  
 Change Your Situation  
 Because He Is  
 Trying To Change  
 Your Heart**