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After 28 wonderful years, our
South Florida Lectureship
is being rebranded!

What will it be called?

Stay tuned! (It won't actually be called "Stay Tuned"!)

What will the dates be?

November 6-9, 2025

Will we still have amazing speakers?

Yes!

Will we still have the Corn Roast?

Yes!



By Dan Jenkins

The Importance of the Jewish Annual Feast Days

It was in the spring of the year when the barley the Jews had planted began to ripen, and they entered the fields. The Jews came together at this time for one of the three annual feast days, and part of the harvest was waved before God. Every Jewish male was required by God to come and spend time together rejoicing in what God had done for them.

That time was special, for it commemorated the precise time of the year when the Jews had left Egyptian bondage. It is hard to imagine how any Jew could forget that final plague, the death of the firstborn, and what they were doing as the plague came. They gathered together and ate the Passover lamb and were dressed and ready to depart. The bread they ate that night was different for it had been made without leaven—there was no time to wait for it to rise. It was God's will for them to duplicate this event as they kept the Passover. God had passed over (bypassed) every house where the blood of that lamb had been on the outside of their houses. We too are blessed by the blood of the Lamb.

It is interesting to note that God promised them that no enemy would attack their unguarded homes while they were absent. There is no record of this ever happening until 66 A.D., as God sent Rome to begin plans to destroy Jerusalem.

Seven weeks after the feast of Passover was celebrated, the feast of weeks or the feast of first-fruits was kept. By this time the wheat was ready to be gathered, and sheaves of wheat were waved before the altar. It was a time of joy and all Jewish males assembled to rejoice before God.

All Jewish males assembled together, and it was truly a time of joy, for God said, "You shall rejoice before the Lord your God, you and your son and your daughter, your male servant and your female servant, the Levite who is within your gates, the stranger and the fatherless and the widow who are among you, at the place where the Lord your God chooses to make His name abide" (Deut. 16:11).

We know this feast better because it came on the morning seven weeks after the Passover sabbath. As this was fifty days, the Greek word for fifty (Pentecost) is the word used in the New Testament for this feast. Now consider this. Pentecost is also a time of joy for us because the church began, and this joy is for all men, women, sons, daughters, foreigners, orphans and widows. This day marks the time when all mankind finds joy in what began to happen. That "day of harvest" spread throughout the world, and Jews and Gentiles were part of it. Pentecost is when the door opened to all of us! Enough for this week—we'll look at the feast of tabernacles, the third feast, next week.

Whatever was written before was written to give us hope in our own lives



By David Sproule

The Truth About Jesus (Part 4 of 7): The Great Exaltation

The transforming truth of Jesus Christ is certain, supreme, clear and relevant to our lives (1 Tim. 3:16a). In this verse, the Holy Spirit emphasizes six pivotal elements of this truth to help us appreciate the magnitude of Jesus Christ and His plan for us, including the great incarnation and the great vindication.

Third, Paul emphasizes THE GREAT EXALTATION: "He was seen by angels."

What does that mean? The word "angels" comes from the Greek word *angelos*—you can see the English word "angel" in the Greek word. The word means both "angel" (i.e., a transcendent power sent to carry out various tasks for God) and "messenger" (i.e., a human messenger serving as an envoy). While some have been inclined to understand the word in this verse as human messengers, it seems better contextually to take it just as the translations have it—angels sent forth by God. When one reads the life of Christ, there are many occasions when angels are present. They are not merely there to observe, but they are captivated by and closely involved in the life and work of Jesus, having been sent forth to minister to and on behalf of the Son of God. Consider these occasions when angels of heaven served our Savior.

They were captivated by and closely involved in the life of Jesus

Angels foretold the birth of Jesus Christ. The angel Gabriel told Mary that she would bring forth the Son of God (Luke 1:26-38), and then an angel told Joseph that the baby was of the Holy Spirit (Matt. 1:18-25).

Angels announced the birth of Jesus to shepherds who were in the fields (Luke 2:8-15).

Angels ministered to Jesus after He triumphed over the temptations of the devil (Matt. 4:11).

Angels strengthened Jesus while He was agonizing in the Garden of Gethsemane (Luke 22:43).

Angels announced the resurrection of Jesus from the dead (Matt. 28:1-7; Luke 24:4-7).

Angels promised that Jesus would come again, as He was ascending (Acts 1:9-11).

Even now and in the future, angels serve in various capacities to fulfill the will of God. While He is on the throne, angels "are subject to" Jesus (1 Pet. 3:22). "Many angels" are "around the throne" worshiping Jesus right now (Rev. 5:11-14). When Jesus comes again, "all the holy angels" will come with Him (Matt. 25:31).

This indisputable truth ought to transform our lives toward godliness! As the Lord's church, we are "the pillar and ground of the truth" (1 Tim. 3:15). We must know it! We must teach it! We must defend it! (more next week)



By Robert Lupo

Admit It and He Will Forgive You!

You've probably seen this scene in a movie. After many hours of questioning, an interrogation officer moves a light directly into his suspect's eyes. He slams the table and shouts, "Admit it!" The suspect breaks down and pours his heart out. The police get their man, and it's a job well done.

Admitting guilt is not easy. We will go to great lengths to keep our worst sins to ourselves. Because, if we admit our faults, we might hurt our reputation. Or worse, we might have to give them up.

No good comes from keeping sins secret. You rob yourself of an opportunity to repent, and you also open yourself up to more sin. This was King David's great failure. "David did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, and had not turned aside from anything that He commanded him all the days of his life, except in the matter of Uriah the Hittite" (1 Kgs. 15:5).

In 2 Samuel 11, David gave in to temptation and took another man's wife for himself. When Bathsheba became pregnant, David didn't do the right thing and admit his guilt. Instead, he looked for ways to cover it up. When his plans failed, he sent Uriah, Bathsheba's husband, to die in battle. David then went about his life like nothing had happened. As far as he was concerned, he got away with it, and no one was

the wiser. But the Lord knew.

Because of these sins, David's family was plagued with turmoil including the death of his child. It was only when he was confronted by Nathan, the prophet, that he finally admitted his sin (2 Sam. 12:13). When he did, God forgave him immediately. If David admitted his sin from the start, he would have been saved from far greater sorrow.

It is hard to admit when we do wrong, especially when we think we can keep our secret from getting out. Like David, we go about our lives like nothing is wrong, feeling good about ourselves.

God knows the secrets of the heart (Psa. 44:21). Sins have consequences, whether they are found out or not. By refusing to repent of them, we dig a deeper and deeper hole to get out of. But, if we would just admit it, we can make the changes we need to be in a right relationship with God, and He will forgive us (1 John 1:9).

The day will come for each of us when we will be under the light of the Judge of Heaven, and there will no longer be an opportunity to admit our guilt. If you are a Christian and have secret sin, just admit it, and God will forgive you as quickly as He forgave King David. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

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admit our
faults... we might
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them up.**

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

The half was not told

The queen of Sheba heard of King Solomon's great wealth and wisdom from the Lord, but she did not believe it. She came "to test him with hard questions" (1 Kgs. 10:1). After she had "seen all the wisdom of Solomon" and his great prosperity, the queen confessed, "It was a true report which I heard... However I did not believe the words until I came and saw with my own eyes; and indeed the half was not told me. Your wisdom and prosperity exceed the fame of which I heard" (10:4-7). She also realized the source of his greatness—"Blessed be the Lord your God who delighted in you" (10:9).

Brothers and sisters, we have wealth and wisdom that far surpasses what Solomon had! We are rich in God's grace and forgiveness (Eph. 2:4-7). We have the treasure of the eternally-planned (Eph. 3:9-11), blood-bought (Acts 20:28) church of Christ (Matt. 13:44). We live under the new covenant (Heb. 9:15-17) and have the complete revelation of God (2 Tim. 3:17; 2 Pet. 1:3; Jude 3). When it comes to the rich blessings we have Christ, the half has not been told! —DS



Hide the stains

Restaurants and hotels purposefully use carpet that has so many designs and patterns that stains are not easily noticed. They just blend right in. Do we ever try to hide stains in our own lives in similar fashion?

The Lord says that our "sins are like scarlet...are red like crimson" (Isa. 1:18). That is not an easy stain to hide. Have you ever spilled grape juice on your white shirt? That's not coming out and everyone is going to see it. The old hymn says, "Sin had left a crimson stain." That's not easy to get out (or is it?).

You may be able to get your sin-stained soul to blend in with other sin-stained souls around you, but it will never be hidden from the eyes of God! However, it is God who can make you "as white as snow" (Isa. 1:18). When the blood of Jesus washes "us from our sins" (Rev. 1:5), the stain is gone! Even God cannot (and will not) see it any longer (Heb. 8:12)! So, stop trying to hide your sins! Confess them (1 John 1:9), stop them (1 John 2:1) and be cleansed from them (2 Cor. 7:1). —DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Ally Alberga	recovering from abdominal surgery
Carolyn Cullom	being treated for an infection
Terietta Frazier	in Gardens Medical Center, ICU, blood clots
Dick Haines	in Gardens Medical Center, undergoing tests
Dianne Halenda	blood clot in her leg causing the pain and swelling
Jackie Stout	recovering from pacemaker surgery



Brenda & Sarah Collier and the entire family, upon the passing of **Lance** on Sunday, August 24. The Memorial Service is on Saturday, August 30. The visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the service at 11:00 a.m.

Ongoing Health Issues

Jimmie Banks	dialysis treatments
Judy Carmack	chronic health issues
John Loftis	back pain, weakness
Tiffany Mayes	dialysis treatments
Joel Ramirez	dialysis treatments
Sherri Richmond	multiple health issues

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Josie Dawson	Kasandra Jones
Zula Garrett	Leigh Puckett
Dick Haines	Don Seay
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Jean Charles	Anthioda Charles' son, recovering at home
Kent Disalvio	Jimmie & Cheryl Banks' grandson, in hospital in Orlando
David Findley	Maria Hackshaw's father, dealing with kidney disease
Daniel Greaves	Dannette Margarini's father, surgery on his hand (Sept.)
John Lord	David Lord's father, prostate cancer treatments
Sue Vallee	Scott Studer's sister, recovering from lung cancer surg.

Remember Our Mission Works

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Wayne & Kristi Parker

Africa
Nnanna Aforji
Tamuka Arunashe

Bahamas
Tavaro & Shameika Hanna

United States
Apologetics Press
Robert C. Lupo
Mauricio & Kayla Yegros

Answering Macedonian Calls
Josh & Cara Blackmer



Church Family Calendar of Events

Monday, September 1

- ♦ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

Tuesday, September 2

- ♦ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.

Saturday, September 6

- ♦ **MOM Group Dinner & Devotional** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Brenda Collier. This is for all PBL moms of children from birth to 18. See Beth Fry, Misty Hayes or Traci Sproule for more details.

Sunday, September 7

- ♦ **New 10-Week Classes Begin** at 9:00 a.m. for Jr. High, Sr. High and adults.
- ♦ **Gift Cards for Mount Dora Children's Home Begins.** Please bring Publix, Wal-Mart or Wawa gift cards by Sunday, October 5 and place them in the box in the Lobby.

Saturday, September 13

- ♦ **Widows & Widowers Luncheon** from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the home of Kane & Fran Campbell. Come and enjoy food, fun and fellowship. Please RSVP to Kane & Fran Campbell.

Sunday, September 14

- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Saturday, September 20

- ♦ **PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting** at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Room. See Maria Hackshaw for more details.
- ♦ **Ladies' Day hosted by Eleventh Street.** This year's theme is "God's Grace, Love & Mercy." Visit www.11stcocpalmetto.com for more details.
- ♦ **Ladies Day hosted by Concord Street** at 9:00 a.m. Breakfast will be served at 8:35 a.m.

Thursday, September 25

- ♦ **"Digging Deep" Women's Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room. See Misty Hayes or Lisa Metzkes for more details.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

Sunday, August 31

- ♦ **Young Adult Bible Class** at 9:00 a.m. in Adult 3.

Saturday, September 13

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of David & Traci Sproule. Bring sides, desserts and drinks. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Saturday, October 4

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Tim & Beth Fry. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Saturday, October 18

- ♦ **Trunk-or-Treat for Grades 5 & Under** hosted by the Jr. High Youth at 5:00 p.m. All members are encouraged to come early to decorate your trunk and pass out treats to the kids. Hot dogs will be provided for dinner. Wear your costume!

Saturday, October 25

- ♦ **Young Adult & Sr. High Costume Party** at 6:00 p.m. See Robert Lupo for details.



Palm Beach Lakes Youth

Sunday, August 31

- ♦ **His Kids Class** at 5:30 p.m. for Age 3 and up. Meet in the front of the auditorium.
- ♦ **Young Men Conducting Evening Services.** See Robert Lupo for details.
- ♦ **Young Families & Jr. High Dinner & Hangout** after evening worship in the Family Room. Pizza & ice cream will be served. Bring \$3/person. All kids who memorize and quote **Psalm 118:24** will earn more Bible Trading Cards. Please RSVP to Ivan Villard by Sunday morning.
- ♦ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship at the home of Ed & Jeannie Buonadonna. Bring drinks and desserts to share. See Robert Lupo for more details.

Sunday, September 7

- ♦ **His Kids Class** at 5:30 p.m. for Age 3 and up. Meet in the front of the auditorium.
- ♦ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship in the Family Room. Bring drinks and desserts to share. See Robert Lupo for more details.

PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

Men's Worship Service Assignments - September 2025

September 7 ^(P)

September 14 ^(A)

September 21 ^(L)

September 28 ^(A)

Morning Worship Service				
Song Leader	Robert Lupo	Dion Hayes	Gary Friedly	Robert Lupo
Opening Prayer	Dan Jenkins	Tim Cox	Darin Summerlot	Jimmie Banks
Scripture Reader	James Green	Taylor Reeves	Addison Collins	Connor Goodale
Presiding at Table	Jeff Goodale	Robert Mariano	Dan Fuller	Kirk Crews
Serving at Table	Casey Crews Kirk Crews Michael Erickson Connor Goodale Jack Holoman Michael Menendez John Patrick Joseph Snyder	Ryan Hankins Namdidie Ikon Todd Juckett Steward Lynch Tim Mahlbacher Trevin Roman Nahum Villard Lawrence Williams	Ed Buonadonna Israel Cuevas Gorman Ericksen Gary Jenkins David Lord Chuck Reeves, Jr. Bobby Shelton Cristian Suarez	Casey Crews Jeff Goodale James Green Michael Menendez Jim Rogers Vincent Rogers Joseph Snyder Marty Williams
Closing Prayer	Jeff Leslie	Orlando Lolo	David Holaday	Dan Jenkins

Evening Worship Service				
Song Leader	Dion Hayes	Robert Lupo	Ivan Villard	Stephen Beliech
Opening Prayer	Islay Rodriguez	Philip Porter	Paul Metzkes	John Hoelzer
Scripture Reader	Jim Rogers	Tom Garrison	Daniel Wagner	Islay Rodriguez
Presiding at Table	Jimmie Banks	Tim Fry	Dion Hayes	Kane Campbell
Serving at Table	John Hoelzer Eugene Williams	Stephen Beliech Jack Holoman	David Brown David Perez	Sylvester Jackson John Patrick
Closing Prayer	Ivan Villard	Joe Maloney	Douglas Alvarenga	Mike Archer

Technical Assignments (Sunday & Wednesday)				
Audio	Ricky Smith	David Brown	James Green	David Brown
Computer	Buzz Nelson	Israel Cuevas	Buzz Nelson	Ivan Villard
Video	Ed Gager	Scott Studer	Ed Gager	Scott Studer

Service Assignments (Sunday & Wednesday)				
Safety	Vincent Rogers	Andres Fernandez	Mike Damron	Rick Hall
Usher	Kane Campbell Marty Williams	Victor Colage Ricky Smith	Freddie Gadson Dirk Summerlot	Michael Erickson Eugene Williams

Service Coordinator (Sunday Morning & Evening)				
	Eugene Williams	Mike Damron	Tim Cox	Rick Hall

Please consider this opportunity to serve as special and dress accordingly.

Sunday Morning - Meet in Grade 6-8 classroom at 9:45 AM. Sunday Evening - Meet at front of auditorium before 5:50 PM.

If you are unable to serve, please contact the Service Coordinator for the week or Rick Hall at 827-4269.

Technical, Safety and Usher assignments are for Sunday morning, evening and Wednesday.

"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)

Members Traveling
this week



Thank You
for worshipping with us

Sunday,
August 24

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. Dane Eaks; Mr. Hunter Hannaman; Mr. Ben Hooper; Mr. James Lang; Mr. Stephen Lynch; Miss Lane Spradling; and Mr. Cameron VanNatta.

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Rod & Christie Cable, Sparks, NV; Mr. & Mrs. Tavaro & Shameika Hanna, Freeport, Grand Bahama; Mrs. Kelly Idema, Cody WY; Mrs. Rachel Jenkins, Melbourne, FL; Mrs. Jacqueline Parker, Ringgold, GA; and Mr. Ryan Stark, Copperas Cove, TX.

Thank You  notes

Most heavenly thank you to ALL of my brothers and sisters in Christ for your overwhelming support to my family and me with the endless phone calls, messages, cards, visits, hugs and words of encouragement with the loss of my dad. Your love truly shines.

Your sister,
Marcia Clough-Moss

Thanks to my PBL family for the calls, cards and messages I received during my cataract surgeries and my medical procedure. Most of all, I thank my brothers and sisters for the prayers offered on my behalf.

Sincerely,
Mike Archer

Birthdays & Anniversaries *This Week*

Sunday, August 31st

Dan & Luann McLeod (Ann.)
Nicholas & Sabrina Pietro (Ann.)
Cheryl Banks

Tuesday, September 2nd (cont.)

Jessica Ramirez
Nahum Villard

Monday, September 1st

Jordan Beasley, III

Thursday, September 4th

Gary & Doris Friedly (Ann.)
Brittany Summerlot
Marty Williams

Tuesday, September 2nd

Ashley Alfaro
Owen Miley

Saturday, September 6th

Derrick Banks

Those to Serve

If you are unable to serve, please contact the Service Coordinator for the week or Rick Hall at 827-4269.

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at **9:50 a.m.***

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at **5:50 p.m.***

Sunday Morning, August 31

Singing Dion Hayes
Opening Prayer Paul Metzkes
Scripture Reading Dan Fuller
Singing
Lord's Supper Dan Jenkins
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer Andres Fernandez

Serve at Table:

Ed Buonadonna	Dan McLeod
Mike Damron	Bobby Shelton
Gorman Ericksen	Cristian Suarez
Freddie Gadson	Darin Summerlot

Sunday Evening, August 31

Singing Young Men
Opening Prayer Young Men
Scripture Reading Young Men
Singing
Lord's Supper Young Men
Singing
Contribution
Singing
Sermon
Singing
Closing Prayer Young Men

Serve at Table:
Young Men

Audio this week: James Green
Computer this week: Israel Cuevas
Video this week: Ed Gager

Wednesday Evening, September 3

Singing Daniel Wagner
Invitation David Lord
Family Prayer Paul Metzkes

Our Record

Attendance	Aug 24	July Avg
Sun. Bible Study	159	151
Sun. AM Worship	249	228
Sun. PM Worship	112	101
Wed. Bible Study	122	118
Contribution	\$17,412	\$16,019

2025 Weekly Budget: \$16,803

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$5,964

Service Coordinator:
Rick Hall (AM) & Robert Lupo (PM)

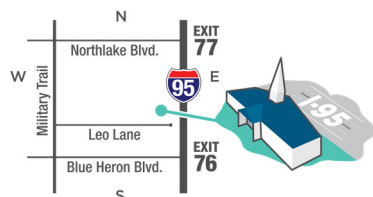
Ushers for this week: Chuck Reeves & Dirk Summerlot
Safety Team for this week: David Lord



Palm Beach Lakes CHURCH OF CHRIST

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*Speaking where the **Bible** speaks, Silent where the **Bible** is silent.*



Service Schedule

Sunday:

Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Classes..... 7:00 p.m.

Front Cover: Mary Jackson, Jonetta Green, Linda Coe & Tiffany Mayes

New Bible Classes

SUNDAY MORNINGS at 9:00 A.M.

(SEPTEMBER 7 - NOVEMBER 9)

Bible Geography

Dan Jenkins (Auditorium)

Young Adults: Fundamentals of the Faith

David Sproule (Adult 3)

Encouragement in the Book of Hebrews

Kirk Crews (Adult 1-2)



"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Tim. 2:15)

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS at 7:00 P.M.

(SEPTEMBER 10 - NOVEMBER 12)

Prophets Who Didn't Write a Book

David Sproule (Auditorium)

Ladies: Prayerful Hearts

Traci Sproule (Adult 1-2)