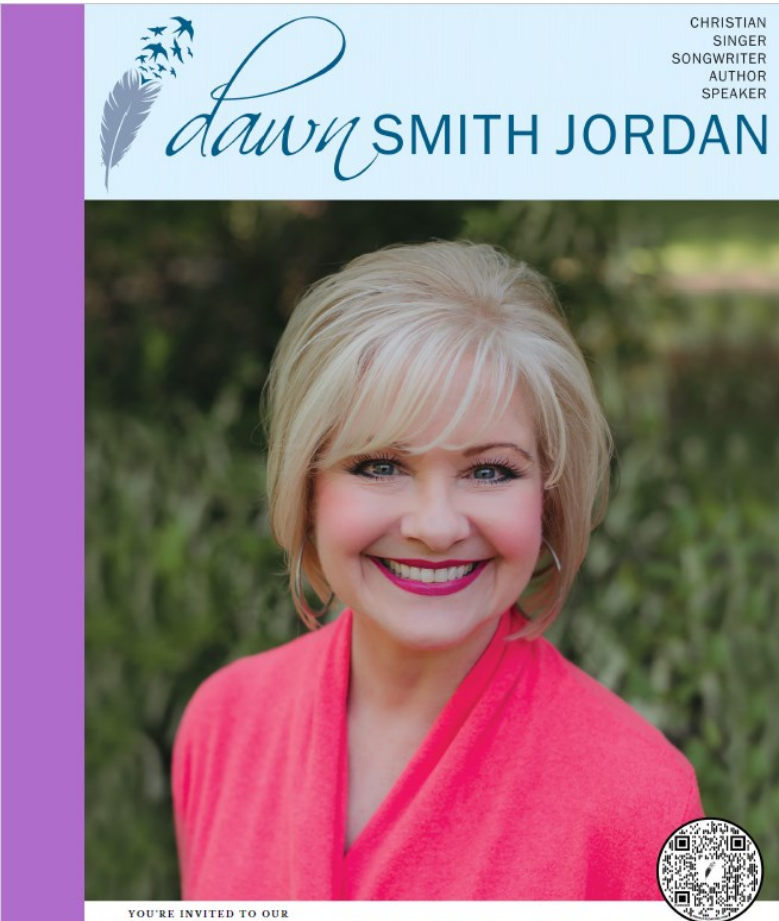




Fill the Tank Sunday
 TODAY is Baptism Sunday!
 Let's celebrate:
Taylor Price
Alexander Joseph Keith
Shelia Horne



April 16, 2023



CHRISTIAN
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YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR

Ladies Luncheon

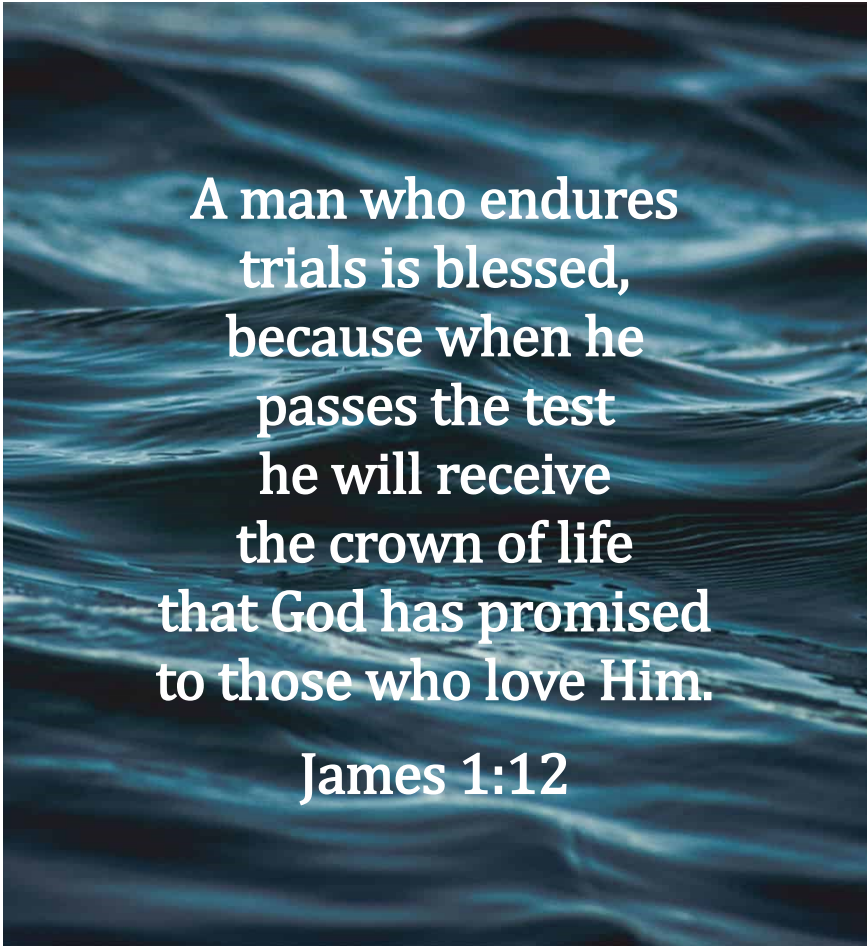
SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023

REGISTRATION: 10:30AM LUNCH TO FOLLOW GUEST SPEAKER: 11 AM



TICKETS \$5

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A man who endures
 trials is blessed,
 because when he
 passes the test
 he will receive
 the crown of life
 that God has promised
 to those who love Him.

James 1:12

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Sunday, April 16, 2023

The Source of Temptation (James 1:13-18)

The Point: We have no one to blame but ourselves when we fall into sin.

The Bible Meets Life: We all have a favorite food. We get a whiff of it, and we're looking for a fork. It's so tempting! The urge to take a bite of cake may not necessarily be a bad thing, but we're often tempted to indulge ourselves in other ways. Temptation is the ultimate "bait and switch." It promises something good, but it delivers something harmful, even deadly.

Fish discover this the hard way. As a kid, I loved fishing. I'd roll up a piece of bread on a hook, place it in the water, and watch the small fish go crazy. I'd catch the smaller fish and use them as bait to catch bigger fish. It excited me to drop the bait in the water and see if I could lure a bass to bite. It was fun for me, but not for the fish.

Who lures us into sin? We may want to blame Satan—"The devil made me do it!" - but the answer is a lot closer to home. Thankfully, the solution is as close as a prayer.

Live It Out: Confess. If you blamed others or God for your sin or the fact you fall into sin, confess that to God. Admit your own responsibility and look to God to help you stand and resist the pull of sin. **List.** Make a list of the good things God has done or placed in your life. Add to your list any trials or difficulties God used to strengthen your faith in Him. Offer a prayer of thanks for how He has worked in your life. **Instruct.** Help someone you know who is struggling with temptation by sharing the truths you discovered in James 1:13-18. Don't just focus on the principle that they alone are to blame for their sin but lift up the goodness of God who can walk with them and strengthen them.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Dealing with Temptation

Sunday, April 23 The Temptation to Rely on Myself Instead of God

(Deuteronomy 8:2-10; Matthew 4:1-4)

Sunday, April 30 The Temptation to Test God

(Deuteronomy 6:16-25; Matthew 4:5-7)



Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship

6:30 PM Youth

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Youth Rally

Encounter God's Calling

Saturday, April 29th 5-9 PM

Calvary Baptist Church

Lift Worship & Quintell Hill

Service Attendance

Sunday, April 9

Indoor: 71

Online: 93



Wednesday, April 12

Online: 37

Youth: 10

Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:

\$17,787.33

April Offering

To Date:

\$7,190.00



Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson

Bridgett Blatz

Gary Clontz

Terry Cox

The Hedgepeths

Mike Helms

Christine Hinson

Gabe Horne

Lillian Lewis

Rich Majewski

Claudette Kay

Richie Raines

Global Missions

Local & NAMB

Area Schools/Admin

The Sick & Elderly

Backpacks of Hope Students

Service Details

Sunday's Scripture, bulletin, and worship playlist can be found on the Bible event, via the



YouVersion Bible App or OBC's website!

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Received to Date: \$535.00

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