

#### **Wreath-Making Event Date Change**

Ladies, you are all invited to the wreath-making event on Monday, May 19th at 6:30 PM.

Please sign up to bring a snack to share (sign-up sheet is located in the sanctuary).

The event was postponed due to the weather last Monday.

#### **Saving Grace Ministry Team**

This ministry team's desire is to help our congregation by meeting immediate needs. Food, meals, household goods, a listening ear and prayer. Please contact the church office.

All help will be confidential.



#### **Ministry Partnership**

Pastor Ron Flowers and his church plant are using our facilities to meet on Sunday mornings at 11:30 AM & Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM for Bible study.



You can learn more about Pastor Ron & the Living Streams Worship Center at thelivingstreams.com

## Jail Ministry

Lift up the jail ministry team and the people they minister to in your prayers; pray that they will actively hear and respond to the gospel.



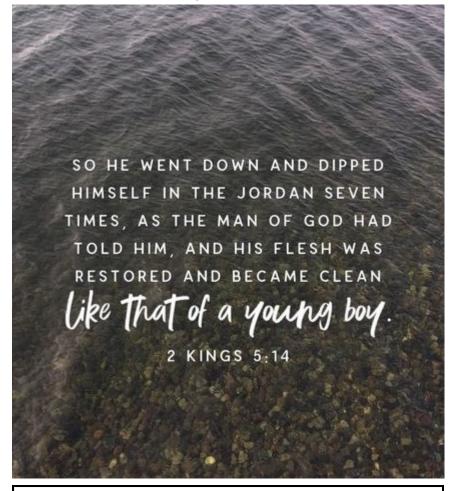
# News after

#### Newsletters

Physical copies of the May newsletter are available in the Sunday School classrooms & sanctuary foyer.



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#### **Sunday, May 18 2025**

God's Hand in Restoring Lives 2 Kings 5:1-3, 10-12, 14-17

The Point: God restores us as we are obedient to Him.

The Bible Meets Life: Contestant number 43,212 walked onto the stage to audition for *Britain's Got Talent*. She stood in sharp contrast to previous performers. Simon Cowell interviewed her briefly and her admission that she was 47 years old caused raised eyebrows and scatted laughter from the audience. Her awkward verbal responses added to the anticipation that her performance would be cut short quickly. Expectations hit rock bottom when she revealed the ambitious choice to sing "I Dreamed a Dream" from *Les Misérables*.

But when contestant number 43,212 finished singing just the first phrase, "I dreamed a dream in time gone by," audience cheered and applauded, while each judge wore a look of amazement and disbelief. Her voice was beautiful and strong. She finished the song to a standing ovation, and Susan Boyle was on her way. Simon Cowell said later she was the textbook example of "never judge a book by its cover."

Sometimes God surprises us in the same way, working in ways and through people we might not expect.

Live It Out: Review. Write down ways you demonstrate obedience to God during your weekly routine. Beside each one, list a benefit you receive from your obedience. Request. Spend time in prayer asking God to show you areas in your life where obedience is a struggle. Pay close attention to those areas where pride can become a barrier. Restore. Enlist a brother or sister in Christ to hold you accountable for your obedience in an area in which it is difficult to obey.

### **Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series**

Elisha: Seeing the Hand of God at Work

Sunday, May 25 God's Hand in Facing Opposition

(2 Kings 6:8-12, 15-23)

Risk-Takers: The Adventure of Walking By Faith

Sunday, June 1 Noah: A Faith That Please God

(Genesis 6:5-9, 17-22; 8:20-22)



# **Opportunities for Ministry & Service**

### **Sunday**

9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Indoor Worship 10:00 AM Online Worship 11:30 AM Living Streams Worship Center

### Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship 6:30 PM Youth

#### **Thursday**

Jail Ministry

#### **Service Attendance**

Sunday, May 11

Indoor: 53 Online: 81

Wednesday, May 14 Online: 46

Youth: 11

# **Monthly Budget & Offerings**

Budget Needs:

\$17,571.84

May Offering

To Date: \$3,931.00

#### Office Closed



The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 26th for Memorial Day.

#### **Prayer Requests**

Candy Anderson
The Bradley Family
Sam & Wanda Goodwin
Mike & Renee Helms
Rodney Johnson
Pam Majewski
Lorraine McClellan's Family
Kenny & Carolyn Street



Irene Welch

#### **New Sunday School Class**

This new SS class led by Julie meets in a classroom near the FH.



# Bible App

HOLY BIBLE Follow along in today's Scripture on the Bible app! Scan this QR code with your phone:



