

November 27, 2025

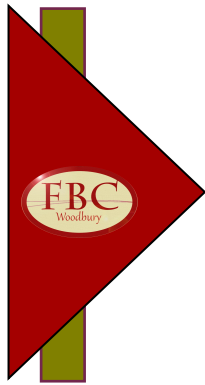
PASTOR'S *Pen*

By Brother Dean Anderson

A mother and her small son were once caught out in the middle of a terrific storm. The mother tried desperately to hold onto the boy with one hand and hold to a tree with the other, but finally the wind pulled him away and carried him into the sky. She began to pray frantically, and suddenly the boy dropped down into a pile of leaves right in front of her, a little mussed up but unhurt. She dropped to her knees and looked him over, then stood up, put her hands on her hips, looked up to the heavens, and said, "He had a hat on, Lord!" Sometimes we tend to focus on what we think is wrong when we should be thanking God for what's right. It's been said that gratitude is the highest expression of the Christian life, the one virtue that sums up all the others. When you're grateful, that means you see yourself as you really are and know you didn't earn or deserve what you've been given. It also means you see Jesus as He really is—the giver of every good and perfect gift. It means you're focused not just on yourself and what you want to do with the gifts you've been given, but that you've allowed those gifts to lead you to the Lord who gave them to you. This Thanksgiving don't just sing about it, but take time actually to count your blessings and thank God for them. Paul sat in jail and wrote, "I thank my God..." Wherever we're sitting, so should we.

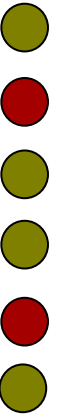
This Sunday morning is one of the most significant of the year—we launch the Week of Prayer for International Missions and the 2026 Lottie Moon Offering for our International Missionaries. In the message we'll consider Jonah 3, which is far more than a story about a big fish! On Sunday evening we'll turn to Matthew 16: 13 – 19, where Jesus asks the disciples a question that He still asks each one of us today. There's nowhere else to be on the Lord's Day!

Bro. Dean



REMINDERS FOR SUNDAY, NOV. 30th

- Deacon of the Week — Bob Wies
- Offering: B. Haley Ushers: D. Odom, G. Smithson
- 3T Nursery — C. Odom, C. Schwartz, P. Northcutt
- Children's Message — Lesa Davis
- Security — E. Bostedt, B. Sharp, J. Young
- Awana — Favorite Hat Night



CHURCH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

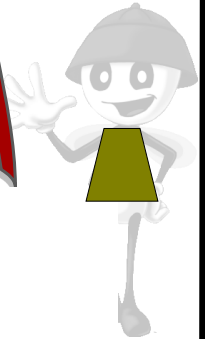
9:30 Sunday School
10:30 Worship
5:30 Awana
5:30 Adult Discipleship
6:30 Worship

WEDNESDAY

6:00 Children's Missions
6:00 Youth Group
6:00 Prayer Meeting
7:00 Choir Rehearsal

AWANA

**Favorite
Hat Night**



WE ARE THANKFUL FOR YOU

Hope you have a blessed Thanksgiving!



LOTTIE MOON OFFERING STARTS SUNDAY

CHURCH GOAL \$40,000.00

**Be praying About What God would
have you give this year.**

PLANTING GOD'S WORD IN OUR HEARTS

Galatians 5:22 "But the fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness. The fruit of the Spirit is Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self Control ."

Galatians 5:23 "Meekness, temperance; against such there is no law."

HYMN Sing Along

Join us at Woodbury Health and Rehab
This Sunday, November 30th at 2:00 pm

We hope to bring a little sunshine to their day!

Christmas Caroling This Monday, Dec. 1st
Come join us as we spread glad tidings of joy!



More Details To Come

save the date

CHURCH CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PROGRAM
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 17th 6:00 PM

Located in Madden Hall / Potluck Dinner

SENIOR *Adults !!!*

There is a sign up sheet across the hall from the choir room. Please sign up!



**Tues., Dec. 9 Demos in Lebanon
Then... Lights at Wilson Co.
Fairground Afterwards**

...Leaving Church at 3:30 pm. . .



If you have an American Flag that needs a respectful disposal, please place it in the box in the back lobby by the rear door & it will be taken care of for you by the Warrior 180 Foundation.

<https://warrior180.org/>

**MISSION LAB
2026**

**The date is set!
Plan to be a part of
our group July 5-10!**

**Let Bro. Dean know
if you are on board!**



Supporting Missions at every
opportunity!

MEETING SUNDAY DEC 7th 4:00

For More Information Contact
Morgan Bostedt 615.487.3113



FBC FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

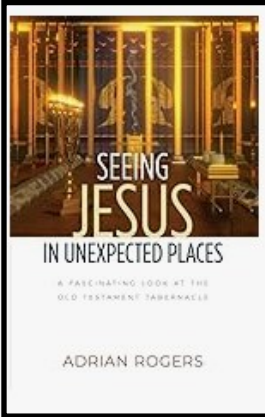
Canned green peas, Canned Spaghetti and
Meatballs, Small Bags of Sugar,
Toilet Paper

Your blessings help many.

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least
of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25:40

WE NEED YOUR HELP

If you have a nativity scene no taller
than 9 inches that you wouldn't mind
having displayed at the Christmas
Dinner, we'd love to borrow them.
Contact Brandie 615.642.2066 or Tam-
my 615.427.1447



Church Library Resource of the Week

Seeing Jesus in Unexpected Places

Written by Adrian Rogers

Take a tour through the Old Testament tabernacle with Pastor Adrian Rogers. Room-by-room and artifact-by-artifact, you will discover the spiritual significance of the extraordinary portable worship center the Israelites carried through the desert after their exodus from Egypt. Rather than relying on extra-biblical commentary, Pastor Rogers uses Scripture to shine light on Scripture.

Reading Through The Bible **NOVEMBER 2025**

- 28. OT - Eze 33, 34; NT - I Peter 5
- 29. OT - Eze 35, 36; NT II Peter 1
- 30. OT - Eze 37, 38, 39; NT-II Peter 2

DECEMBER 2025

- 1. OT - Eze 40, 41; NT - II Peter 3
- 2. OT - Eze 42, 43, 44; NT - I John 1
- 3. OT - Eze 45, 46; NT - I John 2
- 4. OT - Eze 47, 48; NT - I John 3

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

SUNDAY EVENINGS

at 5:30 pm

Take Me Deeper Than My Feet Could Ever Wander

NORMAL CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Closed: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Morning worship broadcast on WBRY, AM 1540 & FM 107.1; morning and evening worship and Prayer Meeting all streamed live on Facebook and YouTube (FBC Woodbury), and on the church website (fbcwoodbury.org).

THANK YOU

To all who came out to prayer walk, invited the community to our soup kitchen prior to the Christmas Parade, made soup and helped serve at the soup kitchen last Sat.

"Alone we can do so little. Together we can do so much!" by Helen Keller



*Jonathan Victorian Jr.
and family*

Jonathan is the
Director of Mission
Lab at New Orleans
Seminary

**Soup Kitchen before
the Christmas Parade**





DECEMBER 2025

And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction.

Matthew 9:35

ANSWER TO YOUR PRAYER

Last year, we prayed for IMB teams using creative new health strategies to reach the lost with the gospel. Praise God for how He's opening doors! An ultrasound machine is expected to touch 30,000 lives over 15 years, providing physical care and gospel opportunities. CPR training in schools and businesses is connecting healthcare workers with communities. Community health projects in Asia are reaching society's margins through food, hygiene kits, and first aid, mobilizing local churches to meet needs and share Christ's love.

PRAYERPOINTS

HEALTHCARE MISSIONS

The missionary's task includes entry, evangelism, discipling new believers, training leaders, and forming healthy churches. Caring for people's needs is an integral part of each component in this task. Healthcare missions gives access to the unreached, allows for intimate conversations, meets needs, makes disciples, and empowers the Church.

Missionaries bring hope and healing to South Korea's youth amid pressures of success and materialism

In recent years, South Korea's rapid economic development has fostered a materialistic culture where younger generations prioritize educational achievement and worldly success over faith and family, hindering church growth. Tragically, South Korea has one of the world's highest suicide rates — a sobering sign that hope and fulfillment are missing from many lives.

Missionaries in Seoul are seeing God at work through the "THinK Center," which opened in 2023 to address mental health needs. "THinK" stands for "Trauma Healing in Korea". The center offers healing groups to reach those carrying heavy burdens. Missionaries facilitate these groups using materials that build healthy community through biblical healing methods. The IMB team has witnessed tremendous growth through these opportunities, including more than 850 people hearing the gospel and 35 new believers! Also, 26 local believers have been trained as healing group facilitators, and 10 local churches have joined this work. Although focused on college students, they are preparing programs for youth, adults, and seniors.



South Koreans participate in healing groups. IMB photo.

"As I participated in the trauma healing group, I realized how much God wants to heal me," one participant said. "I learned that God hurts more than I do and comforts me no matter what suffering I go through. There were times when I thought Christians should not be sad or hurt. Because of that, I could not approach God honestly, but now I know I can approach God and pray as I am. Now, I can share others' pain and help them heal."

Please pray that more trauma healing materials will be translated into Korean to help this ministry and others in the Asia-Pacific Rim. Pray that many Koreans will turn to Jesus as their ultimate Comforter, Healer, and Savior.

1 AMERICAS. "Children in Brazil who lack nutrition face stunted growth and development. Our team is providing monthly aid and sharing the gospel during visits. Please pray for these efforts and for the children in this high-risk group to receive both physical and spiritual nourishment."

2 ASIA-PACIFIC RIM. Pray for a physical therapist in Southeast Asia mentoring coworkers and sharing the gospel. Ask that local families will experience Christ's love through a new rehab center serving stroke patients and others in need of care.

3 SOUTH ASIA. A South Asian hospital offers low-cost cataract surgeries to the poor. Recently, 22 were done in one day — marking 100 total. Many have also received spiritual sight through the gospel. Pray for follow-up with these villagers and continued fruit from this ministry.

4 CENTRAL ASIA. Fitness is becoming a key tool globally for preventive health and gospel outreach. Pray that workers among UUPGs in Central Asia find ways to connect the lost with the gospel through fitness.

5 EUROPE. Please pray for funding, gospel-centered medical doctors for short-term teams, favor with the Ministry of Health for accredited trainings at a clinic, and that all who hear the gospel at outreach clinics and health seminars would receive salvation.

6 NORTHERN AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST. Several health workers have recently lost visas or been banned from their countries of service. Pray for open doors for believers to enter spiritually dark

places and share the gospel. Ask God to comfort displaced workers and give them favor as they apply for visas.

7 SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA. Pray for a new worker in Angola seeking connections in the medical community and among nursing students to share the good news. Ask for strong relationships and clear direction from the Lord as they respond to many physical needs in the community.

8 DEAF. Pray for healthcare workers with a heart for the Deaf. Ask the Lord to raise up those who can assess needs, develop effective ministries, and share God's compassion and the gospel with Deaf communities who often lack access to proper care and education.

9 GLOBAL. Pray about the 2026 International MedAdvance in Paraguay (September 3-5). May God provide resources and guidance so that Latin American healthcare workers will use their skills to reach the nations with the gospel.

10 AMERICAS. Praise God for a 2-day clinic in Chiapas, Mexico, where 21 believers served over 200 patients from the Zoque tribe with medical and dental care and raised funds for Zoque orphans. Pray for lasting impact, open hearts to the gospel, and future outreach among the Zoque people.

11 ASIA-PACIFIC RIM. Pray for churches and a Thai seminary learning to use simple healthcare tools to reach Buddhist communities. Ask God to give them confidence and wisdom in applying these skills. Pray that many will believe through their faithful witness.

12 SOUTH ASIA. South Asian nurses are being trained and praying to be sent, even to other nations, to use nursing to reach the unreached. One now serves in a country that is hostile to the gospel. Pray for more open doors and strong church support.

13 CENTRAL ASIA. In Central Asia, many are being forced to return to homelands they've long left. Pray for healthcare workers in migrant cities as they meet the physical and spiritual needs of these displaced people, despite limited resources.

14 EUROPE. "Pray for partnerships with trained Italian lay-counselors to serve at our center this winter and spring, and that we can offer them free supervision. The need for counseling in Italian is growing. Pray for the gospel work to multiply and for lives to be transformed!"

15 NORTHERN AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST. Mental health needs are growing and offer a chance to share God's healing and hope. Pray that people will seek help from Christ followers and that Christians involved in mental health strategies will have wisdom and compassion to serve effectively.

16 SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA. Harvest fields are ripe in Madagascar as many come to Christ. Pray for the IMB team seeking to integrate health strategies into ministry there. Ask for strong relationships with like-minded organizations and national partners to support and sustain the work.

17 DEAF. Pray for mental health workers with a heart for the Deaf, who often face marginalization and lack of access to care. Ask the Lord to raise up those who can meet their needs

and share the gospel to bring true healing to Deaf communities around the world.

18 GLOBAL. Pray about the 2026 US MedAdvance in Tampa, Florida (August 13-15). Ask the Lord to use this event to call out healthcare workers to reach the nations with the gospel. Pray that the content clearly casts vision for applying their skills in His global mission.

19 AMERICAS. Missionaries in Lima, Peru, are equipping national believers to disciple others through biblical counseling. Pray that God's healing power will bring restoration to individuals and families, even those with deep wounds.

20 ASIA-PACIFIC RIM. Pray for Indonesian missionaries who were recently trained in healthcare at a local college. These skills will help them meet physical needs as they move to an island to share the gospel with unengaged, unreached people groups.

21 SOUTH ASIA. Local believers have a chance to share the gospel with islanders who travel to South Asia for medical care. Pray for believers who work at these hospitals to share the gospel with sensitivity, creativity, and love.

22 CENTRAL ASIA. Healthcare needs in Central Asia are great, but getting government approval to help meet needs through health projects is tough. Pray for favor with officials to grant permission for efforts that let workers show love and share truth.

23 EUROPE. Pray for the Bakers as they share the gospel and serve women with Turner Syndrome and their communities. Ask God to use special needs

camps, support groups, and advocacy to lead families to Christ. Pray that medical students will see God's hand in their studies.

24 NORTHERN AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST. A new health project is helping the gospel reach remote villages. Opposition is constant. Pray for boldness and power as the gospel is shared. Ask that God will transform entire communities by His love and truth.

25 SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA. Pray for Sahel countries south of the Sahara affected by recent coups. Some gospel workers have left due to visa issues, but doors may be open for healthcare providers. Ask the Lord to provide new workers for these fields, where the need is great and opportunities remain.

26 DEAF. Pray for open doors among the Deaf, who often live isolated lives and face barriers to healthcare and communication. Ask the Father to raise up workers who understand Deaf culture and can share the gospel in ways that are clear, compassionate, and effective.

27 GLOBAL. As the Lord raises up national partners with healthcare skills, pray He mobilizes them across cultures. Ask that they find ways to show God's compassion and boldly share the gospel with the lost through their work.

28 ASIA-PACIFIC RIM. Pray for ongoing recovery efforts following a 7.7 magnitude earthquake in 2025 in the Asia-Pacific Rim. While addressing food and housing needs, over 1,000 people also received medical supplies and oral rehydration to help restore hope amid chaos and fear.

29 SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA. An IMB doctor in Togo asks: "Pray for our hospital team — for wisdom, endurance, and joy." The team cares for many first-generation Togolese believers. Pray that these believers will be disciplined in sound doctrine and biblical truth.

30 GLOBAL. Pray for hospital leaders to maintain a deep passion for reaching the lost, especially where IMB has established legacy hospital ministries. Ask God to give them wisdom and creativity to keep their hospitals missional while running them with excellence for His glory.

31 ASIA-PACIFIC RIM. Pray for five Indonesian nurses trained to be cross-cultural witnesses through their profession in Japan and four others finishing language study to join in the work. May they sense God's presence daily while adapting to new things and be encouraged as they serve Him.

Bangalore Baptist Hospital worker serving in India. IMB Photo.



Fatima longs for true hope as believers seek opportunities to share Christ's peace

A young woman dealing with health problems was grappling with anxiety and the worries of life. One day, Fatima went to a health clinic and relayed to the nurse a list of things she could do and accomplish in life if only her brain was not clouded by anxiety. This was her

decided solution; however, the nurse wisely pointed out that sometimes in life, we can accomplish all that we want and still be left wanting, unsatisfied. Sitting in the hospital room, awaiting answers from the doctor, Fatima replied, "You're right! If only I could find something that I could place all my hope into!" Pray that local medical workers who are believers will find opportunities outside the clinic to safely share with Fatima, and other women like her, about the One in whom she can place all her hope.



SAVE THE DATE

MEDADVANCE 2026

August 13-15 | Idlewild Baptist Church, Lutz, FL

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**REACHING
THE NATIONS,
TOGETHER.**

Prayer Guide

Please help us keep the Prayer Guide updated – send anyone you would like to add, and notify us of anyone who can be removed. Thank you!

Church Family

Marilyn Ault	Ashlyn Hare	Addison Todd
Melissa Burnett	Randall Holt	Wies Family
Patrick, Karie Cecil	Richie Hunter	Bobby Zumbro
Bobby Davenport	Judy Jacobs	
Mark, Lesa Davis	Andy McCrary	
Dot Elrod	David Odom	
Darrell & Lou Goins	Benton Parker	
Cecil Gregory	MaryWells Smith	

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Keith Holt (Judy Holt)	
Bob Jones (Douglas Jennings)	
Brian Jones (Douglas Jennings)	
Tammy Jordan (Lydia Womack)	

Nursing Homes/Assisted Living:

Mamie Powers, Barbara Melton, Mamie Vance, Don Stevenson, Drunell Higgins

Homebound:

Martha Burke, Eleanor Bell, Dean Francis, Jinx Wilkinson, Betty Wilder, Carlene Tomlinson

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Active Deacons:

Matt Cowan, Jeff Todd (Beth), Danny Jones, Darren Jessup, Tony Burnett, Michael Odom, Jeff Woodin, Eric Bostedt, Bob Wies

Church Matters:

Lottie Moon Offering, Nunez Church in Buenos Aires; Mission Trip; WMU; Student Ministry; Bruce Marchiano & Gospel of John film; IMB Missionaries; Nation & Leaders; Israel; Gideons; the lost

**“The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace.”**