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Worship Service

November 16, 2025

**"Abiding in Tribulation
(Part 3)"**

[John 5:18-16:33](#)



Sunday School

November 16, 2025

Adult Class:

Prayer Topic:

Government/Leadership

Junior High:

1 Peter

Chapter 3:18-22

Kids Classes:

"Lesson 23: Jesus Endures the Cross"

[Mark 15:16-47](#)



[Prayer Calendar &
Reading Plan](#)

From the Elders

It may sound strange to hear, living where we do in the time we do, but persecution isn't only something that *can* happen for the Christian. It's to be *expected*. It is a consistent outcome with a life lived in righteousness.

But why? And, perhaps even more importantly, how do we prepare ourselves for it spiritually? Ryan will explain this Sunday in part three of a message from John 15:18-16:33 entitled "Abiding in Tribulation."



Announcements

- Welcome New Members Noah & Brooke Fry and Todd & Debbie Mason!** *Be sure to welcome these families into membership at Cornerstone! Last Sunday at the Corporate Fellowship Meal these two families were approved to become new members.*

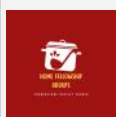


- Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child, International Relief: November 16! Boxes due November 16!** *Collection week is November 17-24. [Click here for resources and information about what and how to pack the shoebox!](#) [Click here for more specifics as well as what NOT to include!](#)*



- Women's Bible Study: November 17!** *Please join us as the women start their study of Romans using the John MacArthur's Bible Study on Romans. See the Equipping Schedule along the left edge of this page.*

- Elders' Meeting: Nov 21!** *Moved up from Nov. 28 due to Thanksgiving.*



- Home Fellowship Groups CAN-CELED: Week of Nov. 23!** *Due to Thanksgiving we will cancel HFGs this week. (We still need the responsible HFG to clean this week however.)*



Calendar

11/16/25: Return Samaritan's Purse Box Due

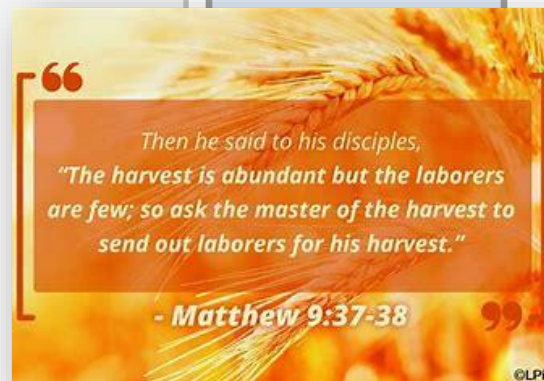
11/17/25: Women's Bible Study (7:00pm)

11/21/25: Elders' Meeting

11/23/25: HFG's Cancelled due to Thanksgiving

11/27/25: Thanksgiving

11/27/25: Turkey Bowl



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[HFG Cleaning Schedule](#)



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1. Logos CANCELLED: Nov. 24! *Due to Thanksgiving, we will cancel Logos this week.*



2. Turkey Bowl: Nov. 27! *Save the date! And start exercising so you're not sore! The church gathers Thanksgiving morning to play flag football...get a little exercise before all that eating! We'll meet at the YMCA fields from 8:30-9:30am. There will be hot coffee and hot chocolate to keep a little warmer. Bring a blanket, chair, hat and mittens if you plan to watch! Invite family and friends to this family event and fellowship!*

3. Happy Thanksgiving: Nov. 27! *Enjoy remembering all that God has done for us and those who have gone before us! What a merciful and gracious God we serve! Love your family and friends in the same way that God has loved us through Christ!*



4. Sunday School Quarter 3: Starts December 7! *Check the Sunday school schedule to see if you are teaching this upcoming quarter!*



INTERNATIONAL
MISSION BOARD

5. Lottie Moon Offering: December 7! [Click here for more information about Lottie Moon specifically as well as what the offering goes toward.](#) *Considering we do not pass an offering plate, if you would like to give toward this Lottie Moon Offering, you may place your offering, designated for Lottie Moon, in the offering box. December 7 will be the last day to give toward this international mission fund.*



6. Corporate Fellowship Meal: December 7! [Mealtrain link here!](#) *Access to the Mealtrain link is in the app under "Events" as well as on the website.*



7. Congregational Meeting: December 7!

8. Clothing Closet: Donations! *If you have gently used clothes to donate, they are accepting newborn to size 8 boys and girls clothes as well as shoes newborn to size 8. Please wash before donating. Please contact Cassandra Andrews or Letitia Hickerson if you have questions.*

9. Clothing Closet: Hours! *The closet will be open during Corporate Fellowship Meals for 15-20 minutes if you'd like to go see what's happening in there! Also, it will be open upon request. Just ask Cassandra!*

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Cornerstone Membership Process

1. Membership Class—*Elders and those interested in finding out more about membership.* These are offered semi-annually or as the need arises.
2. Membership Application—*Individuals interested in membership.* The individual fills out application and returns it to the elders.
3. Membership Interview—*Elders and applicants.* This interview is for the elders to personally get to know the applicants, verify baptism and testimony, as well as discuss what it means to be a member of the Church universal and Cornerstone, specifically.
4. Baptism & Testimony—if necessary
5. Announcement of Membership Application & Testimony—*Elders, applicants, congregation.* The elders announce the application for membership and the applicant shares their testimony with the church. The church is encouraged to get to know the applicant over the next month(s).
6. Membership Vote—*Congregation.* This vote is to admit the applicant into fellowship. This vote marks two things: one, that the current members, on what information they have, accept the elders' recommendation for membership; and, secondly, that the current members, on what information they have, accept the applicant into fellowship.

Home Fellowship Groups

Jones

Sunday's (4:30pm)

South Carthage

Contact: Jeremy Jones

Callen/Allen

Wednesday's (6:00pm)

West Carthage

Contact: Will Callen

Riley/Adams

Wednesday's (6:00pm)

North Carthage

Contact: Trevin Riley

Andrews/Ziler

Thursday's (6:00pm)

East Carthage

Contact: Jim Ziler

Online Offering



If you desire to give online to Cornerstone, please use Zelle and the church phone number.

417-358-4844

Baby Bulletin!

Parker and Chelsea Day's newest baby boy will arrive sometime in November!

Aaron and Jessica Adam's newest baby will arrive sometime around December 31st. A high five to the person who can guess the correct gender!

RESOURCES to learn more about the *elder selection*:

Pastor Ryan's sermons:

["The Teacher and the Tongue \(Pt. 1\)" \(May 26 sermon\)](#)

[Understanding Church Government 6-Week Series](#)

["Wanted: Male Leadership"](#) (from Iron Man Conference 2019 Owasso, OK)

Scripture: [1 Timothy 3:1-7](#) and [Titus 1:5-9](#)



Ministries & Coordinators

Doulos is a group of servants joyfully volunteering to love the body by coordinating and assisting communication regarding various ministries of the church under the authority of the elders.