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If our spiritual roots are deep in Christ, we will not want any other soil. If our hearts are overflowing with thanksgiving, we will not even consider turning from the fullness we have in Christ.

Pray this prayer with Fran and me: Lord Jesus, we thank You for Your presence in our lives which strengthens and sustains us each day. You know our present circumstances and current concerns. Help us to place them in Your hands.

Thank You for Your support and reassurance through Your grace and love. In Your holy name, we thankfully pray. Amen.

A thankful spirit is a mark of Christian maturity. When a believer is **abounding** in thanksgiving, he or she is really making progress!

Peace and blessings,

*Pastor Jim & Fran*

**Thanksgiving Prayer**

O heavenly Father . . .

We thank Thee for food and remember the hungry.  
We thank Thee for health and remember the sick.  
We thank Thee for friends and remember the friendless.  
We thank Thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.

May these remembrances stir us to service  
That Thy gifts to us may be used for others.

Amen.



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# The Herald

## APPRECIATE LIFE'S BLESSINGS

We all know that gratitude and appreciation lie at the heart of the Thanksgiving Holiday, but between all the rushing around and preparing a delightful Thanksgiving meal for family and friends, we can sometimes lose sight of why we're even celebrating.



It's important for us to take a moment and appreciate **life's blessings**. The best way to do that? With the **Word of God!**

*“So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with **thankfulness**” (Colossians 2:6-7).*

When we trust Christ to save us, we are put on the foundation; from then on, we grow in grace. The word **edify** means “to build up.” To make spiritual progress means to keep adding on to the temple to the glory of God.

It is the **Word of God** that builds and strengthens the Christian. Christians who study the **Word** become established in the faith. Satan has a difficult time deceiving the Bible-taught believer.

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE

Ken Whittington, co-chairman

- ❖ Thanks to Tammy Jackson for the excellent job on cleaning the church.
- ❖ The church security plan has been modified as follows: The **northwest** and **southwest** doors will be **locked** during services. The **southeast** and **northeast** doors will remain **open** during services. A monitor will remain in the foyer during this time.
- ❖ Leon Sanders will clean and change the filters on the window air conditioners.



The Deacon Board will host **Sing & Share** on Wednesday, **November 20**, at **4 P.M.** in the Fellowship Hall. Joyce Thompson will share her testimony. Join us!

## COFFEE & FRIENDS: A GREAT BLEND

Ladies of all ages are invited to Wednesday Coffee on November 6 at 9:30 A.M. at The Buzz. Bring a friend who would like to socialize with other Christian women. This gathering is held the first Wednesday of each month. Join us!



### THIS MONTH

Nov. 1	10:00 A.M.	Ministry at Heritage Woods
Nov. 6	9:30 A.M.	Ladies' Coffee
Nov. 12	9:00 A.M.	Board of Trustees Meeting
Nov. 13	10:00 A.M.	Bible Study
Nov. 15	10:00 A.M.	Ministry at Helia Healthcare
Nov. 20	4:00 P.M. 5:00 P.M.	Sing 'n Share Board of Deacons Meeting
Nov. 26	9:00 A.M.	Brown Bag Packing
Nov. 27	10:00 A.M.	Bible Study
Nov. 28		<i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i>

### WEEKLY

Sun.	9:30 A.M. 10:30 A.M.	Sunday School Worship Service
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## Birthday Blessings

Nov. 12 Mattie Owens

Nov. 17 Jessica Corduan

*Thanks to all who attended Pastor Appreciation Sunday!*



**Nov. Offering  
Canned Corn**

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