

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST~  
DECEMBER 11, 2022

**PRAYERS:** Please remember the **Houses** (especially, **Ella's** custody situation) in your prayers.

**SICK:** **Shelly Cates** (sinus infection), **Destiny Clayton**, **Orelia Ferguson**, the **Haases**, **Paula Harrison** (blood pressure and depression), and **Mary Ray** were struggling health-wise this past week. **Cody Hadley** is still awaiting an MRI. **Jason House** will have intestine surgery on March 14th. **Jane Haas** (**Wesley Haas's** mother) has had to change meds due to kidney problems. **Bobby Stewart** was taken to the ER Wednesday night and is feeling much better, but the reason for his difficulties is not known. **Tish Clarke** will have cancer surgery and **Keith A. Mosher, Sr.** (instructor at MSOP) will have hip surgery on Tuesday (December 13th).

**PROTRACTED:** **Kim Arrington**—elbow; **Scooter Birmingham** (friend of **Destiny Clayton**); **Brian Brown** (**Paul Brown's** nephew)—epilepsy; **Lauren Brown** (niece of **Paul Brown**)—heart; **Suzanne Brown**—arthritis; **Shelly Cates**—fibromyalgia; **Janet Daniel** (sister of **Melinda Haas**)—lupus; **Addiae Farrow** (**Tabatha Clayton's** great niece)—heart; **Ella Cobb**, granddaughter of the **Houses**—seizures; **Jimmy Ferguson** (former preacher here)—heart rhythm; **Jane Haas** (**Wesley Haas's** mother)—hip; **Melinda Haas**—Lyme's Disease; **Cody Hadley**—Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever; **Kaylie Hadley**—UCTD; **Paula Harrison**—Meniere's Disease; **Lorraine Hounshell**; **Wanda Jackson**—a-fib; **Monica La Rock** (granddaughter of **Orelia Ferguson** and mother of **Noah**); **Garrett Lentz** (son of a co-worker of **Cody Hadley**)—seizures; **Easton McCullough** (**Grayson Hadley's** best friend)—Bell's Palsy; **Becky Munns** (**Tabatha Clayton's** aunt)—heart problems, Crohn's Disease; **Shelby Peyton**—knee; **Robert Rawson** (preacher at **Crockett**)—diabetes; **Ray Reynolds** (**Sheila Massey** and **Mary West's** dad)—memory trouble; **Brett Rutherford** (**Dan Cates's** friend)—MS; **Francis Wallace** (friend of **Mary Ray**); **Anthony** and **Rita Stacks** (nephew-in-law and niece of **Allene Baldwin** and **Syble Embrey**)—strokes and Alzheimers, respectively; and **Jerry Worthington** (neighbor of the **Hounshells**)—physical and emotional difficulties.

**CANCER:** **Sherry Brown** (retired MSOP secretary); **Alicia Busby** (from the community); **Tish Clarke** (wife of the MSOP director)—melanoma; **Gary Darnell** (**Ella Darnell's** son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; **Brenda Davis** (a grandmother of **Edra** and **Ryan Farrow**); **Tommy Hensley** (uncle of **Paul Brown**)—liver; **Nathan Jones** (the **Hounshells's** neighbors' 16 year old family member)—brain; **Sara Kiestler** (an FHU student)—Hodgkin's; **Wade Loggins** (member of congregation in Elkmont, AL); **Trina McKinney** (**Mary Ray's** grandson-in-law)—prostate; **Dorothy Mosher** (wife of an MSOP instructor); **Carol Ogelsby** (family of **Sonny Stewart** and the **Browns**)—stomach; **Tommy Pierce** (the **Browns's** friend); **John Riley** (member of the church who lives in this community)—lung; and **Tabby Waters** (**Tabatha Clayton's** sister-in-law)—leukemia.

**SHUT-IN:** **Janice Bailey** (at the **Arringtons's**), **Orelia Ferguson** (home), **Annette Cates** (**Dan Cates's** mother who is in a care center in Pensacola, FL), **Lorraine Hounshell** (home), and **Ruth House** (**Lawayne House's** mother who is at home).

**SERVING:** **Cameron Hadley** (**Grayson Hadley's** dad—Marines, stateside. Also, please continue to pray for **Kyle Embrey** (**Syble Embrey's** grandson—policeman) and all other military [especially who are going or remain abroad] and for all those in authority that we might live “quiet and peaceable” lives (1 Timothy 2:1,2).

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**Services:** Sunday 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 4:45 p.m. (pew-packers), 5 p.m.  
Wednesday 7:15 p.m.

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**Missions** [the latest reports from these works are on the bulletin board in the foyer]

Kakinada, India [Providing Bibles and Overseeing Funds]

Memphis School of Preaching

Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)

Tri-Cities School of Preaching (David B. Jones)

Jamie Long (Four Seas Bible College, Singapore)

Warm Heart Missions (Roger Chambers)

Pablo Horna (Panama) [Overseeing funds]

Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)

Tennessee Children's Home, West

School of Biblical Studies (Jos, Nigeria)

Save Asian Souls (Providing physical and spiritual aid)

Other one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

# INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE

Daniel F. Cates

## Part XXIV: Jeremiah

Jeremiah, popularly called “the weeping prophet,” was from a priestly family from Anathoth which was located north of Jerusalem in Benjamin (Jer. 1:1). Through the course of the book of Jeremiah [named for its author who also is its key figure], Jeremiah is constantly shown as a persecuted prophet (Jer. 11:18-23; 12:6; 18:18; 20:1-3; 26:1-15; 37:11-21; 38:1-6).

Jeremiah was likely written from Tahpanhes in Egypt (43:7-8), to which Jeremiah was taken against his will (Jer. 43: 2,5,6; cf. 42:15-17) and where tradition says Jeremiah was stoned to death by Jews. Jeremiah’s period of prophesying is dated by the book itself (Jer. 1:2,3), “To whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah [reigned 640-609 B.C.] the son of Amon king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign [therefore, around 627 B.C.]. It came also in the days of Jehoiakim [609-597 B.C.] the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah [597-586 B.C.] the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the fifth month [therefore, about 586 B.C.].” So Jeremiah prophesied for four decades, and the writing of the book likely would have been shortly thereafter, for he was already in Egypt at its writing.

Jeremiah’s audience is given as “the nations” (Jer. 1:5) and specifically was the southern kingdom of Judah (Jer. 4:3). While Israel had been carried away in 721 B.C., that name is used in Jeremiah 2:4, perhaps showing that God’s people still should have been one (cf. 1 Kin. 18:31), and surely supporting the fact that not all of Israel had been carried into captivity—the premillennialists’ “ten lost tribes” really were not such (cf Jer. 3:12).

Jeremiah’s purpose in prophesying was multifaceted. He was writing to show what contributed to the fall of Judah, and to show the process by which Judah fell. On a positive note, Jeremiah also wrote of what would happen with regard to the restoration of all Israel, while pointing to the ultimate punishment of all nations. (*To be continued next week*)

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*“That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:” (Ephesians 4:14,15)*

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### BIBLE QUESTION:

This week’s question: Why did Adam call his wife “Eve”?

Last week’s question: Whom did the one talent man blame for his inaction?

Last week’s answer: His Lord (Matthews 24:24,25)

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**SERMONS:** Two Questions in the Garden (Genesis 3:1,9)

*“All the Counsel of God”*: Questions to Ask—Lutheran

### DAILY BIBLE READING (December 12-18):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
<b>Hebrews</b>	5-7	8-10	11-13		<b>2 Peter</b>	1-3	
		<b>Philemon</b>		1	<b>1 Timothy</b>		1-3
		<b>1 Peter</b>		1,2	3-5		

**READ SCRIPTURE (DECEMBER):** Thomas Massey (Genesis 3:1-3)

*(JANUARY): Cody Hadley*

**PRESIDE OVER LORD’S SUPPER (DECEMBER):** Savion Rayson

*(JANUARY): Thomas Massey*

**ASSIST ON LORD’S SUPPER (DECEMBER):** Paul Brown and Sonny Stewart

*(JANUARY): Conor Cates and Dylan Cooper*

**CLEAN BUILDING (DECEMBER):** Melinda Haas and April Kinney

*(JANUARY): Suzanne and Katie Brown*

**PREPARE COMMUNION (DECEMBER):** Suzanne and Katie Brown

*(JANUARY): Maggie Cooper and Reese Kinney*

**PANTRY NEEDS:** Canned goods.

**UPCOMING EVENTS (For particular details, check the bulletin board for flyers):**

There will likely be a holiday party for the young people next Sunday night.

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### WELCOME VISITORS!

We are honored to have you with us today! Please take a few minutes and fill out an attendance card for us so that we can have a record of your attendance. Once you have filled out a card, please hand it to one of the members, or lay it onto the pew.