

“... pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart”
2 Timothy 2:22

March 13th, 2022 - 5 Ways to Help Ukrainians

Since we're not in positions of power, what can we do for our suffering Ukrainian neighbors?



#1: Be a Neighbor. The Jews in Jesus' day knew Leviticus 19:18b, “*Love your neighbor as yourself,*” but they defined “neighbor” to mean “fellow Jews.” They loved their Jewish neighbors, but didn't care about anyone else (Matthew 5:43). It's why in Luke 10, the lawyer got technical with Jesus about Leviticus 19:18 and asked, “*Who is my neighbor?*” In response, Jesus told the story of the Good Samaritan, and explained that loving our neighbor isn't about only caring for certain people who qualify as our neighbor. It's about *being* a neighbor to everyone.

It may seem odd to call Ukraine our neighbor since it's on the other side of the world, but it's not about geography or ethnicity. They're our neighbors because we can be a neighbor to them and refuse to “*pass by on the other side.*” (Luke 10:31-32)

#2: Pray. Though we're not in positions of power, Christians can call for help to the One in the greatest position of power. “*First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.*” (1 Timothy 2:1-2).

Sadly, millions of Ukrainians have had their tranquil, quiet lives stripped from them. Let's pray for God to bring it back, not just for their comfort, but for the sake of the gospel so more might be saved (1 Tim. 2:3-4). Let's pray for our leaders and Ukraine's leaders to make good, sound decisions. Let's pray Putin changes course. Let's pray for the Russian soldiers forced to do his bidding. Let's pray for peace in Europe and for Ukraine's strength to rebuild.

#3: Send Money if You're Able. There are a dozen organizations helping in Ukraine that can use financial support for food, clothing, doctors, and shelter. Just research carefully and make sure they're well established, reputable organizations and aren't taking some crazy cut of the donation off the top for themselves. One way the Good Samaritan neighbored the man in need was financial support. “*He took out two denarii and gave them to the inn-keeper and said, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, when I return I will repay you.'*” (Luke 10:35)

#4: Be Careful with Social Media. Proverbs 18:17 says, “*The first to plead his case seems right, until another comes and examines him.*” There's a lot of Russian and Ukrainian propaganda floating around, so be careful posting things that simply aren't true. It's not helpful, it can make us look gullible, and if we inadvertently contribute to the spread of propaganda online, we can play an active role in needlessly disheartening Ukrainian citizens or emboldening Russian soldiers.

#5: Have an Open Door Ready. This war is creating a tremendous refugee crisis, and most have fled to surrounding countries. The US, by comparison, has pretty strict refugee laws, so we might not get many Ukrainians here. But if we do, let's stand ready to open our homes and entertain angels. “*Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it.*” (Hebrews 13:2)
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Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m. Lord's Supper Service
9:45 a.m. Bible Class
10:45 a.m. Praise & Preaching

Wednesday Bible Classes 7:30 p.m.

Elders

Herb Hinely 407-339-4805
Jeff Hunt 407-739-5266
Joe Rimmer 407-414-7393
Dave Weaver 407-782-1112
Tim Welsh 407-670-8279

Deacons

Matt Hinely, Terry Petty
Erik Quist, Rory Salimbene
Emory VanCleaf

Evangelists

Brian Messerli 407-300-2517
Dwayne Gandy 214-724-5375



A healthy fear of God draws us near because we're _____ by who He is and _____ by His power to punish the wicked.

Healthy fear draws us near

Acts 9:31; 19:11-20

Healthy Fear comes from awe of Who He is

1 Chronicles 16:23-31

Healthy fear comes from alarm at His power to punish the wicked

Hosea 5:14; Isaiah 33:14

Healthy Fear of God...

1. Keeps us _____
 - o Deuteronomy 5:24-26; Isaiah 66:2; Proverbs 1:7
2. Keeps us from the _____ of sin
 - o Exodus 20:18-20; Deuteronomy 5:29; Proverbs 14:27
3. Keeps us out of _____
 - o Matthew 10:28; 1 Peter 1:17
4. Keeps us _____
 - o 2 Corinthians 5:10-11a
5. Keeps us _____
 - o Psalm 9:17-20; 2 Thessalonians 1:6-9
6. Keeps us _____
 - o Deuteronomy 11:22-25; Proverbs 14:26

Discussion Questions for H2H

1. Why don't more people today fear God? (Christians included)
2. What unhealthy fears of God might Satan tempt us to accept?
3. What are some indicators we don't fear God enough? How can we increase healthy fear?
4. Is there anything you'd like to add to the lesson today about a healthy fear of God?

Announcements

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Please email all new announcements to announcements@psd.church.

MEMBERS HEALTH ISSUES:

- **Rory & Rebecca Salimbene** have had an infection and are taking antibiotics, which appear to be helping. They hope to be at worship today.
- **Carol VanCleaf:** Her left artificial knee is failing at the attachment to the leg. Her doctor will be scheduling surgery to replace the knee joint in 4-6 weeks. Then she will need about 3 months to recover. Please pray for Carol.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF PSD:

- **UKRAINE: David & Marina Ciolkosz, the brother (and his wife) of Jon Ciolkosz,** were living in Kyiv, Ukraine. They are now living in an Airbnb in Bucharest, Romania, close to the US Embassy and working on options to get to the US. They hope to come to Florida soon.
- **Karen Hudson, sister of Gail Story,** passed away Friday morning, March 11, surrounded by her 2 brothers and 2 sisters, and other family. The funeral will be Friday, March 18, with Visitation at 1:00 pm, Funeral at 2:00 PM. Blount & Curry Garden of Memories, 4207 East Lake Ave, Tampa, FL is handling arrangements. In lieu of flowers the family requests a donation to Florida College, Karen Hudson Scholarship, mailed directly to Florida College. Please pray for the family.
- **Tim Story, Phil's twin brother,** had a defibrillator implanted in his chest Friday, March 4th, and the doctors are still monitoring his heart issues. Please pray for Tim, Phil, and the family.

TRAVELING:

- **Shelley Gandy** is visiting family in Tennessee, Kentucky, and Indiana. She returns Monday, March 14th.
- **Ryan & Kerianne Park** are leaving for north Georgia Monday, March 14th and return home Sunday, March 20th.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Kendra Aiken** is pregnant and really struggling with morning sickness. It is expected to last for a couple of months. Sarah Roberts has created a schedule for meals on TakeThemAMeal.com, for Tuesday and Thursday. Kendra is asking for you to PLEASE text or call Kendra before coming over because she is very sick and low on energy. She may not be able to see anyone. Please be prepared to text her before leaving your house, leave it on her porch and text her that you are gone. Please access the Schedule directly through the web site at TakeThemAMeal.com or find a link on our web site at psd.church, after you log into psd.church. Look for the link on the side bar. The Recipient's last name is Aiken and password is **3839**

SHUT-IN:

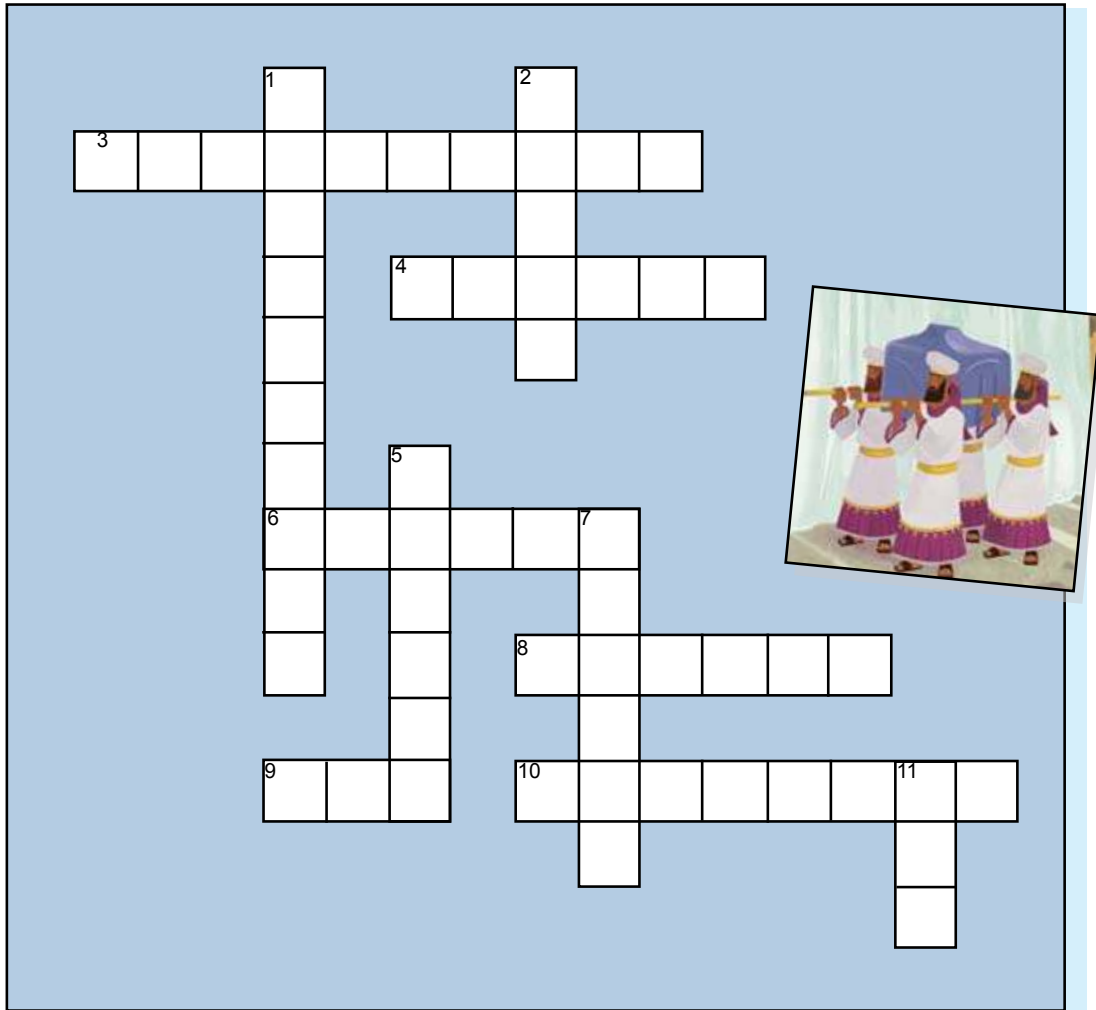
- **Anne Dickson, Geny Harrison, Peggy Hunt, Lynna Davis, and Pat Steele**

DATES TO NOTE:

DATE	EVENT
FRIDAY, APRIL 1 @ 7:30 PM	SING AND REJOICE: SINGING WORKSHOP WITH MATT DOW
SATURDAY, APRIL 2, @ 7:30 PM	SING AND REJOICE: SINGING WORKSHOP WITH MATT DOW
SUNDAY, APRIL 3	SING AND REJOICE: SINGING WORKSHOP WITH MATT DOW
SUNDAY, APRIL 3	LAST DAY TO SUBMIT DEACON NAMES AND FORMS
SUNDAY, APRIL 3	SHEPHERDS MEET TO REVIEW DEACON'S NAMES SUBMITTED
SUNDAY, APRIL 10	ANNOUNCE THE NAMES OF THE DEACONS SUBMITTED BY THE CHURCH
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20	LAST DATE TO SHARE OBJECTIONS
SUNDAY, APRIL 24	DEACON APPOINTMENT SUNDAY



God Stopped the Jordan River Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3. Set apart; sanctify
4. Number after eleven
6. Groups of people, usually related
8. He was the leader of the people who crossed the Jordan River.
9. Not wet
10. Something that reminds people of an event

DOWN

1. The people who crossed the Jordan River
2. Rivers are made of this.
5. "The Lord's hand is _____."
7. Another word for rocks
11. _____ of the covenant