

# Recommending the Great Spiritual Doctor

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A critical Pharisee once asked why Jesus ate with tax collectors and sinners. The Bible says, “When Jesus heard that, He said to them, ‘Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick’” (Matthew 9:12). When we are sick, it is to our great benefit to see a physician. This trained professional will look at our symptoms, diagnose our issue, and prescribe a course of action that will put us on the road to recovery. If we wish to be cured, we will take the prescription. What would we think of someone who said, “Don’t go to the doctor! Stay sick! Waste away with your disease!” We would rightly regard them as kooks. Yet, this is exactly what this Pharisee was advocating on a spiritual level.

## **A doctor can heal your wounds, Jesus can heal your soul.**

Many take physical illness so seriously. They will spend their livelihood (and the livelihood of others) on treatments of one kind or another in order to be well. When it comes to spiritual matters, however, they are not willing to lift a finger to aid their fellow. Many simply do not know the sickness they possess, and it is the malignancy that goes undetected that deals the greatest damage and death. Would we refuse someone an opportunity to screen themselves from such a malignancy? Do we reflect the attitude of this Pharisee?

Physical diseases may or may not be cured, but there is a sure cure for spiritual sickness—Jesus. He is the great physician, and we need to be directing the spiritually sick toward him. How do we do this? Invite them to worship with us. Give them a tract or DVD. Put them on our bulletin mailing list. There are many ways that we can encourage the spiritually sick to receive treatment. Let’s be like Jesus, not the Pharisee.



# STERLINGTON

## Church of Christ



P.O. Box 82  
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Sunday Morning Bible Classes - 9:30 AM  
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM  
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM  
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

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# Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshipping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

## Elders:

Todd Chapman  
Paul Simpson

## Deacons:

Wayne Fowler David Garris  
Billy Granger Buddy Hollis

## Preacher:

Don Delukie

# Those to Serve

## Today

**Announcements-** Paul Simpson **Lord's Table-** Wayne Fowler  
**Opening prayer-** David Reppond **Closing Prayer-**Todd Chapman

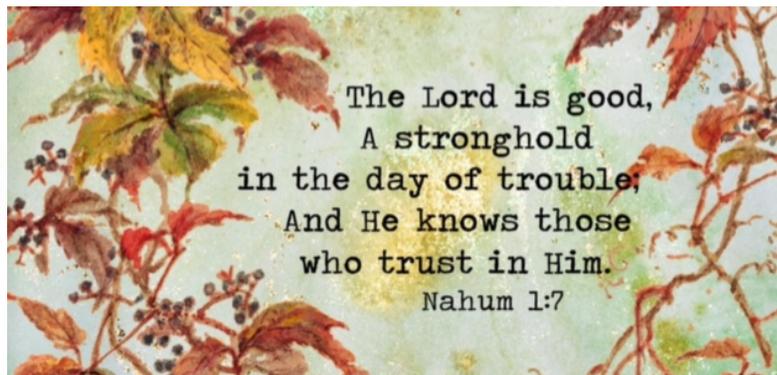
## November 14th

**Announcements-** Todd Chapman **Lord's Table-** Paul Simpson  
**Opening prayer-** Ronnie Hayes **Closing Prayer-** Damien Miller

- Communion will utilize self-contained, sealed cups available in the foyer. **Please pick one up upon arrival.**
- Giving is available at a central collection container in the foyer.

# Announcements

—**New Church Website:** Check out our new church website at [www.sterlingtonchurchofchrist.com](http://www.sterlingtonchurchofchrist.com)



# Please Pray For:

Brian Fisher, Larry Smith, Brenda Fricke, Debbie Walker, Jean Delukie, Billy Granger, Jerry McDonald, Ed Haltom, Gracie Aaron, Linda Garris, David Reppond, Randy Fallin, Donald Reeves, Dan Bryan, Clyde Wilson, Jerry Madden, Melannie White, Mary Wyatt, Brenda Thomas.

**Bereaved:** Families of Jesse Dawson Jr, Don Talley, Larry Whitehead, Levi Buckley, Jason Blondin, Larry Keene.

# Continue to Pray For:

Shirley Goodwin, Bobby Barker, Elizabeth Hollis, Dinky Douglas, Cyndi Powell, Betsy Culp, Heath Ray, Terrance Dawson, Ann Bolden, Jamie Ross, Charlie McDaniel Jr, Lewis Bedele, Cindy Jenny, Gay Black, Adam White.

# Weekly Bible Reading Plan

Epistles (Sunday)	The Law (Monday)	History (Tuesday)	Psalms (Wednesday)	Poetry (Thursday)	Prophecy (Friday)	Gospels (Saturday)
<input type="checkbox"/> 1Pet 1-3	<input type="checkbox"/> Deut. 10-12	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Chr 33-36	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 128-130	<input type="checkbox"/> Eccl 5-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Haggai	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 13-14



## November birthdays

- 3 - Elaine Reppond
- 5 - Glenda Wells
- 6 - Sandra Nappier
- 8 - Brad Smith
- 10 - Bo Dalrymple
- 11- Carlton Silmon
- 11 - Tommy Wells
- 13 - Susie McGough
- 20 - Dana Fowler
- 25 - Dan Ross Jr.
- 26 - Brock Dalrymple
- 28 - Dena White
- 30 - Ayden Richardson

## November anniversaries

- 3 - Ronnie and Dena White
- 17 - Buddy and Carlton Hollis
- 18 - Randy and Kathy Manning
- 21 - Travis and Rhonda Rogers
- 26 – Dwain and Bettye Flowers

