Privileged to Serve		
Speaker Tom Fair (am); Andy Duncan (pm)		
Announcements/PrayerRandy Rives		
Song LeaderAndy D. (am); Tom F. (pm)		
Attendance		
Morning		
Scripture/Opening Prayer		
Lord's SupperRandy Rives		
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Closing Prayer		
Evening		
Opening Prayer		
Lord's Supper		
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Closing Prayer		
Communion Preparation		
Month of August		
Month of September		
Nursery Attendant; Backup		
August 1Katie Agan; Angela Duncan		
August 8 Angela Duncan; Lara King		
Wednesday Evening - August 4, 2021		
Prayer/Announcements		
Song Leader		
Devotional		

Devotional
Service Times
SUNDAY
Bible Study9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible Study6:00 p.m.

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Attendance Last Week		
Sunday Bible Class	cancelled	
Sunday Morning Worship	42	
Sunday Morning via Live-Stream	4	
Sunday Evening Worship	*	
Sunday Evening via Live-Stream	*	
Wednesday Bible Study	13	
Contributions & Other Income		
Contribution Last Week \$	*	
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Welcome Visitors!

Woman's
Viewpoint

A GLIMPSE OF HIEAVEN

The meaning of "gimpse" is to take a brief look. If we could get a gimpse of what Heaven is like, it should create within us a greater desire to live right. We should want to go to Heaven when this life is over if we look at the glimpse of Heaven in the Bible. It is impossible to adequately describe Heaven. When the Queen of Sheba saw the empire of Solomon, she said the half had not been told (I Kings 10:7). The Bible does give us a glimpse of Heaven, but the half has not been told about Heaven.

There is a story of a little girl who was born blind. Her mother tried to describe the beauty of earth to her. When the little girl was about ten years old she was able to have an operation that enabled her to see for the first time in her life. As the last bandage was removed, she flew into her mother's arms, then to the open window and open door. As she saw the beauty of the earth for the first time, she ran screaming back to her mother, "Oh mother, why didn't you tell me it was so beautiful?" The mother, with tears in her eyes said, "My precious child, I tried to tell you!"

We know for sure Heaven is a real place. It is not just a dream or fantasy. The Bible says, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14:1). With these words Jesus comforted His disciples right before His death. These verses bring comfort to us, and give us a little glimpse of Heaven.

Heaven has been described as a place with many mansions. One translation says "many rooms." This implies there will be sufficient room for all who will be a part of the heavenly family of God. Have you seen a house you would describe as a mansion? The Biltmore house in Ashville, North Carolina, is a beautiful house, a mansion with 250 rooms. Yet the Biltmore house has no comparison to the beauty of and the magnificent place called Heaven.

We have learned Heaven is a prepared place, but Heaven is a place for a prepared people. We do not stumble into Heaven or go there accidently. In other words, not everybody that talks about Heaven is going there.

The Bible says "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord" (Revelation 14:13). We must be in the Lord. Galatians 3:26-27 and Romans 6:3-6 teach us we are baptized into Christ. "We must fight the good fight, finish the course, and keep the faith if the crown of life is to be ours" (II Timothy 4:7-8). "We must be faithful unto death if we are to possess the crown of life" (Revelation 2:10). Those who ...

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