

## **TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 AM**

Those serving the congregation today

July 26, 2015

Bible Class	Guest
Announcements	Eddie
Song Leader	Jim
Opening Prayer	Carl
Communion:	
Presiding	Jason
Serving	Raimi
	Greg D
	Lonnie
Sermon	Carl
Closing Prayer	Bill

### **EVENING SERVICE 6:00 PM**

Announcements	Harold
Opening Prayer	Fred
Lesson/Devo	Guest
Song Leader	Greg
Communion/	Eddie

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM**

July 29, 2015

Lesson	Dale
Song Leader	Jim
Opening Prayer	Harold
Closing Prayer	Eddie

### **July Greeters—Donola and Diane**

RESPONSES: Each time we meet together, there is a possibility that someone would like to respond to the invitation of Jesus Christ. We would be very glad to help you if you would like to be baptized for the forgiveness of your sins and to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, (2) to repent for sin in your life and ask for prayers of the church, or (3) to ask the church to pray for some special need in your life.

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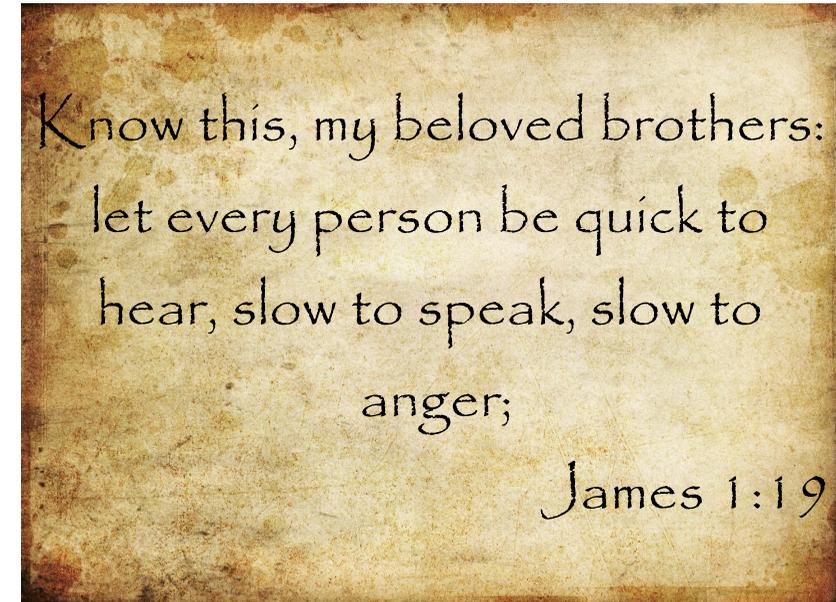
Begun in Jerusalem 33 A.D.  
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**Ministers—Every member of the congregation**

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### **Welcome Visitors**

We are honored to have you as our guest. We pray that the worship and fellowship will be a blessing to you. If we can serve you in any way or answer any questions, you may fill out a visitor card on the back of the pews and place it in the collection plate, or you may contact our Elders.

### **Nursery/Training Room**

Provided where you may sit with your children during services

# NEWS AND EVENTS

The next Ladies Fellowship will be Thursday, July 30 at 11:00 AM. The Friday night fellowship will resume September 25 at the annual mountaintop campout/cookout

Volunteers are still need to clean the building. Sign up in the foyer for one or more weeks. See Jim Vogel with any questions.

July Birthdays and Anniversaries	
07 DuFresne, Pat	17 Owen, Pailey
09 Heard, Donola	21 Smith, Fred
11 Alvey, Jesse	22 Dickinson, Mary Jane
11 Carr, Eliasha	22 Stephenson, Charles
12 Stephenson, Charlie & Shirley	22 Wise, Jean
17 Hess, Mildred (Jean)	23 Woodson, Sibyl
17 Monroe, Babs	27 Barton, Bill & Sharon

# PRAISE AND PRAYER

Prayers for Jims mother, Laurretta who is recovering from pneumonia.

Prayers for all those who are battling cancer.

Prayers for those of our number who are traveling.

Prayers for the missionaries out in the world.

Please continue to pray for those with health concerns:

Mary Jane, Bill, Grady, Sibyl, Nancy, Babs, Linda, Helena, Hayley, Wayne, Jim Zappe, Charlie & Shirley, Gary, Ephraim, Jean Fant, Susi Ruman.

Our Military men and women, and the leadership of our nation and our congregation.

A FAMILY WHO PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER.

# Sloooooooooooooowwwww to Anger!

One of the most challenging verses and Christian responsibilities in all Scripture is found in James 1:19, where God instructs us to be “slow to anger.” Scripture does not say to never, ever be angry (cf. Eph. 4:26), but God clearly directs us to be slow to get there. In other verses, we read of the Lord’s expectations for us to exercise self-control (Gal. 5:22-23; 2 Pet. 1:5-7), to be “temperate in all things” (1 Cor. 9:27; cf. Tit. 2:2), etc.

So, how? How can I be “slow to anger”? This is not just some academic exercise in this article; this is a real need in the lives of all Christians today to master their tempers and control their anger. The most practical sections in all of Scripture for children of God today (the book of Proverbs, the book of James and the 12th chapter of Romans) give us divine insight into how to successfully slow our anger.

The book of Proverbs states, “A quick-tempered man acts foolishly” (14:17), but “he who is slow to anger is better than the mighty” (16:32). Inspiration then reveals these insights: “The discretion (good sense, ESV) of a man makes him slow to anger” (19:11). The “glory” of the one who is “slow to anger” “is to overlook a transgression” (19:11). “He who restrains his lips is wise” (10:19). “The slow to anger calms a dispute” (15:18, NASB), “quiets contention” (ESV).

Romans 12 presents the practical responsibilities of the one who is “a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God” (v. 1). Putting these principles of Romans 12 into practice will enable a faithful Christian to be slow to anger: Do not think of self “more highly than [you] ought to think” (v. 3). “Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another...continuing steadfastly in prayer...bless and do not curse...Be of the same mind toward one another...Do not be wise in your own opinion...Repay no one evil for evil... live peaceably with all men...give place to wrath...overcome evil with good” (12:10-21).

The wonderfully practical book of James teaches us that “the anger of man does not achieve the righteousness of God” (1:20), therefore, anger ought to be very, VERY slow in developing in our hearts, as we “lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls” (1:21). How can we do that? “Be swift to hear.” “Be...slow to speak” (1:19). Be “peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits” (3:17).

How can I be “slow to anger”? By letting God and His Word work on my heart, I can, with His help, slow my anger!

David Sproule

# NOTES

Family Records Last Week	
Sunday Morning Worship	
Sunday Evening	
Wednesday Evening	19
Contribution	\$1679
Weekly Budget	\$1500

Elders		Schedule of Services	
		Sun	Bible Study 9:30 am
Harold Kilby	567-9764		Worship 10:30 am
Eddie Rose	567-4349		Evening Service 6:00 pm
Deacons			Youth Group 6:10 pm
Jason Carr	592-0791	Wed	Bible Study 7:00 pm
Jim Vogel	451-0782	Thurs	Ladies Devotional 11:00 am
Evangelist			(every other week)
Dale Rhodes	274-4717	Friday	Fellowship (EOW) 6:00pm