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**After My Departure**

## Women's Bible Study BEGINS THIS WEDNESDAY!



The title is ***Letters to the Thessalonians - Encouragement for Living in the End Times*** by Elizabeth Ficken.

*If you're interested and don't yet have your book, come this week anyway. You will gain from the discussion and be able to catch up easily.*

We meet on Wednesday mornings (come at 9:00 for fellowship – we'll begin our study at 9:30). We plan to meet for 10 sessions, ending the week before Thanksgiving.

## Senior Saints Vision Casting Lunch

For all who are  
around 50+

### September 28 after Life Groups

We plan to present opportunities for ministry, fellowship, and fun. If you have a suggestion for an event, an outing, or weekly, monthly, or quarterly gatherings, please bring it.



Good quality sandwich-making materials (and dessert) will be provided, therefore please **RSVP** to the church office or Ed.



## Salad Themed Lunch Fellowship Next Sunday



We have a lunch fellowship each month, usually on the second Sunday of the month. Please join us next Sunday for food, fellowship and a fascinating speaker after Life Groups. Our regular attendees are encouraged to bring a favorite salad dish (tuna, bean, tossed, fruit, etc.) to the kitchen before the worship service begins.



## Far Reaching Ministries

will be sharing with us a little about their work rescuing the persecuted around the world. You'll be amazed and inspired by this organization and its reach.

## Azinger Family Compassion Center

September 9

*A Service Opportunity*

You're invited to serve at the **Azinger Family Compassion Center** in Palmetto with us this Tuesday, Sept. 9. We'd love to have you join us!

***If you're interested in helping this month, please talk to Suzanne Farrar (850-980-4472) for more information. It helps if she can let the center know how many volunteers to plan for. Thank you!***

## CPF Calendar

### Sunday, September 7

- 9:00 am Worship
- 9:00 am Children's Church (4-9 years old)
- 10:30 am Life Groups

### Tuesday, September 9

- 8:45 am Azinger Center (see left)
- 4:00 pm Council Meeting

### Wednesday, September 10

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study (see back)
- 9:00 am Women's Wed. Bible Study (see back)
- 6:00 pm Wed. Night Supper (*donations appreciated*)
- 6:45 pm **WNB** Family Night

### Thursday, September 11

- 9:30 am Prayer Circle (see back)
- 7:00 pm Payne Life Group (see back)

### Sunday, September 14

- 9:00 am Worship
- 9:00 am Children's Church (4-9 years old)
- 10:30 am Life Groups
- 11:45 am Fellowship Luncheon with speaker

## How to Reach Us

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Everyone Invited  
to Join Youth & Families in  
Sandpiper Outreach  
September 27



More information coming soon. Mark your calendars as we check on the people we helped following last year's storms. Talk to a Youth leader for details.



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**Children's Church** (ages 4-9)  
dismisses from the sanctuary  
following the music portion of the worship service.

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## CPF Adult Life Groups Meeting Weekly

Day	Time	Topic/Group	Leader/Contact	Location
Sun	10:30 am	<i>Proverbs</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	<i>Hebrews</i>	David Moss	Basement
	10:30 am	<i>Faith Class</i> (Women's Group)	Jill Hutsko	Room 1
	10:30 am	<i>1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel</i>	Steve Pettit	Room 7
Wed	7:00 am	<i>Hebrews</i> (Men's Group)	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
	9:00 am	<i>Thessalonians</i> (Women's Group)	Sue DeForest	Room 1
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle ( <i>Hope Seeds</i> follows)	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	<i>Philippians</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg. Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg.  
"Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage.

Several other groups meet **monthly** or **bi-weekly**.  
**Please check our calendar on the website for information about those groups.**

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**GIVING INFORMATION:** Our Donation Containers are just inside the doors leading to the lobby  
You may also give online at our website or use our giving app: **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement**, available  
from your mobile app store (QR code at right).

**Giving Note:**

The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority.  
However, in accordance with IRS/governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all donations.



# After My Departure

9/7/25

2 Peter 1:3-15



# Sharing in the Divine Nature

How to share in the divine nature

**2 Peter 1:3** seeing that **His divine power**

has granted to us **everything pertaining to life and godliness,**

through **the true knowledge of Him** who called us by His own glory and excellence.

<sup>4</sup> For by these He has granted to us His **precious and magnificent promises,** so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

The Qualities of the divine nature

<sup>5</sup> Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply **moral excellence,**

and in *your* moral excellence, **knowledge,**

<sup>6</sup> and in *your* knowledge, **self-control,**

and in *your* self-control, **perseverance,**

and in *your* perseverance, **godliness,**

<sup>7</sup> and in *your* godliness, **brotherly kindness,**

and in *your* brotherly kindness, **love.**

The Benefits of the divine nature

<sup>8</sup> For if these *qualities* are yours and are increasing, **they render you neither useless nor unfruitful** in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> For he who lacks these *qualities* is blind *or* short-sighted, having forgotten *his* purification from his former sins.

<sup>10</sup> Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make **certain about His calling and choosing you;** for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble;

<sup>11</sup> for in this way **the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.**

# After My Departure

## How to prepare to depart

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, I will always be ready to **remind you of these things**, even though you *already* know *them*, and have been established in the truth which is present with *you*.

<sup>13</sup> I consider it right, as long as I am in this *earthly* dwelling, to **stir you up** by way of reminder, <sup>14</sup> knowing that the laying aside of my *earthly* dwelling is imminent, as also our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me.

<sup>15</sup> And I will also be diligent that at any time after my departure **you will be able to call these things to mind**.

## Why point those we leave to the prophetic word

<sup>16</sup> For we did not follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty. <sup>17</sup> For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, such an utterance as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased"— <sup>18</sup> and we ourselves heard this utterance made from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

<sup>19</sup> **So we have the prophetic word *made more sure***, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts.

<sup>20</sup> But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is *a matter* of one's own interpretation, <sup>21</sup> for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

**Matthew 5:17** “Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup> For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished.

<sup>19</sup> Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others *to do* the same, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches *them*, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

**2 Timothy 3:10** Now you followed my teaching, conduct, purpose, faith, patience, love, perseverance, <sup>11</sup> persecutions, *and* sufferings, such as happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium *and* at Lystra; what persecutions I endured, and out of them all the Lord rescued me! <sup>12</sup> Indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. <sup>13</sup> But evil men and impostors will proceed *from bad* to worse, deceiving and being deceived. <sup>14</sup> You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned *them*, <sup>15</sup> and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

<sup>16</sup> All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; <sup>17</sup> so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.