# The Keavy Encourager

(July 6 2025)

1 Thessalonians 5:14 (GW)-We encourage you, brothers and sisters, to instruct those who are not living right, cheer up those who are discouraged, help the weak, and be patient with everyone.

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#### WELCOME TO THE KEAVY CHURCH OF CHRIST!

- Visitors: Please fill out a visitor card and grab a Visitor Welcome Kit!
- Communion is available in the front of the building on the table.
- Our website is: www.keavychurchofchrist.com, and our email address is <a href="mailto:keavychurchofchrist@outlook.com">keavychurchofchrist@outlook.com</a> Please share this information with your family, friends, and social media pages!
- If you would like to be subscribed to brother Mark Tabata's email list (for weekday devotionals and other Bible and Bible related studies), please let him know your email address.

### **July Prayer List**

Kurt And Joanne Martin, Sanders Family, Eddie Craft (Cancer), Jimmy Brooks (Tammy's cousin, cancer), Kathy Mingus (Cancer), Anne Baker (Cancer), Larry and Sandi Tabata, Bill and Mary Ruth Browning, David and Ivy Mosley, Molly And Ebb Baker, Margie Turner (Hospice), Jake Robbins (Cancer), Coy Gilliam (Cancer), Roger and Sandra Frazier & Family, Carman Carroll, Bessie Young, Nathan & Patty McDaniel, Edward Young Sr., Ed Young, Mike Clayton (Liver Transplant), Corbin Pennington Junior (Chemotherapy), Larry & Rosetta Short (Sister Marlene's Brother & Sister In Law), John Reeder (Cancer), Harmony Mullins, Mike Gill (Cancer), Claude Humphrey (Cancer), Cheryl Moore (Kin T Ellen Colwell), Felicity Lanham (Cancer), Diane Duke, Chris Holt (Friend Of Brother Mark), Piere Daigel (Cancer), Samantha Collins, Debbie Powell (Recuperating), Jerry Napier, Shirley Farley, Fred Morris, Anabelle (Granddaughter of Donnie and Debbie Powell), Bob Jones, James Smith And Family, Tambra Hicks And Family, People In Ukraine, Wayne Dockery, Debbie McDaniel, Earnie Baker (Phyllis Sanders Brother In Law), Ronnie Griffin (Breathing Problems Paul Matney's Brother In Law), Charlie (Marlene's Friend), Leon Mullins Family (Lost Loved Ones), Gracie Gregory (friend of Phyllis Sanders), Debbie Slone (Gary Fleming's sister in law with Covid), James Theverakan, George Theverakan, Kyle Davis And Family, Tornado Survivors, Vanessa Fleming (ER recently), Chris Broughton Family (Lost Loved Ones), Zoey Taylor (New Christian), Kylie Taylor (New Christian), Gene Williams (New Christian), Pattie's friend Haley, Sister Marlene's aunt in Florida in serious condition, Bill Browning, Sherrie Goodwin (Kyle Davis Grandmother In Hospital), Barbourville Work, Beverly

Jones, Daniel Parks, Kathy Sears, Tim Williams And Family, Jimmy Turner (Friend Of Tim Williams), Jodi Bargo (Recuperating From Back Surgery), Courtney Watkins

#### If Baptism Is Not Essential...

(Jeff Abrams)

—Why did the Ethiopian eunuch command the chariot to stop?

"Now as they went down the road, they came to some water.

And the eunuch said, 'See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?' ... So he commanded the chariot to stand still.

And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him."

— Acts 8:36–38

—Why was the very first thing Saul (later Paul) did after regaining his sight...to be baptized—even before eating or drinking after three days of blindness and fasting?

"Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized. So when he had received food, he was strengthened."

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— Acts 9:18–19

—Why did 3,000 people choose to be baptized on the Day of Pentecost after hearing the first gospel sermon?

"Then Peter said to them, 'Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins...'

... Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them."

— Acts 2:38, 41

—Why did a severely beaten Paul and Silas baptize a jailer and his entire household after midnight? Why the urgency?

"And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized."

— Acts 16:33

—Why did Peter plainly declare that baptism is part of what saves us?

"There is also an antitype which now saves us—baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus

<u>Christ."</u>
— 1 Peter 3:21

—Why did Jesus tell Nicodemus that being born again—of water and the Spirit—is absolutely necessary to enter the kingdom of God?

"Jesus answered, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of

God."

— John 3:5

—Why did Ananias say to Saul, "Why are you waiting?" if baptism is not essential?

"And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord."

— Acts 22:16

If Baptism Isn't Essential—Then Why... All of This?

In Scripture, baptism is never treated as an optional symbol or delayed ritual. It is urgent, immediate, and directly tied to salvation...

What the thief on the cross did or did not do—or what Noah did or did not do—or what Abraham did or did not do—to be saved —is in no way related to what we must do to be saved.

Different laws = different requirements.

The Magna Carta, Articles of Confederation, The Constitution...

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To know God's Will on a subject—especially on something as important as our eternal salvation—read everything the Bible says about it—reject any previously held beliefs—even those held by dearly loved friends, family, preachers—that contradict the Word that will judge us all one glorious day.

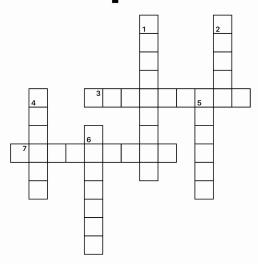
- Vacation Bible School (VBS) starts next Sunday! Please make plans to attend, bring your children and grandchildren, and invite friends and neighbors!
- Brother Pierre Daigel had surgery and is recovering at Corbin Baptist.
- Regularly Scheduled Events; Sunday Bible Class All Ages (Every Sunday @ 10:00); Sunday Worship (Every Sunday @ 11:00 AM And 5:00 PM); Wednesday Evening Bible Class All Ages (Every Wednesday @ 5:00); Keavy Ladies And Supportive Saints (K.LA.S.S. Every First Sunday Of The Month After Evening Service); Keavy Support Group (Every Tuesday @ 6:00); Adult Night (Every Second And Fourth Friday @ 6:000); Youth Group Night (Every First Thursday @ 6:00); Homeless Ministry At Good Samaritan House In London (Every Wednesday From 7-9 and Sunday Evenings @ 7:00)); Nursing Home Ministry (Every Third Thursday @ 6:00); Keavy Fellowship Meal (Every Last Sunday of The Month After Morning Service)

#### **Bible Class And Sermon Notes**

Sunday A.M.. Lesson: Seven Facts About The Man Of Sin (2 Thessalonians 2:3-12)

Sunday P.M.: Why Would I Want To Be A Member Of The Church Of Christ? (Ephesians 4-6)

## **Crossword Maker Omniglot Al Baptism**



5. The Man From

6. And Now Why

Are You Waiting?

Arise And Be

Away Your Sins

On The Name Of The Lord (Acts

22:16) (7)

#### **Down**

#### 1. Go therefore and Ethiopia (Acts make\_ of 8:27) (6) all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Baptized And Wash Spirit, (Matthew 28:19)) (9)

2. Baptism Does This (1 Peter 3:21)

4. Much Water There (John 3:23) (6)

#### **Across**

3. He Who	And
Is Baptized	Will Be Saved (Mark
16:16) (9)	
7. And he _	
them to be	baptized in the name of
the Lord. (9	9)

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