

Take Refuge in the LORD

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We're all worn out by the violence. One news account after another of senseless death and destruction hits us before we've worked our way through the last one. Our hearts break for the people experiencing it up close and personal. Our minds puzzle over the people who perpetrate it. Insecurity creeps in. Could someone run over us or our loved ones on purpose with a truck? Could our fun getaway be interrupted by gunfire? Could someone invade our peaceful place of worship with murderous intent?

If the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do? Psalm 11 answers...

In the LORD I take refuge; how can you say to my soul,

*"Flee like a bird to your mountain,
for behold, the wicked bend the bow;
they have fitted their arrow to the string
to shoot in the dark at the upright in
heart;*

*if the foundations are destroyed,
what can the righteous do?"*

*The LORD is in his holy temple;
the LORD's throne is in heaven;
his eyes see, his eyelids test the children
of man.*

*The LORD tests the righteous,
but his soul hates the wicked and the one
who loves violence.*

*Let him rain coals on the wicked;
fire and sulfur and a scorching wind shall
be the portion of their cup.*

*For the LORD is righteous;
he loves righteous deeds;
the upright shall behold his face.*

David suffered the terror of madmen. He was no coward. Voices of despair urged him to run away, to flee like a bird to a mountain. But he would not shirk his responsibilities, nor would he forsake his trust in the LORD.

Our culture suffers the consequences of a sustained campaign against the value of human life. The glorification of self-absorption has distracted us from the real needs of others. Murder of the most helpless has been sanctioned in the highest reaches of human government. People have mindlessly and even eagerly been entertained by bloodshed on the big screen and in the virtual world. It has come home to roost in our society and especially in the minds of deranged men. The one who has been a murderer from the beginning (John 8:44) seems to be having his way.

God is not pulling the strings. People are not puppets. To the core of his being he hates the wicked and the one who loves violence; he will make sure the havoc they wreak revisits them for eternity. Meanwhile, he can use the trials to fine tune faith. God longs for the upright to behold his face; they will.

Where is God while the foundations are crumbling? The LORD is in his holy temple, on his throne in heaven. The end of the news report is not the end of the story. Take refuge in the LORD.

Danny Boggs



Pam Babb, Betty Ball, Jack Brodie, John Burlingame, Joyce Clarkson, Angela Collett, Pete Conrow, Ed Cornell, Lee Crabtree, Tim Dawkins, Mary Jane Flint, Joe and Teresa Freund, Phyllis Goins, Faye Haught, May Hill, Wilma Hill, Rick Hyder, Doris Jones, Guy Lewis, Chester Lyons, Max Naramore, Price Naramore, Ron Naramore, Pat Risley, Mark Strohl, Helen Swem, Corin Thomlinson, Bobbie Tuggle, Margaret Wald, Ruth Ann Wilson, Treva Wolgamott, Velda Wood, Sue York.

- Dale Privett had his pacemaker battery replaced Monday.
- Bob Murray a spent a night in the hospital for observation over the weekend.

Hillcrest family, Thank you for all your prayers, cards, food and all the extra special things you have done for us.
We love you!
Troy and Pat

Hillcrest family, Thank you all for the words of encouragement and beautiful cards after Charles' death. Also thank you to the many women who prepared food for the dinner—it was so nice! We love you all!
The Collinsworth family

Thanks to each of you who showed such kindness by way of cards, visits, prayers, and food. It sure helped me while I was cooped up. It looks like I will still be limited for another two months unfortunately. I love being part of this family.
Rick Hyder

Men's BBQ Night: Next Tuesday, November 14, at Hog Tide BBQ in Aurora. The van will leave at 6:00.



This Sunday's Sermons:

- A.M. *We Remember* (Danny Boggs)
- P.M. *Jesus Goes to Camp* (Danny Boggs)



every **ONE** counts!

Thanks to everyone for giving an extra dollar on Sundays to help someone in need. This last giving has helped a local family whose young son had a recent stroke.

Devo and Donuts! Children in 5th-12th grades are invited to devo and donuts every Tuesday at 7 a.m. in the new fellowship building. 

Free Wednesday night dinner for college students and young adults at 6 p.m. in the new fellowship building! Come enjoy good food and company. Bring friends!

- Women's Events (see the bulletin board for details):**
- Bible study at Amanda Flint's home at 7 p.m. This Thursday.
 - Ladies' day at Coffeyville with Nova Hicks November 11.

The Neosho Christian School Labor of Love auction and hog roast will begin at 5:00 this Saturday, at the Civic. If you can donate items or services for the auction, please contact the school. There is still help needed to provide a full year tuition to be auctioned off. Come enjoy a good time for a good cause!



Ladies' sewing/knitting/crocheting night is every Tuesday throughout the year in the old fellowship room. Come join us at 3:30 and stay til the last person leaves!

Demolition Day: Saturday, November 18, at 8 a.m. Bring sledge hammers and other tools of destruction to help gut the girls' bathhouse at GVBC in preparation for renovations.

Please note: Please be considerate of people who need to be picked up at the front door after services; do not park directly in front of the doors.

Holiday Dinner: Our annual holiday dinner will be at 6:30 Friday, November 17, in the fellowship hall. The menu is planned. Please return an rsvp by this Sunday with the number in your family who will attend and the food you will bring. See Heather Cobb to be a part of the talent show.

PRAYER LEADERS

Sunday, November 12

- AM Opening: Tony Flint
- AM Closing: Glen Honeycutt
- PM Opening: Stuart Anderson
- PM Closing: Joe McLain

Wednesday, November 15

- Opening: Kaden Kiing
- Closing: Chandler Marks

RECORDS	11-05-17	10-06-16
Bible Study	161	152
AM Worship	223	205
PM Worship	128	103
Wednesday	137	114
Contribution	\$9,602.03	\$8,320.60
Budget	\$7,630.58	\$7,075.67