

God’s Green Thumb

Some people seem to have a “green thumb.” They can take a struggling plant, give it a little water, sunlight, pruning, and attention, and before long it begins to flourish. Others of us can take a perfectly healthy plant and somehow turn it into a memorial! Thankfully, when it comes to our spiritual lives, God has the ultimate green thumb.

Throughout Scripture, God uses the imagery of planting and growing to describe what He wants to accomplish in us. In 1 Corinthians 3:6, Paul wrote, “I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.” Paul understood something we sometimes forget, real spiritual growth ultimately comes from God. We participate in the process. We study His Word. We pray. We worship. We serve. We encourage one another. But God is the One working through His Word and His people to transform us.

Every healthy plant begins with a seed. Jesus explained in the parable of the sower, “The seed is the word of God”(Luke 8:11). God's Word contains everything necessary for spiritual life and growth. But a bag of seed sitting on a shelf will never produce a garden. The seed must get into the soil. The same is true of Scripture. Owning a Bible is not enough. Bringing it to worship is not enough. God's Word must be planted deeply within our hearts.

Further, a good gardener doesn't just water plants, sometimes he cuts them (John 15:2). Pruning isn't punishment for being unproductive. In John 15, Jesus says the branch is already bearing fruit. God prunes fruitful branches so they can become even more fruitful. Sometimes God uses correction from His Word. Sometimes He uses another Christian who loves us enough to challenge us. Sometimes difficult circumstances expose attitudes, habits, or priorities that need to change. Pruning may be uncomfortable, but God's purpose is growth.

No gardener plants tomatoes hoping only to grow beautiful tomato plants. Eventually, he wants tomatoes! God desires fruit from our lives too. Jesus said, “By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples” (John 15:8)

What does that fruit look like? It looks like love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23). It looks like serving others, sharing our faith, forgiving people, controlling our words, helping those in need, and becoming increasingly like Jesus. The goal of Christianity isn't simply to know more about Jesus. The goal is to become more like Jesus. So don’t give up on what God is growing.

If you need a prayer request Added, updated, or removed, please use the back of the welcome card and place the card in the collection plate. Or, you may email “request to pgr@tampabay.rr.com” or text 352-601-7306.

PGR Family Prayer Request

Lolly Wilson -Health Concerns

Friends & Family Prayer Request

Dawn (Mark Smith’s Sister)-Fighting Cancer,
Ruth Wilson (Jeff Wilsons Mother)-Hospice Care-Pray for Jeff & the Family,
Carlos Beasley (Joanne Callahans Brother in law) Spine Surgery

Ongoing Prayer Needs

Wayne & Shelby Jordan, Joy West, Margaret Gay, Tonyia Johnson’s Father, India Mission, Polly Fernandez (Hoover), LuAnn Sweet (Theado), Sue Wolf, Barbara Ramsay, Gail Wyman, Sara Everhart, Marinette Draine, Larry Tedrow (Elgin), Neil Gallery (Gallery), April DeStefano (Wyman), Beverly Turbee (Roberts), Eric & Rachel Giboney (Steele), Jamie Kita (Maitland),Shannon Flanagan (George), Steve & Kathy Hoelzer (Theado), Penny Johnson (Elgin)

Those Serving Our Country

Garret Wyman, Courtney Towels (Barnes), Jon Carroll (Roberts)



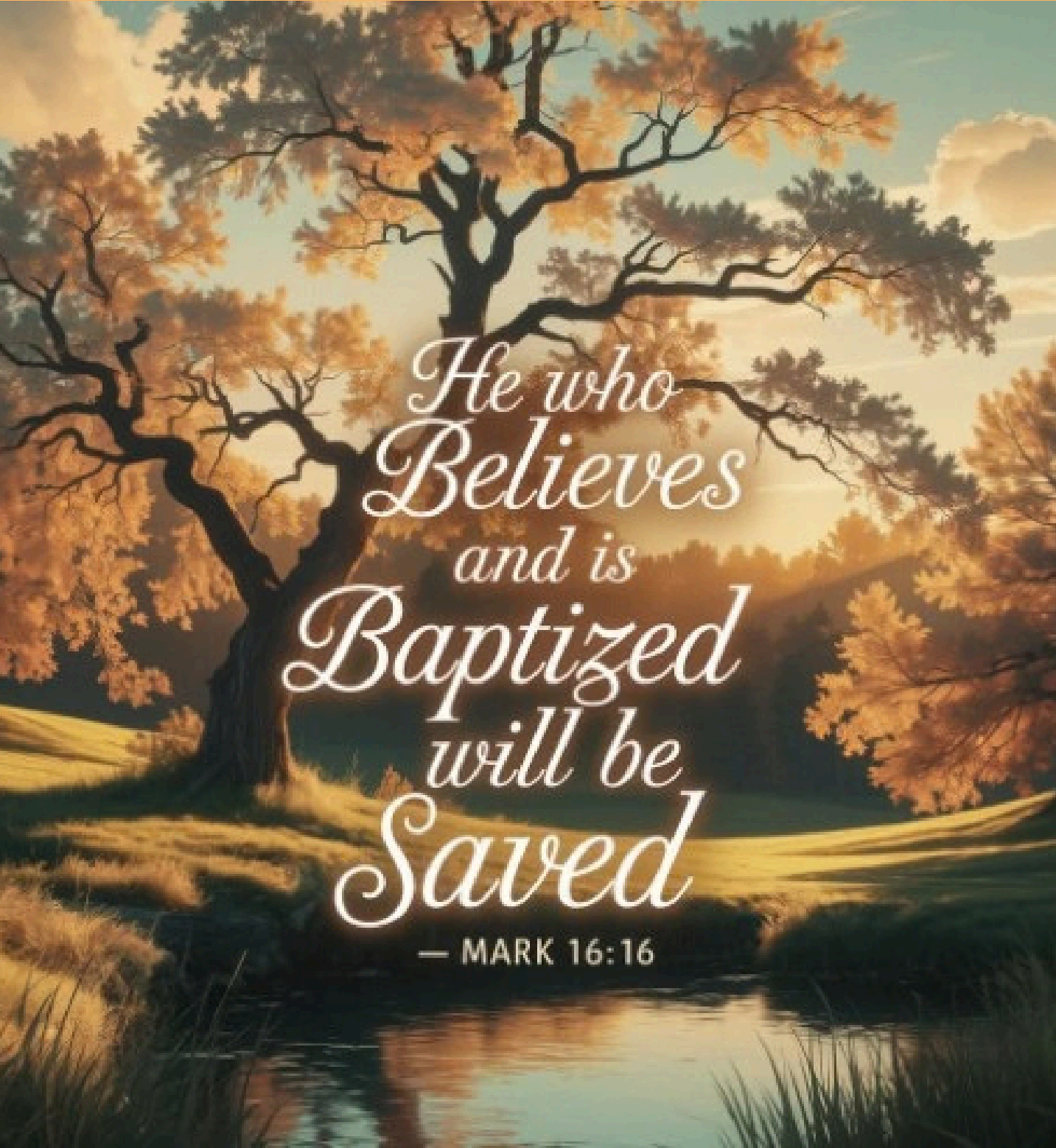
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Welcome Visitors

Good morning visitors. Thank you for being here today. We feel blessed to have this opportunity to worship with you. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor’s card. Place the card in the collection plate. You may also text “Guest at 321-231-4092.”

October 11, 2026

But Can I Know that I Am Saved?



Schedule of Services

Sunday, Bible Classes: 9:30 A.M.
Auditorium Adult Bible Class
Individual Age Groups
Children Classes

Sunday, Worship 10:30 A.M.
Wednesday, Study Bible 7:00 P.M.

Auditorium Adult Bible Class
Individual Age Groups
Children Classes

Preacher
Bill Weaver
Cell: (321) 231-4092
Office Hours: 8:30 - Noon
Tuesday - Friday

Youth Minister
Drake Rowell
Our Elders
Douglas Schneider
Mike Feeser
Brian Wyman

Our Deacons
Tommy Adkins
Charles Brinegar
JR Gallery
Ernie Lyon
Jacob Hensley

Church Secretary
Diana Roberts
352-344-9173

Email bulletin announcements to
pgr@tampabay.rr.com

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Auditorium Wi-Fi
Pleasant Grove
Using: 3523449173

Annex Wi-Fi
Pleasant Grove 3
Using: 3523449173

Announcements & Upcoming Events



An updated PGR Church of Christ Family & Friends Directory will be published the end of October.

If you are New and have not had a picture taken, or your picture says "coming soon," or your picture is in need of an update, we would love to capture your smile for this valuable resource. It's painless and only takes a few minutes .. We will be setup for pictures in the Annex following worship, Today 10/11

Note: There is a copy of the current directory with known revisions in the foyer. Please make any changes or additions needed directly on that copy.

TEENS-SAVE THE DATES: Friday, November 20th -Bonfire/Devo at Fire Pit Friday , December 11- Youth Group Holiday Party in the Annex. More details to follow

Volunteer Needed for Communion Prep for month of November See Sign Up on Bulletin Board

- UPCOMING EVENTS
- MEN WITH PURPOSE BREAKFAST 11/7
 - SINGING & CHILI COOK-OFF 11/8
 - LADS TO LEADERS ROUND UP 11/15
 - HOLIDAY OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT 12/4
 - LADIES COOKIE EXCHANGE 12/7
 - CONGREGATION HOLIDAY PARTY 12/13
- SAVE THE DATES AND JOIN US FOR FUN, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP



Last Meeting for this Year, 10/25/26 Except for the Callahan Group, they will meet 11/1/26

TRUNK OR TREAT October 24th Beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Potluck Dinner at 6:00 p.m. for anyone that wants to join us.

Cars will park in the pasture and pass out candy. You can decorate your car if you want to!

Hayride There will be a Hayride!

Family Event! Come and join us at Desnee's Barn 26245 Atlantis Lane Brooksville, Florida

Wonderful Wednesdays at PGR

10/14/26	WEDNESDAY CLASSES
"FAMILY TABLE" 6:00-6:45pm	7pm-7:45pm Children 2-12
Mojo Pulled Pork, Black Beans, Rice, Salad, Plantains, Guacamole	Interactive Learning
	Teens
	Coffee House Setting
	Adult Class
PLEASE JOIN US FOR FOOD & FELLOWSHIP	Taught by Bill Weaver Auditorium

Additional Information

Sunday Morning October 11, 2026

Greeters.....Theado/Barnes Usher.....Brian Wyman

Order of Worship

Singing.....Christian Gallery Announcements.....Mike Feeser Opening Prayer.....Brian Wyman Lord's Supper.....Danny Callahan Read John 19:23-20

Serve Bread.....Jacob Hensley Serve (Cup).....Quade Feeser Serve (Offering).....Mike Feeser Serve.....Rob Brewer Serve.....Eli Adkins Sermon.....Bill Weaver Closing Prayer.....JR Gallery

Wednesday Evening October 14, 2026

Adult Class/Devo.....Bill Weaver Singing.....David George Prayer.....Jeff Wilson

If you are unable to serve, please CALL or TEXT Ernie Lyon in advance at 407-840-9618.

Encouragement Center 2026 Theme-Faith in Action October Integrity & Christian Behavior

IF YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE NEEDING ENCOURAGEMENT OR IF YOU NEED ENCOURAGEMENT, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO MAKE USE OF THE ITEMS

Please Welcome our newest Brother in Christ, Bradley Darnell. He was Baptized into Christ 10/4/26.

Ladies Bible Study at the Annex Building every Tuesday at 10:30am taught by Barbara Barnes

Sunday Morning October 18, 2026

Greeters.....Theado/Barnes Usher.....Rob Brewer

Order of Worship

Singing.....Mike Feeser Announcements.....Mike Feeser Opening Prayer.....Jeff Wilson Lord's Supper.....Jacob Hensley Direct Thoughts

Serve Bread.....David George Serve (Cup).....Eli Weaver Serve (Offering).....Mike Hartman Serve.....James Widener Serve.....Bill Good Sermon.....Bill Weaver Closing Prayer.....Larry Steele

Wednesday Evening October 21, 2026

Adult Class/Devo.....Bill Weaver Singing.....JR Gallery Prayer.....Jacob Hensley

Lads to Leaders Round-Up 11/15/26

This will be for interested families with Children from kindergarten age to college age. Also any adult interested in potentially being a mentor. If you would like to find out more about the opportunities to be involved with this program, please join us after Worship on 11/15 in the annex. Lunch will be served. Any questions about the program can be directed to Brian or Heather Wyman



October Birthdays

Sue Reed (11) Jacob Hensley (15) Makynlee Hill (19) Sheila Renfro (29) Brad Watt (31)

October Anniversaries

Philip & Sherry Maynard (13) Jeff & Lolly Wilson (16) Wayne & Shelby Jordan ((28)

November Birthdays

Rebecah Johnson (1) Bradley Darnell (4) Sherry Maynard (7) Ada Johnson (7) Desnee Elgin (20) Britni Adams (21) Nan Feeser (22) Deb VanZant (22) Joanne Callahan (23) Zac Cushing (27)

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For the Record 10/4/26

Budget.....\$4,470 Contribution.....\$4,359 Attendance.....127

PGR Missions Central Florida Bible Camp Footprints Project Inda Mission