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MISSION: Encourage spiritual growth and nurture God's children to take care of self, community, and the world through Christian Education, Radical Hospitality, Authentic Praise and Worship, and Service.

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Don't put a "But" where God has an "And"

Numbers 13:26-28

"26They came back to Moses and Aaron and the whole Israelite community at Kadesh in the Desert of Paran. There they reported to them and to the whole assembly and showed them the fruit of the land. 27They gave Moses this account: 'We went into the land to which you sent us, and it does flow with

milk and honey! Here is its fruit. 28But the people who live there are powerful, and the cities are fortified and very large. We even saw descendants of Anak there . "

Joshua, Caleb and a few scouts went into the land of Hebron where the descendants of the Anak lived to scout the land to possess. This land was filled with milk and honey and the scouts even brought back evidence of what they saw since they didn't have camera phones to take a picture. They brought back a cluster of grapes, figs, and pomegranates that was so big that it took two men to carry it on a pole.

The problem is that they looked at how big Anak's de-

scendants were and decided that they could not possess the land. Only Caleb and Joshua understood that nothing is impossible with God. Caleb said in Numbers 13:26, "We should go up and take possession of the land for we can certainly do it."

As the Bible account goes, none of the others saw the promised land, but Moses looked over into it and Joshua and Caleb actually went into it.

What is it that God is showing you to do that seems impossible? Are you walking by faith or by sight?

Nothing is impossible with God. Don't put a "but" where God has put an "and". Possess the land!

May God bless you!



Rev. Dr. Charles F. Marshall, III



Virtual Worship on

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Church In Study

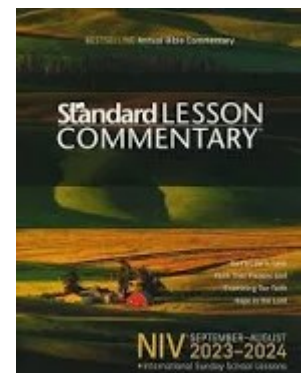
Some have asked about Bible study. We continue to meet virtually each week at 7:00 EST. Some are joining using their cell phones, some use tablets, and others use their computers. It doesn't matter. We start promptly at 7:00 pm and end at 8:00 pm.

Our lessons are published on the church's website (www.fountainofhopechristianchurch.com) and we send the lessons out to those committed to the class.

If you'd like to join us **Send your name and contact information with the subject line "Church in Study" to**

Fountainofhopeatl@gmail.com.

If you want your own copy of the book, you may order from Amazon.com and most Christian Book Stores. Standard Lesson Commentary: September 2023—August 2024 by Standard Publishing.



Rediscovering the Value, Purpose, and Rewards of the Local Church in a Post-Pandemic World

The Georgia Regional Elders are coming together to education, encourage, and inspire local church elders and deacons in a one-day workshop on October 7, 2023 at Camp Christian. The needs, concerns, commitments, and contributions of congregations and our communities shifted during the pandemic. This work will help elders and deacons to reset.

Leadership

Featured Keynote Speaker:

Rev. Bill Spangler-Dunning, Regional Minister, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Virginia

Workshop Leaders:

Rev. Byron Wells, Senior Pastor, Chestnut Ridge Christian Church, Marietta (Elder Track)

Rev. Charles Marshall, Senior Pastor, Fountain of Hope Christian Church, Atlanta (Deacon Track)

Worship Leader:

Rev. Glorious McCall, retired former Minister of Children, Ray of Hope Christian Church, Decatur

Workshop Details: Register on <https://www.gadisciples.org/>

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Camp Christian Camp & Conference Center

3735 Dennard Hardy Road

Gordon, GA 30331



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Bro. Ed Vilbig
The Shankman Family
Sis. Alma Heard & Family
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Bro. William Walker
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Bro. Earl Hardeway
Sis. Pamela Hoyles
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Bro. George Lollar
Sis. Erica Denson-Klurkey
Sis. Gwen Carmen
Bro. Sam Underwood
Elder Donevan Reese
Rev. Melva Hill
Sis. Zelma Byrd
Sis. Lasandra Boyce & Family
The Dixon Family
The Cook Family
Bro. Howard Baker

Sis. Delores Trimiew
Rev. Dr. Darryl Trimiew
Rev. Thomas I Shannon
Sis. Nina Davis Oakley
Bro. Myles Thomas
Sis. Stephanie Slater & Family
Min. Donevan Reese
Min. Ted Jeans
Nikki Thornton
Bro. Calvin Croom
Sis. Kim Hoyles
Bro. Mack McFadden
Family of Rev Dr James Brewer
-Calvert
Family of Mrs. Hattie Willis

JUST LET US KNOW -

- If you need pastoral care
- If you need prayer
- If you need someone to talk to
- If you wish to be married
- If you have loved ones experiencing death
- If you are faced with any life situation

Become a Member

Becoming a member is easy. All you need to do is take the step of faith and become a part of this fellowship. Our members are located all over the world. You can be a part of this transforming ministry by simply letting one of our leaders know that you desire to be a part. We can make the necessary arrangements with you in necessary.

You may join by one of three (3) ways: Baptism, Letter, or Watch Care.

Baptism—If you never have been baptized

Letter — If you are moving membership from another church.

Watch Care—Keep your current membership, but affiliate under care while you are in

News from the Disciples of Christ

**Bible Study each week on
Wednesday at 7:00 pm.**

**Send request for URL link to
Fountainofhopeatl@gmail.com**

Sep 22-24, 2023

Disciples Women Fall Retreat

October 7, 2023

Regional Elders Retreat

October 1, 2023

Reconciliation Offering

October 12, 2023

Upgrade Thursdays—Drink of One
Spirit: Living Our Truths in Communi-
ty

Theological Institutions

Seven Disciples theological institutions educate ministers for thousands of Disciples congregations as well as for other denominations. Located in large metropolitan areas, these schools serve as theological, spiritual, and intellectual centers. Learn more about these institutions in [Learn more about these institutions from HELM](#). These institutions receive denominational support through [Disciples Mission Fund](#) and the [Thanksgiving Special Day Offering](#).

- [Brite Divinity School](#)
- [Christian Theological Seminary](#)
- [Disciples Divinity House of the University of Chicago](#)
- [Disciples Divinity House at Vanderbilt University](#)
- [Disciples Seminary Foundation](#)
- [Lexington Theological Seminary](#)
- [Phillips Theological Seminary](#)



For other Disciples' schools and education opportunities see:

<https://disciples.org/higher-education/>

RECYCLING KEY

PETE Polyethylene terephthalate		Water bottles Soda bottles Food packaging	LDPE Low-density polyethylene		Clothing Furniture Grocery bags
HDPE High-density polyethylene		Cereal box liners Milk jugs Yogurt tubs	PP Polypropylene		Yogurt containers Beverage caps Straws
V Vinyl or Polyvinyl chloride		Clear food packaging Cleaning product bottles Cooking oil bottles	PS Polystyrene		Disposable dishes Carry-out containers Egg cartons

Easier to recycle (1, 2)

More Difficult to Recycle (3,4, 5, & 6)

Check with your local recycling company

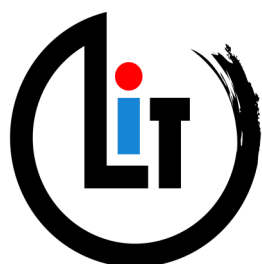


Mission of Hope

We are seeking students who have a desire to improve their condition and to be all that God has created them to be. In this program, we would like to help assist youth leaders, teachers, mentors, and other in providing programs such as the following:

College Tours • African Heritage Tours • Leadership Development Experiences • Career Development

OBJECTIVE: *Provide hope enriching opportunities for the development of youth as future citizens, leaders, and support the development of meaningful personal goals.*



LEARN ■ INTERACT ■ TRAIN

- Students will have the opportunity to hear and speak with persons in various careers who will share paths to these careers.
- Students will have opportunity to speak to vocational and technical school admission professionals.
- Students and parents will have the opportunity to speak with professionals who can help finance their education.
- Opportunity for Students to earn while learning and leave with a career
- Students will have the opportunity to sign for college

Rev. Dr. Bell has been called to a new assignment at Lexington Theological Seminary and will be leaving the Christian Church in Georgia, effective July 31, 2023. We thank Rev. Dr. Bell for nine years of shared ministry! We honor her work, dedication, and heart for ministry. Let us continue to keep her prayer as she goes forward in her new ministry.



<https://fountainofhopechristianchurch.com/christian-education/>

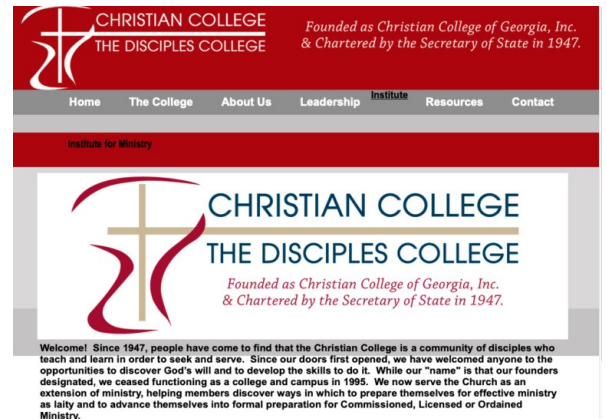


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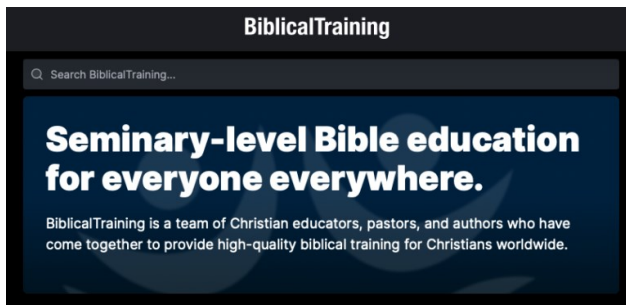
Online Lectures

Communities

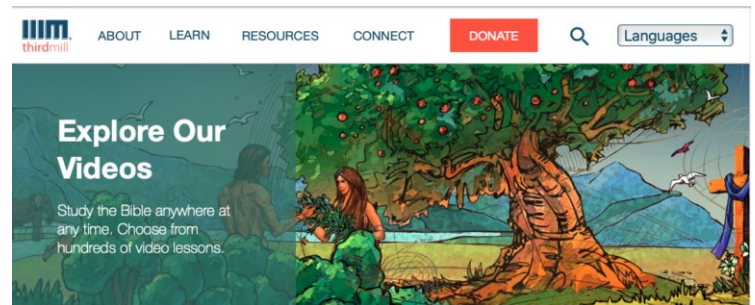
<https://www.transformingthechurch.org>



<http://www.thedisciplescollege.org>



<https://www.biblicaltraining.org>

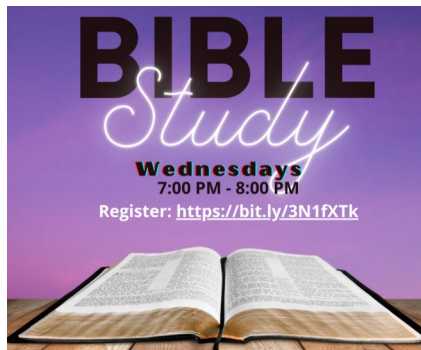


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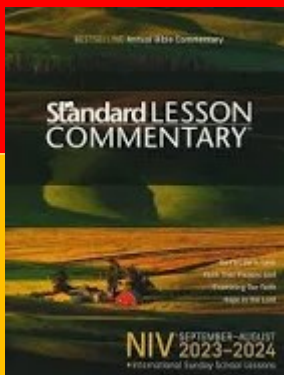


Fountain of Hope Christian Church *Virtual* Bible Study - Join Us

Event Brite Or www.fountainofhopechristianchurch.com

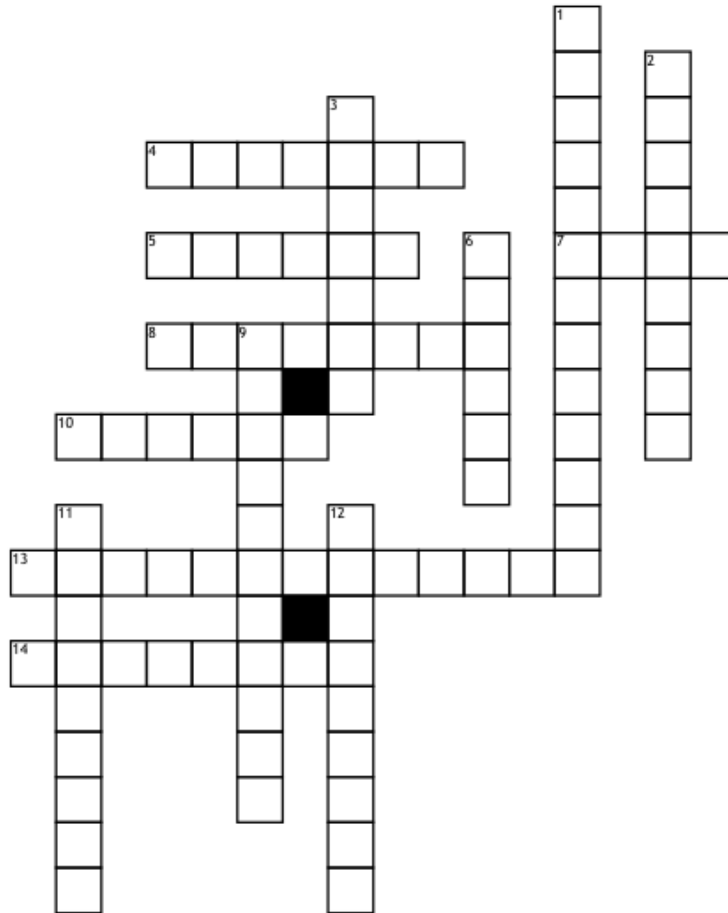


Date	Lesson	Devotional	Background
8/30/23	Jesus Confronts Hypocrisy	1 Samuel 15:19-23	Luke 11:37-44
9/6/23	Jesus Silences Critics	Hebrews 4:1-10	Luke 14:1-6
9/13/23	Jesus Glorifies God	Psalms 119:113-128	John 7:14-24
9/20/23	Jesus Prevents Two Stonings	Matthew 7:1-5	John 8:1-11; 56-59
9/27/23	Inward and Outward	Ezekiel 36:25-30	Roman 2:12-24; 28-29
10/4/23	Old and New	Jeremiah 7:1-15	Romans 7:1-12
10/11/23	Works and Faith	Galatians 2:1-10	Galatians 2:11-21
10/18/23	Spirit and Flesh	Ephesians 1:3-14	Galatians 3:1-14
10/25/23	Freedom as an Heir	Genesis 12:1-9	Galatians 3:23-4:7
11/1/23	Freedom from Expectations	Acts 17:22-34	Acts 15:1-11
11/8/23	Freedom to Love	Matthew 22:34-40	Romans 13:8-10; I Corinthians 13:8-13
11/15/23	Freedom from the World	Leviticus 25:8-17	Colossians 2:16-23
11/22/23	Freedom to Edify	James 1:19-27	1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1
11/29/23	The Faith of Ruth	Acts 10:34-38	Ruth 1, 4:13-22



Find the words this puzzle:

66 books of the Bible



Across

- 4. Talks about the covenant
- 5. Judges
- 7. Ruth
- 8. 2nd kings
- 10. The birth of Moses
- 13. 1st chronicles

Down

- 1. 2nd chronicles
- 2. Book of law
- 3. The story of creation
- 6. Joshua
- 9. Deuteronomy

- 11. 1st Samuel
- 12. 2nd Samuel

Word Bank

Genesis	Exodus	Leviticus	Numbers	Deuteronomy
Joshua	Judges	Ruth	1st Samuel	2nd Samuel
1st kings	2nd kings	1st chronicles	2nd chronicles	

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Founded in 2008 in the basement of a flower shop, Fountain of Hope Christian Church has actively done ministry around the world. Along with worship, bible study, our missions and ministry includes providing shoes for thousands of people around the world, clothing the homeless, nurture for battered women's shelters, pastoral care to nursing homes and incarcerated youth, environmental justice, advocacy, and much more. It is possible by the Grace of God who encourages people around the world to sow seeds into this ministry.



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