

# THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

*"...ye should earnestly contend for the faith..."* (Jude 3)  
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### **ELDERS**

Richard Price  
Kevin Smith  
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Johnny Downs  
Josh Fulcher  
Josh Price  
Wesley Tucker

### **PREACHER**

Luke Puckett

### **SUNDAY SERVICE**

Bible Class: 9:30  
AM Worship: 10:15  
PM Worship: 1:00

### **WEDNESDAY**

Bible Class: 7:00pm

### **LADIES CLASS**

Tuesday: 10:00am

## **A Message To Our Visitors**

It is our privilege to have you visiting with us today. Please know that you are our honored guest. Please let us get to know you, and fill out an attendance card so we can have record of you being here. Please return to be with us again at your earliest opportunity. If you have questions or would like to study the Bible with us, please let us know. Thanks again for visiting with us, and may God continue to bless you according to His divine purpose.

## **THOSE TO SERVE**

### **Announcements:**

Richard Price

### **Lead Singing:**

Mitchell Smith

### **Opening Prayer:**

Andy Johnson

### **Scripture Reading:**

Kyle Hobbs

### **Lord's Table**

Josh Fulcher  
Mitchell Smith  
Andy Johnson  
Kyle Hobbs

### **Closing Prayer:**

Hyland Darnell

### **Greeters (East)**

Helen and Peggy B

### **Greeters (West)**

Ima and Milodean

## **LESSONS**

**AM:** Farther Along

**Scripture reading:**

2Corinthians 4:15-18

**PM:** Relevancy of  
God's Revelation

**Scripture reading:**

2Timothy 3:16-17

# PASS IT FORWARD

By: Jonnie Hutchison

“**Pass it forward**” is a program which consists of doing random acts of kindness for a family member, a friend or a complete stranger. When one completes his/her act of kindness he or she then passes a card to the recipient to encourage them to do the same, thus passing kindness forward. The purpose is “to make a positive difference in the other persons’ life” which will have “a profound effect on both the giver and receiver.”

Kindness is to be characteristic of the child of God. Jesus taught, *“But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful”* (Luke 6:35-36). In extending kindness toward others Christians imitate the mercy of their heavenly Father. One of the characteristics of love is that it *“suffers long and is kind”* (1 Corinthians 13:4). Inspiration instructs the child of God, *“And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you”* (Ephesians 4:32). It is obvious that our God has had a program of passing kindness forward for a long time.

One of the greatest gifts of kindness that we can pass forward is the knowledge of divine truth. It is the knowledge of truth that creates faith (Romans 10:17) which leads to salvation (Ephesians 2:8). As a matter of fact there are specific instructions regarding the necessity of “passing forward” God’s Word. *“And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also”* (2 Timothy 2:2). Having learned the truth and being a recipient of the remission of our sins

through the blood of Jesus should create within us a desire to “pass it forward” to others. There is no greater act of kindness that we can show to others than to help them to learn and obey the Word of God that saves their souls and results in the hope of eternal life in heaven (James 1:21). Such will have a “profound effect on both the giver and the receiver!” And, there can be no more positive difference made in a person’s life than to cease being a servant of sin and becoming a faithful servant of the Lord.

**Pass it forward** by inviting your relatives, friends, and strangers to attend Bible classes and worship services. **Pass it forward** by asking others to study the Bible with you one on one. **Pass it forward** by handing someone a DVD or tract which teaches God’s plan of salvation. **Pass it forward** by setting an example of faithfulness in your own life. **Pass it forward** by doing deeds of kindness toward those who are in need. **Pass it forward** by accompanying your children to every Bible class and worship service. **Pass it forward** by giving God the glory for every act of kindness done. **Pass it forward** by handing someone a copy of this bulletin when you are finished reading it. Regardless of our abilities there are opportunities for us to **pass it forward** so that souls may be saved!

—Via the Green Plain Proclaimer

## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

⇒ Addison Fulcher (8th)

## **Announcements**

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** John
- ⇒ **Team workgroup:** Team 1 meets today
- ⇒ **Area events:** Please see bulletin board for more info. Several meetings, singings, and Bible schools are coming up in our area.
- ⇒ **New Personal invitation handouts** are available . Please make sure to take some and handout or leave with a tip, and invite someone to our service!
- ⇒ **Monthly Men's Class:** Tuesday, Oct 11th at 6:30pm here at the building.
- ⇒ **Chili Supper:** Oct 15th at Kevin and Tammy's house
- ⇒ **Gospel Meeting:** Oct 16-19 with Eddy Craft
- ⇒ **Singing and Fellowship:** Oct 22 at 6:00
- ⇒ **5Th Sunday Potluck and singing:** Oct 30th
- ⇒ **Visit:** Almo on Oct 30th. They start at 6
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Jelly

## **Prayer/Sick List**

- ⇒ Hazel Brandon
- ⇒ Mae Downs
- ⇒ Johnny Downs
- ⇒ Linda Jones (recovering from surgery)
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell
- ⇒ Shirley Rule
- ⇒ Phyllis Furgerson (recovering from knee replacement)
- ⇒ Vicki Wilson (having test run)
- ⇒ Virgil Hale
- ⇒ Kim Scott (Has cancer, she has started treatments)
- ⇒ Paul Brandon (Hazel's brother in-law)
- ⇒ Debbie Smith (Kevin's sister-in-law-cancer)
- ⇒ Greg Black (Kathy Black's son)
- ⇒ Larry Pea (Cousin of Judy Black, has cancer)
- ⇒ Loretta Haley (cancer)
- ⇒ Billy Irvan
- ⇒ Debbie Edwards
- ⇒ Trudy Smith
- ⇒ James McAbee
- ⇒ Derek Adams (Richard Adams' grandson, has leukemia)
- ⇒ Lashell Jones
- ⇒ Michael Inman (Tonya Jones' stepdad)
- ⇒ Caleb Teasly (Kevin's cousin's son)
- ⇒ Bob Austin (having tests run for issues with his lungs)
- ⇒ Romona White (Mitchell's roommate's mother has cancer)
- ⇒ Continue to remember all those who have lost loved ones this year

## **WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?**

Hear the Word  
*(Rom 10:17)*

Believe the Word  
*(John 8:24)*

Repent  
*(Luke 13:3)*

Confess Christ  
*(Rom 10:10)*  
*(Acts 8:37)*

Be Baptized  
*(Acts 2:38)*  
*(Acts 22:16)*

Remain Faithful  
*(Rev 2:10)*  
*(Acts 8:12-24)*

Heaven can be your  
home if you obey God!  
*(Heb 5:8-9)*

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You will find bulletins,  
sermon outlines, and  
other helpful links and  
material.



## MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

John 1:1-2 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.  
(2) He was in the beginning with God.

## GREEK WORD OF THE WEEK

**Word:** theos (θεός)

**Pronounced:** theh'-os

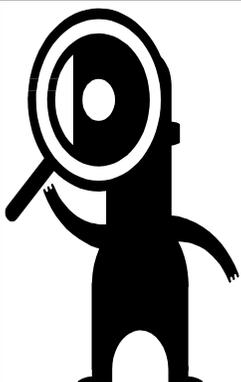
**Translated** into the word we use today: **God**

**Meaning:** according to Strong is: Of uncertain affinity; a *deity*, especially (with G3588) *the supreme Divinity*; figuratively a *magistrate*; by Hebraism *very*: - X exceeding, God, god [-ly, -ward]. Thayer adds that this can include the Godhead, trinity.

**Supporting verse:** John 14:1 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

In John 1:1-3, we are introduced to the Word. We find out that the Word was with God and that the Word was God. We also see that the Word is from the beginning with God, that is, that the Word is deity and eternal. Last, we see in verse three that the Word made all things, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In verse three, we find out that the Word helped create all things as recorded for us in Gen chapters 1-2. This would include the 6 days of creation, from light to mankind. We also see that the Word is referred to as a Him in verse 3. Who is the Word? We find out in verse 14 of this very chapter, "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory; the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." We see that the Word is the Son of God, Jesus Christ our savior. These first few verses of John really open our eyes to Christ and what all He has done for us. Not only did he leave heaven and come to this earth to die for our sins, with the hope that we can get forgiveness of them, but He also helped in creating all things, including us!



**Bible question:** What woman, seeing her husband on the verge of death, circumcised their son?

**Last week's question and answer:** What wicked king who dabbled in sorcery offered his son in the fire?

**Answer:** Manasseh—(2Kings 21:6)

**Those answering:** Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Peggy Newsome, Rachel Adams, Johnny and Mae Downs