Welcome to Lighthouse Baptist Church. If you are visiting with us today, our desire is that you receive a blessing and will come again soon. If our pastor can be of spiritual help to you, please feel free to talk with him after the service. If this is your first visit with us, please take a moment to fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate or give it to Pastor Turner on your way out.

Our Online Presence

Church Website is

www.birchbaybaptist.com

Church YouTube Channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UC5XFSiMUYZxLt-6MhhBuETg/

Church Facebook Page

https://www.facebook.com/ LighthouseBaptistBirchBay/

faithful FRIEND LADIES FELLOWSHIP

If you have not gotten your Faithful Friends questionnaire from Pastor Turner yet, please let hi m know. We will draw names the first week of January.

Our first get together in January will be on the 13th at 10 AM. I hope you will join us!

Missionary of the Week

The Skean Family
Missionaries to

Russia



Pray for the Skean Family as they complete their studies in Ukraine. Pray too for the political situation there.



A hardware store sold a ceramic manger scene that was missing the baby Jesus. When the owner of the store realized the piece was not put in the box, he, in good faith, wanted to return the piece to whomever it was that bought the package. On the marquee sign he put this message, "If you are missing the Lord Jesus please give us a call."

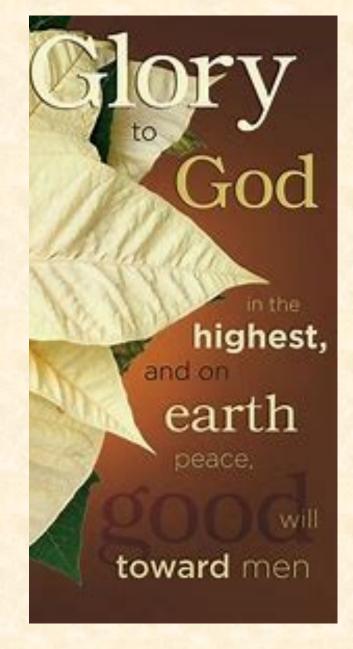
Later that afternoon he received a call from a fellow who stated he was missing the Lord. So the owner packaged the ceramic figurine and headed across town to deliver the baby Jesus. When he pulled up into the driveway the man came out weeping. When the owner tried to give the figurine to the broken man he refused the piece. He said, "I did not buy a manger scene from you; I drove by your store today and read your sign, and realized for the first time in my life what was missing — I need the Lord, I need to be saved! Could you help me find the Lord?"

Being a Christian, the owner put the figurine in the truck and grabbed his Bible. Right there in the middle of the driveway the owner of the store helped a poor lost find the missing piece of his life.

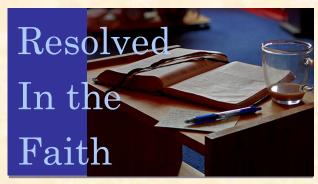
May God help us to keep the message of Christ on the marquee of our heart, and may our life's intent be to help others find Jesus Christ.

—Copied

Seeds for the Soul Pastor Kenneth Kuykendall







December 26, 2021

Today

All services today will be posted on-line at the church's YouTube and Facebook pages.

Sunday School	9:45
Morning Service	. 11:00
Evening Service	6:00

This Week





What must I do to be Saved?

Acts 16-30

And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

Acts 16:31



"Having confidence in thy obedience I wrote unto thee, knowing that thou wilt also do more than I say." Philemon 1:21

Philemon was certainly a great Christian man. He was a great Christian, not just because of his ability to forgive, but also because of his character to do more than expected. When Paul addressed Philemon about forgiving Onesimus, he said that he had the confidence that he would "do more than I say." In other words, Philemon wouldn't just do what was asked, but he would go beyond what was asked for the good. It was the "more than expected" type of character that made Philemon a great tool for God to use.

You are a decent believer if all you do is what is expected, but going beyond what is expected is what makes great believers. Too many believers only do what they have to do, but it is those who do more than expected that God can use in a greater way. God's greatest blessings come on those who do more than expected of Him. You may certainly do everything that you are supposed to do, but do you do what is more than expected of you? The greatest satisfaction in life always comes from doing more than what others expect from you. Let me share a few areas where you should do more than expected.

First, you should do more than expected on the job. Many people may show up on time and leave at the exact time they can leave, but the best employee that will find promotions on the job are those who arrive earlier than expected and work later than others work. Most employees are looking for the least they have to do, but the boss is looking for someone who does more than expected. You will not catch your boss's attention by doing what everyone else does; you catch their attention by doing more than expected.

Second, you should do more than expected in your marriage. You could stave off advances towards your spouse if you did more than your spouse expects of you. Certainly, your spouse should never be looking elsewhere, but you could give them a reason not to look elsewhere if you did more than they expected from you. I am talking to both the husband and the wife. Stop just doing what is expected in your marriage, and go beyond what your spouse desires in your marriage, and you will always be able to keep them wrapped up in you.

Third, you should do more than expected in your walk with God. Don't read enough Scripture daily just to say that you have spent time in God's Word, but read until your heart burns in the Scriptures. Don't pray just to get through a prayer list, but stay longer with God in prayer. You will find the greatest riches of God's Word when you do more than is expected, and you will find God's greatest answers to prayer when you stay longer than just giving your request.

Fourth, you should do more than expected in your service to God. Don't just go to church to say that you have been at church, but get involved in your church. Don't just visit your Sunday school class or bus route like everyone else does, but do more than expected and bury your heart in those with whom you are trying to help. The ones who see the greatest blessings in their ministry are those who do more than anyone else.

Are you one who only does what is expected of you? You will never find the greatest blessings of life until you become the person who does more than expected.

—Allen Domelle