



# THE MESSENGER

## MARCH 20, 2022

### NEWS AND NOTES

**Congregational Meeting**  
April 10

**Weekly Bible Studies**  
Tuesdays on Zoom, 10  
Friday, 12:30, Fayette Mall  
food court

Saturday, 10, Panera  
(Georgetown)

**Times of Service**  
**Sunday**

Bible study: 9:45 AM  
Worship: 10:45 AM; 6 PM

**Wednesday**  
Bible study: 7:30 PM  
(Immediately followed by a  
short worship service)

**First Friday of Month**  
**Singing**  
March 4, 7:30

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### MEDIATATIONS ON HEBREWS (1:1-4)

I can think of no book of the Bible that begins more majestically and emphatically than the letter to the Hebrews. Nor is the content that follows throughout any less majestic, and in no way does it lose any of its punch about the relationship between Divine truth and human faith. Much like Genesis, Hebrews begins with God and the fact that God spoke. *In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. (Genesis 1: 1, 3).* As God continued to speak, He formed the world, creating its complexity and its grandeur where nothing had existed before. He continued to speak, no longer creatively, but to reveal His will. Thus begins the magnificent letter to the Hebrews: *God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, (Hebrews 1:1-2a NKJV).*

As one continues to study Hebrews, they learn that those prophets were not told everything. They knew there were good things yet to take place. Essentially, every divinely inspired book of prophecy contains one or more statements such as: "The word of the Lord came to...." Not only is God the Creator like none other, He is also the Communicator like none other. Who would dare to belittle the Word of the Lord? And yet, that is exactly what mankind, in general, has done. Not so, those prophets! Not once did any of them sit down, fold his arms, and say to God, "Lord, I'm not moving until You tell me everything." Rather, their faith compelled them to receive the word of the Lord and deliver it as commanded.

But God was not finished speaking. At the right time, He spoke the remainder of His divine message by another prophet, a special prophet, a prophet so special He would be both Son of Man and Son of God. Beginning, then, in the second verse of the first chapter, this prophet is presented in language never used of any other prophet of God. In these last days, God speaks to us by His Son, and He does so in language that cannot be any more superlative. Since we are living in the last days God is speaking to us. Consequently, it would behoove us to consider who is speaking, who is His chosen prophet, the special place this prophet has

## Members Needing Our Prayers

Jacob Litmer, Rick Small, Jill Harrison, Ralph Fox, Benny Poynter, Janet Brundige, Joyce Bolton and family, Karen Spivey, Rhonda Boyd, Cindy Bradbury, Paul Atkisson

## Others Needing Prayers

Allison Walker, Dwight Antle, Randy Cates, Larry McTeer, Charlene Michael, Ann Little, Mary Jean Snyder, Mark Nickles, Dale Lyons, Adam Fusco, Rachel and Sarah White, Duane Harrod, Grace Meyer, Meredith Nicholson, Alice and Lonnie Anderson, Glen Perkins, Ethan Shelton, Terry Daniels, Leroy Weatherholt, Robert Brundige, John Blessing, William Roberts, Paul and Marrian Lyda, Dana and her children, Shane (a relative of Cindi), Ron Harmon, Debbie Lanphear, Veronica Bowman

## To Our Guests

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in the mind and heart of God, and the message itself. Finally, we would be remiss if we failed to include in our study and our understanding of the Bible, God's use of those former prophets. *For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. (Romans 15:4, esv) Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth. (2 Timothy 2:15, esv)*

When God speaks, He is not talking to the air. He does not mumble, lie, change His mind, joke, tease, or flatter. And He expects to be heard and obeyed. The progressive unfolding of God's love and patience, His longsuffering of the failures of the very people He has created, His foresight regarding man's need for a savior, and the plan to reconcile the faithful has been fully revealed in these last days in His Son. Here is what God begins to say about His Son:

*Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. (Heb 1:1-4) J.T.*

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Troy Antle	Richard Brundige	Adam Litmer
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	Frank Patton	
	Jamie Powell	
	Pat Seabolt	
	Matt Thompson	
	James Weatherholt	

