



Times of Worship

- Sunday Bible Classes:** 9am
- Sunday AM Worship:** 10am
- Sunday PM Worship:** 5pm
- Wednesday Bible Study:** 7pm

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Church Website:

<https://www.westfayettechurchofchrist.com/>

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGckN8D9NwwX3KUbQ4GRKyA>

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Evangelist

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Highway of the Upright

Prov. 16:17 - "The highway of the upright is to depart from evil; He who watches his way preserves his life"

In this proverb Solomon gives us the secret to preserving our life (making it last longer). In fact, not only will following this proverb’s teaching preserve our life on earth, it will preserve it for eternity. Therefore it is of the utmost importance that we meditate and follow through with what God, who gave Solomon his great wisdom and inspired Solomon’s writing, instructs us to do as His people.

It was common for the apostle Paul to describe a Christian’s life of obedience to God by using the word “walk.” In Ephesians Paul tells us to “walk no longer as the Gentiles also walk” (4:17). Instead, he tells us to “walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called.” (4:1) To “walk in love” and “walk as children of light” and to “be careful how we walk, not as unwise but as wise.” (5:2, 8, 15) In this proverb Solomon uses the idea of a highway which is the same idea as “walking.”

This summer I have done a lot of traveling to visit and be with family. As the driver, I would notice the mile markers as we drove on the Interstate. Think of those mile markers as years or months in your life. How are you going to live this year as you travel

Week of June 30

Attendance

- ◆ **AM Service** -
- ◆ **PM Service** - 40
- ◆ **Wednesday** - 29

Contribution

- ◆ Weekly Budget \$2,400
- ◆ Contribution - \$3,987

Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries

- ◆ *Ronnie and Amy Rushing* (7/8)
- ◆ Logan McCoy (7/13)
- ◆ Minnie Morman (7/15)
- ◆ *Harold and Julia Fesmire* (7/15)

Calendar Items

Men's Meeting at the building at 4pm on June 30

Women's Bible Study on Tuesdays at 11am at the building

Vacation Bible School July 7-10

Song Learning Class on July 14 at the building at 4pm

Teen Bible Study July 26

down life's highway? To preserve our life, we need to make the right decisions that will bring us closer to God and to each other as God's family.

In order to preserve our life we need to do one thing - "depart from evil." Departing from evil is a very conscience decision to get as far from evil as we can. Departing from evil is stronger than saying, don't participate in evil. Instead of having the mindset of "don't do evil" lets take on the mindset of "departing from evil." Instead of getting as close as we can without participating in evil, let's run away from it.

Paul tells us to "flee immorality." (**1Co 6:18**) Instead of watching videos, movies, shorts, or anything else that is promoting immorality, we need to pursue righteousness. The beginning of immorality begins with what we watch and think about in our mind. "Flee from youthful lusts and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance, and gentleness." (**2Ti 2:22**)

"Flee from idolatry." (**1Co 10:14**) An idol is anything we love more than God or put in front of God in our lives. Instead of pursuing the god of money, pursue contentment and generosity. Instead of pursuing the gods of entertainment, pursue to meditate on the words of God. Instead of pursuing outward beauty which perishes, pursue the "imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit which is precious in the sight of God." (**1Pe 3:4**)

In order to depart from evil we must also "watch our way." As God's children, we need to be very careful and watchful about what enters into our mind and heart. From our heart "flow the springs of life." (**Pro 4:23**)

Patrick