



# **Brookwood**

## **BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday, January 4, 2026



# BROOKWOOD WORSHIP

*We will be formed in Christ to love like family and live on mission.*

Hymns of Praise

**Who You Say I Am**

Words and Music by Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

**Goodness of God**

Words and Music by Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, and Brian Johnson

Prayer

Brian Pitts

Song

**Jesus Paid It All**

Arr. by Kristian Stanfill

Scripture Reading

**Galatians 1:1-12**

NIV

Mary Jane Dillard

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle—sent not from men nor by a man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead—<sup>2</sup> and all the brothers and sisters[a] with me, <sup>3</sup> Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup> who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, <sup>5</sup> to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

<sup>6</sup> I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you to live in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel—<sup>7</sup> which is really no gospel at all. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying

to pervert the gospel of Christ. <sup>8</sup> But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let them be under God's curse! <sup>9</sup> As we have already said, so now I say again: If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let them be under God's curse!

<sup>10</sup> Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ.

<sup>11</sup> I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel I preached is not of human origin. <sup>12</sup> I did not receive it from any man,

nor was I taught it; rather, I received it by revelation from Jesus Christ.

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

## Worship through Tithes & Offerings

### *The Gospel Is Rest*

Elias Dummer, Gary Rea, Noah Hinsaw

Sermon

**"Galatians: Introduction"**

Dr. Blake Dempsey

Testimonies

Song of Response

*All Glory Be to Christ*

Dustin Kensrue

Benediction

Dr. Blake Dempsey

# Upcoming Events

## Registration Open! Honduras Mission Trip

February 12-17, 2026

Please see John McConnell or Blake Dempsey for more information.

## Kids' Worship

January 11<sup>th</sup>

10:30am

In the Chapel

## The Gathering

Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

Immediately following worship

In the Fellowship Hall

## Deacons' Ordination

January 25<sup>th</sup>

6pm

In the Sanctuary

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## THE BACKSTORY:



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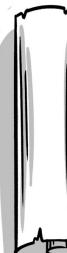
YOU MUST OBEY  
THE TORAH'S LAWS TO  
FOLLOW JESUS!

## THE DEBATE (SEE ACTS 15)

ISRAEL SET APART BY  
PRACTICES COMMANDED  
IN THE TORAH



## NON-JEWISH CHRISTIANS



# PAUL'S LETTER

# GALATI

## JEWISH MESSIANIC MOVEMENT

### 1-2

## THE GOSPEL OF THE CRUCIFIED MESSIAH...

YOU'VE EMBRACED A  
DIFFERENT GOSPEL?!

1:10-  
2:15 PAUL DEFENDS HIS MESSAGE & AUTHORITY

PAUL COMMISSIONED  
BY THE RISEN JESUS  
(ACTS 9)

PAUL SUPPORTED BY THE  
JERUSALEM APOSTLES

YOU'RE NOT  
STAYING TRUE TO  
THE GOSPEL!  
(2:14)

PETER'S HYPOCRISY  
IN ANTIOPH

BETRAYAL OF THE GOSPEL

### 3-4

## ...CREATES A

ABRAHAM  
(GENESIS 12,15)

ALL NATIONS  
WILL BE BLESSED  
THROUGH YOU & YOUR  
OFFSPRING  
GEN 12:3,22:18

DECLARED  
RIGHTEOUS  
BY HIS FAITH IN  
GOD'S PROMISE  
(GENESIS 15:6)

GOD'S PURPOSE: ONE LARGE, MULTI-ETHNIC  
FAMILY RELATING TO HIM ON THE BASIS OF FAITH

...UNTIL THE  
OFFSPRING  
COMES.

STAY  
IN LINE...

• FULFILLED  
THE LAW BY  
loving  
GOD & NEIGHBOR

• TOOK THE CURSE  
OF ISRAEL'S  
SIN INTO  
HIMSELF

GOD'S BLESSING  
TO ALL (3:22)

## THE HEART OF PAUL'S GOSPEL

WHEN PEOPLE  
TRUST IN JESUS,  
WHAT'S TRUE  
OF HIM...

...BECOMES  
TRUE OF  
THEM



WE BELONG TO  
JESUS FAMILY...ONLY  
BECAUSE OF WHAT HE  
DID FOR US!

"I HAVE BEEN CRUCIFIED  
WITH THE MESSIAH & IT'S  
NOT I WHO COME BACK TO  
LIFE, BUT THE MESSIAH  
LIVING IN ME. AND THE  
LIFE I NOW LIVE, I LIVE  
BY FAITH IN THE SON OF  
GOD, WHO LOVED ME &  
GAVE HIS LIFE FOR ME." (2:19-20)

# TO THE GALATIANS

GALATIA  
ch.13-14)

NEW, MULTI-ETHNIC FAMILY...

GOD

(3:19)

SO WHY THE LAWS  
OF THE TORAH?  
(SEE ROMANS 7:8)

GIVEN TO ISRAEL  
LONG AFTER THE PROMISE  
TO ABRAHAM

ALWAYS INTENDED  
AS TEMPORARY

POSITIVE ROLE

NEGATIVE ROLE

FAILURE  
SIN

"THE LAWS IMPRISONED EVERYONE  
UNDER THE POWER OF SIN." (3:22)

REQUIRING NON-JEWISH CHRISTIANS TO OBSERVE THE TORAH:

- ACTS AS IF JESUS DIDN'T FULFILL GOD'S PROMISE OR DEALT WITH OUR SINS
- NEGLECTS THE FREEDOM THAT JESUS GAINED FOR US
- LIMITS GOD'S BLESSING TO ONE ETHNIC FAMILY

WHAT MATTERS IS GOD'S NEW CREATION  
THE NEW, MULTI-ETHNIC FAMILY OF THE MESSIAH...  
...FULL OF FAITH IN JESUS...  
...LOVING GOD & OTHERS IN THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT

6:15

5-6 ...THAT IS TRANSFORMED BY THE SPIRIT



THE LAWS ARE GOOD

SUMMARIZED BY 'LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR' (LEVITICUS 19:18)

...BUT THEY DON'T GIVE POWER TO OBEY THEM

THE GOOD NEWS

- JESUS FULFILLED THE LAWS ON OUR BEHALF
- LIVES IN US THROUGH THE SPIRIT
- NEW HUMANS WHO LOVE OTHERS



THIS FRUIT REQUIRES CULTIVATION

(it's not automatic)

"IF WE LIVE BY  
THE SPIRIT, WE  
HAVE TO KEEP  
IN STEP  
WITH THE  
SPIRIT."  
(5:25)



THROUGH THE SPIRIT,  
JESUS MAKES US INTO  
PEOPLE WHO LOVE GOD  
& OTHERS, AND FULFILL

"THE TORAH OF THE  
MESSIAH."  
(6:2)

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