



# West Broward Church of Christ

“Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ’s behalf, be reconciled to God” (2 Corinthians 5:20)

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## The Inspiration of the Bible (Part Five)

Today we conclude our thoughts about the Inspiration of the Bible by looking at the contribution of archaeology.

Archaeology is a study of ancient and recent human past through an examination of material remains. The accuracy of the Bible is verified by the discoveries that have been made by those laboring in this field. Archaeologist Nelson Glueck said, “It may be stated categorically that no archaeological discovery has ever controverted a Biblical reference. Scores of archaeological findings have been made which confirm in clear outline or exact detail historical statements in the Bible” (*Rivers in the Desert: A History of the Negev*, p. 31). In other words, nothing has been found that refutes the Bible, but much has been discovered that supports it.

Two examples ...

According to apologist Marshall Beeber, “Archaeologist Ron Wyatt discovered the ruins of Sodom and Gomorrah southeast of the Dead Sea in 1989. These devastated Mesopotamian style cities were covered with millions of partially incinerated sulfur balls and tons of ash. Clearly defined walls, some thirty to forty feet high, can be found among the ruins. Evidence of heat exceeding 4000 degrees Fahrenheit can be seen in the rock strata and ruins throughout the cities. Comparable destruction can also be found at the epicenters of nuclear detonations. Such evidence validates the accuracy of the Hebrew Scriptures, and again shatters secular attempts to ‘mythologize’ this ancient catastrophe” ([messianic-literary.com](http://messianic-literary.com)). Compare this and the discovery of buildings having fires originating on rooftops to Genesis 19:24 – “Then the LORD rained brimstone and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah, from the LORD out of the heavens” (See also 19:28). Amazing technical accuracy!!!

For years and years most “Scholars” believed that Pontius Pilate was a “Mythological figure.” Historians of the day are silent about his existence and governorship. However, Luke, the historian and writer of the Gospel of Luke and Acts, presented him as an actual historic figure (See Luke 3:1 and chapter 23). The apostle Paul even referred to him in 1 Timothy 6:13. If Pontius Pilate did not exist then are skeptics right and the Bible wrong?

In 1961, according to Dr. Charles Pfeiffer, editor of *The Biblical World – A Dictionary of Biblical Archaeology*, a group of Italian archaeologists, led by Dr. Antonio Frova, discovered (While excavating a Roman Theater in Caesarea) an inscription on a stone saying, “Tiberium, Pontius Pilate, Prefect of Judea.” This not only confirmed his existence, but it placed him in the right city and region, at the right time and with the correct Luke 3:1 title! Once again the Bible is proved accurate!!!

These are just two of the hundreds of discoveries that prove the accuracy of the Bible; that it came from God. Because it is from God, it serves as our standard, our authority! Take care.



*Terry's Tidbits*

## Today's Sermons

### Sunday Morning

Terry Casey

Unbreakable – The Truth About Marriage “An Unbreakable Analogy” Ephesians 5:22-33

### Sunday Evening

Terry Casey

“Present Yourself” Rom. 12:1-21

Terry D. Casey  
Preaching Minister

## Chris' Corner...

### Jeremiah 2:5-9 (NIV)

5 This is what the Lord says: "What fault did your ancestors find in me, that they strayed so far from me? They followed worthless idols and became worthless themselves. 6 They did not ask, 'Where is the Lord, who brought us up out of Egypt and led us through the barren wilderness, through a land of deserts and ravines, a land of drought and utter darkness, a land where no one travels and no one lives?'

7 I brought you into a fertile land to eat its fruit and rich produce. But you came and defiled my land and made my inheritance detestable. 8 The priests did not ask, 'Where is the Lord?' Those who deal with the law did not know me; the leaders rebelled against me. The prophets prophesied by Baal, following worthless idols. 9 "Therefore I bring charges against you again," declares the Lord. "And I will bring charges against your children's children.

It is made clear in these verses, and throughout Jeremiah, that God is jealous for us. **Exodus 34:14** echoes this thought, telling us what makes God jealous. He has done so much for us, from creating us, to taking care of our needs, and blessing us every day. When we turn our backs on Him and replace Him with idols, God is jealous. This also shows how much He loves us. God wants us to have a relationship and to be with Him in Heaven so badly that he sent his only son to die for us. I pray that we gain a better understanding of God's desire for us, causing us to turn our backs on idols and turn to God.

Chris Radcliffe  
Youth & Family Minister



### Prayer List

Cornelia Watson; Julia Castor (baptized Wednesday); Yvonne Scouras; John & Esther Cormier; Matt Vitarelli; Donna Forrest; Linda Stauffer; Derby Family; John Schulz; Laura Bagg & family; Cunningham grandchildren; Jess Aldred (deployed); Stacy Bitting; Elvis Alfonso; Katie Wolfe; Widlyn Daniels; Sherrie Rygh; Connie Casey; Judith Mahon; Harrison Waldron; Pat Farris; Keith Chatman; Stuart Giannandrea; Yvonne Arcar; Dave Logan (cancer treatments); Mia Rodriguez; Rocio Janer; Chuck Johnson; Victorine Shepherd; Randy, Ronnie & Rodney Reed; Subrina Branch family; Ruby Phillip; Angela Jenkins family; Rita Rynning & Tim Hanze's family, Sunnie & Bob Bauer, Olga Sweeney; Miriam Donald family; Jeff Gruendel; Jean Noel family; Junior Wiggan family; Bill Pennell's Mom; Lauren McAfee; Steve Smith; Semaj Jackson family; Ronnie & Rodney Reed; Dianne West (Shelia Benjamin); Jacqueline Johnson family; Angela Codner family, Doret Codner; Kametrianna Jackson & Mary Baskin (Ethel Bracey); Lisa Williams; Pat Williams; Richard Andy Williams; our college students; Shelly Nealy (Shelia Rose son-in-law).

### Keep in Prayer

Terry Casey, James Teague, Hosanna Boothman, Mark Jordan, Todd Gruendel; Janice Goodpasture, Barbara Waters, Irelis Shappley, Marge Logan, Frances Salmon, Cindy Long, Edna & Henry Salmon.

### In the Military

Jess Aldred, Kenyatta Battle, David Cunningham, Levi Danforth, Greg Davenport, Brandon Edelstein, Ryan Henry, Ciara Ruiz, JoAnn Soero, Naterika Benton-Strickland.



West Broward Youth  
Celebrating Jesus!

## Youth Group

Today, September 13<sup>th</sup> – Visiting Shut-ins – bring lunch money

Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> Thursday Night Hang Out 7 pm at Radcliffe's

Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup> – Thursday Night Hang Out 7 pm at Radcliffe's

Friday-Sunday, October 9-11<sup>th</sup> Girls' Retreat Weekend

Thursday, October 22 – Thursday Night Hang Out 7 pm at Radcliffe's

Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> – Trunk or Treat



### BLOOD DRIVE TODAY

The Blood Mobile will be in our parking lot from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Please donate if you are able to do so. There is an immediate need for O negative donors for patients in local hospitals. Thank you for caring.

### COME HOME

Weekend of October 24-25, 2015

Pick Up flyers at the desks to use as invitations for those missing in our number.

### Walk A Thon

The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Extra Mile Walk-A-Thon to benefit *Christian Homes for Children* will be held on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. You can help by being a walker, sponsoring a walker or making a donation. So far the WBCOC Walkers include: Melvern Atencio; Ruth Calvin and Shere Eckley. Flyers are available at the desks.

### PHOTO STUDIO

On Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> the Photo Studio will be OPEN in Room 402 in the Fellowship Hall. If you are a new member here or want to update your family photo for the Photo Directory and foyer Photo Board please stop by after morning service (11:15 am) for a quick picture.

### Benefit Dinner for Mt. Dora

Palm Beach Lakes Church of Christ will host a benefit dinner at 6 pm on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> for the *Mt. Dora Children's Home*. Tickets are available if you would like to attend. Please call the church office.

### Bridal Shower

Ladies a Bridal Shower is planned to honor Ashlynn Lane (fiancé of Matt Vitarelli) on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at Ellie Radcliffe's home at 3:30-5:30 pm. Watch for flyer soon with full details at the information desk.



### **September 13, 2015**

Song Leader: Dale Kennon  
Song: 853 When We All Get to Heaven  
Welcome from the Elders: Edwin Davis  
Song: 64 I Worship You, Almighty God  
Song: 23 Our God, He Is Alive  
Song: 227 On Zions Glorious Summit  
Opening Prayer: Terry Brown  
Song: How Deep the Father's Love  
Lord's Supper & Offering: Bill Peeples  
Scripture Reading: Doug Horton  
1 Peter 3:1-7  
Song: 898 Paradise Valley  
Sermon: Terry Casey  
Song: 501 Though Your Sins Be As Scarlet  
Song: 448 The Greatest Commands  
Closing Prayer: Roy Forrest



**TODAY, September 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Blood Drive 9:30 am – 2:30 pm  
Blood Mobile on site

**Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>**  
CHFC Walk A Thon

**Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**  
Men's Fellowship Breakfast 8 am  
Youth Ministry

**Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**  
PHOTO STUDIO OPEN 11:15 am  
Room 402 – Fellowship Hall



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**Assemblies**  
**English**

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 am  
Sunday Worship 10:00 am & 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

**Spanish**

Sunday Bible Study 11:00 am  
Sunday Worship 12:00 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

**Shepherds**

Edwin Davis Russ Garner  
Michael Hursey Gary Nix  
Tom Stone Jay Vitarelli  
Lester Wolfe

**Deacons**

Mike Aldrich Luis Alfaro  
Allen Bitting Terry Brown  
Rodney Cobham Doug Horton  
Michael Dow Roy Forrest  
Dexter Hamilton Dale Kennon  
Bill Peeples Warren Smith  
James Teague

**Ministers**

Terry D. Casey, D.Min. English Pulpit  
Ulbert Romero Spanish Pulpit  
Chris Radcliffe Youth & Family

**Secretaries**

Risë Smith Anita Pennell

**Our Record**

Bible Class		162
English	143	
Spanish	19	
Sunday AM		331
English	285	
Spanish	46	
Sunday PM		113
Wednesday		113
Offering	\$11,133.00	
Weekly Budget	\$9,900.00	
Difference	+\$1,233.00	



**Living In Faith Every Day**

**Note: Our Life Group Meetings will take a break for summer and program review. Please watch the bulletin for future announcements. Thank you for your participation in Life Groups.**

**OPPORTUNITIES**

Please check the Employment Board located in the foyer on the west side hallway for new job postings. New listings are posted each week as they come in.



**Check It Out**

***"In Search of the Lord's Way"***

**Church of Christ TV Program**

7:00 am EST on Sundays on these channels:  
WGN America; U Verse 180 or 1180; Comcast 025;  
Dish 239 or Direct TV 307

**Cornelia Watson**, 9020 Sunset Strip, Sunrise, FL 33322 (bed rest-pregnancy)  
**Donna Derby family**, 3825 NW 186<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami Gardens, FL 33055 (loss of Grandmother)  
**John Schulz**, 7911 SW 30<sup>th</sup> St., Davie, FL 33328 (loss of Grandmother)