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Upcoming Discipleship Groups

December 10th at 5:00pm **Youth Girl's** Christmas Party at Josey Aycock's

TBA for the next **Youth** group meeting.

January 2024 the **Ladies & Men's** groups will resume meeting at Agape.

Announcements

For Details: info@agapepinson.com

The BuildingUp Podcast

On AgapePinson.com, iTunes, OR our Church App

Episode 141: The Strength of God's People (from Psalm 8)

Advent Week #1

This week's theme: **Jesus is Our Light!** Visit the homepage of our church app to access this year's **2023 Advent Worship Guide** and join with us in daily scripture readings and family worship.

And join us at **10am each Sunday during Advent** for special refreshments served by our Hospitality Team!

Cavalier Healthcare (Retirement Home) Ministry

This **Tuesday December 5th at 2:00pm**. See Mrs Jackie Hurst for details on how you can participate!

RELY Intercession & Worship

This Wednesday December 6th, 6:30pm at Agape. If you are part of the Intercessor's team, please meet at 6:00pm in the prayer room.

To give as part of worship, use the **offering box** in our main worship area OR give through **our Church Center app**.



Sunday Morning
Worship Gathering
December 3rd, 2023

Today's Text

Psalm 43 (ESV)

¹Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people, from the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!

²For you are the God in whom I take refuge; why have you rejected me? Why do I go about mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

³Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling! ⁴Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy, and I will praise you with the lyre, O God,

SERIESGOALS

1. **Grow** up in wisdom through the Psalms.
Colossians 1:9-10
2. **Abide** in prayer when we gather.
Colossians 4:2
3. **Practice** personal habits of praying the scriptures.
Colossians 3:1-2

my God.

⁵Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.





Send Us Your Light!

David McConnell



Prayer Guide

You can use these questions to begin praying today's Psalm.

1. What did I **learn about God** through this Psalm?
2. Which **words or phrases** in the Psalm stood out to me?
3. How can I take what stood out and **apply it** to my prayers?
4. As I begin to pray for myself and others, what am I **praising God** for?

Preaching Guide

In this life you will suffer through _____ of various kinds. You must see & _____ to God as your defender. (**v1-2a, Rom 12:17-21**)

You are simply not equipped to _____ your own heart in a healthy way (**Hebrews 12:14-15**).

Take all your fears, _____, and discouragements to Him with honesty, humility, and _____ (**Lament**).

There may be times where your _____ becomes paralyzing. And – if allowed – all the _____ of your heart & mind are fixated on the injustice you are facing.

- The **remedy** is _____ in _____. (**v5b**)
- The **lie** is that “Even God has _____ me.” (**v2**)
- The **bridge** from the lie to the remedy is founded on _____ and _____. (**v3-5**)
 - YOU must _____ the Gospel to _____.

Advent Week #1: The entire world _____ under the _____ resulting from sin (**Romans 8:22**). _____ is the _____ from Heaven that leads us to _____ in God.

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