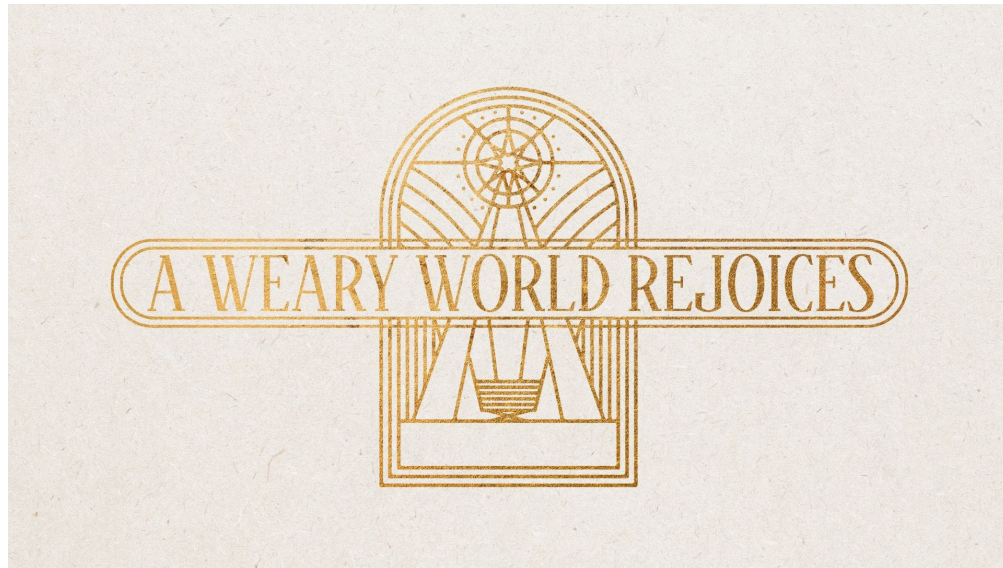




Bulletin—December 4, 2022



A Weary World Rejoices

Week 1: 'Slow Down!: How Hurry & Busyness Wreck a Soul'

Matthew 13

"Listen! A farmer went out to plant some seeds. 4 As he scattered them across his field, some seeds fell on a footpath, and the birds came and ate them.

5 Other seeds fell on shallow soil with underlying rock. The seeds sprouted quickly because the soil was shallow.

6 But the plants soon wilted under the hot sun, and since they didn't have deep roots, they died.

7 Other seeds fell among thorns that grew up and choked out the tender plants.

8 Still other seeds fell on fertile soil, and they produced a crop that was thirty, sixty, and even a hundred times as much as had been planted!

9 Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand."

18 "Now listen to the explanation of the parable about the farmer planting seeds:

19 The seed that fell on the footpath represents those who hear the message about the Kingdom and don't understand it. Then the evil one comes and snatches away the seed that was planted in their hearts.

20 The seed on the rocky soil represents those who hear the message and immediately receive it with joy.

21 But since they don't have deep roots, they don't last long. They fall away as soon as they have problems or are persecuted for believing God's word.

22 *The seed that fell among the thorns represents those who hear God's word, but all too quickly the message is **crowded out by the worries of this life** and the lure of wealth, so no fruit is produced.*

23 The seed that fell on good soil represents those who truly hear and understand God's word and produce a harvest of thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted!"



Vitals for November 27

Weekly Need: \$3,200

Actual Given: \$2074

Sunday School—37

Morning Service—61

3 easy ways to give:

1. 'Tithes & Offerings' box in the lobby
2. Go to newheightsconnersville.com/giving
3. Mail to the church office



Lucas Scott (Ron & Teresa Scott's son) medical tests

Lawrence Johnson

Jean Tinch

Theo Atwood (Donna Parrett's great grandbaby)

Lynne Wilhelm—Heritage House

Names are left on the prayer list for only three weeks. If you wish for a name to remain longer, please let the office know.

**A weekly updated long term prayer list can be picked up in the lobby.



If you would like to participate in the Undercover Christmas, names will be available **after the service today**.

Packages will need to be returned to the church by Sunday, December 18th.

All Ladies Bible Study
 5-week study
 Wednesday at 6:30 pm
 'The 28—Day Prayer Journey'

CHRISTMAS
 SERVICE TIMES

Breakfast at 9 AM | No Sunday School | Worship at 10:30 AM

**Join us every
 Thursday
 at 6pm
 as we study the
 Gospel of John!**