



Arlington Church of Christ

*"The churches of Christ greet you."
Romans 16:16*

Life at First Breath?

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Sunday Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.*

Sunday Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Class.....7:00 p.m.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How long was Jesus 'lost' in Jerusalem when he was only twelve?

While the Word of God tells us that life begins at the moment of conception in plain scriptures like:

Psalm 139:13-16 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

And the Bible talks about the baby leaping for joy in the womb in Luke 1:41-44 as well as the clear statement in: Jeremiah 1:5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

And yet in spite of this, some will try to say that the Bible says that life begins with the first breath. There would anyone get such an idea? They go to Genesis 2:7 which says : Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

They say that Adam was just a lump of dirt until God breathed into him, so they assume it was the first breath of air that made him 'alive'. Therefore it is the first breath of air that makes a baby a living human being. But is Genesis 2:7 telling us how all humans become 'alive' or just how Adam was created? Notice when children are brought into the world by Adam and Eve or even when Eve herself was made and brought to Adam that God did not breathe into her. Did her life not start until she took her first breath of air.

What is happening is that some have already made up their minds that 'life' begins with the first and so they try to justify their belief by taking a Bible passage out of context and interpreting it to justify their own idea.

Did you know that babies actually 'breathe' in a way in the womb? In the womb, they are taking in oxygen and removing carbon dioxide through the mother's blood and the umbilical cord – the same things we do when we inhale and exhale after birth. The baby's lungs though are actually taking in and expelling amniotic fluid for months before birth, strengthening them to work outside the womb.

Also consider this – Adam was just a lump of dirt until God breathed into him, giving him a soul and life. He was unmoving and unfeeling because he had no life before this time. But a baby in the womb responds to light, sounds, sucks their thumbs and fists, moves their body parts, kicks, and makes other movements. How can this be if they are not 'alive' until they actually breathe air?

The scriptures always describe life as beginning at conception with God 'knitting the body together' and the unborn child as being fully alive.

PRAYER LIST

*See the caring cards list in the lobby



*"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."
James 5:16*

BIRTHDAYS

- 11/13 Lois Lemons
- 11/20 Nikkie McCollum
- 12/7 Forsythia Montesclaros
- 12/9 Madelyn Williams
- 12/10 Landon McCollum
- 12/19 David Bauer

*"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."
Matt 18:20*

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/5 Sack Sunday (bring donations for pantry)
- 11/10 Ladies' Class on 2nd Fridays (see Cathy for location)

ANNIVERSARIES

- 11/8 Cliff & Gayla Jacobs
- 11/24 Jeff & Nikkie McCollum
- 12/6 Scott & Meagan Bauer

MEN TO SERVE

11/5

11/12

SCRIPTURE READING

	11/5	11/12		AM	PM
Sermon AM/PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum			
Announcements	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman	Nov. 5	Jer. 40-42	Heb. 2
Song Leader AM	Jeff McCollum	Jeff McCollum	Nov. 6	Jer. 43-45	Heb. 3
Song Leader PM	John Bauer	John Bauer	Nov. 7	Jer. 46-48	Heb. 4
Opening Prayer AM	Jeff McCollum	Joe McCollum	Nov. 8	Jer. 49, 50	Heb. 5
Opening Prayer PM	John Bauer	Ron Hartman	Nov. 9	Jer. 51, 52	Heb. 6
Lord's Table	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman	Nov. 10	Lam. 1, 2	Heb. 7
Assistant #1	Brad Rice	Jeff Nauman	Nov. 11	Lam. 3-5	Heb. 8
Closing Prayer AM	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman			
Closing Prayer PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum			
Greeters	John & Terri Bauer	Joe & Doris McCollum			
(Wed.) Devotional	(11/8) On Zoom	(11/15) On Zoom			
(Wed.) Song Leader	(11/8) On Zoom	(11/15) On Zoom			

*"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"
Luke 11:28*

PANTRY NEEDS

TRIVIA ANSWER

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| Over the counter medicines/aspirin | Canned meats— fish, chicken & SPAM |
| Laundry detergent | Canned Veggies— all kinds |
| Face soap & Shampoo | Breakfast Cereal |
| Toilet Tissue & Paper Towels | Fruit Juice— apple, grape, pineapple, etc. |
| Boxed Potatoes | Peanut butter and Jelly |
| Small- Flour and Sugar | |

A: 3 days