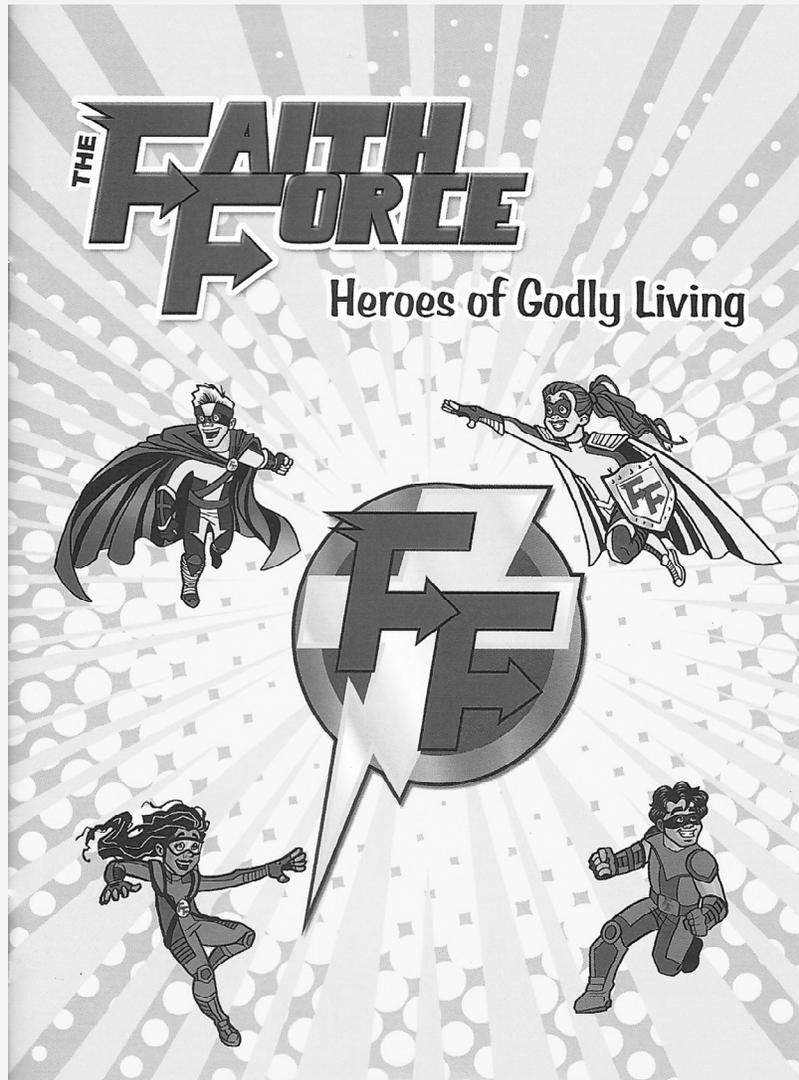


The Caller

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Vacation Bible School
Saturday, June 29, 2019
9:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.



Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.
Join us for a wonderful day of
Bible lessons, singing, crafts,
fun and a picnic!

Home

The past week or so I have been caused to contemplate on the concept of home. It is interesting what or where some people hold to be home. For some, it was the place they were born and raised. For others, it becomes the place they have lived the longest in their adult life. For me, I guess I count a number of places here upon the earth as home.

Chester, WV is definitely a place I would refer to as home. I spent a great deal of my first 24 years in Chester. Crazy childhood memories of good times often come to mind when I think of Chester. For the most part, my time in Chester was enjoyable. But there are memories from my time in Chester that I would like to forget. It is still difficult to understand how a young man named Jeff could be on your front porch one evening and the next evening murder a pregnant lady with a knife and soup can. I'll never forget waking up to find out my buddy's aunt and uncle had been shot in a robbery. The two crimes were connected, and in the space of a few years there were some quite painful memories tied to "home."

Bridgeport, WV would be the next place I might think of when I think of home. This was where Brenna and I settled down to raise a family. Both girls were born in that area and their early childhood years were spent as a part of the Bridgeport community. Yet again, Bridgeport was the place where Kayleigh's good friend experienced an attempted abduction and where the neighbor across the street from the church building was murdered. That murder has still not been solved.

Elizabethtown is now our home. Although it started a little rocky with a young man threatening to kill me, things have slowed down considerably. We love the community and the congregation...but yet there is still a home we long for.

The new home we long for is not in another state with another congregation. The home I am talking about is heaven! If we are faithful we pass from existence here upon the earth into an eternal existence. If we have followed God's will in our lives then when we leave this world we will be with Christ forever and ever! What a blessed thought...the thought of being home with God in heaven. I've seen a number of people pass recently and be able to go to the place they long—their eternal home. I must admit, there is a sense I long for that day as well.

*John F. Board
Elizabethtown, KY*

Sunday's Sermons:

***A.M. — Death of Innocents
Proverbs 6:16-19***

P.M. — 5th Sunday Night Singing