



# Welcome

12/3/2023

John 3:16

We, the families of the Village Bible Church do lovingly welcome you to this fellowship with us in the blessings of the Gospel.

As a body of believers, we are unified under the absolute authority and sufficiency of Scripture. We exist to equip the saints through preaching, teaching, and biblical discipleship which results in genuine worship, progressive sanctification, the exercise of spiritual gifts in Christian service, and evangelization of the lost. In everything, our goal and desire is to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ and bring glory to God.

## Announcements

Hymn #210 Ring the Bells

Greeting

Offering

Hymn #223 Born to Die

Lord's Supper

Hymn #199 Joy to the World!

Message

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*As we leave this place, we are entering the Mission Field—  
May the Lord find us Faithful!*

## Missionary of the Month

Costel Cheptea and Emmanuel Baptist Church

BROTHER COSTEL IS PASTOR OF EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH IN BELTSY, MOLDOVA. MOLDOVA IS A SMALL COUNTRY BETWEEN ROMANIA AND UKRAINE. COSTEL GREW UP UNDER THE COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED BY THE SOVIET UNION. MOLDOVA GAINED INDEPENDENCE IN 1991 AND HAS SINCE ALLOWED THE FREEDOM TO PREACH THE GOSPEL AND TO PLANT CHURCHES.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH HAS OVERSEEN THE DISCIPLESHIP AND TRAINING OF NUMEROUS PASTORS AND THE PLANTING OF SEVERAL CHURCHES. OUR SUPPORT GOES TO THIS TRAINING AND THE MANY EVANGELISTIC OUTREACH PROGRAMS IN MOLDOVA.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A SPECIAL GIFT TO THIS MINISTRY THIS MONTH, FEEL FREE TO PUT IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE MARKED ACCORDINGLY.

### TONIGHT

5PM- Adult Choir Practice  
6PM-Church Meeting/Prayer Service  
7PM-Kids Choir Practice

### TUESDAY 7PM

Ladies Christmas Party

### WEDNESDAY 7PM

Bible Study/Kids Club

### December:

16- Men's Breakfast  
17-AM Guest Lynford Regier  
PM Church Family  
Christmas Program  
20-No eve. Service  
24-No eve. Service  
27- No eve. Service

### FAMILY INFORMATION

Our goal is to promote families worshiping together. We believe children learn much from sharing the worship experience with adults. Please be considerate of others and keep children in their seats and as quiet as possible. Pews in the rear of the Sanctuary are reserved for families with small children.

Cry room – Back of Sanctuary

Nursery 6 mo. – 3 yrs.

Debbie P/Amanda

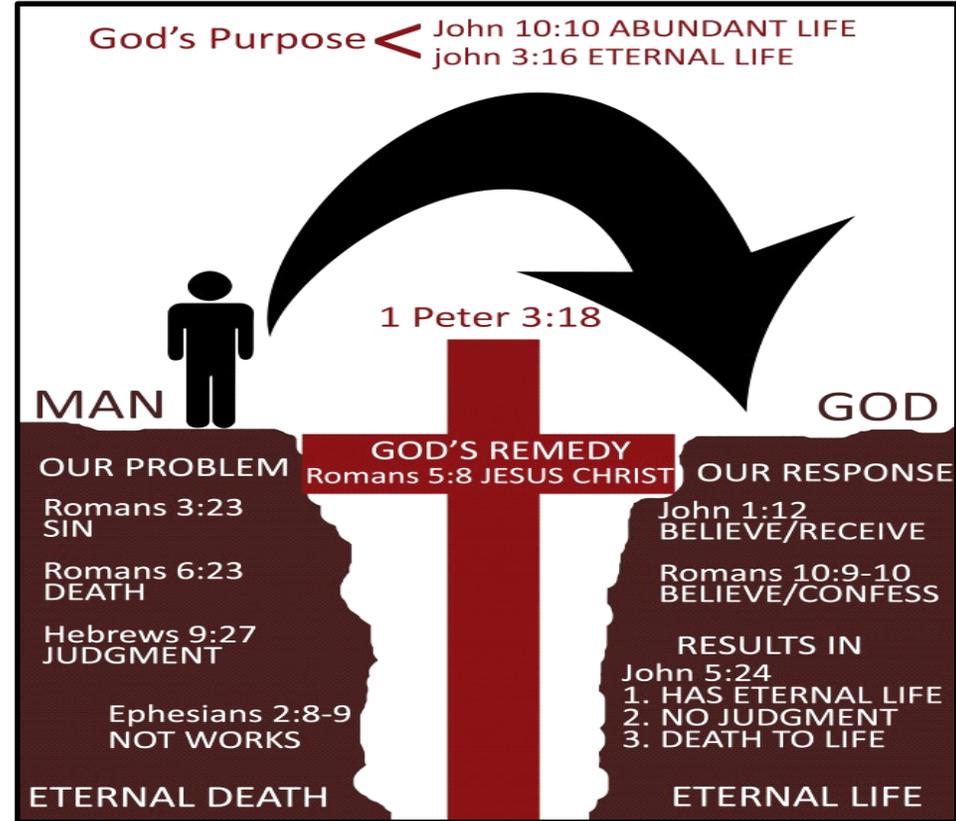
December 3, 2023

Pastor JJ Sexton

# Village Bible Church

Our Mission is to Preach the Word and to Love the People

“Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom,  
that we may present every man complete in Christ Jesus”



Sunday Morning Sunday School  
 Sunday Morning Worship Service  
 Sunday Evening Prayer Service  
 Wednesday Evening Bible Study  
 Services available for all ages

9:30 a.m.  
 10:45 a.m.  
 6:00 p.m.  
 7:00 p.m.

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*“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,  
 that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”*

*John 3:16*

**Loyalties (4)**  
**1 Samuel 20:**

The covenant of friendship between Jonathan and David.

There was mutual honesty in their relationship - v. 1–2

- David was willing to be examined.
- Jonathan was being lied to by Saul but he would not lie to David.
- True friends will never lie you and always tell you the truth - **Proverbs 26:28**

There was commitment in their relationship - v. 3–4

- David went to Jonathan because at this point, he is the only friend he can trust.
- Jonathan promised to do whatever he could for David's sake.
- True friends will always be there and help each other.

There was mutual cooperation in their relationship - v. 5–7

- Both men agreed on a plan to settle the matter.
- Both men had much to lose, but both men trusted the Lord to bring a solution.
- True friends will always seek to resolve conflict and find solutions to problems.

There was mutual respect in their relationship - v. 8–13

- David put his life into Jonathan's hands.
- Jonathan never believed David sinned and would not allow him to be falsely accused.
- True friends always trust each other.

There was mutual love in their relationship - v. 14–17

- David promised to not consider the son of Saul and his house an enemy.
- Jonathan believed the Lord would make David king and so he offered him his devoted and loyal love.
- True friends always love each other.

Have you put your faith in the greater Son of David - **John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.**

Do you love the Lord Jesus Christ? **1 Corinthians 16:22 If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come!**

Brother and sister, we have nothing to offer the King but our heart - **James 2:5 Listen, my beloved brethren: Has God not chosen the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him?**