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Welcome to all our visitors.

We hope that you are edified as you participate in worship to Jehovah God with us this morning. Our prayer is that you would have a safe trip home and that all is well where you are from.

Restored member of the Body of Christ:

We are excited to announce that Gary McDonald Sr. came forward last Sunday evening to be restored to the Lord and identified as a member of this local church!

Herb Sims was taken to the emergency room last Sunday evening with congestive heart failure. He is doing much better now.

Whiter than Snow

Memories of this white Christmas may not fade for quite some time. The headlines are already reading, "Blizzard of 2009..." A neighbor of mine said that he has lived here all his life and never seen this kind of snow storm. The snow itself is very peaceful, clean, and attractive to look upon and is likely the reason the Holy Spirit used it to illustrate purity in the Bible. David wrote, "*Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow*" (Psalms 51:7). The prophet Isaiah wrote, "*Come now, and let us reason together, saith Jehovah: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool*" (Isa. 1:18) (see also Job 9:30 and Lamentations 4:7).

Snow is identified with God's might and control over elements in the Bible as well. Job writes, "*For he saith to the snow, Fall thou on the earth; Likewise to the shower of rain, And to the showers of his mighty rain*" (Job 37:6) (see also Isa. 55:10). The Lord controls all elements by his authoritative position in the universe (see Mark 4:41).

The perspective of one who spent most of his life in the sultry humidity of Houston is that this snow is beautiful. It makes me think of the purity found in Jesus Christ as well as the power of Jehovah God. Lets all enjoy it while it is here.

Remember our shut-ins in your daily prayers!