

Africa's Greatest Friend

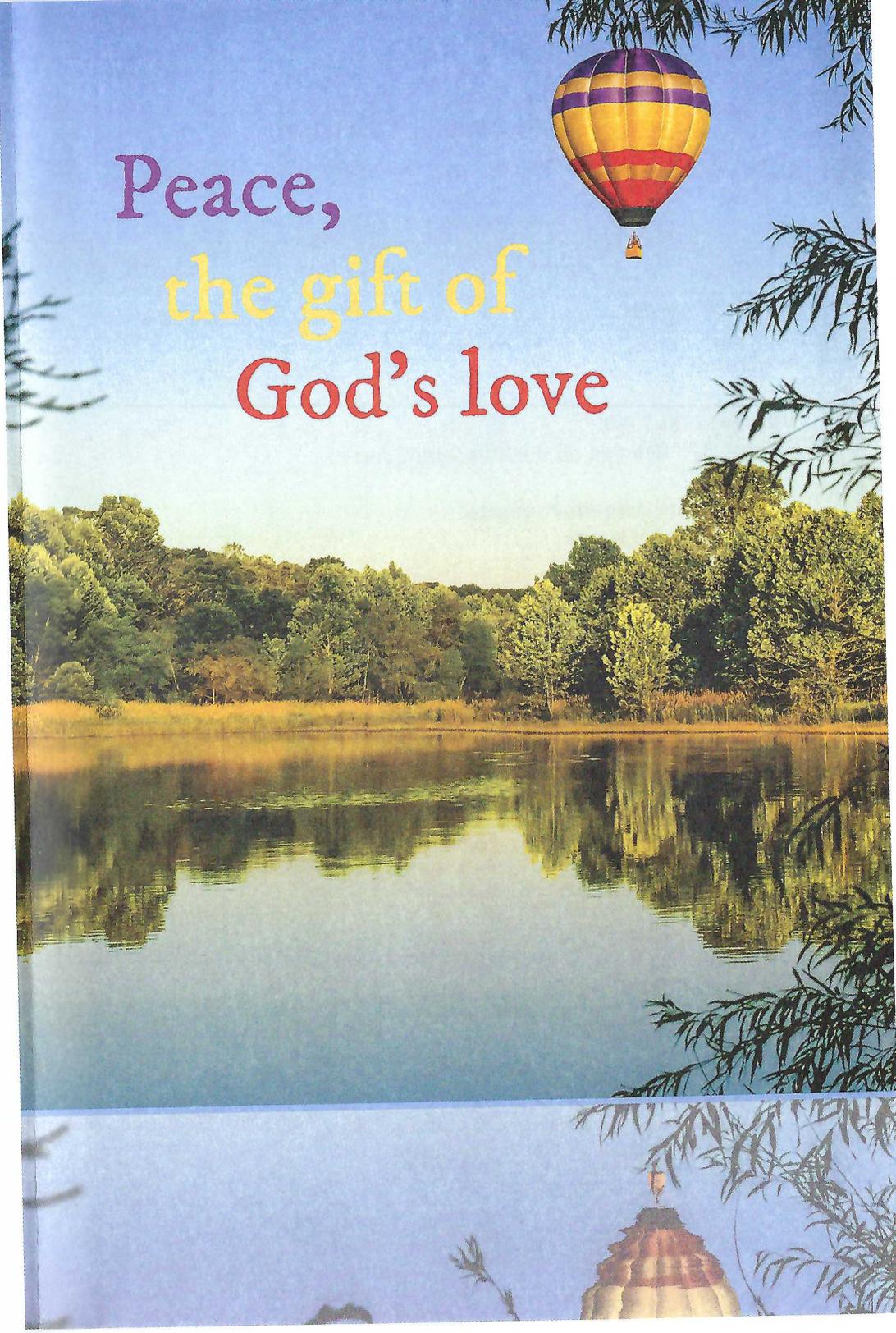
David Livingstone was born within the humble home of "poor and pious parents" at Blantyre, near Glasgow on the 19th of March, 1813 . . .

It was in his twentieth year that the great spiritual change took place which determined the course of David Livingstone's future life . . . "Great pains," he says, "had been taken by my parents to instill the doctrines of Christianity into my mind, and I had no difficulty in understanding the theory of a free salvation by the atonement of our Saviour; but it was only about this time that I began to feel the necessity and value of a personal application . . . to my own case." . . . He renounced all hope in himself; and . . . trusted in the power and willingness of Christ to save . . . "I saw the duty and inestimable privilege immediately to accept salvation by Christ. Humbly believing that through sovereign mercy and grace I have been enabled so to do . . . it is my desire to show my attachment to the cause of Him who died for me by henceforth devoting my life to His service."

On the 8th December, 1840, he took ship for South Africa. It was not long ere he pushed on into the interior, and wrote: "I had more than ordinary pleasure in telling these Bakaas of the precious Blood that cleanseth from all sin. I bless God that He has conferred on one so worthless the distinguished privilege and honour of being the first messenger of mercy that ever trod these regions." . . . Towards the close of his noble life he became greatly reduced by severe illness, but still he laboured on. At four in the morning (1st May, 1873), by the candle still burning, they saw him, not in bed, but kneeling at the bedside, with his head buried in his hands upon the pillow . . . he had passed away . . . in the act of prayer, commending his own spirit, with all his dear ones . . . into the hands of his Saviour. Dr. Robert Moffat said: "Thus Livingstone died, possessing the blessed hope, or rather, the assurance, that living or dying he was the Lord's."

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Peace,
the gift of
God's love

Covenant Church

3115 N.W. 16th Avenue Gainesville FL 32605

September 3, 2023

Call to Worship

Sounds of Hope

Invocation

Pastor Don Mauldin

Sing Unto the Lord

Hymn # 575 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Guests

Mission Moment

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Worship in Song

Hymn # 578 Trusting Jesus

Offertory Prayer

Craig Alexander

Offertory

Rose Morgan

Special Music

Sermon:

Pastor Don Mauldin

Scripture:

Hymn of Benediction

Pastor Don Mauldin

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Covenant News

Our ministry for this month is Hurricane Relief.

Mark Your Calendar

The YAH Group will meet Tuesday, September 12th at 10:30 a.m.

Peanut Boil Sunday, September 24th at 4:00 p.m.

FCA D&S Classic Car Show

Saturday, September 30th, 2023 | 8:30am-1:30pm

The O'Steen's Barn, 16811 County Road 241 Alachua, FL 32615

