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Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday Morning	worsnip
Announcements	(934-2398) Randy Griffith
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Farris Young
Scripture	Joel 2:28-32
Lord's Table (N)	*Larry Flatt
(S)	*Charles Gillies
	Caleb Graves
(N)	Tyler Judkins
(N)	Josh King
(S)	Bruce Pryor
	Jordan Thomas
(S)	Justin Randolph
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(934-2398) Randy Griffith
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Ryan McColloch
Reading	Joe Collins
Scripture	2Timothy 2:15
Lord's Table	*John David Keele
	*David Keele
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Paul Hurst

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Dale Bennett
Lead Singing	Justin Griffin
First Prayer	Darron Dixon
Reading	David Roberts
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jack Keele

Welcome Committee

	Farris & Brenda Young Paul Hurst Family
Bus Driver:	Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

January 18, 2015
ie Hoover & Joe Maynard
Mary Flatt
.Jeff Templeton/Don Griffith
Andrews
Doris Smith & Missy Biles
Cereal

Elder Closing Remarks:Leonard Clemons

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	
Bible Study	
P.M. Worship	175
Wednesday Bible Study	126
Contribution	\$7,091

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Sick

At Home: Paul Davis Doris Wilcher Glenda Fave Ferrell Linda Fults JoAnn Roberts Stefanie McColloch Ravlee Vinson Linda Hamilton Larrv Flatt Delanie Sullivan Nancy Mayfield lim Slatton Farris Young Emily Grove (after tests in hospital) Tiffany Sadlon Alyssa Lawrence - strep

In The Hospital:

Brenda Davis - River Park Allen Templeton (Jeff's father) - St. Thomas West Faith Sadlon - Vanderbilt Children's Hospital (should come home soon) Preston Huckeby (cousin of Herb Rowland) -doing better and should be moved soon

Sermons for Sunday

AMJoel - Last Days PMDIY - Learning To Study The Bible

Happiness Cake

I cup Good Thoughts
I cup Kind Deeds
I cup Consideration for Others
2 cups Sacrifice
3 cups Forgiveness
2 cups Well-Beaten Faults

Mix thoroughly; add tears of joy, sorrow, and sympathy. Flavor with love and kindly service. Fold in 4 cups of prayer and faith.

After pouring all this into your daily life, bake well with the heat of human kindness. Serve with a smile any time and it will satisfy the hunger of starved souls.

Youth News

If the Lord wills, 23 of us will make the trek this Friday to Savannah, TN for **EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY** and **EU2**. 2015 will be our 12th year to attend this great event. I still remember the first time we went with 5 of us crammed in my car. I knew then that EU would remain a staple of our youth group. EU is one of the most impressive events offered to young Christians. Each participant is given the opportunity to learn how to spiritually help people in their sphere of influence. Please keep us in your prayers as we travel and that we will each return ready to do all we can for His name.

A great event is coming up for young men in grades 5 to 12. The 4th Annual **YOUNG MEN'S SEMINAR** will be hosted by the East Main congregation in Murfreesboro on Saturday, February 7th. Kyle Butt will be the featured speaker. A flyer is on the Youth Bulletin Board with more details, but if interested in going let me know. We have to be registered by February 2nd.

<u>PARENTS</u>: Please assist your kids in studying I John 2 this week and be prepared for a great class this Sunday morning.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES: Sun. 25 Pew Packers

Sun. 25 Home Devotional Wed. 28 Birthday Wednesday Sat. 31 Bible Bowl Study

Something To Think About

"It's human to err, but it's stupid to continue!"

"He who talks without thinking runs more risks than he who thinks without talking."

"Rest assured that God knows that the best of men are but men at their best"

"Flattery: the art of telling another person exactly what he thinks of himself."

A Hostile Witness

There is an overlooked work that should be avoided, but may be more commonly practiced than is thought. Yet, as the Holy Spirit through Paul included it in a larger category of works, it must be something with which even many Christians struggle. It is mentioned in the list of fleshly works found in Galatians 5:19-21 and is simply called "enmities" (20).

The word is found nine times in the New Testament, from the Greek " $\xi\chi\theta\rho\alpha$ ", and its general meaning is, "Enmity, hostility, hatred, both as an inner disposition and objective opposition (Rom. 8:7); plural, of hostile feelings and acts animosities, hostilities, discord, feuds (Gal. 5:20)" (Friberg & Miller, 183).

Hostile feelings, unchecked and not repaired, lead ultimately to ungodly behavior toward others that can even cause division. Another adds, "["enmities" is] a general term referring to hostility or unneighborly acts of any kind or form" (Arichea & Nida, 138). How do "enmities" arise and is this something which you and I may fall prey to?

- Enmities arise by holding a grudge. In fact, it can be very difficult to know when you cross the line from the one to the other. When you harbor feelings of resentment toward someone from an offense, real or imagined, it will eventually grow into hostile feelings and possibly hostile acts. The old law warns against bearing a grudge and even makes it antonymous (i.e., opposite) with love (Lev. 19:18). The Lord tells us what to do when we have a problem with a brother or sister (Mat. 18:15ff). If we do not follow this, to whom are we listening?
- **Enmities arise through prejudice.** Prejudice occurs on much more than the basis of the color of one's skin. Prejudice is nothing more than a preformed opinion, one formed without all the facts but instead through "insufficient knowledge, irrational feelings, or inaccurate stereotypes" (Encarta Dictionary). How often, based on how we think, feel, or believe another to be, do we work ourselves up against another and allow enmity to rule our hearts?
- **Enmities arise when the mind is set on the flesh** (Rom. 8:7). Paul is contrasting the Old Law with the gospel of Christ in this context, but he reveals a compelling principle. When we fail to live spiritual lives, but instead make our decisions driven by our passions and fleshly inclinations, we open ourselves up to works like enmity. Incidentally, this same bent will lead one further and further down the road of those ensuing works in Galatians 5. Notice that this hostility is pointed toward God and His law (cf. Jas. 4:4), but it will impact our demeanor and attitude in all relationships. This hostility plays out "in the flesh" (Rom. 8:8), the very activities and attitudes upon which Paul focuses in Galatians 5:19-21.

Are you and I immune from "enmities"? We can strengthen ourselves against such especially through the "antidote" of love in the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22). Love actively seeks and strives for others' good. If we sincerely give our hearts to loving others, our brethren or the lost, we will have a harder time harboring hostility and hatred for them. Maybe if we will take the time to know others better and try to get insight into their circumstances, struggles, and challenges, it will temper our feelings toward them. It will certain demonstrate that we are led by the Spirit and not by the flesh!

~ Neal Pollard ~