

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements(473-8760) Dale Bennett
Lead SingingJeff McVey
First PrayerLeonard Clemons
ReadingJared Mullican
Scripture.....Mark 12:28-31
Lord's Table (N).....*Paul Hurst
(S).....*Rickey Hurst
(N)Russ Chilcutt
(N).....Dwight Barrett
(N).....Jacob Griffin
(S).....Mitchell Ferrell
(S).....Rodney Maynard
(S).....Harold McGinness
Sermon Tony Lawrence
DismissMike Mullins

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements(473-8760) Dale Bennett
Lead SingingJeff McVey
First PrayerTim Fisher
ReadingKeith Chilcutt
ScriptureHebrews 12:1-2
Lord's Table*Ricky Prince
.....*Herb Rowland
Sermon Tony Lawrence
DismissJesse Nunley

Wednesday Bible Study

AnnouncementsKelly Thaxton
Lead Singing.....Kenny Dillard
First PrayerSteve Hillis
ReadingLarry Cook
Invitation.....Tony Lawrence
DismissJosh Templeton

Welcome Committee

A.M.Joe & Marsha Collins
P.M.Stanley & Jean Clendenon

Bus Driver:Paul Hurst (668-7088)

Ushers:Tim Gann & David McColloch
Attend Nursery:.....Janie Griffin
Un/Lock Building: Jimmy Cunningham/Dwight Barrett
Prepare Communion:Maggie Hurst/Sarah King
Assist Baptisms: Elaine Hoover/Gail Crouch

Pantry Item:Instant Mashed Potatoes

Elder Closing Remarks:Leonard Clemons

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship.....316
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Services

Sunday
A.M. Worship 9:00 AM
Bible Study 10:15 AM
P.M. Worship 6:00 PM
Wednesday
Bible Study 7:00 PM
Monday (2nd & 4th of each month)
Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM

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Sick & Shut-in

At Home:

Flossie Warren

Marva Hughes (Allen's mother)

Dorothy Solomon (Zollie's sister)

Jean Kirby - receiving cancer treatments, requested prayers.

Brenda Woodlee (Nelma Chilton & Nona Martin's sister-in-law)

Juanita Oliver (may move to Webb House for a couple weeks.

Joan Hillis

Vernon Keith

Glenda Faye Ferrell - following surgery

Paula Keele (David's mother)

In The Hospital:

John Henson (preacher at Dibrell) - Select Speciality Hospital-Nashville

Shirley Young (Helen Morgan's sister) - River Park with pneumonia

Jimmie Dixon - sister-in-law of Shirley Martin - St. Thomas-Rutherford

Sermon Topics

Sunday AMFully Devoted Service: Heart

Sunday PM.Ridding Our Weights & Sins

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Michael Miller, uncle of our Jeff McVey. His funeral was this past Friday in Columbus, OH.

Home

Home is more than bricks and walls
Or even pictures and carpets and halls.
It's the place where when one gets a fall
It hurts us all.

Home is more than a bright bouquet
Or even where we play and pray.
It's the place where when one goes astray
--Love finds a way.

Youth News

Another successful **BIBLE BOWL** is in the books. I'm so thankful for those in our youth group who take part. Our team finished in 4th place and the test was really tough. The letter of Colossians will be our last study for this season.

The next **PEW PACKERS** class will meet this Sunday at 5:00 in the fellowship room. We had a great turn out last month and hope to grow in number and truth this month. "From Slavery to Freedom" is our theme for 2016.

I am trusting we will have a great turnout for the next **HOME DEVO** to be hosted by the Keeles. We will meet next Sunday (2/14) immediately following evening worship. Boys bring a drink and girls desserts. Our "object" topic will be a light bulb.

The **16th Annual SPRING YOUTH RETREAT** preparations are underway! The theme for SYR will be "The Kingdom" with lessons pertaining to the foretelling and then coming of the church of God. The date is March 18-20 and we will again be at Camp Hy-Lake. Start thinking about whom YOU are going to invite.

Parents please don't forget the "**WORSHIP NOTES FOR KIDS**" on the foyer table!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wed. 2/24 Birthday Wednesday

Thur. 2/25 NHC Devotional

Fri./Sun. 2/26-28 CYC

Something To Think About

"It is just as easy to form a good habit as a bad one, and it is just as hard to break as a good habit as a bad one. It pays boys and girls to form good habits."
-William McKinley

"Children may close their ears to advice but they open their eyes to example."

"The best thing to spend on your children is your time."

"O How Love I Thy Law!"

David was not a liberal; he loved God's law (Psalm 119:97). Liberals do not love law. They think law is too authority oriented, and "grievous" (1 John 5:3). Liberals have a name for those who love law; they call them "legalist." Liberals like to think that they are too spiritual to be bound by any law. They are progressive, or so they call themselves. David loved the law of God because he loved God; liberals love themselves. They say they love God, but like idolaters of old the gods they love are gods of their own imaginations. They love a god that lets them do what they want to do. They do not love the God of law (Galatians 6:2), or the God of commandants (John 14:15), or the God that will judge them by his words in the last day (John 12:48).

David loved God's commandments because they made him wiser than his enemies (Psalm 119:98). Liberals think they are smarter than commandment keepers, and some of them are, but they are not wiser. Wisdom comes through humility; "with the lowly is wisdom" (Proverbs 11:2). In Psalm 111:10 David sang, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments." The devil himself is among our enemies and we cannot outsmart him, but we can be wiser if we have the humility "to fear God and keep his commandments" (Ecclesiastes 12:13).

David loved God's testimonies because they gave him more understanding than his teachers (Psalm 119:99). Teachers know many things and we should learn all we can from them, but they do not understand the things they know if they do not believe that we need to fear God and keep his commandments. Anytime you hear a teacher teach anything that is contrary to God's law you know that this teacher does not understand what he is talking about. Those who know God's word know how to weigh the value of what they are taught; they know what to accept and what to reject. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding" (Proverbs 9:10).

David loved God's precepts because they gave him more understanding than the ancients (Psalm 119:100). We like to think that wisdom comes with age, but that is not always so. In Job 32:9 Elihu said, "Great men are not always wise: neither do the aged understand judgment." While it is foolish to lightly dismiss the counsel of the aged, it is even more foolish to follow their counsel when it is contrary to God's law. The young prophet believed the lie of the old prophet, and God said to him, "Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the Lord, and hast not kept the commandment which the Lord thy God commanded thee... thy carcass shall not come unto the sepulcher of thy fathers" (1 Kings 13:21-22).

David knew God's laws would keep him from evil ways (Psalm 119:101); he resolved that he would not depart from them (Psalm 119:102). To him they were "sweeter than honey" (Psalm 119:103). He knew that the mercies and salvation of God would come according to the word of God (Psalm 119:41). The entirety of Psalm 119 should be read as the psalm of a man on his knees seeking God through his word. It is because David loved God's law that he said "...therefore I hate every false way" (Psalm 119:104). Show me a man that does not hate every false way, and I will show you a man that does not love the law of God.

It does not surprise me that David would sing, "O how love I thy law..." (Psalm 119:97), for he had already said, "Blessed in the man that walketh not in the council of the ungodly... his delight is in the law of the Lord..." (Psalm 1:1-2). The Psalms of David are powerful, and bold, and challenging, and beautiful because David loved God's law. I hate to think what insipid lyrics and deceitful ditties they would be if they had been written by a liberal.

~ Bill Boyd ~
