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From Where I Sit . . .

"The Measure Of A Strong Church" Part Two

In the last edition, we posed the question, "What is the measure of a strong church?" Men are inclined to look on the surface when looking for a church to attend: **The Building** (or

lack thereof); The Number of Programs, classes, etc.; How Smoothly it Runs as an Organization with its committees, departments, and such like. But a congregation can have all these things and still be dead! I suggested a better measure is to be found when we think of the Church in terms used in the Bible to describe it... such as "Body," "Family," "Temple," "Kingdom," "Bride." I believe these figures of speech can help us to properly measure the strength of the Lord's church in a local community. Thus, we suggested that a strong Church "FUNCTIONS LIKE A BODY."

Secondly, a strong church is one that "LOVES LIKE A FAMILY." The Church is the Household of God according to 1 Timothy 3:15 (KJV) ¹⁵ "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." This is the equivalent to saying that it is the "family" of God. As such we should think of each other as "family." A strong family is one where there is concern for one another; care for each other; and love for one another. The Church at Thessalonica is a good example for having brotherly love. 1 Thessalonians 4:9-10 (NKJV) ⁹ "But concerning brotherly love you have no need that I should write to you, for you yourselves are taught by God to love one another; ¹⁰ and indeed you do so toward all the brethren who are in all Macedonia. But we urge you, brethren, that you increase more and more."

To develop a sense of family requires a willingness to get to know one another; taking advantage of opportunities to spend time together. As congregations grow, it becomes harder to maintain this sense of family, but how well we love one another will be a true measure of the strength of a church!

A strong church will also be one that "PRAISES LIKE A "TEMPLE." Temples of old were built to glorify the being to which they were dedicated. The structure was designed to praise. The sacrifices and services rendered in the worship also were for praise. The Church is God's Temple today -1 Corinthians 3:16-17 (KJV) ¹⁶ "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? ¹⁷If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which *temple* ye are."

As Christians, the Bible teaches that we are at the same time the "temple" and the "priests" who offer "spiritual sacrifices" - 1 Peter 2:5 (KJV) ⁵ "Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ." Our purpose is to proclaim the praises of God - 1 Peter 2:9-10 (KJV) ⁹ "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: ¹⁰ Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy."

We offer Sacrifices and Praise to God by LIFTING OUR VOICES in song and prayer - Hebrews 13:15 (KJV) ¹⁵ "By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of *our* lips giving thanks to his name;" By DOING GOOD DEEDS - Hebrews 13:16 (KJV) and by OFFERING OURSELVES as living sacrifices - Romans 12:1-2 (KJV) How each of us praises God with our voices, body and service is a true measure of a church, Let's be careful not to despise the name of the God we serve as a temple and priests.

. . . Terry Broome



Please pray for our sick and remember them with cards, calls and visits.—

Pray Healthy covery Jo Reed Brumley had a heart attack last Friday morning and underwent surgery to insert one stent at Erlanger Hospital. He is now at home and doing well. Keep him in your prayers.

Dot Evett saw her doctor on Tuesday and he says she is taking the right medicine. She does not have an appointment with a cardiologist yet.

Beverly Precise had successful surgery and came home last Thursday. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.

Bobbie Howland, sister of Billie Hancock & Gladys Westmoreland, is home under the care of hospice. No visitors at this time. Pray for her.

Dr. Nobie Stone, brother-in-law of Pat Russell, is now home following surgery and is doing well. Pray for him as he recovers. His address is 4017 Shelby Ave., Huntsville, AL 35801.

Jean Ferguson, former member here, is having several health issues and is undergoing tests. Please pray for her.

Joey Colwell, son-in-law of Martha Pendley, is currently having tests to determine the cause of health problems. Prayers are requested.

Mark Henderson, son of Faye, came through the surgery well and is at home, but will have a long recovery. His address is 632 E. Moulton St. Decatur, Al. 35601.

Lydia Porch, daughter of John & Lisa Porch, will return to the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota next week for a 5 year check up and brain scan. Please pray for good test results.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Cynthia Nance
Winfred Russell
Joey Graham
Russell Wilhelm
Mary Ruth Combs
Ginger Myers
Debby Petty
Ken Lawrence, Sr.
Mickey Thornton
LaRue Anderson

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Haley Hastings

Betty Sisco

Al Brown

Harold Reynolds

Judy Roberts

Sally Kennamer, c/o Tom Kennamer, 177 Oldwood Rd., Huntsville, AL 35811.

Sam Wright, Albertville Nursing Home & Rehab, 750 AL Hway 75 N, Albertville, AL 35951, Rm 155, phone 256-878-1398

Doug Moser, cousin of Russell Wilhelm.

Diane Howse, cousin of C. B. Laney, 2925 Co. Rd.60, Pisgah, 35765

Alyssa Newsom, daughter of Christa Bell (a former TLC employee)

Arthur Tek, brother-in-law of Gill Reed, 4500 Post Rd. E-53, Nashville, TN, 37205.

Bobby Orr, cousin of Roger Kime.

Shepard Knight, newborn of Danny & Leah Knight, (cousins of Jo Reed & Tracy Brumley), 8495 Hwy 70, Arlington, TN 38002.

Bill Capley, father of Corrie Shelton (daughter-in-law of Robin & Vicki) 26 Bellefonte Circle, 35769.

Gary Whitherington, employee at Costco, 7809 Cadillac Dr., Huntsville, 35802.

Patricia Lusk, niece of Irene Gist, 4088 Co. Rd. 21, 35768. Doris Reed Rousseau 2107 Gladstone, Huntsville, AL 35811. Diane Ashburn, former member here.

Gary Bell, brother of Brenda Brockway, 949 Co. Rd. 897, Rainsville, AL 35986.

Sally & Clyde Romy, sister & brother-in-law of Marge Rice, 5780 Maplegrove Ave., Louisville, Oh, 44641.

John Means, a friend of Buddy Holt.

John Armstrong, brother of LaNelle Caudle, 1643 W. Schwartz Blvd., The Villages, FL 32159.

Mark Bergman, friend of John & Lisa Porch, 1300 Campground Circle, Scottsboro, 35769.

Vickie Pace, member at Skyline, Cloverdale Rm. 416

Jordan McCormack, US Navy

Trent McCormack, US Navy

Jordan Holt, US Navy

Abigail Holt, US Navy

Nathan Bridges, US Air Force- Reserve

Wyatt Jones, US Air Force

Jason Crisman, US Air Force

Philip Doan, US Marine Corps-Reserve

Nathaniel Doan, US Marine Corps

Anthony Worst, US Marine Corps

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND:

Polly Franklin, Elsie Goodman, Ruth Gray, Sue Grider, Jean Hancock, Sallie Kennamer, Mark Little, Helen Ott, Nellie Spring

Calendar of Upcoming Events—

May 19 — Graduates' Party after evening service

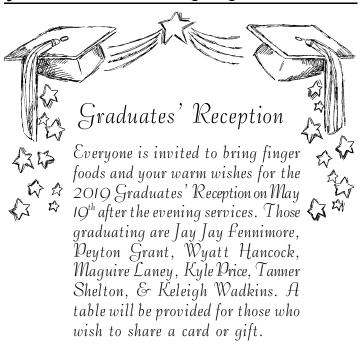
June 19-21 — VBS

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May 9 — TNT, Woods Cove building, 6-8 p.m.

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Graduates, if you would like to be featured in our graduates' slide show, please submit up to 10 photos to Chad Brown by May 12th.



VBS will be 6:00 til 8:00 p.m. June 19-21. We need a lot of help to make it successful. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for teachers & volunteers.



We want to thank everyone who brought food so abundantly on Sunday for the Meet & Greet Luncheon. The participation was above any that we have ever enjoyed.

Area Events

- 2019 Truth In Love Lectureship, East Hill church of Christ, Pulaski, TN, May 8-12.
- 8th Annual 7B Southeastern Soul Saving Seminar, Adamsville church of Christ, Adamsville, AL, May 17-19, theme: "Need For Personal Evangelism."
- Acappella Singing, Alder Springs church of Christ, Albertville, July 7th, 7-9 p.m.
- Ladies' Day, Fort Payne church of Christ, June 15, 9 am-12 pm, "Dinner on the Grounds" with Peggy Coulter.



PUPPET PROGRAM - May 12, 2019

Narrator - Trey Russell

Teachers - 2-3 Years - Erica Russell

- 4-5 Years -

- K-2nd - Chantel Shelton

- 3rd-6th - Cynthia Nance

Puppets - Tim Allen, Bandy Staton, Brent Cornelison

A Mother Isn't Just Somebody

"Somebody" said a mother is an unskilled laborer.

"Somebody" never gave a squirmy infant a bath.

"Somebody" said you know how to be a mother by instinct.

"Somebody" never took a three-year-old shopping.

"Somebody" said that "good" mothers never yell at their kids.

"Somebody's" child never sent a baseball through a neighbor's picture window.

"Somebody" said a mother can find all the answers to her child-rearing questions in books.

"Somebody" never had a child stuff beans in her nose.

"Somebody" said a mother always adores her children.

"Somebody" never tried to comfort a colicky baby at 3 a.m.

"Somebody" said a mother can do her job with her eyes closed and one hand tied behind her back.

"Somebody" never organized seven giggling Brownies into a cookie-selling brigade.

"Somebody" said the hardest part of being a mother is labor and delivery.

"Somebody" never watched her "baby" get on the bus for the first day of kindergarten.

"Somebody" said your mother knows you love her, so you don't have to tell her.

"Somebody" isn't a mother.



ELDERS

TOMMY BELLOMY 574-3573 DAVID PRECISE 574-3790 PAT RUSSELL 259-0800 BRAD WILHELM 244-0561

DEACONS

Dave BagleyRick BairdJo Reed BrumleyDavid CrawfordDavid DoverJoel GardnerRoger KimeJoe ManningDave PreciseWilliam UnderwoodRussell WilhelmScott Roberts

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

WORSHIP.....Sunday 9:55 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.
BIBLE STUDY....Sunday 9:00 A.M.
and Wednesday 6:30 P.M.
LADIES BIBLE CLASS...Tuesday 10:00 A.M.

Those to Serve...

SUNDAY, May 12, 2019

Announcements: Buddy Holt Song Leader: Elijah Reed Prayer: Rabon McCormack Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: Roger Kime

1W- C.B. Laney1E- Ernie Brockway2W- Doug Tucker2E- Euyless Holcomb3W- Clay Kennamer3E- Brent Cornelison4W- Nelson Page4E- John McCrary5W- Phillip Chaney5E- Johnny McCrary

Speaker: Terry Broome Closing Prayer: Ted Crona

Greeters: Brad/Debra Wilhelm & Pat/Becky Russell

Ushers:

6W- Will Shelton 6E- Gary Loyd 7W- Ragan Myers 7E- Jeremy Paschal

P.M. SERVICE:

Song Leader: Tanner Shelton Scripture: John A. Porch Prayer: Kyle Price Speaker: Terry Broome

Lord's Supper: Nelson Page & C.B. Laney

Closing Prayer: Robin Shelton WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: Scripture: David Dover

Song Leader: Aaron Manning

Prayer: C.B. Laney

CONTACT ELDER: Brad Wilhelm OPEN & CLOSE BUILDING FOR THE MONTH:

David Crawford

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Pat Russell

If you are unable to serve, please call:

Dave Precise 256-599-6668 -or- Dave Bagley 256-609-6468

The Learning Center Pre-School (Infants - 4 yrs.)
Debra Wilhelm, Director ♦ 259-0005

Requires First Class Stamp Here

The Word of God (the Bible) never changes. If you go to worship to hear something other than His Word,

You have gone for the wrong rear If you hear something other, You are at the wrong place.

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Mother's Love

There is no love, like a mother's love, no stronger bond on earth... like the precious bond that comes from God,

to a mother, when she gives birth.

A mother's love is forever strong, never changing for all time... and when her children need her most, a mother's love will shine.

God bless these special mothers, God bless them every one... for all the tears and heartache, and for the special work they've done.

When her days on earth are over, a mother's love lives on... through many generations, with God's blessings on each one.

Be thankful for our mothers, for they love with a higher love... from the power God has given, and the strength from up above.
--- Anonymous