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From Where I Sit . . .

"The Joy of Christian Service"

Christianity must embody the principle of service for our Lord came to minister unto mankind: Matthew 20:28 "Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." (Also see Luke 22:25-27). From the Household of Onesiphorus who ministered to Paul in Ephesus and Rome (2 Tim. 1:15-16, 18) to the Household of Stephanos who were addicted to "the ministry" or service of the saints (1 Cor 16:15) time and again, the New Testament is filled with the principle of service.

It's an honor to be called upon to serve God's people in any capacity: **Psalms 84:10** "For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness."

Peter actually treats ministering (from diakoneo) and stewarship (from oikonomos — steward, servant, manager for someone else) as a gift: 1 Peter 4:10-11 "As every man hath received the GIFT, even so MINISTER the same one to another, as good STEWARDS of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen."

The word "gift" "charisma" refers to special abilities we have spiritually by the grace of God, whether of non-miraculous qualifications or of the miraculous faculty. The context here is non-miraculous as it is in Romans 12:6-8 "Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching; Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity (sincerity); he that ruleth, with diligence; he that showeth mercy, with cheerfulness."

One of the characteristics which every Christian should cultivate is that of spontaneous participation in some phases of the services in the kingdom of God. There is great joy in serving others, and honor is bestowed on certain individuals in the Bible who were servants: Matthew 4:11, "Ministering angels;" Matthew 8:15, Peter's mother-in-law; Matthew 20:28 concerning our Lord's ministry; John 12:2 of Martha's serving supper; Acts 6:2 of the Apostles not leaving the Word of God to serve tables so special servants were appointed; 1 Timothy 4:6, Timothy was to be a good "minister" of Christ.

We all have different abilities, talents, gifts from God that should be channeled to helping others. We sing: "Is your life a channel of blessing? Is the love of God flowing through you?" and we end it with the chorus: "Make me a channel of blessing today, Make me a channel of blessing; My service blessing; Make me a channel of blessing today."

.... Terry Broome



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

Vara Stiles fell last Friday and broke her left ankle. She is wearing a boot and will secovery see an orthopaedic surgeon today (Wed.) to see if surgery is required. Please keep

Vara in your prayers.

Martha Nan Baker has recovered from the virus and is doing very well.

Tammy McGuire received her test results and 5 of the 7 lymph nodes had cancer in them. She will have to undergo more chemotherapy and then radiation. Please keep Tammy in your prayers as she continues her treatments.

Martha Kimbrough is doing very well after her hip surgery and is now having therapy. Her address is 1500 Locust Circle, Huntsville, AL 35801.

Ginger Myers is in danger of losing her foot and leg. She has been instructed to stay off her foot for the next six weeks and then return to the doctor to have it checked again. Please keep her in your prayers.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Stan Hastings Izella Proctor

Pat Washburn

Cheryl Ellis

X'shi Ana Benavides

Irene Gist

Mary Lawrence

Polly Franklin

Sophronia Burney

Ken Lawrence, Sr.

Harold Reynolds

Judy Roberts

Mary Nell Gonce King

Holly Cobb

Sam Wright, Albertville Nursing Home & Rehab, 750 AL Hwy 75 N, Albertville, AL 35951, Rm. 124, phone 256-891-7938.

Jackie Evans, employee of Woods Cove Florist, 2661 Snodgrass Rd. 35769.

Judy Tidwell McBride, member at Larkinsville, 322 Co. Rd. 15, Woodville, AL 35776.

Sally Abbott, aunt of Bill Price, 440 2nd St., S Naples, FL 34102-8620.

Kenny Jimenez, son-in-law of Dave & Elane Bagley and brother-in-law of David & Ashley Dover, 124 Helen Ave., Modesto, CA 95354.

Judy Solomon, sister of Martha Pendley.

Winston Busby, brother of Doris Laney, 198 Weaver Rd., Henagar, AL 35978.

Shep Knight, child of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin.

Lisa Erwin, niece of Buddy & Donna Pace, 848 Pinemeadow Dr., Gardendale, AL 35071.

Janice Chambless, friend of Julia Suchorski, 18 Co. Rd. 541, Scottsboro, AL 35768.

Tom and Mary Ann Worst, Libby Crona's brother & sister-in-law.

Dale Lemley, sister of Nancy Miles.

Cecil Wilkes, grandmother of Nick Ledbetter.

Jordan McCormack, US Navy

Trent McCormack, US Navy

Jordan Holt, US Navy

Abigail Holt, US Navy

Nathan Bridges, US Air Force- Reserve

Paige Chrisman, US Air Force

Philip Doan, US Marine Corps-Reserve

Nathaniel Doan, US Marine Corps

Anthony Worst, US Marine Corps

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND

| Cloverdale | Rosewood | Southern |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Manor | Manor | Estates |
| 412 Cloverdale Rd. | 1513 Co. Park Rd. | 212 E. Stewart Rd. |
| Scottsboro, 35768 | Scottsboro, 35769 | Scottsboro, 35769 |
| Helen Ott | Doris Johnson | Tommy Bellomy |

Jean Hancock Polly Franklin 9440 Hwy. 79 Bypass, 35768
Mark Little 107 Benson Lane, 35768
Elsie Goodman 406 S Houston St., 35768

Martha Nan Baker 701 Monroe St., NW, Russellville, 35653
Jim Anderson 3891 Sullivan St., Madison, AL 35758
Nell Anderson 121 Brookridge Dr., Apt. 133, Madison, 35758
Al Evett 49 Hughes Rd., Apt. 24, Madison, 35758

Calendar of Upcoming Events-

June 10 — Summer Series speaker: Trae Durden June 17 — Summer Series speaker: Lonnie Jones



Aug. 1 — VBS

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Due to the Coronavirus, all sessions of Bible Camp have been cancelled.

Thoughts on Sharing

by Bob Bland

Many of us have a vegetable garden and this season of the year we try and share some of the harvest with others.

Sharing is a very definite part of God's plan for relationships and for salvation. God's grace is a clear expression that He wants to share the goodness and beauty of His rewards and love with His people. Jesus, the Son of God, came to this earth to share the realistic experiences of mortal life, including physical death, to make it possible that we might share the eternal joys of heaven with Him. Philippians 2 and Hebrews 8, 9 and 10 speak of this very thing. It should be just as natural as breathing that we should want to share the beautiful life in Jesus Christ with others with whom we come in daily contact. It is a phenomenon and paradox of life that the more one gives or shares, the more one has. Let us not become so absorbed with the things of this mortal earth that we fail to share the blessings, joys and hopes there are in Jesus Christ.

> Which shall it be for you and me who God's good gifts obtain? Shall we accept for self alone or take to give again? For He who once was rich indeed laid all His glory down; That by His grace our ransomed race should share His wealth and crown.



Gists Broad Street church of Christ gratefully acknowledges a monetary donation to the Youth Fund from Marionna & Hoyt Harbin in memory of Roger Kime.

People cannot change truth. but truth can change people!

A LETTER FROM CHRIST

by John Gipson

"And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts" (2 Cor 3:3).

Have you ever thought that your life is a letter that is read by someone? If so, what does it say to others?

Does it read as an advertising circular? Is it a message which recommends my own virtues heartily and continuously? Is it printed in large 42-point type, with a dependable supply of exclamation points?

Perhaps it is a letter that resembles a bill. It is welcomed with the same joy we have when we receive a bill that drops in on the first of the month. It has the effect of saying, "You owe me so and so. Please pay now."

But there are some, by the grace of God, who are letters, people in whom we can read in clear letters a message of Christ. Their lives are so persuasive in action and character that they seem to say, "Follow me." Their prayers seem to be answered,

> And wing my words that they may reach The hidden depths of many a heart.

Do our lives point to anything beyond us or above us? Do they seem to others as a letter from Christ? If so, "well done good and faithful servant."



Sister Faye Henderson passed away this morning after an extended illness. Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to Pat, Charlsi and the entire In Sympathy family at this time of loss.

Action and Reaction

Take a piece of wax, a morsel of meat, a handful of sand, a pinch of clay, and some wood shavings and put them on a fire. The wax melts; the meat fries; the sand dries up; the clay hardens; the shavings blaze. Although they are subjected to the same fire, each of the objects reacts in a different way.

This is a dramatic reminder of how individuals also react differently to the same circumstances. Subjected to hardship and despair, one person grows stronger, while others weaken or wither away.

One person hears the Word of God and is made better. Others hear the same message and grow angry and rebellious. Let us take heed how we respond to circumstances in our lives.

ELDERS

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DEACONS

Dave Bagley Josh Baird Rick Baird
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Nick Ledbetter Joe Manning Roger Myers
Nelson Page John A. Porch Dave Precise

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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, June 14, 2020

Song Leader: Chad Brown Prayer: Mark Price Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: Pat Russell Speaker: Terry Broome Closing Prayer: Kyle Price



WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

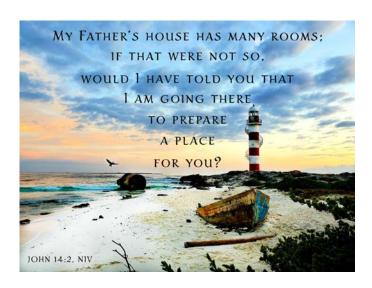
Scripture: Aaron Manning Song Leader: Tim Allen Prayer: Jim Brown

CONTACT ELDER: David Precise

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





One day a little girl was sitting and watching her mother do the dishes at the kitchen sink. She suddenly noticed that her mother had several strands of white hair sticking out in contrast on her brunette head. She looked at her mother and inquisitively asked, "Why are some of your hairs white, Mom?" Her mother replied, "Well, every time that you do something wrong and make me cry or unhappy, one of my hairs turns white." The little girl thought about this revelation for a while and then said, "Momma, how come ALL of grandma's hairs are white?"