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From Where I Sit . . .

"The Power Of The Towel"

The glory of the Gospel lies in Jesus Christ. He makes it a glorious Gospel! The glory of Jesus is the cross and the love that placed Him there. He loved His disciples even to the end. This love was so thorough that the Son of God was willing to empty Himself of His former state of glory as Paul discusses in **Philippians Chapter Two**. It was also this love that gave Christ the ability to wash the disciples feet.

It seems that the more natural tendency in this life is to let other people take the initiative to serve us instead of our being the first to serve. Jesus was constantly teaching the disciples to be different from the world. He wanted these men to have the frame of mind that if something needs to be done, do it, instead of waiting to see if someone else will take care of it. We must be self-starters and have a volunteer spirit. That coupled with a good dose of humility can make for a great servant of the Lord Jesus Christ.

In **John Chapter 13** we read of the occasion of the band of disciples joining Jesus in the upper room to observe the Passover Feast in what we now call the Last Supper. Had they been in Peter's home there would have been no doubt as to who the host was, but on this occasion they were on neutral turf. Thirteen weary pilgrims made their way to this moment, twelve of whom had not learned yet that greatness comes from being willing to serve others. They had already squabbled a bit over who was the greatest in the Kingdom (Mark 9:33-34). They had proud minds, but still dirty feet. To them perhaps playing host and washing the other disciples' feet would declare them the least, and the others the greater. Perhaps they were merely thoughtless and didn't give the subject due consideration. The culture of the day sheds some doubt on that option, but it is possible. What we do know is that these twelve men were in the presence of the Lord Jesus, and not one of them took on himself the role of "servant."

We need to learn that Jesus wants a "servant" church more than a "success driven" church. "But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted" (Matthew 23:11-12). Jesus was not diminished in esteem by His willingness to wash feet. He actually demonstrated Himself the better man for it. The disciples would need this special quality if a "servant" church was going to succeed. We still need the very same mind of Christ (Philippians 2:5-9).

Oh, some of us serve all right, but we pick and choose who we will serve. Many times we will serve if we believe the ones we serve actually deserve it. Yet Jesus washed the feet of a man who would betray Him, another who would deny Him. In fact, not one man in the group deserved to be served, but He washed their feet anyway. Our service to God will not always result in their serving Him, but we serve because it brings glory to God. Sometimes it also causes some to turn from the world to serve God as well. Lord, make me a servant.

. . . Terry Broome



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

Ernestine Pace is home now and doing well. Please pray for a speedy recovery.

Vara Stiles is back home now and taking physical therapy three times a week. Keep her in your prayers.

Joan Jackson finished her therapy but is still having back problems. She has an appointment with a doctor on Aug. 27th to see what else can be done for her. Please pray for Joan.

LaRue Anderson is healing well and is feeling a little better each day. Please keep her in your prayers.

Jennifer Chandler, sister of Janet Necklaus, has improved some and was allowed to go home from the hospital. We still need to keep her in our prayers.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Tammy McGuire

Bill Price

James Rice

Stan Hastings

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Cheryl Ellis

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

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

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Trent McCormack, US Navy

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Abigail Holt, US Navy

Nathan Bridges, US Air Force- Reserve

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Calendar of Upcoming Events—

August 19 — Summer Series speaker: Jimmy Holland

August 26 — Summer Series speaker: Jason Bybee

One Measure Of Our Love	Wed. Bible Study
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Thank, you for your prayers, cards and concern during my recent surgery. Also, thank you for the prayers, cards and beautiful plant in memory of my brother. We love our Broad Street family.

Bill Price

Why Go To Church?

A churchgoer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. "I've gone for 30 years now," he wrote, "and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons. But for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time and the preachers are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all."

This started a controversy in the "Letters to the Editor" column, to the delight of the editor. It went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

"I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals but I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!"

> via Grand Blanc church of Christ Grand Blanc, MI



local thrift store has donated over 100 cards to our CIA (Christians In Action) ministry. These cards are for distribution to those who sick. are lomebound, lonely, aged, need encouragement, and

others. On Sunday, there will be 12 packets with 5 cards each available on the table in the foyer. The packets include suggested names and addresses of those to send cards. Postage has been donated by someone and it is in the packet as well. Anyone who would like to help, just pick up a packet. This is a good way to continue this good work during our time of social distancing. Thanks, CIA Ministry

Chad's Chatter

I Cannot See Where I Am Going

Have you ever had one of those times where you are trying to walk in a dark, unfamiliar room and you just cannot seem to find the nearest wall or table for stability and reference? You reach out and feel nothing. You strain to see something, but it's not helpful. It's all just dark figures in an even darker room. You finally get to the next room after Crunching your toe on some unseen furniture and you feel for a light switch. You flip it on. Wow, everything is so easy now! The light has taken away all the uncertainty and confusion around the obstacles that are in the way.

Have you ever been stumbling around in spiritual darkness as you were scared and alone? And then finally found the One who made light, the One who is light?

As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. John 9:5

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Psalm 119:105

Dear church family,

Thanks so much for all the cards, phone calls, prayers and food I have received while I have been down with my back. Also, thanks to those who transported me to my therapy sessions. I really appreciate everything you have done for me.

In Christian love, Joan Jackson



Benton & Emily Reed have a new baby! Silas Everett Reed was born on Sunday, August 16th weighing 7 pounds, 15 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Gill & Elijah Reed and big sister is Hattie. Congratulations to this family on their new addition!

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Nelson Page John A. Porch Dave Precise
Mark Price Scott Roberts

William Underwood Russell Wilhelm

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, August 23, 2020

Announcements: Buddy Holt Song Leader: Mark Price Prayer: Nick Ledbetter Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: Robins Shelton Speaker: Chad Brown Closing Prayer: Brad Laney



WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

Scripture: Will Shelton Song Leader: Aaron Manning

Prayer: Mark Price

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

By Committee

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.)
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Requires First Class Stamp Hero

The Word of God (the Bible) never changes. I you go to worship to hear something other

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



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You were created in the image of God and endowed with strength and courage. Meet your challenges today with faith in your Creator.