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From Where I Sit . . .

"Blessings Of Being A Christian"

Imagine that a baby was born in the Mammoth Cave. This child grew up knowing only the features of the cave life. His parents promised that when the child turned 18 years old he would be carried to the outside world. When the 18th birthday arrived, the youngster was reluctant to leave his home in the cave. However, upon further persuasion the young man entered the "new world" on a beautiful May morning. After observing the beautiful sunshine and seeing the lovely flowers, he exclaimed, "It is so much more beautiful than you told me." This story reminds us that if the alien sinner would only see the beauty and the power of the Christian life, one would not be so reluctant to become a Christian. That kind of life is so much more beautiful than we've learned how to tell them.

We can talk about spiritual blessings, but until a person experiences the riches of God's grace, and the exceeding joy of forgiveness, how does one adequately convey what it feels like to be a Christian and to be saved. We draw verbal comparisons that are designed to help, but our words fall short of the marvelous "taste" that Peter speaks of in 1 Peter 2:3, *"If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious."* How can I describe to you the actual taste of my favorite dessert if you've never actually tasted it yourself?

Our descriptions are sufficient to arouse curiosity, and sometimes create a desire for the Lord, but the truth is that the partaker is in for a greater treat than he ever dreamed he could experience. There's happiness in being a part of the family of God. Our task is to persuade people to become partakers of the divine nature: "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust" (2 Pet 1:4).

To any of our readers who are not Christians, Jesus has provided for us joy unspeakable and full of glory. "Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:" (1 Pet 1:8). It may be that some Christian has let you down by losing sight himself of the indescribable joy of being in Christ, but I plead with you to consider Jesus' promises and partake of these yourself. I'm convinced you'll find it to be more beautiful than we could tell you. I encourage you to become a Christian at once. Time is not guaranteed tomorrow or the next day. We must redeem today. "See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is" (Eph 5:15-17).

If you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God (John 8:24); and are willing to confess Him before men (Matt. 10:32,33; Romans 10:9-10); if you are penitent over a life in sin and want to turn your back to sin (Luke 13:3,5); and if you are willing, in dying to sin, to be buried with Christ in baptism into His death (Romans 6:3-6) the Lord has promised you will be freed from your sins (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38).

. . . . Terry Broome



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

Julia Suchorski is in the Special Care Unit at HMC. She is on a ventilator but $H_{\text{Healthy}}^{r_a}$ is making slow progress. She really Recovery needs our prayers.

Tammy McGuire is in need of our prayers.

Debra Kime has now returned to rehab in South Pittsburg. Keep pray for her.

Tammy Cook is home from the hospital now and doing better.

Ralph Cook has been very ill with the Covid virus, but not in the hospital at this time.

Jane Burgess is at home with the Covid virus.

Brad Wilhelm is being treated for the Covid Virus.

We have numerous other members that have been diagnosed with Covid and most are making good progress. Please pray for them all.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Renate Bridges Brenda Price Polly Franklin Sam Wright Harold Reynolds **Judy Roberts Darlene** Jacobs Hannah Greczkowski Joyce Alley Ernie & Brenda Brockway Mary Hodge, 88 Sumner Dr., 35769. Judy Solomon, sister of Martha Pendley. Hudson Coldwell, Martha Pendley's grandson. Kenny Jimenez, son-in-law of Dave & Elane Bagley. Leonard West, 95 year old uncle of Ron Graham. Lana Jones, granddaughter of Doyle & Cathy Lemaster. **Bob Milk**, brother-in-law of Robin Shelton. Winston Busby, brother of Doris Laney, 198 Weaver Rd., Henagar, AL 35978. Roger Boyd, friend of Ernie & Paula Foster, 119 Newport, Scottsboro, 35768. Sally Abbott, aunt of Bill Price, 440 2nd St., S Naples, FL 34102-8620. Susan Hill, friend & sitter of Nellie Spring. Roger Alley, son-in-law of David & Margaret Crawford, 12931 AL Hwy 79, Scottsboro, 35768.

Ray Allen, a former member here.

Jimmy Kimble, brother of Joan Jackson, 303 Hollow St., Hohenwald, TN 38462.

Benn Farr, cousin of several of our members.

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

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Trent McCormack, US Navy

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NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND

Calendar of Upcoming Events—

September 12 — Bridal Shower for Caitie Swain

One	
Measure	Wed. Bible Study
Of Our	Sun. A.M. Worship Sun. Night Worship
Love	Budget\$7556.00



Temporary Schedule of Services

Due to the rapid spread of the Delta Variant of COVID-19, the elders have made the difficult decision to adjust our schedule of services for the next two weeks.

- No Wednesday night Bible Study on September 8 and 15.
- Sunday A.M. worship on September 12 will be virtual and live-streamed on Youtube.

Beginning September 19 we hope to resume our usual schedules for Bible Classes Sunday and Wednesday, and the Sunday P.M. Worship Service. Watch for communication through the Call Multiplier.



Dear Broad Street family,

I'm feeling much better and want to thank, everyone for the cards, phone calls, food, flowers, etc. and especially the prayers. They all mean so much.

In Christian love, Doris Johnson

Thank you for the cards, texts, and prayers during our recovery. We appreciate everything done for us.

Ernie & Brenda Brockway



Your love is better than life!

When you think about all the things that you "love" about this earth, what comes to mind the most?

- 1. A warm, cozy bed
- 2. A nice, hot shower
- 3. A big, juicy stake
- 4. Traditions like Thanksgiving dinner

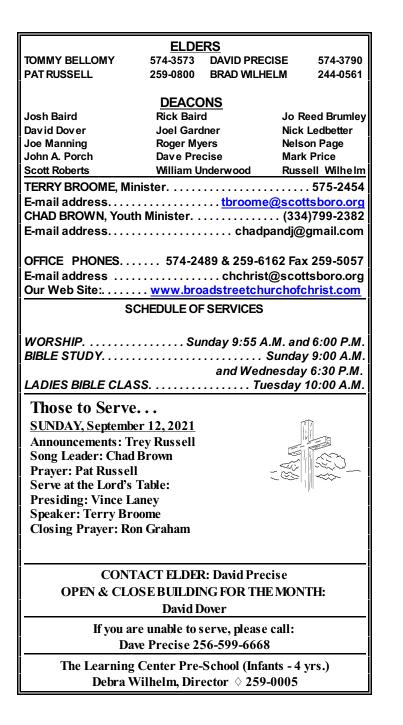
Whatever it is that you "love" about this life, remember that GOD'S Love for us is better than anything this life alone has to offer. Listen to what the Psalmist says about GOD'S Love here:

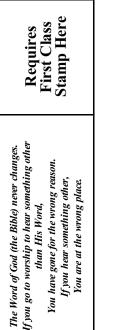
O GOD, You are my GOD; earnestly I seek You; my soul thirst for You; my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory. Because Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise You. So I will bless You as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.

Psalm 63:1-4

Don't you want to experience that kind of love? Don't you want to think of the GOD that made you and everything we see on this earth "your GOD?" His love is better than as anything this earth alone has to offer. His love is better than life!







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According to the Bible:

- Consuming bread is for nourishment (2 Cor. 9:10)
- Receiving bread with the right attitude brings satisfaction (Pro. 20:13)
- Enjoying bread lifts one's spirit (Psa. 104:15)
- Dealing with bread is a daily endeavor (Matt. 6:11)
- Breaking bread indicates fellowship (Acts 2:42, 46)
- Sharing bread brings blessings (Pro. 22:9)

The Bible also reveals that Jesus is the bread of life which came down from heaven (John 6:35, 41). Now, make the connection to the points above!

Edd Sterchi, Campbellsville, KY