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From Where I Sit... "THE COLD WITHIN"

Six humans trapped by happenstance, The rich man just sat back and thought In black and bitter cold, Of the wealth he had in store Each possessed a stick of wood, And how to keep what he had earned, Or so the story's told. From the lazy, shiftless poor.

Their dying fire in need of logs, The black man's face bespoke revenge The first woman held hers back, As the fire passed from his sight For on the faces around the fire, For all he saw in his stick of wood She noticed one was black. Was a chance to spite the white?

The next man looking 'cross the way, And the last man of this forlorn group Saw one not of his church, Did naught except for gain, And could not bring himself to give. Giving only to those who gave, The fire his stick of birch. Was how he played the game.

The third one sat in tattered clothes, The logs held tight in death's stilled hands, He gave his coat a little hitch, Was proof of human sin, Why should his log be put to use, They did not die from cold without, To warm the idle rich. They died from cold within.

Isn't this so true! It is not what is outside of us that destroys us, it is what is inside of us. James tells us that sin comes from pursuing our own selfish desires, James 1: 13 - 15 "[13] Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. [14] But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. [15] Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death." It is this pursuit of selfish desires that keeps us from being the helpers to one another that God created us to be. It robs us from the opportunity to fulfill the prayer that Jesus had for all of us in John 17: 20 - 23, "[20] "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; [21] "that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. [22] "And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: [23] "I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me."

So how can we avoid this trap the Devil has set for us. The Bible tells us in **Hebrews 12: 1**, "[12:1] Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us." We must lay aside this selfishness. The Bible also tells us in Romans 12: 2, "[2] And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." We must make a change from this selfishness to selflessness. How do we make this change? Jesus gave us a simple but difficult answer, Matthew 16: 24, "[24] Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." Let us not die within by holding on to self.



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

Clarence Potter has been having serious Healthy health issues lately. Please keep Clarence in your prayers.

Buster Phillips, friend to many in the congregation, is having treatments for cancer and is having problems with an infection. Prayers are appreciated.

Cory and Kara Caouette, Chuck and Cindy Davis' nephew and his wife, were in a bad motorcycle wreck. Cory has multiple fractures and is home now. Kara has a broken knee and shoulder. She underwent surgery and is still in the hospital. Please keep Cory and Kara in your prayers.

Tammy McGuire will have her radiation beads implanted on Friday, July 7th. Please pray that there will be no further delays.

Bob Rice will be having outpatient surgery on Thursday, July 6th. Please keep him in your prayers.

Chanda Dunaway will be having rotator cuff surgery on Monday, July 10th. Prayers are appreciated.

Jeannie (Barnes) Dukes, a niece of Charlene Cobb and Margaret Barnes, is currently in Huntsville Hospital. She is a dialysis patient with serious complications. Please pray for her.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Buddy Pace Joe Manning **Nancy Miles** Debra Wilhelm **Bob Rice Angel Chancy Jill Russell** Jim Brown **Deborah Wacker Martha Foster Rachel Underwood** Irene Gist **Ginger Myers** Harold Reynolds Mildred Lasater, from the Skyline and East Huntsville Coc. Cissi Britt, sister of Buddy Holt. Melanie Lanier, daughter of Ron Graham. Lana Jones, grand daughter of Doyle and Cathy Lemaster. Don Thornton, Mickey Thornton's brother. Anne Loyd, member at the Gonce CoC. Olivia Lemaster, daughter of Darshell Lemaster. Heather Blizzard George, 127 Walking Trail Way, Madison, AL 35758. Mark Hastings, Joyce Hastings' son. Adrienne Farmer, friend of many in congregation,3371 Clemons Rd., Scottsboro, 35769. Hillary Broome, Terry's brother, 2151 Alexander Blvd., Murfreesboro, TN 37130. Nettie Murrah, Tracy Brumley's mother.

Pam Devenport, Scott Grant's mother, 93 Lorelei Dr., Fayetteville, OH 45118. Viola Manning, aunt of Vicki Shelton & Arlene Allen, 1930 Co. Rd 107, Scottsboro, AL 35768. Bob Milk, brother-in-law of Robin Shelton. Lyndal Brumley, daughter-in-law of Jo Reed & Tracy. Shep Knight, child of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin. Trent McCormack, US Navy Jordan Holt, US Navy-Reserve Abigail Holt, US Navy Nathan Bridges, US Air Force-Reserve Paige Chrisman, US Air Force Nathaniel Doan, US Marine Corps Anthony Worst, US Marine Corps Noah Linville, US Navy Academy Caleb Baker, US Navy

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
	Jaxie Hargrave	
	Debra Kime	
	Dot Bean	

Nellie Spring	1950 Bob Jones Rd., 35769
Elsie Goodman	2010 Cunningham St., 35769
Martha Nan Bakar	701 Monroe St., NW, Russellville, 35653
Nell Anderson	121 Brookridge Dr., Apt. 148, Madison, 35758
Ruth Spurgeon	8922 AL 227, Crossville, AL 35962
Mark Little	County Road 245 Box 788, AL 35768

Calendar of Upcoming Events—

- July 12 - Summer Series - Guest Speaker: Gary Bradley, "The Greatest Need I Have"
- Rosewood Singing @ 1 PM, ALL AGES July 16 - Roller Skating in Rainsville @ 2 PM, ALL AGES
- July 29 - Back to School Bash, @ Cornelison's Farm, ALL AGES

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Measure Of Our	Wed. Bible Study
Love	Contribution\$9,702.40 Budget\$8,147.00



The Sunday Evening Youth Devo will be at the church building on Sunday, July 9th after evening services. Please bring a dish to share. All youth

(teens and kfc) and parents are welcome.



- July 9 Youth Devo after evening services, Ledbetter's Hosting
- July 11 KFC (Host needed)
- July 12 Youth Dinner @ 5:30 PM, Myer's Hosting
- July 13 TNT (Host needed)
- July 16 Rosewood Singing @ 1 PM
 - Roller Skating in Rainsville @ 2 PM, ALL AGES
- July 19 Youth Dinner @ 5:30 (Host needed)
- July 23 Youth Devo after evening services at Will & Chantel's home
- July 29 Back to School Bash, @ Cornelison's Farm, ALL AGES



All are invited on Sunday, July 16th for roller skating at Playzone Fun C e n t e r in Rainsville at 2 PM. The cost is a \$6 admission fee

and \$2 skate rental fee. Parents admission is free, if they do not skate. Snacks and drinks are extra. Please let the office know if you need a ride or help with cost of skating.



The Back to School Bash will be at the Cornelison Farm (1670 Co. Rd. 28) on Saturday, July 29th. All are invited to join us. There will be a slip

& slide, Kona Ice, games, dinner and devotional. The slip & slide will begin at 2:00 PM (Kona Ice will be with us from 2:45 PM to 4:30 PM). Remember to wear T-shirts and shorts that are not white and can get dirty. Bring lawn chairs, sticks for cooking s' mores, and bug spray. Supper will be provided (Holy Smokes BBQ). Sign up sheets are posted on the bulletin for desserts & drinks and for if you plan to attend. Please see Josh and Wendy Baird or Brent and Meghan Cornelison if you have any questions.

PUPPET PROGRAM - July 9, 2023

Narrator - Trey Russell

Teachers - Bandy, Erica, Chantel, Cynthia

Puppets - Stone, Patton, Tyler, Tatum, Eliza, Ruby

If the Doors Are Blocked

Mark chapter 2 (as well as Matthew 9 and Luke 5) records the time that Jesus Christ healed a paralyzed man—one who had to be carried by his friends.

The report begins by telling us Jesus was wildly popular at this particular time: "And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door...they could not get near Him because of the crowd" (Mark 2:2,4).

Surely the main point of the event is about Jesus. As the Son of God, Jesus Christ has the power on earth to both heal physical maladies and spiritual sickness. He healed a man physically to prove that He could heal spiritually (Mark 21:10).

Additionally, another key point in all of this is the faith of the paralyzed man's friends. "And when Jesus saw their faith. He said to the paralytic, 'Son, your sins are forgiven'" (Mark 2:5).

The door was blocked, so they headed to the roof.

A living and active faith does not give up! Faith does not give in!

There will be times where it seems as if we have no place to turn...nowhere to go...nobody to listen. We may get discouraged and our faith may be seriously challenged.

Do not give up!

"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up" (Gal 6:9; cf.2 Thess. 3:13; Heb. 12:3).

There is always an alternative to sin (1 Cor. 10:13).

There is always a path to the feet of the Savior (Matt. 11:28; John 7:27; Rev. 22:17).

Those that are desperately seeking will find what they need (Matt. 7:7-8).

In spite of the obstacles you face, please do not give up and do not give in.

Remember: If the doors are blocked, try the roof!

Bart Warren South Green Street church of Christ Glasgow, KY Bulletin Digest







