

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Class 10:00 -11:30 am September thru May Beginning Sept, 8 Ladies Hand & Foot Card Fellowship: 2nd & 4th Tuesday in the Fellowship Hall. Play begins at 1:00pm. Bring your favorite snack and join us for the fun

OutReach

Christ's Closet

Free Clothing for anyone in need. Open Wednesdays 9:00 – Noon

The clothing room is in need of men's and boys' jeans and shoes. If you have any of these articles, please bring them to the clothing room.

Food Pantry

The pantry is located in the room left of the library. There are sacks in the pantry room if you or someone you know is in need of any of these items. Feel free to take what you need. If you have a donation for the pantry please put it on the table in the pantry room.

Peru Ministry

Support Oscar, Anna Maria, Queca and Tony Woods in their outreach in Peru.

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Meeting times:

<u>Sunday</u> : <u>Wednesday</u>:

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 pm

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am Sunday Night Worship 6:00 pm

Elders:

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Open Elders meeting - each Sunday at 5:00 pm. All are welcome.



Spiritual Warfare

The holy person must fight the good fight. He must crucify the flesh and put to death his members (Gal. 5:24; Col. 3:5ff). The Christian must control his body as well as his spirit (1Cor. 9:24: 6:20).

Again, we must fight against the "world," for the love of the world makes us enemies of God (1 John 2:15). Worldliness in thinking and acting is a deadly foe of sanctification (Gal. 6:14). It is all too easy for us to develop a lust for the things of the world, to be loved by the worldlings, or wish to live like the world does.

The devil is not dead, either He is always seeking whom he may devour. The sanctified person must always fight against the devil. Never can we lay our armor down (Eph. 6:11-13). Yet God has promised us the victory over Satan (Rom. 16:20) and the world (1 John 5:5).

When we are in Christ we are in a holy state and through Him we are empowered to live a holy life (Gal. 2:20; Phil. 4:13). We can't do it on our own. We need the Holy Spirit infilling our lives day by day (Eph. 5:18), and God is willing to give us of His Spirit (Luke 11:13). God will keep us, "And the God of peace himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who will also do it" (1 Th. 5:23-24).

On our part, we must pray, read God's message to us, and examine ourselves. We need to be in every public meeting of the church and relish the fellowship of the saints. The communion with Christ in the Lord's Supper is a vital means of growth in holiness.

If we are to be holy, we must be careful about the company we keep, the friends we make. We must watch our conduct in the "little matters" of everyday life -our tempers, our tongues, and our careless use of time.

-Grayson Ensign

Attendance 8/14 A.M. Worship: 84/Budget: \$2000.00/Contribution 8/14: \$2197.27



Doug Davis, Marilyn Farris, Gloria Ford, Marsha, Pam Fox's grandson, Canaco & Eli - dealing with cancer

Abigail Jones, Karen McBurney, Linda Lafferty, Linda Bills, Dustin Stecker, Doris Pennington, Betty VanVoorst, Logan Johnson - Health issues

Laveda Brumfield, Marie Frolin, Don Jesperson, Lucy Larsen, Gloria Moore, **Bruce Pennington - Homebound**

Oscar & Ana Maria Castro in Peru

Jim Peters, Husband of Kathy Peters and brother to Leonard Peters, died on August 17, 2016. Please keep the Peters family in your prayers as they deal with the loss of three loved ones(Leonard's wife, brother-in-law, and brotherr) so close together.

The McCrickards - Have the results of the EEG and the MRI. Kaleb was diagnosed with Epilepsy but the MRI came back as clean, so no brain abnormalities, good news on that count. The doctors are working to find a medicine that is better suited. Kaleb is doing much better.

Mary Beth Walkers' surgery was successful and she is recovering well. We are thankful for that.

(15) Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

(16) For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

-1John 2:15, 16

1st Sunday Potluck (9/4) After Sunday A.M. worship. Everyone is invited to join in a potluck meal and Christian fellowship.



2nd Saturday Men's Breakfast 8:30 am (9/10)

All the men are invited to come together for a time of devotion and fellowship

Birthdays/Anniversaries 8/21 - 8/28

Harvey & Lynette Jones 8/25 Jeef Sue Minor 8/25 Julia Jesperson 8/27



Courage

The courageous person has been admired throughout history because he is willing to stand up for something, Joshua was told, "Be strong and of good courage" (Josh. 1:6-7). In the New Testament, the world bold is used as a word for courage. Paul asked for prayers to God on his behalf that he might be bold (Eph. 6:19-20). Boldness will help overcome fear (Heb. 13:6).

God gave us examples of courage that we may learn how to live. David went against the odds to defeat Goliath (1 Sam. 17:23, 32, 57). Joseph was strong enough to overcome sexual temptation (Gen. 39:1-13). Elijah was bold enough to stand alone against the 450 prophets of Baal, Ahab and Jezebel (1 Kings 18:1-40). Jesus had the courage to speak the things that needed to be said even though it upset his hearers (Matt. 23:1-39). God needs and wants men to preach the whole truth today (Acts 20:27; 2Tim. 4:2). God wants preachers and teachers that are not afraid to speak negative. Positive lessons are needed, but negative lessons are also needed (2 Tim. 4:2). God wants members of his church to study to see if their preachers and teachers are giving them the pure word of God (Acts 17:11; 2 Tim. 2:15). Far too many seek to find preachers that will make them feel good while living in sin (2 Tim. 4:3-4). God wants people with the courage to obey Him even when they learn the church of which they are members is not teaching the whole truth (Acts 9:1-18; Gal. 1-16). When preachers preach the truth, some may get upset and go somewhere else to worship but this should not prevent the truth from being preached (2 Tim. 4:2). May God give us more courageous truth-loving people (Acts 17:11.

-Earl Claud, Land Between the Lakes Church of Christ, Dover, TN.

A FATHER'S ADVICE

On the birth of his first child Lieutenant Commander J. P. Carr received the following advice from his father. "Teach her as many of the 700,000 words in the English language as you have time to, but be sure she knows the greatest is God, that the longest is Eternity, that the swiftest is Time, the nearest is Now, the darkest is Sin, the meanest is Hypocrisy, and the deepest is Soul.,

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light. (Eph. 5:8)