

Larry’s Lines....

Constant Prayer

Many are not constant in prayer because they see no need for it. Somehow they feel that because God is infinitely good and wise, prayer is a superfluity. God is going to do what he is going to do so why should we plan and beg with him?

Perhaps at this point we should straighten out our thinking in regard to prayer. Is prayer nothing more nor less than trying to wheedle out of God the things we crave? Have we become like the heathen who beats his fetish when a petition is unanswered? Isn’t it more than saying, “Give me what I want, or I am going to let you have it”?

As Harry Emerson Fosdick once said, “Christian prayer is giving God an opportunity to do what he wants, what he has been trying in vain, perhaps for years, to do in our lives, hindered by our unreadiness, our lack of receptivity, our closed hearts and unresponsive minds.” Maybe that’s the point we have missed. Remember Jesus weeping over Jerusalem, saying, “How oft would I... and ye would not: (Matthew 23:37). True prayer changes that. Sure prayer is saying, “Not as I will, but as thou wilt” (Matthew 26:3-9). True prayer is not an assault against the will of God; it is in cooperation with God. As Richard Trench has so well said, “We must not conceive of prayer as an overcoming of God’s reluctance, but as a laying hold of his highest willingness.”

Secondly, it is a fallacy to think that God can do all he wills without any help from us. He cannot. There are many things which God is quite willing to give us that we have never received. As James said, “You desire and do not have; so you kill. And you covet and cannot obtain; so you fight and wage war. You do not have, because you do not ask”(James 4:2). Our prayers are necessary.

Or again, God desires the salvation of all men, but this will not be accomplished without our help. God is depending upon us, and is limited by our lack of cooperation. God, himself, cannot do some things unless men do their part. The more I think about it, the more reason I can see for Paul’s exhortation, “be constant in prayer.”

HAVE A GREAT WEEK!
Larry

Upcoming Events

Keepers meet tonight!

LTC boys song leading will meet tonight at 5:15. David Cherry and Charles Couch are your leaders.

The Seniors are going to Branson to see the Dixie Stampede. They will leave around 2:00 Saturday, September 24th and will return sometime that evening. See Steve Martindale for more information.

The Senior group will be going to Harbor Village in Grove Oklahoma, October 1st. More details to come.

JCOC Young Adults get-together
Heath & Andrea Huffmaster’s
Campfire & Devo
Oct. 1 @ 5:00 pm
14205 White Oak Rd.
Fayetteville, AR 72704

Sibyl Stroup, a long time member here at Johnson, will be turning 97, October 1st. She would love to receive a card from her forever family wishing her a Happy Birthday. Please send you cards to : 14434 Rhapsody Road, Farmington, AR 72730

🎉 **Let's get our ACTS together!** 🎉 **All youth, adults, and anyone in-between: Below are the timelines for studying the book of Acts. - LTC uses the NIV Translation September: Ch. 7-10**

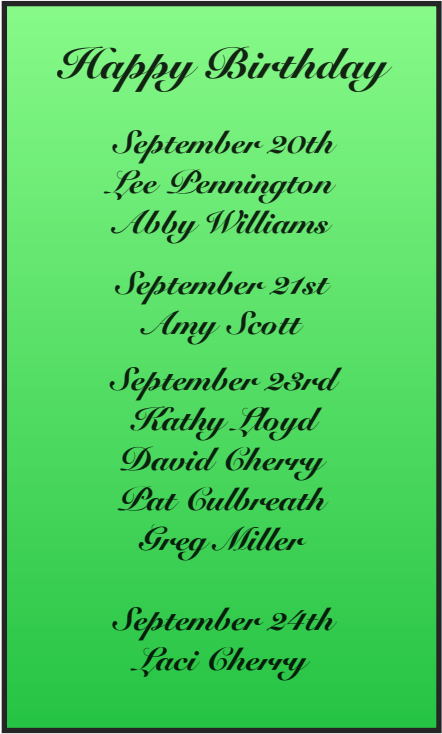
Youth Notices/Events

Reminder for the Girls
Ruth Rally is coming up on September 30-October 1st.

There will be a **Meeting for all youth group members** and their parents, Sunday night, September 18th, 2016, right after evening services. Please bring finger foods and ideas so we can plan events for next year.

NOTICES

Thank You Family!
The total amount raised last Sunday for the flood victims in Louisiana was \$3100.00.



We need more men to sign up to do the Wednesday evening devotionals.
Please sign up for this very important service in our sign up book.

Dr. Gary Blake passed away. He was a former Member of North Street and was well known in this area in the 1980’s.

Pantry Items Needed:
Canned Veggies and Canned Fruits

“Let’s be friends!”
Keep us informed by joining our Facebook group.

“The Sign Up Book”
Please check this for teacher sign up, nursery, Wednesday Night Devotions, and other events.

Please vote in your school board elections on Tuesday! **Deadline to register** to vote in this years presidential election is Monday, October 10, 2016. This is an important election please get out and vote! If you need assistance to register call the office.

Our Sincerest Sympathy
to the Eric Keeter family, Eric’s grandmother, Mili Clark, passed away on Sunday, September 11, 2016 in Mena AR.

Keep us on top by checking out our website
johnsonchurchofchrist.com

Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:
Those with recent health issues:

Marie (sister of Sue Sizemore) has a nodule on her lung, **Andrea Goodpasture** had recent surgery, **Leah Myers** gave birth to baby Abby, **Family of Gary Blake** in his passing, **The Keeter Family** recently lost Eric’s Grandmother Mili, **Jerry Ball** (Brother of Tommie Ball) is having heart issues, **Shirley Hester** has a calcification on her lung, **Millie Hood** has been diagnosed with cancer, **Candace Griffin** will have back surgery, this Monday, **The Hill Family**, Colton and Christina’s baby has been diagnosed with an umbilical cord disorder, **Mary Foster** (Diane Murray’s mother) is not doing well, **James (Jim) Dockery** (brother of Donna Baker) has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and he is not doing well, **The Bassing Family** have several family members that are having major medical issues: Her grandfather had a heart cathe, Megan’s Aunt Kim has stage 4 breast cancer, Uncle Jon had recent amputation, and Aunt Charletta just had a mass removed from her abdomen, **Adriana Carothers** (Diane Murray’s 2nd cousin) has been diagnosed with stage 3 lymphoma and will begin chemo this week. She is 13 years old and attends West Fork School, **Sue Moore** (sister of Tommie Ball) surgery went well and she is now home recovering, **Roy Howard** is now at the VA Nursing Facility, **Micah Hart** (son of youth minister at Northside Church of Christ in Harrison AR) has been diagnosed with Leukemia, **Jennifer Mooreland** (friend of the Martin’s) had back surgery and is in a lot of pain, **Chris Curlee** (Hilma Curlee’s son) will have eye surgery after his blood sugar gets under control, **Charles Cosby** is having treatments for cancer, **Leslie Cones** (niece of Alan and Trish Fortenberry) has breast cancer and is getting chemo every 3 weeks, **Mike Fine** (Ron and Barbara Parsley’s son-in-law) has a brain tumor and is seeking our prayers that he finds a treatment.

Those who need your continual prayer and consideration!

Kathy LaFerney continues to have cancer treatments (Herb and Laura Hughes daughter, **Genevra Montgomery** (Keith Montgomery’s mother) is not doing very well. **Keith Montgomery** is continuing his cancer treatments, **Bessie Richey** is on Hospice, **Sibyl Stroup**, **Oma Leta Smith** is on Hospice, **Don Neal**, **Pearl Couch**, **Arlie Pennington**, **James Allen**, **Irene Matthews**, **Shirley Bates**, **Terrance Tewell**, **Roger and Shirley Gross**, and **Emmett Windham**.

The leaders of our community, our state, our country, the election this fall and our troops.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF September 2016		
<u>Lord’s Table</u>		<u>Ushers</u>
Terry Wilson	Roy Lewis	Jared Cobb
Jessie Shefelbine	Heath Huffmaster	JP Bradford
Doug Goodpasture	Alan Fortenberry	Eric Keeter
Rodney Friend	Gary Knapp	
Charles Bluse	Mike Mitchell	
<u>Greeters</u>		<u>Announcements</u>
Dustin Mayhew	Alan Fortenberry	Joe Harriman
Janice Jones	Patricia Fortenberry	David Shew
		Phil Curlee
<u>Deliver Communion</u>		<u>Prepare Communion</u>
Dustin Mayhew		Tracy Scott and Delaney Scott
<u>Nursery Attendants</u>		<u>P.A. System</u>
Sharon Montgomery		Darby York
Kylie Keeter	Andrea Huffmaster	
		<u>Song Leader</u>
		Randall Harriman

THE LORD’S DAY
ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME
Announcements
Joe Harriman

Song Leader
Randall Harriman

Hymn #63
I Will Call Upon The Lord

Hymn #959
Just A Little Talk With Jesus

OPENING PRAYER
Phil Curlee

Hymn #325
Boundless Love

Hymn #273
More Precious Than Silver

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE
Jim Olmstead

COMMUNION PRAYER
Chesley Martin

LORD’S SUPPER

OFFERING

Hymn #100-101
Holy Ground Medley

SCRIPTURE READING
1 John 2:15-17
Steve Martindale



Invitation Hymn #180
Jesus Is Lord

Hymn #647
Soldiers of Christ Arise

Closing Prayer
Matt Bassing

Welcome Visitors!

We are so happy to have you,
and consider you our honored
guest. If we can help you in
any way, please don’t hesitate
to ask any of our members.
We would love to help make
your visit a pleasant one.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

September 18th

Keepers Meet

September 22nd

Elders Meet

September 23 -24

Marriage Seminar at Mount
Comfort church of Christ

September 24th

Seniors going to Dixie
Stampede

September 27th

Threads of Love

September 30th

Ruth Rally at Mount
Comfort church of Christ

Sunday, September 18, 2016

Am Sermon Outline

“How To Live Forever”

1 John 2:15-17

1. Love Not the World
2. Beware of The Lust of The World
 - A. lust of the flesh
 - B. lust of the eyes
 - C. pride of life
3. Do The Will of God



Sunday, September 18, 2016

PM Sermon Outline

“Why Jesus Became Like Us”
Hebrews 2:9-11

1. To Fulfill God’s Purpose
(Verse 5-8)
2. To Die for Us
(Verse 9-16)
3. To Intercede For Us
(Verse 17-18)

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COME WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday:

Bible Class: 9:30 AM

Morning Worship: 10:20 AM

Evening Worship: 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 7:00 P.M.

MINISTER

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Church Office Hours:
Monday, Tuesdays, and
Thursday 8:30 – 4:30
Wednesday 8:30-6:30
Friday 8:30 – 2:30

MISSIONARIES

Marco Antonio
Herbert Chukwu

ELDERS

Alan Fortenberry
Virgil Harmon
Joe Harriman
Terry Huffmaster
Kevin Murray

DEACONS

Jim Allen
Pete Ball
JP Bradford
David Cherry
Jared Cobb
Josh Fortenberry
Doug Goodpasture
Randall Harriman
Richard Hutton
Heath Huffmaster
Chesley Martin
Steve Martindale
Michael Marvin
Dustin Mayhew
David Shew

PROOF OF OUR LOVE
September 11, 2016

Bible Study: 136
Morning Worship: 207
Evening Worship: 148
Wednesday Night: 154
Chapter's Read: 233
Contribution: \$ 7045.00

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Sunday Evening

September 18, 2016

Song Leader: Brad Harriman
Opening Prayer: Heath Huffmaster
Sermon : Why Jesus Became Like Us
Scripture: Hebrews 2:9-11
Announcements: David Shew
Closing Prayer: JP Bradford

Wednesday Evening

September 21, 2016

Song Leader: Steve Martindale
Opening Prayer: Virgil Harmon
Devotional: Terry Huffmaster
Announcements: Phil Curlee
Closing Prayer: George Martin

Week of September 25, 2016

Sunday Morning

Announcements: Joe Harriman
Song Leader: Randall Harriman
Opening Prayer: Steve Martindale
Communion Scripture: Phil Curlee
Communion Prayer: Terry Huffmaster
Scripture Reading: Brad Harriman
Closing Prayer: Jim Olmstead

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Welcome

to

Johnson church of Christ

Jesus
beautiful savior



SEPTEMBER 18, 2016