

Larry’s Lines...

Does Prayer Work

Huckleberry Finn conducted several experiments with prayer and finally gave up the whole thing as a useless venture. “Miss Watson, she took me in the closet and prayed”, he said, “but nothin’ come of it. She told me to pray every day, and whatever I asked for I would get it. But it warn’t so. I tried it. Once I got a fish line, but no hooks. It warn’t any good to me without the hooks. I tried for the hooks three or four times, but somehow I couldn’t make it work. By and by, one day, I asked Miss Watson to try for me, but she said I was a fool. She never told me why, and I couldn’t make it out no way. I set down one time back in the woods, and had a long think about it. I says to myself, if a body can get anything they pray for, why don’t Deacon Winn get back the money he lost on pork? Why can’t the widow get back her silver snuffbox that was stole? Why can’t Miss Watson fat up? No, says I to myself, there aint’ nothing to it.”

Have you grown discouraged with prayer? Have you rebuked yourself for a lack of faith? (“The prayer of faith shall save the sick”). Have you decided that your prayers are too selfish to be answered? (You ask, and receive not, because you ask amiss, that you may consume it upon your lusts”). Have you decided that you are not righteous enough to be heard? (“The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.”)

I am convinced that there are times when even the prayers of the most righteous won’t “work.” The Bible says so. The Lord told Jeremiah, “Though Moses and Samuel stood before me, yet my heart would not turn toward this people” (Jeremiah 15:1) Now Moses and Samuel were two as great a favorites of heaven as you are likely to meet. And both of them are particularly famed for the success of their mediation between God and his offending people. On more than one occasion they saved the lives of their people through prayer. But there are times when no human intervention is of any avail, and we need to recognize that fact.

Even the prayer of Jesus Christ failed to “work” as it concerned his escape from the Cross. But he didn’t stop believing in prayer. In fact, he still prayed while he was hanging upon the cross.

In every prayer there should be the sentiment, whether verbalized or not. “Thy will be done.”

Have A Great Week  
Larry

NOTICES

**Deacons Meeting tonight.**  
All deacons should attend.  
**Children's Home Inc.** located in Paragould AR change cans will be picked up **tonight.** Micah Brinkley will be here to give us an update on the work at the Children's home.

**NEW ADDRESS:**  
Matt and Megan Bassing  
18862 Huntington Dr.  
Gravette, AR 72736

**Please** turn your notebooks in when your are finished teaching for the quarter. You can leave them in the library or give them to Doug Goodpasture.

**Todays contribution will go to help with the Texas Relief Effort due to Hurricane Harvey.**

**A Note of Thanks!**  
The Remington Anderson family would like to thank you for the prayers, cards, support and love that you have shown to Remington and his family the last few years.

Upcoming Events

**Pantry Items needed:**  
Pancake Mix and Syrup

**September 11, 2017** will be the first softball game of the season. Come and cheer our team on. The game starts at 7:10pm at the Tyson Softball complex, red field.

**SAVE THE DATE:**  
**The Seniors** will be going to Eureka Springs the 23rd of September for the Holy Land Tour and Play. Sign up sheet along with additional information is in the foyer or see Steve Martindale.

**4th Sunday Fellowship**  
September 24, 2017  
Mexican Food 60’s and 70’s Hosting.

**Mark your calendars for October 28th!!!**  
The Children's Benefit will be held at Mt. Comfort Church of Christ. Silent Auction, Live Auction, and Chili Dinner. See Diane Murray for donations or to volunteer.

More information about these and other events can be found on the Events board in the foyer.

Happy Birthday

**September 3rd**  
**Ron Sellers**  
**September 7th**  
**Arabella Etheridge**  
**September 9th**  
**Wendy Knapp**  
**September 11th**  
**Autumn Ewart**  
**September 12th**  
**Jessica Harriman**  
**September 14th**  
**Reese Harriman**  
**Eli Harriman**  
**September 15th**  
**Laura Williams**  
**Bo Grady**  
**Abby Myers**  
**September 16th**  
**Shirley Hester**

Happy Anniversary

**September 14th**  
**Josh and Jennifer Fortenberry**  
**September 16th**  
**Virgil and Connie Harmon**



Youth Notices/Events

**Teen Devo** at the Keeter’s house, September 17, 2017 right after morning services.  
**Teen Room Remake** will take place September 23, 2017. See Jeremy for times and details.

Ruth Rally is coming up. Please let Jeremy know if you would like to go. Also, he needs an adult female volunteer to attend and spend the night as well.

Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:

Those with recent health issues:

**Darryl Ball** is on Hospice and is not doing well,  
**Tommie Stilwell** has moved to Concordia Nursing Home in Bella Vista, **Shirley Hester** is home from the hospital, **Hilma Curlee** is now at Providence Assisted Living.

**Those who have lost loved ones:** **The Remington Anderson Family** and **The Bassing family.**

**Those on Hospice:** **Oma Leta Smith** and **Bessie Richey.**

**Those fighting Cancer:** **Mike Fine** (son-in-law of Barbara and Ron Parsley), **Keith Montgomery**, and **Leslie Cones.**

**Those who need your continual prayer and consideration!**  
All of our Shut ins: **Arlie Pennington**, **Pearl Couch**, **Emmett Windham**, **Shirley Bates**, **Roger and Shirley Gross**, **Norma Williams** and **Roy Howard.**

The leaders of our community, our state, our country, our Military Service Men and Women.

**\*All names submitted to the prayer list will appear for four continuous weeks . After that time, they will be removed unless further updates are received. You can always resubmit a name should they need continual or additional prayers.**



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2017

<b>Lord’s Table</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
Ronnie Burns	Steve Martindale
Randall Harriman	Bobby Hill
Michael Marvin	Lincoln Phillips
Charles Couch	Liga Stamps
Terry Huffmaster	Jared Cobb

<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Announcements</b>
Josh Fortenberry	Kevin Murray
David Cherry	Heath Huffmaster
	David Cherry

<b>Deliver Communion</b>	<b>Prepare Communion</b>
Virgil Harmon	Madaylan Gardenhire
	Abi Scott
<b>Nursery Attendants</b>	<b>P.A. System</b>
Tracy Scott	Corbin Cobb
	Larry Lloyd

**Song Leader**  
Brad Harriman

**If you would like email reminders of your service assignment, please provide the office with your email address.**

THE LORD’S DAY  
ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

Announcements  
Kevin Murray

Song Leader  
Brad Harriman

Hymn #19  
Come, Thou Almighty King

Hymn #15  
Step by Step

Hymn #768  
Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You

OPENING PRAYER  
George Martin

Communion Hymn #319  
Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE  
Isaiah 53:3-6  
Heath Huffmaster

COMMUNION PRAYER  
Jim Olmstead

LORD’S SUPPER

OFFERING  
  
Hymn #610  
I Love My Savior, Too

SCRIPTURE READING  
Ephesians 5:10,17  
Joe Harriman

KNOW  
GOD

Invitation Hymn #927  
Why Keep Jesus Waiting?

Closing Hymn #736  
To Christ Be True

Closing Prayer  
Justin Lee

Welcome Visitors!  
We are so happy to  
have you, and consider  
you our honored guest.

September Events

September 10th

Deacons Meeting  
Micah Brinkley from  
Paragould Children's Home

September 11th

First Softball Game of the  
Season

September 12th

Threads of Love

September 14th

Elders Meeting

September 22nd

First Day of Fall

September 23rd

Holy Land Tour

September 24th

Praise and Fellowship in the  
Park

4th Sunday Fellowship

September 26th

Threads of Love

September 28th

Elders Meeting

September 29th

Ruth Rally

See You At The Pole

October Events

October 7

Budget Meeting

October 8th

Deacons Meeting

Area Wide Meeting

October 9th

Columbus Day

October 10th

Threads of Love

Johnson church of Christ  
5602 Elmore Street  
Springdale, AR 72762

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.  
Website: johnsonchurchofchrist.com  
Email: office@johnsonchurchofchrist.com

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Youth/Family Minister  
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479-366-8446

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 3, 2017

Bible Study: 141  
Morning Worship: 224  
Evening Worship: 122  
Wednesday Night: 153  
Chapters Read: 259  
Contribution: \$6997.00

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE  
Sunday Evening

September 10, 2017

Song Leader: Marc Wolfe  
Prayer: Terry Huffmaster  
Special Guest: Micha Brinkley  
From: Paragould Children's Home  
Announcements: Heath Huffmaster  
Closing Prayer: Jared Cobb

September 13, 2017

Wednesday Evening

Song Leader: JP Bradford  
Opening Prayer: Randall Harriman  
Devotional: Terry Huffmaster  
Announcements: David Cherry  
Closing Prayer: Lincoln Phillips

September 17, 2017

Sunday Morning

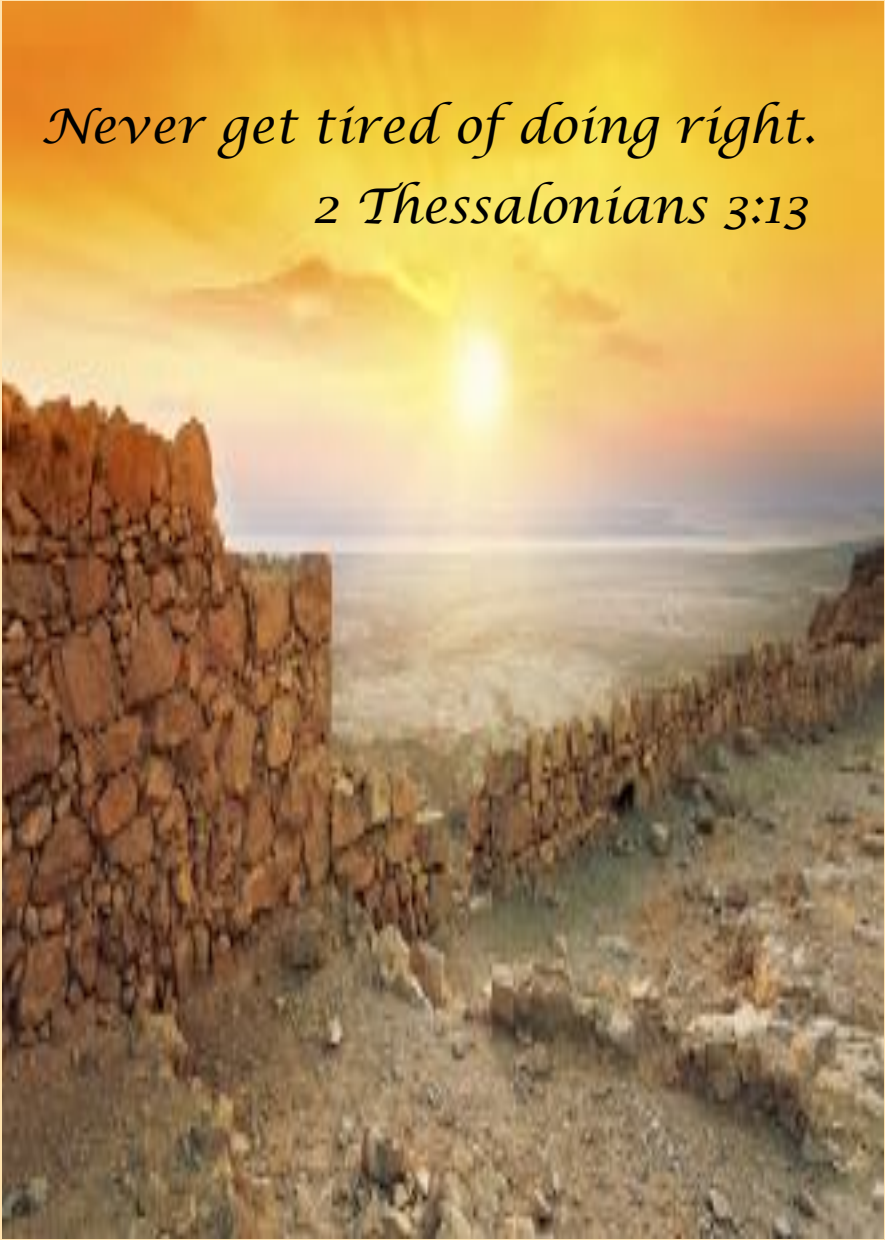
Announcements: Kevin Murray  
Song Leader: Brad Harriman  
Opening Prayer: Joe Harriman  
Communion Scripture: Josh Fortenberry  
Communion Prayer: Mike Mitchell  
Scripture Reading: Ty Brunkhardt  
Closing Prayer: Jonathan Martindale

Welcome

to

Johnson church of Christ

Never get tired of doing right.  
2 Thessalonians 3:13



September 10, 2017