Larry's Lines

Wishing for Wings

"Oh That I had wings like a dove for then would I fly away, and be at rest" (Psalm 55:6)

David was not the first nor the last man to have a genuine case of the blues. Most people have a genuine case of the blues... Most people have experienced these moments of midnight and moods of melancholy. Difficulties are all around us. Weariness sweeps over us and we descent into despair. Then we yearn to be free from the heavy burdens of life, to escape its troublesome problems and irksome responsibilities. We reach out for rest! Wordsworth was right when he spoke of "The universal instinct of repose-the longing for confirmed tranguility." How keen is this desire! The English poet goes on to say:

> "Oh for a lodge in some vast wilderness, Some boundless contiguity of shade. Where rumor of oppression and deceit, Of unsuccessful or successful war, Might never reach me more"

There is a better response to life's difficulties. If one desires to climb out of the dumps and enjoy deliverance from despondency, let us try THE WINGS OF FAITH! "Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved." (Psalms 55:22). How many problems could be solved if only we would lean our arms upon the window of heaven, and look into the face of God.

The next time life gets bogged down, don't long for the wings of a dove, try the wings of faith-you can get closer to God that way.

> **Have a Great Week** Larry



Upcoming Events

The YOUNG ADULTS GROUP is for all Adults who are raising kids and for those who are starting to plan for their families. This group is for single young adults, college age adults, young married adults, & those raising kids of all ages. This certainly covers a wide age but the church is meant to overlap our relationships beyond our own ages and situations. There is a lot of strength being connected to those older than you in life and in your faith. Our focus will be on bringing physical families closer together while building stronger bonds with other faith families going through the same experiences. Each month, we will have a meal to start the night and then spend time focusing on a different biblical concept that will strength our homes. Come join us downstairs after service tonight to hear more about this group and its purpose. Bring \$3 a person or \$10 a family to cover

Deacon's Meeting: TODAY at 5:30 p.m.



Youth Notices/

PARENT/TEEN Devo this Saturday night from 6:30-8:30pm at Terry & Linda Huffmaster's house. Younger siblings welcome.

High Rise Lock in has been rescheduled for Feb.2-3. More details to come.

Pantry Items needed: soups and stews



NOTICES

January 19th

Tye Huffmaster

Please do not lean items against the dumpster. It will not get picked up. The church is charged for items that exceed the size of our unit. Also, there is an extra charge for too many bags, the lid must fit securely and not be held up by overfilling the bin.

A computer has been placed downstairs for the use of our members use for church business. Please do not let children play on it. It is password protected due to it being internet accessible. Please contact the office, one of the deacons or elders for the password.

Change of Address:

Hilma Curlee 600 Grimes Bridge Landing Roswell GA 30075-4652

A NOTE OF THANKS

2017 Summary of Benevolence

Through God's blessings and your faithful giving, this congregation has been able to provide the following benevolence in 2017. (Funerals-\$1,485, Members' Needs-\$3,260, Pantry Food-\$390, Gasoline-\$20, Accommodations-\$990, Medical Bills-\$200, Southern Christian Home-\$3,240, Disaster Relief-\$1,200, Threads of Love-\$522, and Emergencies-\$11,167)

Thank You to all that made it possible to assist others with their needs.

The 2018 budget is now available in the foyer. There is also one hanging on the bulletin board for your convenience.

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

Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:

Those with recent health issues:

Flora and Liga Stamps are very sick, Joyce McWilliams fell and broke some ribs, Dixie Higgs (Donna Baker's sister) had a stroke, she is in WRMC, Shirley Hester is having heart problems, Calvin Billingsly is having test run and health concerns, Ron Parsley is in the hospital, Connie Harmon recent hospitalization, Virgil Harmon recent hospitalization, Tommy Stilwell is in the hospital, Lisa Lewis is recovering from surgery, Vada Loker is in Rehab and is not doing well, Rita Harriman is having complications from gall bladder surgery, **Bob Murray** (father of Kevin Murray) is recovering from heart surgery, and **Lawson Keeter** is having medical issues.

Those who have lost loved ones: The Eric Keeter Family, The Herman Sizemore family, The Billy Sue Curry Family, and The Candace Perry Family.

Those Who have been Deployed Overseas: Ron Burns and Jeremy Curlee (grandson of Hilma Curlee).

Those on Hospice: Oma Leta Smith and Bessie Richey.

Those fighting Cancer: Millie Hood, Keith Montgomery, Leslie **Cones** and **Darvil Tester** (Pam Hill's step-father).

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, and Betty Jordan.

The leaders of our community, our state, our country, the families that lost loved ones, as well as our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2018

Lord's Table Matthew Goodpasture Preston Keeter Alan Fortenberry Rick Scott Matt Johnson Larry Scott John Cobb Eric Keeter Logan Wolfe Tv Brunkhardt Chesley Martin Jim Olmstead <u>Greeters</u> Linda Huffmaster Terry Huffmaster Gary Knapp

Announcements Terry Huffmaster Dustin Mavhew Jim Olmstead

Ushers

Deliver Communion Virgil Harmon

Prepare Communion Wilma Dickard Stefanie Curlee

Nursery Attendants

Audrey Hill Pam Hill Contessa Shew

P.A. System Darby York

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 Terry Huffmaster

> Song Leader Marc Wolfe

Hymn #8 Let Every Heart Rejoice and Sing

> Hymn #PP Only Be Thou My Vision

> **OPENING PRAYER Dustin Mayhew**

Communion Hymn #111 Grace, Greater Than Our Sin

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE Titus 2:11-14 **Doug Goodpasture**

COMMUNION PRAYER Virgil Harmon

LORD'S SUPPER

OFFERING

Hymn #18 Faithful Love

Hymn #749 The Battle Belongs To The Lord

> **SCRIPTURE READING** 1 Peter 4:1-5 **Trey Garner**



Invitation Hymn #454 **Rock of Ages**

Closing Hymn #823 Lead Me Gently Home, Father

> **Closing Prayer** Ronnie Burns

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 vour visit a pleasant one.

January Events

January 20th

Parent/Teen Devo @ Terry and Linda Huffmaster's

January 23rd

Threads of Love

January 25th **Elders Meeting**

January 28th

4th Sunday Fellowship Soup and Chili's

20's and 30's Hosting

February Events

February 3rd Teen Hosted Banquet

February 9th

Elders Meeting

February 10th

Honduras Bluegrass Concert

February 11th

Deacons Meeting 2nd Sunday Fellowship

February 13th

Threads of Love

February 23rd **Elders Meeting**

February 24

Teen Devo @ Chesley and Ashley Martins

The Control of Sin

- b. We died with him
- a. A Wasted Life
- c. A Warped Life

The Condemnation of Sin

but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." 1 Peter 1:15-16 NKJV

Welcome

to Johnson church of Christ

January 14, 2018

AM SERMON OUTLINE

- 1. Christ came into the world to save us from sin
- a. What is the "Double Cure"
- 2. Jesus Died to Release Us From....
- a. He died for us
- The Corruption of Sin
- b. A Wicked Life