

# Larry's Lines

## Living Without Goals

It is no wonder many of us get our lives in such a mess. So many are trying to live without goals in view. Someone has said that the lightning bug should to be our symbol:

The lighting bug is brilliant,  
but he hasn't any mind,  
He blunders through existence,  
With his headlight on behind!

Ancient Judah was a classic example of a nation tossed to and fro. She turned from God to men and then from nation to nation. Such aimlessness caused the prophet Jeremiah to say, "How lightly you gad about, changing your way." (Jeremiah 2:36)

I think about the two young men who were involved in the terrible shooting incident at the Columbine High School in Colorado a few years ago. It would seem, from all reports, that they had little direction in their lives. In fact, they had such little regard for life itself, that they gave up their own and took the lives of others. This is a characteristic of an individual with no worthwhile goal in life.

Anytime a man is diverted from his goal, or lives without one, he is going to blunder along through life with no direction. Have you ever wondered why Paul was so successful at living the Christian life? Read the following and wonder no more:

*Brothers, I do not consider myself to have attained it. But this one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and reaching for what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.*

**Have a Great Week**  
**Larry**

### Upcoming Events

Please join us today, for a potluck right after morning services to celebrate the Harding Choir Singers. They head back to Harding today, so please take this opportunity to thank them for the wonderful concert they gave last night and how delighted we were to have them.

**Deacon's Meeting:** January 14, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

**Pantry Items needed:**  
**pancakes and Syrup**

A Shower has been planned for the Neumaster family, January 13, 2018 downstairs at 11:00. The Neumaster's lost their home and all their possessions to a house fire last month. Let's shower them with love and items they can use in the rebuilding of their lives. They are registered at Bed Bath and Beyond and Wal-Mart. See Frankie for details or questions.



The **YOUNG ADULTS GROUP** is for all Young 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 the meal.

### NOTICES

If you have never filled out a service sheet and are wanting to serve in 2018, please make sure to fill out an Opportunity to Serve sheet located in the foyer. You can ask an usher, deacon, or elder to locate one for you. After you have completed it, you may give it to Michael Marvin or slide it under the door of the secretary's office. We are honored to have you serve. Please include your email address.

The 2018 Calendar is now available. 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.

*Happy Birthday*

*January 9th*

*Darla Trolinger*

*Matt Bassing*

*January 12th*

*Arlie Pennington*

*January 13th*

*Emmett Windham*

### Youth Notices/Events



**January 10th**  
**PREGAME** at Larry and Pats house at 5:30, please bring \$3.00.  
**January 12th**  
We leave for **Y.O.U.** this Friday at 5pm & return Sat. At 9pm

### Leadership Training for Christ

Puppet Group 10-12th will practice on Wednesday Nights starting January 10, 2018.

4th Grade Puppet Group will have practice on Wednesday nights starting January 10, 2018.

## Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:

### Those with recent health issues:

**Tommy Stilwell** is in the hospital, **Lisa Lewis** had surgery, **Vada Loker** had surgery and now is in Rehab, **Rita Harriman** is having complications from gall bladder surgery, **Bob Murray** (father of Kevin Murray) is having heart issues, **Ron Parsley** is having health issues, **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, The Candace Perry Family, The Bobby Meadors Family, and The Mike Fine 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, those who have lost loved ones this holiday season, as well as our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas.

\*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 JANUARY 2018

<b>Lord's Table</b>		<b>Ushers</b>
Matthew Goodpasture	Preston Keeter	Randall Harriman
Alan Fortenberry	Rick Scott	Matt Johnson
Larry Scott	John Cobb	Eric Keeter
Logan Wolfe	Ty Brunkhardt	
Jim Olmstead	Chesley Martin	

<b>Greeters</b>		<b>Announcements</b>
Linda Huffmaster	Betty Bailey	Terry Huffmaster
Terry Huffmaster	Gary Knapp	Dustin Mayhew
		Jim Olmstead

<b>Deliver Communion</b>	<b>Prepare Communion</b>
Virgil Harmon	Wilma Dickard
	Stefanie Curlee

<b>Nursery Attendants</b>	<b>P.A. System</b>
Pam Hill	Audrey Hill
Contessa Shew	Julien Shew

**Song Leader**  
Marc Wolfe

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

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**THE LORD'S DAY  
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**WELCOME**

Announcements  
Terry Huffmaster

Song Leader  
Marc Wolfe

Hymn # PP Only  
Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Hymn #540  
O For A Faith That Will Not Shrink

**OPENING PRAYER**  
JP Bradford

Communion Hymn #269  
Thomas' Song

**COMMUNION SCRIPTURE**  
Galatians 2:20-21  
Joe Harriman

**COMMUNION PRAYER**  
Charles Couch

**LORD'S SUPPER**

**OFFERING**

Hymn #PP Only  
Flee As a Bird

Hymn #PP Only  
Am I a Soldier of the Cross?

**SCRIPTURE READING**  
Acts 20:22-24  
Brad Harriman

**Have You Lost  
Your New Car  
Smell?**

Invitation Hymn #470  
Victory in Jesus

Closing Hymn #PP Only  
In Christ Alone

Closing Prayer  
Kevin Murray

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.

**January Events**

**January 7th**

Potluck with Harding Choir

**January 9th**

Threads of Love

**January 11th**

Elders Meeting

**January 12th**

Youth Outreach

University in Conway

**January 13th**

Shower for the Neumaster family

**January 20th**

Parent/Teen Devo at Terry and Linda Huffmaster's house

**January 23rd**

Threads of Love

**PM SERMON OUTLINE**

1. Christians face the danger of being moved away from their steadfastness  
1 Corinthians 15:58  
Colossians 1:23  
1 Thessalonians 3:3  
2. Things That Did Not Move Paul Away From God  
A. Persecution  
2 Timothy 3:12 1 Peter 4:12 2 Corinthians 4:16-18  
B. Love of the World  
Galatians 6:14 Romans 12:1-2 James 4:4  
C. Love of Money  
1 Timothy 6:9-10 Luke 12:15  
D. Temptation  
1 Corinthians 10:13 James 1:2-4 James 1:12 2 Corinthians 12:10 Galatians 6:9  
What Paul Did Do Was...  
Fought a good fight  
Finished the race  
Kept the faith  
2 Timothy 4:6-8

**PM SERMON OUTLINE**

1. God's challenge to Israel. Jeremiah 6:16  
2. Life is pictured as a choice of ways to travel. Matthew 7:13-14 Deuteronomy 11:26 Deuteronomy 30:19  
3. Man Stands at the Cross Road of Decision Romans 6:16 Joshua 24:15  
4. What is Transgression?  
5. Examples of Transgression.  
Adam and Even Genesis 2:16-17

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

**PROOF OF OUR LOVE  
December 31, 2017**

Bible Study: N/A  
Morning Worship: 128  
Evening Worship: 90  
Wednesday Night: 145  
Chapters Read: N/A  
Contribution: \$5639.00

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

*Sunday Evening  
January 7, 2018  
Song Leader: Larry Scott  
Prayer: Eric Keeter  
Sermon: The Way Of the Transgressor is Hard  
Scripture: Proverbs 13:13-15  
Announcements: Dustin Mayhew  
Closing Prayer: Steve Martindale  
January 10, 2018  
Wednesday Evening  
Song Leader: Brad Harriman  
Opening Prayer: Randall Harriman  
Devotional: JP Bradford  
Announcements: Jim Olmstead  
Closing Prayer: Josh Fortenberry  
January 14, 2018  
Sunday Morning  
Announcements: Terry Huffmaster  
Song Leader: Marc Wolfe  
Opening Prayer: Dustin Mayhew  
Communion Scripture: Doug Goodpasture  
Communion Prayer: Virgil Harmon  
Scripture Reading: Trey Garner  
Closing Prayer: Ronnie Burns*

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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**

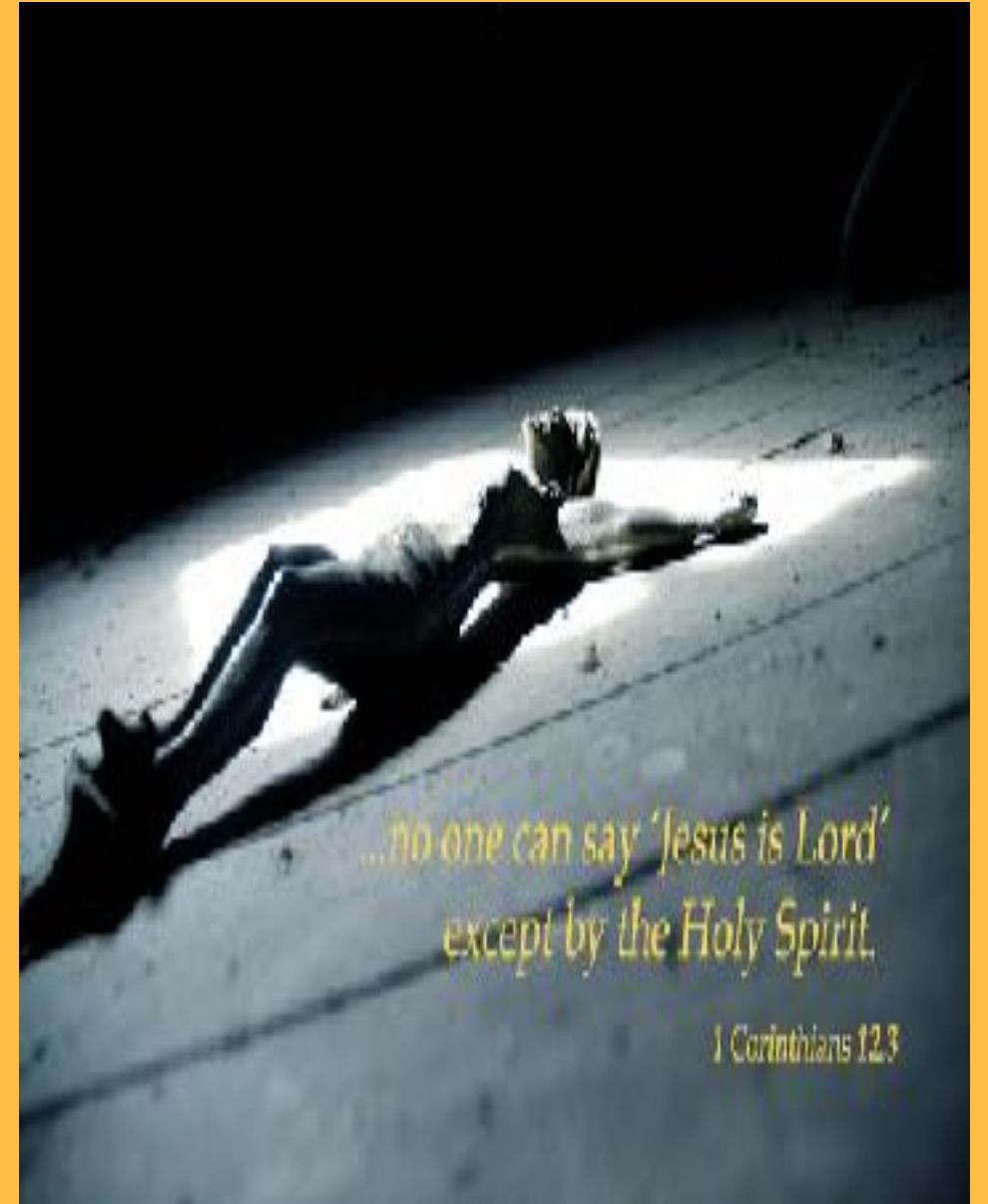
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**ELDERS**

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



*...no one can say 'Jesus is Lord'  
except by the Holy Spirit.*

*1 Corinthians 12:3*

**January 7, 2018**