Larry's Lines

Hold On For Dear Life!

Have you ever tried to come down a big hill on a motor scooter at 65 miles per hour, only to have your front wheel go into a speed wobble? I have. And it wasn't any fun. All of this was compounded by the fact that the route down made a serpentine curve, from the top to the bottom. I was fifteen at the time... with no hope of seeing sweet sixteen. I've never been more scared in my life. And to top it off, this was before helmets had been invented.

Talk about holding on. They had to pry me off of that scooter, when I finally reached the bottom of the hill. I had a death grip on those handle bars. My hands wouldn't uncurl. They were white and unyielding. I was glued to the scooter. I had been holding on for dear life.

The experience helped me to understand what happened to one of David's mighty men, Eleazar. "He rose and struck down the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand cleaved to the sword" (2 Samuel 23:10).

If you can retain the memory, that's what the apostle Paul calls upon me to do in regard to the good. "Hold fast," he says, "to what is good" (Romans 12:9). Be glued to it. Hang on for dear life. Don't let it go.

Would that I had such intensity toward the good!

In a day when men shade the difference between good and evil, right and wrong, and we are tempted by society to modify our commitments, the words of Paul need to echo in our ears: "Hold fast to what is good."

> Have a Great Week! Larry

Announcements:

The Church **Office** will be closed Monday, September 3, 2018 for Labor Day!

The **Deacons** meeting for today has been rescheduled for September 9, 2018.

Contribution for September 30, 2018 has been set aside for the Green Valley Bible Camp Facilities Improvement Project.

Upcoming Events

Jerry Bates will be here to give a report on his missionary activities, September 9, 2018 during morning classes. All adult classes please meet in the auditorium for this report. Jerry will then give the AM sermon.

Ski Trip Info Meeting, Sunday, September 9, 2018 at 5:30pm in Large adult class room.

A LTC Leaders meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 5:00pm.

Mentors/Teens continue exchanging cards. Jeremy needs a picture with you and your teen.

Praise and Fellowship in the Park will take place at the Prairie Grove Battlefield Park, September 23, 2018, beginning at 5:00pm. Bring your lawn chair and finger foods. Drinks are provided.

Hillcrest Church of Christ is having a gospel meeting, September 23-26, 2018. Chris McCurley is the guest speaker.

Save the Date: LIFT, a women's conference is scheduled for November 10, 2018 from 8:30am-2:00pm at Northside Church of Christ. More information on this event in upcoming bulletins.

Sympathy

Our sincerest sympathy to Janice Thomas and Helen Friend on the loss of their Great Aunt Juanita Bailey. Services were held on Thursday, at Brashear's Funeral Home in Huntsville AR.



Happy Birthday September 1st

Tom Mitchell

<u>September 3rd</u> Janette Mason

<u>September 4th</u> Jaclyn Keeter

September 6th Betty Bailey Paul Dickard

September 8th Maya Scott Jackson Scott

Address Change

Pearl Couch has moved to Westwood Health and Rehab 802 S. West End Street Springdale AR 72764 Room 201B

Happy Anniversary
<u>September 4th</u>
Roger and Shirley
Gross

Benny and Carol Moore

LTC QUIZ BOWL REMINDER READ: John Chapter 5

Deadline Approaching

LTC Leader and participant sign up is going on right now. There are a lot of vacant spots for both Students and Leaders. This program helps prepare our children for their future as well as the future of our church. The 2019 Convention will be held on Easter Weekend. Deadline to sign up is September 9, 2018.

Pantry Items needed:
Peanut Butter and Jelly

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: Virgil Harmon had a heart attack and had a stent put in, Gwen Baker recent back surgery, Krista Casada had recent eye surgery, Amy Allen recent surgery, Pearl Couch is now at Westwood Rehab, Keith Montgomery recent hospitalization, and Helen Friend needs encouragement.

Those fighting Cancer: Oma Leta Smith, Keith Montgomery, Leslie Cones and Kim Williams (Megan Bassing's Aunt).

Those who have lost loved ones: The Juanita Bailey Family, The Shefelbine Family, and The Millie Hood Family.

Shut-Ins who need your continual prayer and consideration!

Arlie Pennington, Pearl Couch, Emmett Windham, Shirley Bates,
Roger and Shirley Gross, Norma Williams, Roy Howard, Betty
Jordan, Genevra Montgomery, Vada Loker and Kendra Phillips.

The leaders of our community, our state, our country, our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas, and our teachers and kids going back to school.

Class Studies for Fall Quarter: September 2, 2018-December 2, 2018

Adult Class I (auditorium)

Sunday Morning: **Romans** Teacher: Matt Bassing
Wednesday Night: **II Samuel, Kings and Chronicles** Teacher: Terry Huffmaster

Adult Class II:

Sunday Morning: **The Acts of the Apostles**Wednesday Night: **Just Between Us**(Ladies Class and Teen Girls, Sept 2, 2018-October 10th 2018, then teens return back to youth group)

Adult Class III:

Sunday Morning: **1 and 2 Corinthians**Teacher: Joe Harriman

Wednesday Night: **Ezra/Neh/Esther/Job**Teacher: Doug Goodpasture

Downstairs

Sunday Morning: (Young Professionals) The Book of John
Wednesday Night: Churches in the Shape of Scripture
Teacher: Chesley Martin
Teacher: Larry Scott

Third Floor

Sunday Morning:(College Class) **Churches in the Shape of Scripture**Teacher: Dustin Mayhew

<u>Teens</u>

Sunday Morning: **ONE WORD**Teacher: Jeremy Myers

Wednesday Night: **Man Up** (TEEN BOYS)

Teacher: Jeremy Myers

Wednesday Night: **Priceless**Teacher: Jeremy Myers

(starting October 17, 2018, all youth will return back to the youth room)

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

WELCOME

Announcements Virgil Harmon

> Song Leader **Marc Wolfe**

Hymn #296 We Have Come into His House

> Hymn #808 **Abide With Me**

OPENING PRAYER Dustin Mayhew

Hymn #689 Be Still, My Soul

Hymn #269 **Thomas' Song**

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE

Mark 14:1-9 Jim Olmstead

Communion Prayer Terry Huffmaster

LORD'S SUPPER Offering

Hymn #749 The Battle Belongs to The Lord

> **SCRIPTURE READING** Numbers 13:25-33 **Heath Huffmaster**



Invitation Hymn #483 Is It For Me?

Closing Hymn #PP Only There's A Stirring

> **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.

September Events

September 2nd

New Quarter

MOVE UP SUNDAY!

September 3rd

Office Closed for Labor Day

September 8th

Teen Devo at Pete and Frankie Ball's

September 9th

Last Day to sign up for LTC

Ski Meeting

Jerry Bates Missionary Report and

AM Service

Deacons Meeting

C.R.E.W.

Honduras Reports for PM Service

September 11th

Threads of Love

September 13th

Elders Meeting

September 15th

Ladies Day at Pea Ridge church of Christ

AM SERMON OUTLINE

- 1. Pat and I thank you for loving us for eleven years.
- 2. The Story of the Twelve Spies.
- a. The people hesitate.
- b. We cannot take the land.
- c. The people are cursed by God.
- 3. Where Did They Go Wrong?
- a. They magnified their problems.
- b. They minimized their strengths. c. They forgot what God can do.
- 4. Joshua and Caleb had Confidence in
- a. God's promise.
- b. God's performance.
- c. God's presence.

PM Sermon Outline

- . The Beggar at the Gate.
- a. Acts 3:6 "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you."
- 2. What Peter Did NOT Have.
- b. education
- c. social position
- 3. Peter had a Memory.
- 4. Peter had Eyes to see.
- 5. Peter had Faith in Jesus. 6. Peter had a Commission.
- 7. Peter had a Vocation.
- 8. Peter had the Fellowship of John.

Welcome to Johnson church of Christ Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent." John 6:29 NKJV

September 2, 2018