Larry's Lines...

Christ of The Lampstands

Because the apostle John had been faithful to the word of God and the testimony of Jesus, he was banished to the island called Patmos. One Sunday, while he was in the Spirit, he heard a loud voice like a trumpet behind him. When he turned around he saw seven golden lampstands. Standing in the midst of these lamp stands was Christ, "clothed with a long robe and with a golden girdle round his breast; his head and his hair were as white wool, white as snow; his eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet where like burnished bronze, refined as in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of many waters; in his right hand he held seven stars from his mouth issued a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength."

What is the mystery of the seven golden lamp stands? "the seven lampstands are the seven churches" (Revelation 1:20). These are the local congregations of the Lord's people meeting at Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodiciea. And Christ was walking among them! He knew every problem, every tribulation, every work of love and faith, every service preformed and every act of patient endurance.

Each congregation was a "golden" lampstand, valuable and precious to the Lord. To despise the local church is to show disrespect for that which Christ considers "golden". Every congregation needs to realize its own worth, recognize the presence of Christ in their midst, and understand his power to overcome enemies and reward His followers.

Each congregation was a separate "lampstand", bringing light into the darkness of the world. The church is not the light itself, but the container which bears the light. The church's light is as borrowed as the moon's,"But she gladly holds forth Him whom is the Light of the world".

Christ is in the midst of our congregation as an abiding, personal presence. We live in His sight. He knows our trials and triumphs, our virtues and imprecations. But more than that, He is present in power.

Have a Great Week Larry

LTC QUIZ BOWL REMINDER Read Chapter 2 We will meet today at 5:00 to discuss chapter 1-5

Announcements:

Deadline to back out of the ski trip has been extended to February 10th.

Teacher sign up going on right now for the Spring Quarter, March 3, 2019.

2018 Summary of Benevolence Through God's blessings and your giving, this congregation has been able to provide the following benevolence in 2018 (Funerals-\$1,056, Members' Needs-\$2,145, Pantry Food-\$359, Gasoline-\$40, Accommodations-\$1,309, Utility Bills-\$119, Medical Bills-\$150, Southern Christian Home-\$3,240, Disaster Relief-\$1,200, Paragould Children's Home-\$3,240, Threads of Love-\$278, and Emergencies-\$6,000) Thank You to all that made it possible to assist others with their needs.

Pantry Item powdered milk and pancake mix

Pearl Couch is now on Hospice. If you would like to go see her she is at Westwood Health and Rehab on 802 S. West End Street in Springdale in Room 106B.

Upcoming Events

February 9th will be our Honduras babysitting night from 5-9. This is a good chance to go out to dinner with your spouse and donations will be accepted for our Torch Honduras Trip.

Honduras potluck meeting for Jeremy's group will take place January 27, 2019 at the Myers' house following morning services.

4th Sunday Devo and Fellowship, January 27, 2018. The menu is Soup and Chili. The 20's and 30's will be hosting and cleaning up.

Happy Anniversary January 22nd David and Laci Cherry



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Cancellation of services due to bad weather will be announced on the following TV stations: KNWA-TV | Fox 24 or 40/29 KHBS/ KHOG.

Save The Date

Friends and Family Day! April 7, 2019. Let's plan to fill those pews and share our love of God with others. Our goal is to have 400 this year.



We are leaving the building at 5pm. Bring money for 3 meals, one on Friday and two on Saturday. You need to pack a Bible, change of clothes, bedding, towel, & bathroom items. We return Sat. by 9:30pm.

January Mentor Challenge: Teens sit with your mentor during worship twice this month.



CREW Kickoff! TODAY. following our morning

have a taco bar downstairs (\$5 a person, \$15 a family to cover the meal) before going on a scavenger hunt to discover our 2019 focus. For this year to be a success we need all single adults, newly married, married with no kids, & married with kids to be there.

Those with recent health issues: Diana Roberson prayers for her family, Janice Thomas is not feeling well, Jacob House is starting treatment for a brain tumor, Shirley Hester had surgery on Thursday, Amy Allen is having medical test ran, Smith Cherry is having eye health issues, Faye (Andrea Huffmaster grandmother) is on hospice, Marjorie Johnson is having health issues, Marjorie was a member here a few years back and is a beloved friend of Barbara Parsley, Darrel Camp (brother-in-law of Pat Gore) continues to have health problems Carrie Davis (daughter of Barbara Parsley) hurt her back and Terry Wallis is having shoulder surgery.

Those fighting Cancer: Oma Leta Smith, Leslie Cones and Kim Williams (Megan Bassing's Aunt), Loveta Dean (Phil Curlee's sister) recovering from surgery, Carol Edwards (Laura Hughes sister) recovering from surgery, and one of Kaileigh's co-workers has been diagnosed with cancer.

Our Expectant Mother: Kayla Holloway

Those who have lost loved ones: The David Shew Family, The Hot Lewis Ponder Johnson family, and The Adam Rowe Family,

Shut-Ins who need your continual prayer and consideration! Lenore Sutton, 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, and our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas.

Wednesday Nights Adult Class: Larry Culbreath-Personal Evangelism Adult Class 2: Doug Goodpasture - Esther and Job Adult Class 3: Ladies Group- Christa Wolfe-Different Spirits in Scripture Jar Youth: Jeremy Myers - Seven Ones



Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:

Our NEW Mother and Baby: Rachael and Joanie Brunkhardt

Classes Available this Quarter Sunday Morning Adult Auditorium Class: Matt Bassing: The Life Of Christ Adult Class 2: Joe Harriman Adult Class 3: Alan Fortenberry -1 Corinthians Jar YouthTeen Room: Jeremy Myers: -John 3rd Floor: College Age: Heath Huffmaster-Attitude Downstairs: Young Professionals: JP Bradford and Chesley Martin-John

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF January 2019

Lord's Table

Charles Couch Jared Cobb Roy Lewis Nelson McCoy Jesse Shefelbine **Greeters**

Michael Marvin Kevin Murray Colton Lewis Liga Stamps Rodney Friend

Us<u>hers</u> Terry Wilson Chesley Martin Dustin Mayhew

Shirley Hester Matt Bassing

Chesley Martin Andrea Huffmaster **Announcements**

Alan Fortenberry Heath Huffmaster David Cherry

Deliver Communion Virgil Harmon

Prepare Communion Wilma Dickard Phil and Stefanie Curlee

Nursery Attendants Kaileigh Shefelbine Jennifer Lewis

P.A. System Randall Harriman

Song Leader Brad Harrimar

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

WELCOME

Alan Fortenberry

Song Leader **Brad Harriman** Hymn #

Hymn #

OPENING PRAYER Joe Harriman

Hymn #

Hymn

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 2:21-24 **Ethan Ladymon**

Communion Prayer Josh Fortenberry

LORD'S SUPPER

Offering

Hymn # (once)

SERMON SCRIPTURE 1 Timothy 6:11-14 John Cobb

Pice-Pollow-**Fight** and Focus

Invitation Hymn #

Announcements Alan Fortenberry

Closing Hymn #

Closing Prayer Bobby Hill

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 22nd Threads of Love

January 25th **Elders** Meeting Y.O.U. in Conway January 27th 4th Sunday Devo and Potluck 20's and 30's Hosting Soup and Chili

AM SERMON OUTLINE Paul's challenge to Timothy - Be A Man of God. Follow Definition of pursue-chase after, be persistent, to strive to obtain.

Get serious about Christian living. Righteousness 2 Corinthians 5:21: Christ died that we may become righteous before God. 1 John 3:7-10

Godliness A Godly person lives with awareness of God's holv presence.

Faith We are to pursue Faith in God no matter what situation we find ourselves in. Love Love is something we must pursue.

Steadfastness

Other words for steadfastness are patience or perseverance. Gentleness

Definition-Strength under control.

PM Outline 1. There are two kinds of religion today... The kind you read, and the kind you live. Matthew 7:24-27 2. Solomon's search for the purpose of life Ecclesiastes 12:13 3. Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God Mathew 6:22 a. What does seeking the kingdom first mean to vou? b. What have you placed before God? It cannot save you! 4. Be Not conformed to This world. Romans 12:1-2 a. There is constant pressure to make Christians conform to the world.. But we dare not. b. Our purpose is to change the world, not be charged by it. 5. Keep Yourself Pure John 15:19

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Our 2019 Challenge

But you, o man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness, fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I urge you in the sight of God who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus who witnessed the good confession before Pontius Pilate, that you keep this commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing.

I Timothy 6:11-14 NJK

January 20, 2019