Larry's Lines...

Good For Evil

Of course some people deserve to be persecuted. They act and speak in an objectionable manner, and then scratch their heads and wonder why people don't appreciate them.

It has nothing at all to do with being a Christian. Few people are happy to tolerate an obnoxious person. We need to make certain that we are not just getting what is coming to us. As Peter said, "But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or a wrongdoer, or a mischief-maker" (I Peter 4:15).

The latter part of that verse is translated in the King James Version to read, "or as a busybody in other men's matters." If we meddle around in other men's affairs, we should not be surprised if someone takes offense. Being righteous, practicing righteousness, really means being like the Lord Jesus Christ. And that, within itself, is enough to provoke the hatred of the world. The servant is not greater than his master. "yea, all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution" (2 Timothy 3:12).

When persecution comes the Christian proves that he is different. He does not try to get even with the one who has hurt him, or curse those who have abused him. An eye for an eve, and a tooth for a tooth is one of the most ancient laws known to man. But when the Spirit of Christ enters into a man he doesn't practice tit-for-tat. Vengeance is replaced by the spirit of non resentment and nonretaliation. In fact, it even goes further than that. Overt good occupies the field as the Christian turns to bless those who have cursed him.

"Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them" (Romans 12:14).

> Have a Great Week Larry

Upcoming Events

Deacons Meeting Today! 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.

The Seniors' Group will be going to the Museum at College of the Ozarks near Branson on 2/16/2019 We will leave the Church Building at 8:00 AM and stop for breakfast. We will eat lunch at their restaurant Cost of the museum is \$5.00-\$8.00 We will try to be back by 6:00 PM. Signup sheet in foyer. Contact Steve if you have questions

Announcements:

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

The "Prepare Communion" and "Serve in the Nursery Sheets" are missing. If found, please return or call the office if you know what months you signed up for

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

Ladies Retreat will take place March 29-31, 2018 at Lake Fort Smith. This is a great chance for fellowship and fun.

March 31, 2019 will be a **Wedding** Shower for James Goodpasture and Alethea Anderson. The shower will take place here at the building at 4:00pm.

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.

> LTC QUIZ BOWL REMINDER Read I John Chapter 3 We will meet today at 5:00 to discuss chapter 6-10

Happy Birthday Feb. 3: Terry Huffmaster Feb. 4: Katie Phillips Feb 4: Braden Wolfe Feb. 5: Matthew Goodpasture Feb. 7: Ruth Turner Feb. 8: David Snawder

Feb. 9: Carolyn Paíz

Every Thing Good and Perfect gift is from above. James 1:17

> Pantry Item **Peanut Butter and Jelly**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Our first ever Senior Breakfast is this Sat.

Feb 9th, at the Myers' house beginning at 9:30am.

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

No puppet practice this week for Larry's group.



Next Sunday, Feb 10th

following our morning service is our CREW kick off! We will 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.

Darby York Pete Ball JP Bradford Eric Keeter Bradon Wolfe

Linda Huffmaster Nelson McCov

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: Genevra Montgomery is not doing well, Oma Leta Smith recovering from surgery, Jessica Harriman's grandfather is having test ran, Diana Robertson prayers for her family, Jacob House is starting treatment for a brain tumor, Shirley Hester is home recovering from a hospital stay, Amy Allen is having surgery, Smith Cherry is having eye health issues, **Terry Wallis** had surgery and is home recovering but struggling with Health Issues.

Those fighting Cancer: Leslie Cone. Kim Williams (Megan Bassing's Aunt), Loveta Dean (Phil Curlee's sister), Carol Edwards (Laura Hughes sister) not doing well with chemo, and one of Kaileigh's co-workers has been diagnosed with cancer.

Those on Hospice: Pearl Couch is not doing well.

Our Expectant Mother: Kayla Holloway

Those who have lost loved ones: The Fay Kerper Family, The Sharon Montgomery Family, The Albert Simpson Family, The Donna Williams Family, The Liga Stamps family, The David Shew Family,

Shut-Ins who need your continual prayer and consideration! Lenore Sutton, 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.

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

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

> **OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN** THE MONTH OF February 2019

Lords Table

Matt Johnson Joe Harriman George Martin Josh Fortenberry Easton Wolfe

Greeters

Deliver Communion

Joe Harriman

Nursery Attendants

Terry Huffmaster Holly McCoy

<u>Ushers</u> Terry Huffmaster Darron Mitchell Jim Olmstead

Announcements Virgil Harmon Matt Bassing David Shew

Prepare Communion Marc and Christa Wolfe

> P.A. System Chesley Martin

Song Leader Doug Goodpasture

THE LORD'S DAY ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME Virgil Harmon

Song Leader Doug Goodpasture

Hymn #67 For the Beauty of the Earth

Hymn # 457 How Firm A Foundation

Hymn #731 Take Time to be Holy

OPENING PRAYER Brad Harriman

Hymn #366 By Christ Redeemed

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 11:12-26 Alan Fortenberry

Communion Prayer

LORD'S SUPPER

Offering

Hymn #709 How Sweet How Heavenly

> SERMON SCRIPTURE Richard Hutton

Sermon By Jeremy Myers

Invitation Hymn #PP Only Come to Jesus (1st and Last)

> Announcements Virgil Harmon

Closing Hymn #705 A Common Love

> Closing Prayer John Cobb

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.

February Events

February 3rd **Deacons Meeting** February 9th Honduras babysitting night February 10th Last Day to back out of the ski trip February 12th Threads of Love February 14th **Elders** Meeting February 20th Pregame at CiCi's Pizza February 23rd Teen Hosted Banquet Dinner February 24th 4th Sunday Fellowship Italian/40' and 50's Hosting February 26th Threads of Love

March Events

March 2nd Teen Devo at C. Martin's March 5th Green Valley Sign Up Begins March 9th Honduras Blue Grass Concert March 12th Threads of Love March 13th PreGame March 14th Elders' Meeting March 18th Ski Trip March 24th 4th Sunday Fellowship Soup and Gumbo/60's and 70's Hosting March 26th Threads of Love March 28th **Elders Meeting** March 29th Ladies Retreat at Lake Fort Smith March 30th Crew Day of Service March 31st Wedding Shower for James and Ali Johnson church of Christ 5602 Elmore Street Springdale, AR 72762

COME WORSHIP WITH US Sunday: Sunday: Bíble Class: 9:30 AM Morning Worship: 10:20 AM Evening Worship: 6:00 PM Wednesday: 7:00 P.M. Website: johnsonchurchofchrist.con Email: office@johnsonchurchofchrist.con

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For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, And abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You. <u>Psalm 86:5 NXII</u>

February 3, 2019