Larry's Lines...

The Early Family Portrait

When you read about the early Christians you sense that they were always filled with joy and gladness, regardless of circumstances. And it makes you wonder if we are really their descendants, judged by the countenances of those who profess to serve God. How grave, gloomy and austere we sometimes seem.

Even periods of worship, which should be seasons of gladness, often degenerate into drudgery. With an attitude expressed by the question, "Do I have to attend?" We plod our weary way to the house of worship. Is it possible that so many centuries have passed that we no longer bear any resemblance to our forefathers who worshipped and praised God with "glad and generous hearts?"

Worship is a natural impulse of the heart and should bring delight unto the soul of man. From across the centuries we hear the words:

> Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ve lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing. Know ye not the Lord is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and Bless his name. Psalm 100:1-4

This psalm was probably sung by a procession of worshippers who were at the point of entering the gates and passing into the courts of the temple for service of thanksgiving and thanks offering. With "a joyful noise," they were to come before the Lord. Perhaps this was similar to the glad shouts which loyal subjects gave when their king appeared among them. If hearts are filled with gladness, songs of thanksgiving will come spontaneously from the lips.

Away with the gloom, boredom and pessimism which sometimes invades our worship assemblies! Our forefathers worshipped with "glad and generous hearts." So why shouldn't we act like a member of the family?

Have a Great Week

Larry

LTC Quiz Bowl Reminder Read Chapter 8 We will meet today at 5:00 to discuss chapter 6-10

Upcoming Events

A Sign up sheet is available for those who would be able to take food to Charles Couch.

March 29th-31st

Ladies Retreat at Lake Fort Smith Sign up sheet in the foyer. Please see Diane Murray, Janice Jones, or Lauren Mayhew for

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. They are registered at Walmart and Bed Bath and Beyond.

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.

Another Brother in Christ



Ethan Ladymon was baptized, Monday, March 3, 2019. After some soul searching, Ethan wanted to make sure he was a child of God, so he made the decision to be baptized and we are so proud of him.

LTC EVENTS

Sunday's

DRAMA- 3:00-4:00- Holly & Nelson McCoy CHOIR- 4:00-5:00 (starting in March) Andrea Goodpasture

Bible Quiz 5:00-6:00- Jennifer Fortenberry & Julie

Song leading 5:30-6:00- Randall Harriman & David Cherry

Wednesday's

All puppet groups meet at 5:30 downstairs. (Check with your group leader to see if dinner is

EVERYONE, plan on coming to the LTC preview on April 14th, 4-6. You will get to see our puppet groups, choir, drama group and view all the art work & more before the convention. Shirts can be picked up on this night as well.



March 11th Elaine Nicklas March 12th Hunter Neumaster March 13th Larry Lloyd March 13th Dan Cobb

March 14th Maddie Goforth March 15: Madalyn Gardenhire

> Pantry Item **Canned Carrots and Peas**

Happy Anniversary March 15: Randy & Lindsay Harriman

Announcements:

Attention Teachers for next quarter, please turn into the office what you are going to teach so that we can update our class

The Mitchells are taking pictures today. Please get your picture made if you haven't already. Old pictures are not being used, you are asked to take a new one for an



together, share a meal and catch up on things.

PRE-GAME. We will be going to Mcallister's this Wednesday night at 5:30pm. All parents & siblings welcome to join us. If you have puppets you have practice. Dinner will be provided for you at 5:30.



we come together to help some in our congregation. If you can help that morning, please see Jeremy.

Our 1st ever CREW Retreat is May 10-12 at Camp Siloam. There was a survey sent out that will help us be able to determine cost. Please fill that out soon. It is on our FB group.

Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:

Those with recent health issues: Smith Cherry eye issues, Marc Wolfe is having pain in his neck and migraines, **Charles Couch** recent back surgery and a lot of pain, Robert Boatright (brother in law of Linda Allen) is in WRMC room 4202, Linda Williams (Barbara Parsely's sister-in-law)had another surgery on Thursday and her husband **Speedy** is on dialysis 3 times a week, Shirley Hester has continued health problems, Pete Ball has blood clots, Willa Mae Rose Hill (The new grand baby of Bobby and Pam Hill), Amy Allen is recovering from surgery, Eddie Thomas is not doing well, Jacob House is starting treatment for a brain tumor.

Those on Hospice: Leslie Cones

Those fighting Cancer: Douglas Milligan, (Alan Fortenberry's nephew), Kim Williams (Megan Bassing's Aunt), Loveta Dean (Phil Curlee's sister), Carol Edwards (Laura Hughes sister) and one of Kaileigh's co-workers has been diagnosed with cancer.

Our Expectant Mother: Kayla Holloway and Monica Minor

Those who have lost loved ones: The Charles Couch Family, The Stephanie Henry family, The Mike and Paula Culbreath Family.

Shut-Ins who need your continual prayer and consideration!

Oma Leta Smith, 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, our family members going on the ski trip, those traveling during spring break and our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas.

Princess and SUPERHERO party, Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 3:00-4:30 at Bentonville Church of Christ Activity Center. Please see the event board for more information. Money raised goes to benefit the Women for Harding need-based scholarship fund.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF March 2019

Lords Table

Jonathan Martindale Doug Goodpasture Virgil Harmon Larry Lloyd Matthew Goodpasture

Heath Huffmaster Michael Marvin Matt Bassing Roy Lewis **Dustin Mayhew** David Shew

<u>Greeters</u>

Stefanie Curlee Nelson McCov

Phil Curlee Holly McCoy

Phil Curlee

Preston Keete

Announcements Joe Harriman Darron Mitchell Josh Fortenberry

<u>Ushers</u>

Deliver Communion

Barbara Parsley Trish Fortenberry

Nursery Attendants

P.A. System

Prepare Communion

Song Leader

If you would like reminders on when you serve, please provide the office with your email address.

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

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

WELCOME

Joe Harriman

Song Leader Mike Mitchell

Hymn #

Hymn #

Hymn #

OPENING PRAYER Justin Goforth

Hymn #

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 53:36 Josh Fortenberry

Communion Prayer Josh Fortenberry

LORD'S SUPPER

Offering

Hymn #

SERMON SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 10:11-13 **Rodney Friend**

Living

Below our **Possibilities**

Invitation Hymn #

Announcements Joe Harriman

Closing Hymn #

Closing Prayer Lincoln Phillips

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.

March Events

March 11th

Green Valley Sign Up Begins

March 12th

Threads of Love

March 13th

PreGame at McAllister's

March 14th

Elders' Meeting

March 16th

Crew Day of Service

March 17th-23rd

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 31st

Wedding Shower for James Goodpasture and Ali Anderson

Youth Led Services

April Events

April 7th

Friends and Family

AM SERMON OUTLINE

- 1. Many of us are living far below our potential like the tribe of Manasseh. Joshua 1:12-18
- 2. The Manassehites failed to completely posses their possessions. Joshua 17:12-13.
- a. The Canaanites represents the forces of evil that keeps God's people from enjoying the abundant life God wants us to have.
- b. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:57
- c. Canaanites we favor. vs 13
- d. Canaanites we fear vs. 16
- 3. The Manassehites were prideful. Joshua
- a. James 4:10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord and He will lift you up.'
- 4. The Manassehites perverted their priorities. Joshua 17:15-17
- a. Chop down your trees and chase out your

WELCOME Johnson church of Christ HIS LORD SAID UNTO HIM, WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT; INTO THE JOY OF THE

March 10, 2019

MATTHEW 25:23