# Larry's Lines...

## SCHIZOCHRISTIAMS?

I know how many bodies I speak to every Sunday morning, but sometimes I wonder how many minds are being reached. Do you suppose it would scare a preacher to death if he knew what members of the congregation were thinking about during the presentation of his sermon?

During my college days I had a professor who suggested that it might be both interesting and enlightening if when a person's mind began to wander his body would just follow behind. Were that the case, I fear that bodies would be popping in and out of the pews like popcorn in a hot skillet on any given Sunday.

What do you think about when you come to worship? Is your mind centered on the spiritual or the secular? Do you take advantage of the time to worship or do you sit there and worry? Is your mind where your body is? Or, do you become a schizo-christian?

Amos, the prophet, was not taken in by big crowds. He knew that even though many were attending the House of God, most of them were thinking about other things while they were there. Present in the body, there were thinking:

When will the new moon be over,
that we may sell grain?
And the sabbath,
that we may offer wheat for sale,
that we may make the ephah small
and the shekel great,
and deal deceitfully with false balances,
that we may buy the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and sell the refuse of the wheat? (Amos 8:5-6)

The next time you come to worship and your mind wanders off to dwell on such things as business or pleasure, it might be well to consider that Amos accused the people of his day of multiplying their transgressions through their worship service( Amos 4:4). Maybe we had better watch out lest even our worship will become a sin.

Have A Great Week, Larry

#### **Upcoming Events**

Youth Led Service, TONIGHT September 29, 2019. Young men please let Corbin Cobb know if you would like to sing a song, say a prayer, or read a scripture.

Sunday October 6, 2019 at 5:30 will be our **Area Wide** service at the Springdale Performing Arts Center. Our Sunday evening service at Johnson will be cancelled.

Fall Fishing Trip at Bull Shoals Lake - Oct 11-12 - Everyone is welcome! Supper of chili, stew and drinks will be provided, Friday night at 6:00pm; all other meals are the responsibility of individuals. Everyone will need to make your own lodging and boat arrangements. Wagon Wheel Resort - (870) 436-5401; Copper Fish - (870) 754-3638; 125 Marina - (870) 436-5390. Please let Alan Fortenberry know your are going, and please provide \$10 per/person for supper

Harding University Homecoming will take place October 17-19th on the Harding Campus. See the event board for details.

Pantry Items
Canned Vegetables and Oatmeal

by Oct 6th,

#### **HONDURAS AUCTION**

Join us at Mount Comfort Church of Christ for a fun filled evening of food, fellowship, and funding for the education of children in Honduras Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 5:30pm. We need auction items, chili, and soups. See Diane Murray for question or donations.

#### Sympathy

Our sincerest condolences to Pat Gore on the loss of her aunt, Margaret Gambill and her cousin, John Gambill. Mother and son went home to the lord within days of each other.

Our sincerest sympathy goes to Phillip Curlee on the loss of his sister, Loveta Dean, who lost her battle with cancer Monday, September 23, 2019.



Our annual budget meeting will take place October 24, 2019 during our Elder's meeting and we will finish up on November 14, 2019. Deacons please get your budgets ready.

#### **Congratulations**



Congratulations to Hanna Ball on the birth of her baby girl "Charlie Cecile." Charlie made her appearance earlier than expected Friday, September 20, 2019 weighing 5lbs and 5ozs. Grandpa and Grandma are Pete and Frankie Ball and Great-Grandma is Pat Gore.

#### Memorial

A Memorial Service for Robert Boatright will be held TODAY, September 29, 2019 at Elm Springs Community Center and Park. Drop in between 2:00pm and 5:00pm. If you have questions, see Jim, Linda, or Amy Allen.

## **Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits**

Those with recent health issues: J.D. Frost (Father in law of Colleen Casada) is in ICU with Sepsis following surgery, James Allen is having medical issues, Bonnie Cherry is recovering from surgery, Brandy Reynolds (niece of Patsy Allen) had major surgery at UAMS and is at home recovering, Tommy Stilwell is in the VA Hospital, Kristen Lee is recovering from surgery, Loraine Talley (Friend of Freda Barber) fell and possibly had a stroke, Jacob House is getting treatment for a brain tumor.

Those fighting Cancer: Rachel Myers, Nathan Pirtle, Justin Williams (friend of Justin Cavanaugh), Elaine Nicklas, Eddie Thomas, Kim Williams (Megan Bassing's Aunt), and Carol Edwards (Laura Hughes's sister).

Our Expectant Mothers: Megan Johnson and Rachel Ladymon.

Our New Mothers: Monica/Beaux and Hanna/Charlie.

Shut-Ins who need your continual prayer and consideration! Oma Leta Smith, Lenora Sutton, Emmett Windham, Shirley Bates, Roger and Shirley Gross, Norma Williams, Roy Howard, Betty Jordan, Genevra Montgomery, Vada Loker and Kendra Phillips.

Remember in Prayer: Those who have lost loved ones, those fighting cancer and our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas and protecting our country here at home. The leaders of our Church, our community, our state, and our country.

#### **Attention Seniors**

The trip to Dogwood canyon has been rescheduled for October 19th. A sign up sheet and more information will be available in due time.

# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF October 2019

Lords Table

Brad Harriman
Richard Hutton
Charles Bluse
Ethan Ladymon
Gary Knapp

Lords Table
Terry Huffmaster
Terry Wilson
Darron Mitchell
Randall Harriman
Jared Cobb

<u>Announcements</u>

Kevin Murray

Josh Fortenberry

Matt Bassing

<u>Ushers</u>

Heath Huffmaster

Matt Johnson

Joe Harriman

<u>Greeters</u>

Virgil Harmon Diane Murray Eric Keeter Tracy Scott

Jared Cobb

Prepare Communion
Jesse Shefelbine
Kaileigh Shefelbine

Nursery Attendants
Teena Cobb Becky

**Deliver Communion** 

Becky Bluse

P.A. System
Corbin Cobb

Song Leader
Doug Goodpasture

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

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

## **WELCOME**

Terry Huffmaster

Song Leader **Brad Harriman** 

Hymn #3 (All) Hallelujah Praise Jehovah

> Hymn #533 (ALL) I Am A Sheep

**OPENING PRAYER** Mike Mitchell

Hvmn #610 (ALL) **I Love My Savior Too** 

Hymn #344 (All/Chorus Last) **Low In The Grave He Lay** 

#### **COMMUNION SCRIPTURE** Matthew 26:26-30

Alan Fortenberry

**Communion Prayer** Doug Goodpasture

**LORD'S SUPPER** Offering

Hymn #525 (All) **He Knows Just What I Need** 

## **SERMON SCRIPTURE**

1 John 1:1-4 **Ethan Ladymon** 



Invitation Hymn #904 (1st &Last) **Have You Been To Jesus** 

**Announcements** Terry Huffmaster

Closing Hymn #608 (All) He Gave Me A Song

**Closing Prayer** 

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

## **October Events**

#### October 4th-5th

Ruth Rally @Mount Comfort

#### October 6th

Area Wide Services

#### October 8th

## Threads of Love

#### October 9th

Preachers Exchange

#### October 10th

**Elders Meeting** 

#### October 11-13th

JAR FALL RETREAT

Fall Fishing Retreat

#### October 12th

Honduras Auction at Mt Comfort

#### October 12th-13th

Silver Dollar City Church of Christ Weekend

#### October 16th

Re-Fuel @ Mall Food Court

#### October 17-19th

Harding University Homecoming

#### October 19th

Teen Devo @J. Cob's 6-8pm

#### October 20th

**Outdoor Service** 

#### October 22nd

Threads of Love

### October 24th

**Elders Meeting Budget Meeting** 

#### October 26th

Huffmaster Hayride

#### October 30th

Trunk or Treat

## **November Events**

3rd Daylight Saving ends

6th Re-Fuel @ Steak and Shake

8-9th - Deeper Youth Conference

12th Threads of Love

14th Elders Meeting

16th-Teen Devo @ Keeter's

19th -Threads of Love 21st - Elders Meeting

**24th**-Singing Night

**27th**-Thanksgiving Devo

## ReFuel @ Smitty's **December Events**

## 7- Teen Devo/Christmas party @ Myers

14-Polar Express Babysitting night

10- Golden Age Christmas Party 12- Wrapping with the Police

15-Holiday Meal

25- Christmas Devo

Services

September 29, 2019

# WELCOME Johnson church of Christ

