Larry's Lines...

Every Man's Problem

Black or white, rich or poor, educated or uneducated, you have a problem. In fact, it's every man's problem-sin.

In looking at this little word "sin," Clarence McCartney has called it, "the saddest word in the Bible and in human speech." Why? Because it is the fountain of woe, the mother of sorrows, as universal as human nature and as eternal as human history. It can be labeled as "The cause of all war and violence and hatred and sorrow and pain."

Sin alienates us from God: establishes fellowship with the devil; brings moral perversion; and sears the conscience. Ultimately it ushers in death. As James says, "But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire, when it has been conceived gives birth to sin; and sin when it is full-grown brings forth death" James 1:14,15).

Sin has manifested itself in the lives of Adam, Cain, Saul, David, Moses, Peter... and in your life, dear reader. As John says, "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: (1 John 1:8). Nothing is more sure than the fact that perfection is not on this earth.

Sin is the Gordian knot of life. When the Phrygians needed a king, they were instructed by the Oracle at Delphi to choose the first person riding on an oxcart toward the temple Zeus. So it was that they found Gordius, a poor peasant. In dedicating his cart and yoke to Zeus, he tied the knot so skillfully that the oracle declared that whoever should unloose it would be ruler over all Asia. Many tried, but all failed. It remained until Alexander the Great came and cut the knot in two with his sword. So it was that the Gordian knot of sin remained, with no man able to untie it, until the coming of Christ. He cut it in two. He did it, not with a sword, but with a cross.

Have A Great Week,

Larry

Love so amazing, so divine...

Upcoming Events

OUTDOOR SERVICE TONIGHT

We will start off with a pie contest at 4:00pm. (Teens and Younger will have their pies judged separately). Pies will be judged by our own hand picked judges and the best pie will be awarded bragging rights for the year. Sorry, no monetary awards.

Horse and 4-wheeler rides at 4:30pm. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs (provided along with buns) at 5:30pm. Please bring side dishes, fixings for the hamburgers, desserts, and drinks. Our outdoor service will

begin at 6:30pm, please bring your best singing voice, a lawn chair, jackets, and blankets if you are cold natured.

You are invited to stav after Wednesday evening services, October 24, 2019 for a production of "Noah and the Big Flood" from our Bible Power Class.

JAR YOUTH/Mentors

The Deeper Youth Conference is coming up Nov. 8-9th. The deadline to sign up for Deeper is Sunday October, 27, 2019. https:// tinyurl.com/JAR-Deeper

If anyone is able to house out of town groups coming to Deeper on Friday night of the conference please see Jeremy Myers.

October Mentor Challenge: Pick someone in the church to "boo" with a small surprise this month. Mentors mark your calendar for a mentor training time on Nov. 10th. More details to come.

TRUNNK OR TREAT

Dress up your kids and your cars for the annual TRUNK or TREAT Night, Wednesday, October 30, 2019 right after evening services. Please be aware that some of our children have peanut allergies.

Happy Birthday October 20th Tonette Weathers Andrea Goodpasture October 22nd Hannah Rowe October 23rd Mary Ellen Johnson <u>October 26th</u> Kayla Holloway

Pantry Items **Side Dishes**



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 finished.



We have a new brother in Christ. Tyler Braswell gave his life to Christ Wednesday night after evening services. Please help Tyler with his Christian walk and welcome him into the family of God.



Those with recent health issues: Calvin Billingsley is going into the hospital next week for heart issues, Janice Thomas fell, Ruby Wall will have hand surgery, Jessica Harriman's grandfather is in the hospital, Brad Harriman is having back problems, Shirley Hester will have surgery on her back October 31st, Barbara Parsley is recovering from surgery on her finger, Gray Jones recovering from surgery, Larry Combs (preacher from Huntsville) doing well after surgery, Jim Olmstead had knee surgery and is recovering, Bruce Casada is having knee surging in Nov.,

Those fighting Cancer: Rachel Myers, Nathan Pirtle, Justin Williams (friend of Justin Cavanaugh), Oma Leta Smith, 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.

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.

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Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits

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

Remember in Prayer: Our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas and protecting our country abroad and at home. The leaders of our Church, our community, our state, and our

Opportunity to Serve in The Month of October 2019

Lords Table

Brad Harriman **Richard Hutton** Charles Bluse Ethan Ladymon Gary Knapp

Terry Huffmaster **Terry Wilson Darron Mitchell Randall Harriman** Corbin Cobb

Ushers

Heath Huffmaster Matt Johnson Joe Harriman

Announcements

Kevin Murray Josh Fortenberry Matt Bassing

Prepare Communion

Jessie and Kaileigh Shefelbine

P.A. System

Song Leader

Jared Cobb

Doug Goodpasture

Greeters

Virgil Harmon Eric Keeter

Diane Murray Tracy Scott

Nursery Attendants

Teena Cobb Becky Bluse

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

WELCOME

Alan Fortenberry

Song Leader **Doug Goodpasture**

Hymn #991 This Is My Father's World

> Hymn #288 **Fairest Lord Jesus**

OPENING PRAYER Virgil Harmon

Hymn #337 Hallelujah! What A Savior

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE John 19:17-30 **Dustin Mayhew**

Communion Prayer Alan Fortenberry

LORD'S SUPPER

Offering Hymn #711

Blest Be the Tie That Binds SERMON SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 3:14-19 **Phillip Sanders**

Sermon by: **Joe Harriman**



Invitation Hymn #924 (1, 2 & 4) Just As I Am **Announcements** Alan Fortenberry

> **Closing Hymn #705** A Common Love

> > **Closing Prayer** Matt Bassing

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

October Events October 20th

Outdoor Service October 22nd Threads of Love October 24th Elders Meeting/Budget Meeting October 26th Huffmaster Havride October 30th Trunk or Treat **November Events** November 3rd

Deacons Meeting Daylight Saving ends November 6th Re-Fuel @ Steak and Shake November 8-9th **Deeper Youth Conference** November 10th PM Guest Speaker November 12th Threads of Love November 14th **Elders** Meeting November 16th Teen Devo @ Keeter's November 19th Threads of Love November 21st **Elders** Meeting **November 24th** Singing Night November 27th Thanksgiving Devo

ReFuel @ Smitty's November 28th-29th Office Closed **December Events**

December 1st Deacons Meeting New Quarter **December 7th** Teen Devo/Christmas party @ Myers December 14th Polar Express Babysitting night December 10th Golden Age Christmas Party December 12th Wrapping with the Police December 15th Holiday Meal

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October 23, 2019

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love to help make your visit a pleasant one

WELCOME

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The Lord confides in those who fear him; he makes his covenant known to them. My eyes are ever on the Lord, for only he will release my feet from the snare. Psalm 25:14-15 NIV

October 20, 2019