## Larry's Lines...

## Weak Hands, Feeble Knees

The fighter enters the ring. His guard is up and he moves quickly around his opponent. But as the fight progresses he tends to drop his hands and stand flat-footed. Finally, utterly exhausted, his hands hang limply by his sides, the knees buckle, the legs give way and he goes down in a heap for the count of ten...he's out.

The Christian is exposed to the same danger. He begins the Christian life with high hopes and noble resolves. He's fresh and ready to "fight the good fight of faith." But time takes its toll. Disappointments slap him in the face. He is buffeted by temptations, and slugged with sorrows. He is hit by adversity and left reeling under a blow of sickness. He's ready to go down for the count.

Stop! Don't let that one fall. The mature Christian stands in the corner of every sagging saint. He is there to "strengthen... the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees." He is there to speak the word of encouragement: "Be strong, fear not...your God will come...he will come and save you."

Weak Christians are not to be snubbed and shunned. Suppose they are constitutionally gloomy, temperamentally vacillating, physically infirm, carnally minded and easily discouraged. These very traits constitute a special claim upon the strong. As Paul said, "We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves; let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to edify him" (Romans 15:1,2).

Don't turn your back on the weak brother. Set an example of cheerfulness, speak a word of encouragement, lift up your voice in prayer and place an arm of affection about him. Whatever is weak in his faith and hope, whatever tends to dishearten and discourage him, should be attended to.

"Strengthen...confirm...speak." It's the least you can do.

Have A Great Week, Larry

### **Upcoming Events**

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.



### NOVEMBER 2, 2019 at 2:00am.

Deacons Meeting, November 3, 2019 at 5:00pm.

### Seniors Group

The Seniors' Group will be going to look at the fall foliage November 2, 2019. We will leave the Church Building at 8:00 AM and stop for breakfast. We will try to find somewhere to get a tall ice cream cone in the afternoon, and try to be back around 4:00 PM. Sign-up sheet in foyer. Contact Steve if you have questions

The Seniors' Group will be going to Branson, MO on 12/7/2019 to see "A Brett Family Christmas Show" that starts at 10:00 AM. We need to leave the Church Building at 7:00 AM. We will NOT stop for breakfast We will stop somewhere for lunch and try to be back by 4:00 PM. Signup sheet is in the foyer. Please sign up by Nov 6, 2019, so I can make reservations. Cost is \$36.00 (Church can help if needed) Contact Steve if you have questions.

### **Baby Shower**

A Baby Shower for Cole and Whitney Basinger will take place November 17, 2019 downstairs at 4:00pm. The couple is expecting a baby boy and they are registered at O' Baby and Walmart. For more information, please see Kayla Holloway.



<u>Happy Birthday</u> October 28th

> Connie Harmon Justin Scott Debbie Goforth

Paul Nordín October 31st

Hannah Ball Paige Miller

Chanthavy Chanhnouvong

November 1st

Gary Ewart

<u>November 2nd</u>

Ethan Ladymon
Amy Allen

Bobby Dockery

Pantry Items
Peanut Butter and Jelly

<u> Happy Anniversary</u>

October 31st Steve and Lisa Martindale

### **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.

Teens will be having a Halloween

Refuel at the building at 5:30pm downstairs before class. Costume contest. Bring a pumpkin to carve. Pizza will be provided.

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

Those with recent health issues: Lisa Martindale had her gall bladder removed, Arvin Allen will have a heart valve replacement in November, Calvin Billingsley is having heart issues, Janice Thomas fell and is getting rehab, Ruby Wall will have hand surgery and is doing great, Jessica Harriman's grandfather is in the hospital, Shirley Hester will have surgery on her back October 31st, Jim Olmstead had knee surgery and is recovering, Mary Jo Hankla is recovering from knee surgery, Bruce Casada is having knee surging in November 4th.

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.

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:** 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 country.

# TAKE TIME TO SERVE!

Please signup for the 2020 year of preparing communion and working the nursery.

### TEACHER SIGN UP!

Also, please sign-up for the winter quarter for teaching our young children.

## Opportunity to Serve in The Month of NOVEMBER 2019

### **Lords Table**

Larry Lloyd Julien Shew Liga Stamps Darby York Pete Ball Larry Keck Kevin Murray Rodney Friend Caden Scott Matt Johnson

### **Ushers**

Phil Curlee Josh Fortenberry Ethan Ladymon

### <u>Announcements</u>

Kevin Murray Darron Mitchell Phil Curlee

### **Prepare Communion**

Lisa Lewis and Kaileigh Shefelbine

P.A. System
Chesley Martin

Song Leader
Mike Mitchell

#### **Greeters**

David Shew Jared Cobb Becky Bluse Erin Bradford

### **Nursery Attendants**

Andrea Huffmaster Debbie Goforth

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

### **WELCOME**

Alan Fortenberry

**Song Leader** Doug Goodpasture

Hymn #1014 Jesus Loves Me

Hymn #538 My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

> Hymn #399 **Jesus Calls Us**

**OPENING PRAYER** Mike Mitchell

Hymn #399 Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross

### **COMMUNION SCRIPTURE**

**Ephesians 1:3-8** JP Bradford

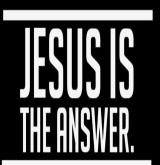
**Communion Prayer** David Cherry

**LORD'S SUPPER** Offering

**Hymn #590 (4 Verses)** Jesus Is All The World To Me

#### **SERMON SCRIPTURE**

Colossians 1:1-6 **Lincoln Phillips** 



**Invitation Hymn PP Only Come To Jesus Announcements** Alan Fortenberry

Closing Hymn #1015 **Jesus Loves The Little Children** 

> **Closing Prayer** David Shew

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 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** 

### **AM Outline**

- 1. When a person has an understanding of who Jesus is and what Jesus is dong for us, then and only then can he find the solutions to his own problems.
- 2. Who We Are. (1:1-3)
  - a. Saints
  - b. Brethren
- 3. Where We Are. (1:4-5)
  - a. Our faith.
  - b. Our love.
  - c. Our hope.
- 4. What We Have. (1:5-6)
  - a. The Gospel

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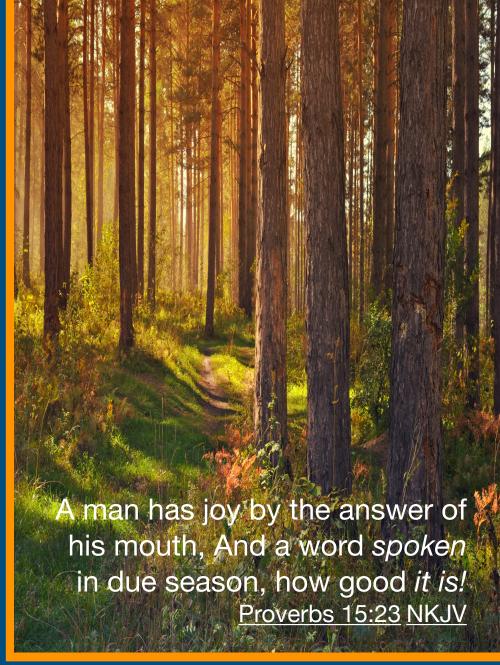
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4TH SUNDAY

October 30, 2019

Communion Scripture: Herk Communion Prayer: Rand Sermon Scripture: JP Brad Closing Prayer: Larry Paiz

WELCOME Johnson church of Christ



October 27, 2019