



**Scottie Barner.** Breast cancer.

**Brandi Beavers.** Health concerns.

**The Beavers Children.** Health concerns.

**Debbie Brooks.** Health concerns.

**Sibbie Byrd.** Nursing home. Health concerns.

**Drew Clifton.** Need of prayer.

**Hester Hollandsworth.** Health concerns.

**Matthew Hollandsworth.** Health concerns.

**Wes Johnson.** Friend of Cookie Spencer. Cancer.

**Steven Kelly.** Cancer.

**Ryan Kendrick.** Special needs.

**Rita Lawless.** Health concerns.

**Karen Lovell.** Health concerns.

**Paul Mays.** Health concerns.

**Ruby Mason.** Health concerns.

**Jaydan Patrick.** Special needs.

**Carolyn Roop.** Recovering from a recent stroke.

**Joe & Marcia Shulam.** Health concerns.

**Kitty Shumate.** Upcoming back surgery.

**Virginia "Cookie" Spencer.** Health concerns.

**Sharon Teschendorf.** Dementia.

**Velvet Wyatt.** Recovering from a broken arm.

**Wayne Youngblood.** Parkinson's & Dementia.

**Caregivers.**

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## Times We Meet:

### Sunday:

**Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m.

**Worship:** 10:30 a.m.

### Thursday:

**Ladies' Class:** 10:00 a.m.

**Virtual Psalms Class:**  
12:30 p.m. on Facebook.



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## *The Cumulative Weight of Bees?*

We often fail to consider the gradual, cumulative effect of sin in our lives. Keep reading. In Saint Louis in 1984, a woman noticed a few bees buzzing around the attic of her home. Since there were only a few, she thought, she made no effort to deal with them. Over the summer, though, the bees continued to fly in and out the attic vent while the woman remained unconcerned, unaware of the growing city of bees.

In a relatively short period of time, the whole attic became a hive, which became so large that her bedroom ceiling finally caved in under the weight of hundreds of pounds of honey and thousands of angry bees. While the woman escaped serious injury, she was unable to repair the damage of her accumulated neglect.

Consider David's reflection on the heaviness of sin. "O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath!"

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**“Bees” Continued from Front Page...** For your arrows have sunk into me, and your hand has come down on me. There is no soundness in my flesh because of your indignation; there is no health in my bones because of my sin. For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me. My wounds stink and fester because of my foolishness. I am utterly bowed down and prostrate; all the day I go about mourning. For my sides are filled with burning, and there is no soundness in my flesh. I am feeble and crushed; I groan because of the tumult of my heart” (Psalm 38:1-8).

Instead of neglecting the sin in your life that will one day crash down upon you, seek forgiveness and restoration. For David said elsewhere, “I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord, and you forgave the iniquity of my sin” (Psalm 32:5).

What is buzzing above your head? Is it time to address it?


—via South Green Street church of Christ, Glasgow, KY

### Conduct

 I just read a report from mission workers in India. The closing article reported on the rules of conduct expected in Sinclair High School in Bangalore. Nine rules were given covering everything from proper dress to items not acceptable in the classroom to respect for fellow students and teachers. And there was one rule given to parents: Do not enter a classroom, go to the office! Students who fail to follow the rules would be expelled from the school. The Bible is about the rules of conduct for church members. Yes, God’s word covers everything we do. How we dress (1 Timothy 2:9), who we associate with (1 Corinthians 15:33; Ephesians 5:11); how we speak (Ephesians 4:29). The Bible even sets the rules for how we conduct ourselves at home (Ephesians 5:22—6:4). In fact, God sets the rules of conduct for every aspect of our life. When we break God’s rule of conduct, we sin. And those who persist will be barred from heaven. May God help us to abide by His rules of conduct.

—Alton Norman





**April Birthdays!**

4TH JORDYN  
NEWTON


13TH LISA KENDRICK

24TH BARBARA  
OLIVER

**Upcoming Events:**

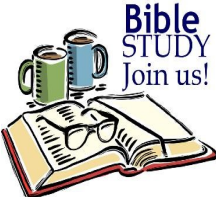
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**Thursday Ladies' Bible Class!**

Class starts at: 10:00 a.m.  
Come early at: 9:30 a.m.  
for coffee & donuts!




**Thursday Mid-week Virtual Bible Class!**

Virtual Class on Psalms, Thursdays around 12:30 p.m. on our Facebook Page.



**Men's Breakfast**


Our Next Men's Breakfast is scheduled for Sat April 26th! At a new time! Join us at Clarence's Steakhouse in Ridgeway at 9:00 a.m. for food & fellowship.




**Pizza/Movie Nights!**

Our Pizza & Movie Nights will return on May 3rd! Pizza Supper at 4:45pm and Movie at 5:00pm.

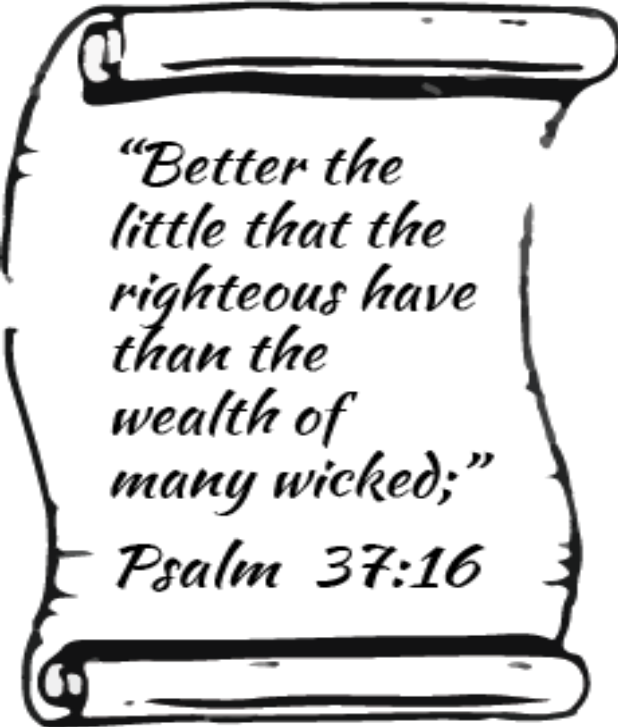







**Solution**

mustard; greater, tree; leaven, meal;  
True; parables, secret



*“Better the little that the righteous have than the wealth of many wicked;”*

*Psalm 37:16*

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<p><b><i>Continued from Page 5...</i></b> • We are people who truly believe that Jesus is God’s only begotten Son (John 3: 16), that He actually came down from Him as our Savior and put our lives in His hands.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We have been baptized by immersion into the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19), for the remission of our sins and to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38).</li><li>• We have not attained perfection nor do we know and understand all things in God’s Word, but we ever strive to please the Master (Philippians 3: 12-14) and search the Scriptures daily to determine what He wills for our lives (Acts 17:11).</li><li>• We are pilgrims on a life-long journey in search of a heavenly city whose builder and maker is God (Hebrews 11:10).</li><li>• Since Jesus has been given all authority in heaven and on earth (Matthew 28:18) and since His word will judge us in the last day (John 12:48), we are content to follow the New Testament of Christ as our only rule of faith and worship.</li><li>• Our goal is to be a church of Christ just like those we read of in the New Testament and to whom Paul referred in Romans 16:16.</li><li>• We are content to worship in the simple and sincere way set forth in Scripture. We attend church services, not to be entertained but to honor and adore our Creator. We need no pageantry or professional performers to stir us to worship and adoration (John 4:24).</li><li>• We are a people who care for each other. We bear one another’s burdens as we fulfill the law of Christ (Galatians 6:2).</li><li>• In our worship we honor the Father and Son. In our work we seek to save those who are lost in sin by teaching them about Christ (Luke 19:10; Mark 16:15-16). We labor that God’s will shall be done on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10). —<i>Selected</i></li></ul>			<div></div> <h3><b><i>Do You Study Your Bible?</i></b></h3> <p>The importance of Bible Study cannot be overstated. The Bible is abounding with statements of the importance of Bible knowledge, and knowledge can only come as a result of diligent Bible study. Notice the following verses:</p> <p><b>We Are To Grow In Knowledge.</b> “But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ” (2 Peter 3:18). “That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God” (Colossians 1:10).</p> <p><b>We Are To Prove (Test) Every Teacher Whether They Speak God’s Word.</b> “Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God” (1 John 4:1).</p> <p><b>We Are To Be Ready To Give An Answer (Defense).</b> “...be ready always to give an answer to every man that sketch you a reason of the hope that is in your with meekness and fear” (1 Peter 3:15).</p> <p><b>We Are To Discern The Good From That Not Good.</b> “Prove all things; hold fast that which is good” (1 Thessalonians 5:21). How are we to prove, defend, or discern without Bible knowledge?</p> <p><b>Knowledge Of The Truth Makes One Free From Sin.</b> “And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free” (John 8:32).</p> <p><b>Bible Knowledge Keeps One From Sin.</b> “Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee” (Psalm 119:11).</p> <p><b><i>“Do You Study Your Bible” Continues on Page 4...</i></b></p>		

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**Temptation Can Be Overcome By Bible Knowledge.** In Matthew chapter 4 our Lord Jesus, in overcoming temptation, said three times “It is written.”

**As We Grow In Knowledge We Are To Pass It On To Others.** “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you” (Matthew 28:19-20). “And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also” (2 Timothy 2:2).

**As We Grow in The Knowledge Of The Bible, Let Us Also Practice It In Our Daily Lives.** “But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For is any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholder himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed” (James 1:23-25).

Do we study the Bible daily? Do we participate in those opportunities to grow in Bible knowledge? May we always seek to increase our Bible knowledge. It is so important!

—Jerry Sturgill



### A Vital Ingredient

One of the more honest t-shirt logos this preacher has noticed in recent years is, “Does not play well with others.” Of all the burdens that Paul mentioned bearing, the last was, “that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches” (2 Corinthians 11 :28).

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***“Ingredient” Continues from Page 4...*** Getting along with others is learned behavior. It takes work. One of the attributes essential to getting along with others is also an essential characteristic of love. It is also mentioned among the traits necessary for keeping the unity of the Spirit. Paul even included it in his instruction to preachers as vital to their work. Consider these passages together, and the essential ingredient should become obvious:


“Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envied not; charity vaunteth not itself, isn’t puffed up” (1 Corinthians 13:4).

“With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love” (Ephesians 4:2).

“Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine” (2 Timothy 4:2).

Being “long suffering” is a beautiful Biblical concept. It is virtually self-explanatory; “longsuffering means to “suffer long with another.” Whether it be our quirky personalities, our different ways of expressing ourselves, our predictable behaviors, our struggles with or anything else, we must learn to bear with one another. Perfection is something that will only be realized at the coming of Christ.

—J. Brooks Boyd, Jr.



### Who Are We?

Many seem to be confused as to what it means to be a member of the church of Christ. The following observations will be helpful in clearing their minds.

- We are a band of imperfect followers of Jesus. We have been saved, not because of our goodness or merit, but by the wonderful grace of God (Titus 2:11).

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