



Scottie Barner. Breast cancer.

Jonathan Beavers. Upcoming surgery.

Brandi Beavers. Health concerns.

The Beavers Children. Health concerns.

Sibbie Byrd. Nursing home. Health concerns.

Brooklyn Carronna. Grand niece to Kitty & Rita.
Autoimmune disorder.

Drew Clifton. Need of prayer.

Jesse Dalton & Family. Coworker of Kevin Wyatt.
His father is hospitalized.

Hester Hollandsworth. Health concerns.

Matthew Hollandsworth. Health concerns.

Patty Isom. Jack's sister. Recent surgery.

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.

Carol Pace. Health concerns.

Jaydan Patrick. Special needs.

Mark Rea. Hester's nephew. Blood clots.

Carolyn Roop. Health concerns.

Joe & Marcia Shulam. Health concerns.

Kitty Shumate. Upcoming back surgery.

Virginia "Cookie" Spencer. Health concerns.

Janice Stockman. Car accident.

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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Selling the Old Collectibles

While conversing with my father the other day we got on the subject of "collectibles." I asked him if they (my folks) still had some of the old toys my brother and I used to have. He said they had several old toys boxed up in the basement. Turns out they had kept all of my old Star Wars action figures I had collected as a young boy. We learned, after some internet research, that those action figures were worth considerably more than what we had originally paid for them. After some discussion, we agreed to sell those old collectibles.

It amazes me what some folks will pay for "collectibles." But even more amazing than that are folks like me who have within their possession such valuable "collectibles," but have them tucked away in a box somewhere unawares. Of what value are "collectibles" stored away in a box somewhere collecting dust?

The greatest "treasure" of all time is within man's grasp, but unfortunately most folks in the world have no interest in it (of course, I have reference to the Gospel of Christ—the Word of God—the church). *Cont. on 2...*

“Collectables” Continued from Front Page... Seems to me that most folks would rather buy up things that will ultimately perish than to obtain that which will last forever (cf. 2 Peter 3:10ff; 1 Peter 1:24-25; Dan. 2:44)! The wise man said, “Buy the truth, and sell it not...” (Prov. 23:23). Jesus, in His parable of the hidden treasure, describes the true eternal value of that treasure (church/salvation) and the sacrifice we should be willing to make to obtain it (cf. Matt. 13:44). But more tragic than man choosing to reject this eternal treasure is God’s people having possession of it and then doing nothing with it. This treasure, the Gospel of Christ, is within us (2 Cor. 4:7), but it is of no value unless it is active (James 2:18ff)!
—Terry R. Townsend



Affirmation

Humans need it. We want others to give it freely, not grudgingly. We want it to come without prompting and we would love for it to happen on a regular basis. However, most of us are of such disposition we do not need it every day or, for that matter, every week, But we do need it. What is “it?” The answer is affirmation – the acknowledgment by someone outside ourselves, that we are needed, wanted and valued for our unique contribution to their life.

The apostle Paul was a master of affirmation. Just a quick glance at the New Testament books which are his letters to churches and individuals will confirm this. As you look over the following verses, note the phrases of affirmation:

“Greet Prisca and Aquila, my fellow workers in the Lord, who risked their necks for me” (Romans 16.3-4).

“I rejoice at the coming of Stephan us and Fortunatus and Achaicus...For they refreshed my spirit as well as yours...” (1 Corinthians 16:17,18).

“Tychicus the beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord will tell you everything” (Ephesians 6:21).

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May Birthdays!
22ND ANNIE BEAVERS
23RD LIZ THOMPSON
23RD JAMES PATRICK

Men's Breakfast!
Our Next Men's Breakfast is scheduled for Sat May 24th! At a new time! Join us at Clarence's Steakhouse in Ridgeway at 9:00 a.m. for food & fellowship.

Pizza/Movie Nights!
Our next Pizza & Movie Nights will be on June 7th! Pizza Supper at 4:45pm and Movie at 5:00pm.

Potter Children's Home Commodities Drive!
Please bring in the following by Sunday, June 8: Honey Nut Cheerios, Cheez-Its, Chicken Ramen, Brown Rice and Grape Juice. Also, if you would like to donate funds to help buy perishable items, please place your donation in the offering box and mark it for Potter. All items and funds must be in by June 8th!

LOVE

ONE ANOTHER!

Upcoming Events:

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Solution

John, baptist; Herodias, Philip; daughter, birthday; John, platter; sorry, oaths

Electronic Giving

Check It Out



For we walk by

Faith

2 Cor. 5:7

not by sight.

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<div> <div> <div>FAST</div> <div>BIBLE</div> <div>FACTS</div> <div>with MATT</div> <div>CLIFTON</div> </div> <div> <div>Did You Know This About Song of Solomon?</div> <div> <p>Solomon is mentioned 7 times in this book, which is presented as a love song depicting Solomon’s romantic pursuit of a Shulamite girl.</p> <p>The book is arranged like scenes in a drama, and is filled with metaphors and near-eastern imagery. Perhaps one of the most striking features of the song is the richness of description the book contains. For instance, Song of Solomon refers to 21 species of plants, 15 species of animals, and 15 geographical locations from Lebanon in the north, to Egypt in the south.</p> <p>Song of Solomon portrays the pure and powerful joy of romantic love in God’s design. But we can’t forget that by the time of the writing, Solomon had collected 700 wives and 300 concubines, which went against God’s design for marriage between one man and one woman.</p> <div>—Matt Clifton</div> </div> </div> </div>	<div> <div> <div>“Affirmation” Continued from Page 2...</div> <div> <p>“I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy” (Philippians 1:3, 4).</p> <p>“For I bear him (Epaphras) witness that he has worked hard for you and for those in Laodicea and in Hieropolis” (Colossians 4:13).</p> <p>“To Timothy, my beloved child” (2 Timothy 1:2).</p> <p>“To Titus, my true child in a common faith” (Titus 1:4).</p> <p>He greeted, complimented and encouraged those to whom he wrote. He mentioned names of people whom he admired and appreciates and was not showy or dramatic in his affirmation.</p> <p>You and I can follow Paul’s example. We can do so in writing, just as he did with a few well-chosen words. It can also be done personally, with a touch, handshake or hug. All it takes is the courage to push those words past our lips. One such sentence could be, “I am glad you are my...” You fill in the blank with friend, wife, husband, son, daughter, teacher, etc.</p> <p>One note of caution, however—you had better mean every word, because they will probably know if you are not sincere.</p> <div>—Lance Cordle</div> </div> </div> </div>
<div> <div> <div> <div>HAW</div> <div>HAW</div>  </div> <div> <div>On the Lighter Side</div> <div> <p>A lot of people mistake a short memory for a clear conscience.</p> <hr/> <p>“Do you believe in life after death?” the boss asked one of his employees.</p> <p>“Yes, sir,” the new recruit replied.</p> <p>“Well, then, that makes everything just fine,” the boss went on, “because after you left early yesterday to go your grandmother’s funeral, she stopped in to see you.”</p> <hr/> <p>When a man opens the door of the car for his wife, chances are good that either the car is new, or the wife is.</p> </div> </div> </div> </div>	<div> <div>  <div> <div>Sobriety Tests</div> <div> <p>The Bible says Christians are to be sober. We must “be sober” if we are to face our adversary the devil (1 Pet. 5:8). Young and old and men and women alike must “live soberly” in this sinful world (Titus 2:1-12). Like many other virtues we read in the New Testament, this word involves far more than we sometimes realize.</p> <div>“Sobriety Tests” Continues on Page 4...</div> </div> </div> </div> </div>

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<p>“Sobriety Tests” Continued from Page 3... Being sober includes not being under the influence of alcohol and other drugs which impair thinking. A man who drinks clouds his mind. How much he loses his ability to think clearly and control himself depends on how much he drinks, but the effect is there regardless of the degree. A Christian has to stay sharp and alert. It is hard enough to stay focused as it is. Why would a child of God want to drink and lose the vigilance we so desperately need? A child of God cannot afford to lose this inner strength.</p> <p>This word also includes being sober in a spiritual sense. That is why it is translated “sober minded” in Titus 2:6. Christians are not to be drunk spiritually. We are to think clearly about right and wrong. We should not be fuzzy in our thinking about what is most important. Our minds should not be clouded by the cares and temptations of the world. Instead of living under the influence of the world, we need to be in control of what we think, say, and do.</p> <p>Are you sober or drunk in a spiritual sense? As we travel the narrow road that leads to eternal life, we need to stop at sobriety checkpoints given by the Scriptures.</p> <p>Are you thinking clearly when you hold a grudge? Jesus warned about being angry with a brother without a cause (Matt. 5:22). Harboring ill will clouds your thinking. King Saul was so determined to destroy David that he couldn’t see what he was doing to himself and everyone around him.</p> <p>Is a Christian thinking soberly when he falls in love with someone he has no right to have? These feelings are so strong they can be intoxicating. Trying to reason with someone obsessed with this desire is like trying to talk to a drunk or crazy person.</p> <p>Are church members thinking clearly when they would rather be at ball-games than at the worship services of the church? Which is most important? How would Jesus want us to answer? <i>Continues on Page 5...</i></p>	<div><div><div>Matthew 14:1-12</div></div><div><div><div><div>1. Herod the tetrarch thought Jesus was _ the _ risen from the dead.</div><div>2. Herod imprisoned the prophet because he had told him it was not lawful for him to have _, his brother _’s wife.</div><div>3. The _ of Herodias danced before Herod at his _ celebration.</div><div>4. She asked for _’s head on a _.</div><div>5. “And the king was _; nevertheless, because of the _ and because of those who sat with him, he commanded <i>it</i> to be given to <i>her</i>.”</div></div><div>CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PAGE 7!</div></div></div><p>“Sobriety Tests” Continued from Page 4... Sadly, many in the church will say the right thing, but in their actions they are swerving all over the road.</p><p>Is a brother sober minded when he compromises the truth for his family? Natural affection is so strong that it can distort our thinking. When Jesus says to love Him more than anyone else (Luke 14:26; Matt. 10:34-37), we need to be crystal clear in believing what he said.</p><p>Are we thinking clearly when we enjoy making, spending, and saving money more than we enjoy serving God? Remember that how you look at money affects how you look at everything else (Matt. 6:22-23). Jesus said that riches are deceptive (Matt. 13:22). Don’t fool yourself. Like a man who loves his bottle, you may say you’re in control when you’re not.</p><p>Sometimes people say, “I need to get away for a while and clear my head.” Christians have to clear their minds as well. At times we get too busy. We let too much of the world into our hearts. We drift away from the throne of God and the Word. Sometimes we need to sober up spiritually. —Kerry Duke</p><div><div><div>Just under two months until Branson PTP! Early Bird Registration is Ending Tomorrow! Register by Monday, May 19, to receive a discount on each adult’s tuition. Give yourself the Christian fellowship and spiritual recharge that you have been needing! Register today to save \$ on every adult’s registration cost.</div></div></div></div>