



**Brandi Beavers.** Health concerns.

**The Beavers Children.** Health concerns.

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

**Drew Clifton.** Need of prayer.

**Hester Hollandsworth.** Home, recovering from congestive heart failure.

**Matthew Hollandsworth.** Health concerns.

**Wes Johnson.** 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.

**Carolyn Roop.** Health concerns.

**Joe Shulam.** Health concerns..

**Marcia Shulam.** At home under hospice care.

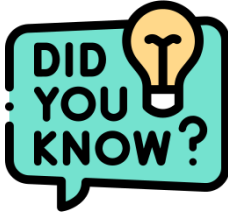
**Kitty Shumate.** Health concerns.

**Sharon Teschendorf.** Dementia.

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

Caregivers.

**Our Country, Leaders & Military**



**Did You Know?**

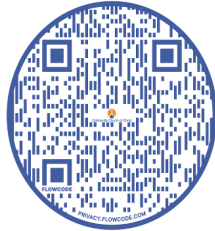
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You can also update us on people currently listed or you can submit new names to be added.

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**Sunday:**

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

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



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## *The Reality of Eternity*

*"The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side" (Luke 16:22-23).*

Among the many lessons we learn from the story of the rich man and Lazarus, the reality of eternity is surely near the top of the list. Heaven is real – there is a place of rejoicing to pursue! Hell is also real – there is a place of torment to avoid.

The rich man died and immediately found himself in anguish. The beggar died and straightaway found himself in a place of rest and peace. The point is impressed upon us: all of us will be somewhere forever.

The Lord not only has prepared a place of joy where we might be together eternally (John 14:2- 3), He has also prepared a place of righteous punishment for those who have not obeyed the Gospel (Matthew 25:41). "Eternal punishment" is just as real as "eternal life" (Matthew 25:46).

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***“The Reality of Eternity” Continued from Front Page ...*** Whereas most long to go to Heaven, significantly fewer imagine that they are in danger of facing the fires of Hell. Through the years, some believers have been embarrassed to tell the world about Hell while some non-believers have been angered that it may be a reality. Thus, it has become increasingly common for two false doctrines to be pushed: (1) Stop believing that Hell is a real place. (2) Believe Hell is a real place, but also believe that almost nobody goes there.

Do we believe Jesus spoke the truth? He said Hell was real and many will find their way there (Matthew 7:13; Mark 9:47-48). Do we believe that sin really is terrible? Scripture indicates that our sin deserves wrath and death (Romans 2:5; 6:23). Do we believe that the death of Jesus on the cross was loving, wonderful, and necessary? He gave His life for ours (Matthew 20:28).

Jesus loves us so He tells us the truth about Heaven and Hell. He died on the cross so that we could enjoy Heaven and never have to experience Hell.

Contemplate what Scripture says about the beauty of Heaven (Revelation 21-22).

Give thanks that our Lord Jesus died so that we could live each day with assurance about our eternal destiny (Heb. 6:11; 10:22).

—Bart Warren




### Jesus’ Prayer of Submission at Gethsemane

*“And He went a little beyond them, and fell on His face and prayed, saying, ‘My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; yet not as I will, but as Your will’” (Mt. 26:39).*

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**August Birthdays!**

10TH WALTER BEAVERS


12TH JACK BEAVERS

18TH NORMAN W. HILL

20TH JONATHAN BEAVERS

23RD DONN SHUMATE

25TH COOKIE SPENCER



**August Anniversaries!**

20TH GARY & JAN HOLLANDS-WORTH


20TH DAVID & LORI PALMER



**Back to School!**

This year we have been asked to supply snacks for going BTS. Please bring in the following by Aug 17th:

Individual pack chips, Packaged Fruit snacks, Juice boxes & Individual packaged cookies.



**Pizza/Movie Night!**

Our next Pizza & Movie Nights will be on August 9th! Pizza Supper at 4:45pm and Movie at 5:00pm.



**Men’s Breakfast!**

Our next Men’s Breakfast is scheduled for Sat, August 23rd! Join us at Clarence’s Steakhouse in Ridgeway at 9:00 a.m. for food & fellowship.



**5th Sunday Potluck!**

Join us for our next 5th Sunday Potluck following worship on, August 31st! Please bring your favorite dishes, desserts and drinks.



**Upcoming Events:**

[Ccocva.org/events](https://ccocva.org/events)

Or

**Check our calendar in the LightPost App!**





**Solution**

Pharisees, Sadducees; hypocrites, Jonah; disciples, forgotten; understand, baskets; True

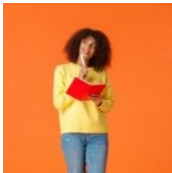


***“The Daylily” Continues from Page 4...*** “Consider the lilies, how they grow, they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these” (Luke 12:27).

One characteristic of our daylilies and perhaps a sad one, is the short lifespan of the blooms. They last only a day, then wither away only to be replaced by another bloom the day after. The Lord uses a flower as a metaphor to describe the brevity of life. “All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, and its flower falls away, but the word of the Lord endures forever.” (1 Peter 1:24–25)

As we enjoy the flower of the daylily today, let it remind us of the shortness of life and to make the very best of this day the Lord has made and to rejoice and be glad in it (Psalm 118:24).

—Jay Launius



***Write Your Own Pleasure Book***

There once was an elderly woman who had many troubles. In spite of everything, she maintained a sweet, happy face and a cheerful heart. When asked her secret, she said that for many years she had kept a “Pleasure Book.” Every evening she would write down something pleasant that happened to her that day. Sometimes it was an enjoyable walk or a visit from a friend. On other occasions, she noted that fresh flowers had opened in her garden, or that the earth smelled clean after the rain. Every day she found some new happiness.



***Proof That God Governs***

More than 200 years ago, Benjamin Franklin stood before the Constitutional Convention and said, “I have lived, Sir, a long time and the longer I live the more convincing proof I see of this truth: that God governs the affairs of men. If a sparrow cannot fall without His notice, is it possible that an empire can rise without His aid?”

***“Jesus’ Prayer of Submission at Gethsemane” Continued from Page 2...***

As the cross drew near, Jesus prepared Himself through prayer for it. He went to a garden called Gethsemane. He had gone to this place often. Perhaps at times He spent the night under its olive trees. He left eight of the apostles near the entrance to it; and He took Peter, James, and John with Him as He went farther into the garden. He told these three of the heaviness of His heart, saying, “My soul is deeply grieved, to the point of death; remain here and keep watch with Me” (Matt. 26:38). Then, having gone a little distance from them, He fell on His face and prayed. His prayer was the most significant prayer of submission that the world has ever known.

**He prayed—with divine focus.** Nothing... could have interfered with His praying. He and God were thinking together about the way of the cross. Even the angels, in all their heavenly power, could not participate in it. It was just God and His Son. The word “focus” concerning this setting is meant to convey “extreme concentration.” The host of heaven was perhaps watching on as the Father and the Son considered what was going to take place. Jesus’ prayer defies description.

**He prayed—with divine faith.** At times, even faith, the faith of Jesus, will ask questions. They are not questions of doubt; they are questions of obedience. Jesus could have been asking, “Will My body be strong enough to support the weight of carrying the guilt of the world?” Luke said that after this first prayer an angel came and strengthened Him. “Now an angel from heaven appeared to Him, strengthening Him” (Lk. 22:43). As Jesus looked into the dark cauldron of suffering that awaited Him, He said, “If it is possible, let this cup pass from Me.” Perhaps His words are more of an announcement than a human question. Jesus posed this question so that the world could see the immense weight of bearing every sin of every sinner. His physical body was going to be tested as no other human body had ever been tested.

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<div data-bbox="61 147 1220 188"><i>“Jesus’ Prayer of Submission at Gethsemane” Continued from Page 3...</i></div> <div data-bbox="61 240 1311 760"><p><b>He prayed—with divine resolve.</b> With His prayer Jesus announced His resolve. He was going to fulfill forever the eternal purpose of God. Resting on this one phrase “yet not as I will but as You will” was the totality of the salvation that God would offer man. It would involve Jesus bearing all the sin as if it were His own: “He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him” (2 Cor. 5:21). Jesus, no doubt, suffered the pain of the cross all through His adult years. Now He was face to face with it, and all of its different dimensions fell upon Him. No human mind could fathom it. The world with all of its wisdom could not digest it. The time had come that God would publicly display Jesus as the propitiation through His blood so that everyone who would live on earth could be forgiven through true faith (Rom. 3:25, 26).</p><div data-bbox="1096 760 1311 800">—Eddie Cloer</div></div>	<div data-bbox="1362 136 1567 207"></div> <div data-bbox="1610 136 1938 207"></div> <div data-bbox="2010 159 2338 199"><i>Matthew 16:1-12</i></div> <div data-bbox="2421 136 2626 207"></div> <div data-bbox="1368 237 2601 621"><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. “Then the __ and __ came, and testing Him asked that He would show them a sign from heaven.”</li><li>2. Jesus called them __, and said no sign would be given to this wicked and adulterous generation except the sign of the prophet __.</li><li>3. “Now when His __ had come to the other side, they had __ to take bread.”</li><li>4. “Do you not yet __, or remember the five loaves of the five thousand and how many __ you took up?”</li><li>5. True or False: Jesus was referring to the doctrine of the Pharisees and Sadducees.</li></ol><div data-bbox="2260 594 2561 643">CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PAGE 7!</div></div>
<div data-bbox="61 834 228 1008"></div> <div data-bbox="661 841 900 889"><i>The Daylily</i></div> <div data-bbox="61 943 1311 1198"><p>In the many flower beds in our yard, one flower stands out as prominent and most prolific: the daylily. They vary in color, from yellow, orange, or multi-colored. Some are a foot tall while the old-fashioned ones stand nearly four feet tall. They are a hardy perennial, withstanding the cold of winter in their dormancy to the drought of late summer. With minimal care, they produce their blooms throughout the long, hot Southern season.</p><p>Although probably different from the lilies found in our flower gardens, the flower is mentioned several times throughout the Scriptures, especially in the love song of Solomon. Most bible students agree that the “lily of the valleys” in Song of Solomon 2:1 is a type of Jesus Christ. We sing the old song, “He’s the lily of the valley, the bright and morning star, He’s the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.” Jesus used the natural growing lily to illustrate God’s providential care for us.</p><div data-bbox="715 1511 1298 1552"><i>“The Daylily” Continues on Page 6...</i></div></div>	<div data-bbox="1362 667 1494 850"></div> <div data-bbox="1741 673 2389 722"><i>Did You Know This About Joel?</i></div> <div data-bbox="1368 776 2601 946"><p>Joel was one of the early prophets of Judah, and was likely prophesying during the days when Elisha was in Israel. Joel’s preaching carried the theme of great disasters, with locusts, plagues, famine, fire, war, and strange celestial events.</p><p>Probably the most amazing fact about Joel is the book’s connection to the New Testament. In Acts 2:17-21, the apostle Peter quotes from Joel 2:28-32, showing that the fulfillment of Joel’s prophecy was found in the coming of the Holy Spirit in power upon the apostles.</p><p>Peter affirmed what Joel said, in that “whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” On that day in Acts 2, 3,000 people called on the name of the Lord by repenting and being baptized for the remission of sins, as commanded in Acts 2:38.</p><div data-bbox="2386 1393 2615 1433">—Matt Clifton,</div><div data-bbox="1680 1482 2610 1523"><i>Fast Bible Facts podcast on YouTube, Spotify, Apple Podcasts</i></div></div>