



Billy Ashworth. Nursing home. Health concerns.

Brandi Beavers. Health concerns.

The Beavers Children. Health concerns.

Sibbie Byrd. Nursing home. Health concerns.

Cindy Canup. Lisa's sister. Broken foot.

Drew Clifton. Need of prayer.

Lillie Harvey. Debbie's grand daughter. Health concerns.

Gary Hollandsworth. Recovering from surgery.

Hester Hollandsworth. Health concerns.

Matthew Hollandsworth. Health concerns.

Rita Lawless. Health concerns.

Karen Lovell. Health concerns.

Paul Mays. Health concerns.

Ruby Mason. Health concerns.

Jaydan Patrick. Special needs.

Carolyn Roop. Health concerns.

Sharon Teschendorf. Nursing home. Dementia.

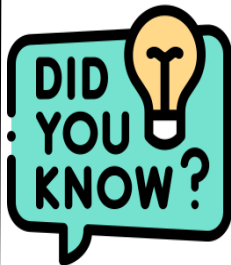
Charlotte Wyatt. Recovering from a mild stroke.

Wayne Youngblood. Parkinson's & Dementia.

Little Miss Cecili. Child at Potter Home.

Caregivers.

Our Country, Military & Leaders



Did You Know?

Our prayer list is now in our Lightpost App?
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To have someone added to the prayer list or to have information updated, please contact Matthew. Names will be removed after four weeks if no updates are received. You may also submit names for our prayer list in Lightpost.




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Times We Meet:

Sunday:

Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Thursday:

Ladies Fellowship:

9:30a.m.

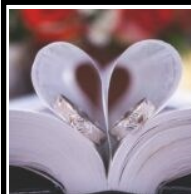
Ladies Class: 10:00 a.m.



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Abide in the Same Calling

Do the best you can in whatever circumstance you face. Your situation in life is never completely ideal. Make the most of it regardless of the obstacles. There are some circumstances you can change, there are some you cannot. But you can live the Christian life either way. Earthly conditions don't last. Even here they change quickly. So focus on the state of your soul, not on the advantages or disadvantages of your physical environment.

Joseph made the best out of out a bad situation. So did Daniel. Do your best to have the same attitude. This is Paul's lesson in 1 Corinthians 7:17-24. He is teaching these Christians about marriage. Some of them were married to non-Christians. That is not the best or ideal situation, but it is not sinful, and God says it is a marriage and so you are to do the best you can. Paul says to stay with your mate (vv. 12-13), even if your spouse is not a Christian.

To illustrate this point, Paul uses other examples. The first is circumcision. This was not just a physical matter. It was a sign of the separation of Jews and Gentiles.

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“Abide” Continued from Front Page... Uncircumcision meant you were a Gentile; circumcision signified you were a Jew. Being a Gentile meant you would be shunned by Jews; being a Jew meant you would be resented by the Gentiles. But Paul said it doesn’t matter (vv. 18-19). Neither state makes you any better or worse off in God’s sight. So be content in whichever of these states you were called in and stay there.

The second example is slavery. Many Christians in Paul’s day were slaves. Their situation was not ideal. Sometimes masters were harsh; that is what Peter talked about (1 Pet. 2:18-20). Paul said if you can be set free then use that opportunity (v. 20). If you cannot, then don’t worry about it (v. 21). You can be a Christian and go to heaven either way.

This is a valuable lesson. No matter how good your situation in life is, there will always be things you wish you could change. No matter how bad the circumstances are, you can always be a Christian because you always have a friend in Jesus. “Be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee” (Heb. 13:6).

Marriage is not always an ideal relationship. You may want a perfect wedding with a happy ending, but reality can be far different. There are ups and downs. Personalities clash. Sin destroys trust and robs the home of joy. Religious differences cause friction. Children interfere and betray. Death can come calling at any time. The important thing is to trust in God and live for Him regardless of what happens.

Paul said your marital status or the state of your marriage is not what’s most important. Whether you are married to a Christian, are married to a non-Christian, are not married at all, or were married but lost your spouse, his message is the same. This life is short, and your earthly conditions are temporary. It’s your soul that really matters.

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October Happenings

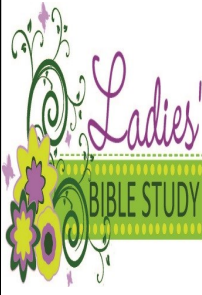




October Birthday's!
10TH HESTER
HOLLANDSWORTH
28TH KEVIN WYATT



October Anniversaries!
5TH BRAD
& JORDYN NEWTON
25TH KEVIN
& VELVET WYATT

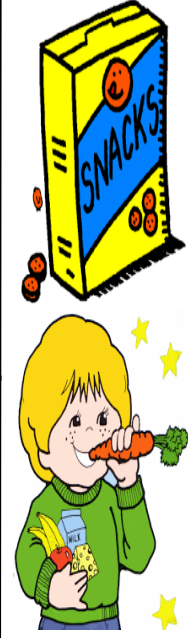


Thursday Ladies' Bible Class!
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The session the ladies are studying: Women Walking By Faith.
Coffee and Donuts at 9:30 a.m. & Class starts at 10:00 a.m.



Fire Pit / Game Night!
Our next Fire Pit & Game Night will be on October 25th! Join us at 4:00 p.m. for food and fellowship & fun around the fire pit. We will have a wiener roast and pizza for supper. S'mores for dessert and then we'll head inside for a good time of playing games.





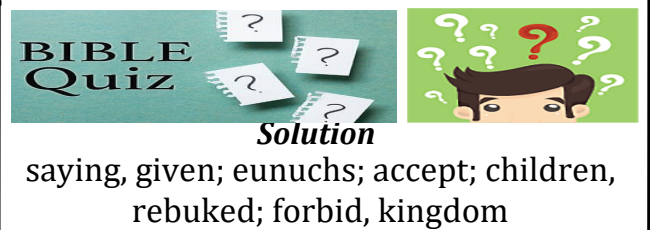
Snack Bags for School Children!
Filling snack bags for the children in our local schools. Please bring in the following to the lobby by

Sunday, November 2nd:

Ramen Noodles, Chef Boyardee Pasta Meals (canned or microwaveable), Individual bags of chips and Granola bars. Or, if you would like to donate funds to purchase these items, please drop your funds into the offering boxes and mark it as School or donate online (just click on School Snacks from the drop-down box) by Sunday, November 2nd.



New Internet & Phone Provider!
Due to rising costs, we have switched to a new internet and phone provider. If you use your phone or tablet for your Bible App you will need to log on to the new network. Our phone number remains the same. 276-647-8454



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<i>“What Will Be Said to You?” Continued from Page 5...</i> After our service to Christ in this world is over, we have the assurance that we will hear those words! But there is also a warning. Those who do not follow the will of God have a different fate prepared for them. “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels’”(Matt. 25:41). We have the choice to follow Christ now and then spend eternity with Him or to live our lives without Christ and be forever separated from Him. One day, we will either be thanked for our loyalty or we will be sent away from the presence of God forever. On that day, what will be said to you? —Ryan Smallwood	<i>“Abide” Continued from Page 2...</i> A word of caution is in order about Paul’s words. He is not talking about sinful situations. He is not saying, for instance, that if you were living in a sinful situation like adultery or fornication when you were baptized, it’s right to stay in that relationship. That would go against everything he has already said. Paul is not telling anyone to stay in an unscriptural marriage. Some have abused this passage to try to justify unbiblical unions, and this is twisting what Paul said. —Kerry Duke
 On the Lighter Side A ten-year old, under the tutelage of her grandmother, was becoming quite knowledgeable about the Bible. Then one day, she floored her grandmother by asking, “Which Virgin was the mother of Jesus? The virgin Mary or the King James Virgin?” According to a news story, if global warming continues, in 20 years the only chance we’ll have to see a polar bear is in a zoo. So in other words, nothing is going to change. Six-year old Angie, and her four-year old brother, Joel, were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had enough, “You’re not suppose to talk out loud in church.” “Why? Who’s going to stop me?” Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, “See those two men standing by the door? They’re the hushers.” 	 Missing! One Sunday morning, a preacher pointed out to one of the elders that the flower arrangement that sits in front of the pulpit was missing. The elder hadn’t noticed it, but he certainly did now. This elder pulled all the other elders to the side and asked them if they had any knowledge of what had happened to the flower arrangement. None of them knew; so the search for the missing flower arrangement was on. The elders called a special meeting with the deacons and asked them to help locate this arrangement due to its great value; after all, the florist billed the church several hundred dollars for that arrangement. Every room in the church building, every closet, and every cabinet was turned upside down looking for that missing flower arrangement. Announcements were made in the church bulletin, emails were sent out, and even a phone tree message was sent to every family in the church. Still, they had no luck in recovering the missing flower arrangement. After looking at a “bare” pulpit for a month, the preacher got up to preach, reached down behind the pulpit, pulled out the missing flower arrangement, and placed it on its rightful stand in front of the pulpit. There were audible sighs of relief that could be heard from the unsuspecting congregation. But what followed next was this preacher’s shortest, <i>“Missing!” Continues on Page 4...</i>

“Missing!” Continued from Page 3...and perhaps his best and most convicting sermon he ever preached. He simply said, “I must confess, I am the one who took the flower arrangement. Why? Because I just wanted to see if, as a church, we were more stirred and moved to action by a missing flower arrangement than we were a missing soul.”

Well, what about you? If you were a member of that church, would you have been convicted of misplaced priorities that morning? Give it some thought.

—Steve Higginbotham



What Will Be Said to You?

This past summer, House Majority Leader Eric Cantor lost in the primary election. It was the first time that a House Majority Leader lost the primary election in American history. In his concession speech, Senator Cantor thanked all those who were loyal until the end of his campaign. At the end of his election, he wanted to express gratitude for those who had been with him. Another story during the summer that gained much more attention is that of Army Sergeant Bowe Bergdahl, who was held as a captive by the Taliban for almost five years before being released. There has been a great deal of controversy over Bergdahl’s release partly due to the fact that according to the other members of his unit, Sergeant Bergdahl deserted. While Senator Cantor’s supporters have been thanked for their loyalty, Sergeant Bergdahl is in the position of having to answer the charges against him.

In Matthew 25 we are told the parable of the talents. In explaining this parable, Jesus tells us how on the Judgment Day the Lord will tell us one of two things. “And He will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the king will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world’” (Matt. 25:33-34) How amazing will it be to hear the Lord say the words to us?

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Bible Quiz: Matthew 19:11-15

1. “All cannot accept this __, but only *those* to whom it has been ___.”
2. For there are __ who were born thus from *their* mother’s womb.
3. “He who is able to __ *it*, let him accept *it*.”
4. “Then little __ were brought to Him that He might put *His* hands on them and pray, but the disciples __ them.”
5. “Let the little children come to Me, and do not __ them; for of such is the __ of heaven.”

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PAGE 7!

Did You Know This About Mark?

The gospel according to Mark is the shortest of the four gospels, and appears to be written for Roman readers.

Mark stresses the *works* of Jesus, rather than the *words* of Jesus. He records 19 miracles in rapid-fire succession, and uses a Greek word that means “immediately” or “straightway” about 43 times.

This gospel records the effects the miracles of Jesus had on the people, showing their amazement and fear at witnessing the power of God in the flesh.

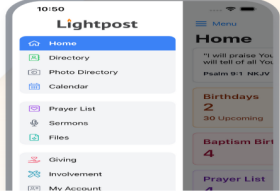
—Matt Clifton

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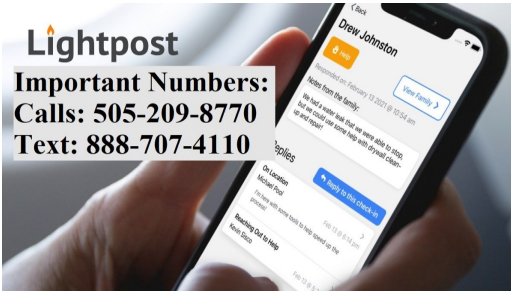
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