



Brandi Beavers. Health concerns.

The Beavers Children. Health concerns.

Sibbie Byrd. Nursing home. Health concerns.

Drew Clifton. Need of prayer.

Tony Cockram. Friend of Matthew. Multiple health concerns.

Randy Gauldin. Father to Hop Wilkerson. Skin cancer surgery on May 7th.

Jan Hollandsworth. Recent surgery.

Matthew Hollandsworth. Upcoming procedure on his back on April 30th.

Clayton Hylton. Father to a friend of Matthew. Grade 8 Prostate Cancer.

Axel Keller. Dixie's grandson. Health concerns.

Rita Lawless. Health concerns.

Karen Lovell. Recent surgery.

Paul Mays. Health concerns.

Ruby Mason. Health concerns.

Elva Mitchell. Health concerns.

Carol Pace. Has started her treatment for colon cancer.

Jaydan Patrick. Special needs.

Kitty Shumate. Health concerns..

Diana Smith. Debbie's mother. Health concerns.

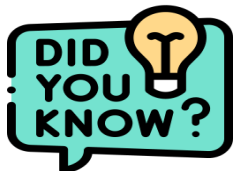
Sharon Teschendorf. Nursing home. Dementia.

Thomas Turner. Thomas is 5 years old. Cancer.

Charlotte Wyatt. Undergoing PT.

Caregivers.

Our Country, Military & Leaders.



Lightpost

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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Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m.



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A Priceless Memory

One of the richest memories of a mother was the day she told her son the sunlight was God's smile. Later when the sunlight was flashing through a window, the lad stood in it and said, "Now I'm standing in God's smile."

Years passed, the boy grew to be a man, and the mother had long ago gone to heaven. One day the son searched through the attic of the old home and found a pair of boy's shoes.

On the bottom of them was inscribed, in his mother's own hand writing, these words: "My boy wore these shoes when he said, 'I am standing in God's smile.'"

The man, his eyes moist, remarked, "The dearest memory, perhaps, of mother has become my own. I want to stay in the sunlight of His love, that I shall always have His smile, and someday be home again with mother."

-Dr. A. Purnell Bailey

Eternal Spring

Of all the seasons, I think I enjoy watching springtime come more than any of the others. After the long slumber of gloomy winter, it's so wonderful seeing the earth awaken with the grass greening, trees budding, flowers blooming, busy birds flitting about, etc. Truly, spring is a time of rebirth, renewal, and refreshing.

I think it is interesting that when we look at the way the Holy Spirit through His word describes the Christian existence, it seems to be in springtime-like terms.

"Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord" (Acts 3:19).

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new" (2 Cor. 5:17).

"Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day" (2 Cor. 4:16).

In our existence as children of God, every day can be a springtime day in our hearts, no matter what the weather, time of year, or circumstances.

I think it's also interesting that when God saw fit to have heaven described, it appears as a lush, well-watered springtime-like existence. "Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away" (Rev. 21:1).

"And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal...and on either side of the river, was the tree of life...The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations" (Rev. 22:1-2).

"To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God" (Rev. 2:7).

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May Birthdays!

6TH LORI PALMER
11TH SIMON BEAVERS
22ND ANNIE BEAVERS
23RD LIZ THOMPSON
23RD JAMES PATRICK



May Anniversary!

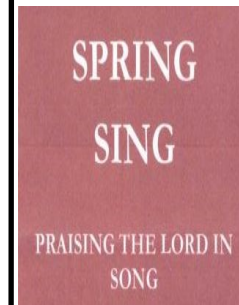
1ST JAMES &
DONNA PATRICK



May Movie Night!

Our May Pizza & Movie Night
will be on May 2nd!

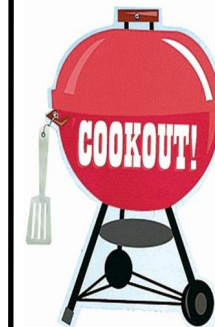
Pizza Supper @ 5:30 p.m.
Movie @ 6:00 p.m.



Spring Sing @ Dale Ridge

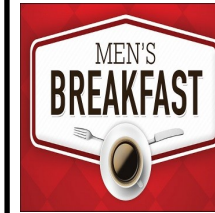
Saturday, May 9th

Singing Praise 4pm-5:30pm
Refreshments 5:30pm
DaleRidgeChurchOfChrist.net
7165 Cloverdale Rd
Roanoke, VA



Congregation Devo & Cookout!

Saturday, May 16th at 4:00
p.m. at Kevin & Velvet's
house! Cookout is provided
by the Wyatt's! For more info
or questions please see Kevin
or Velvet.



May Men's Breakfast!

Our May Men's Breakfast will
be on May 23rd! Join us at
9:00a.m. at Clarence's Steak-
house for food and fellowship



Graduation Celebration!

All are invited to a graduation
celebration on Saturday, May
30, 2026, from 1:00p.m. – 4:00
p.m. here in our fellowship hall!



5TH Sunday Potluck!

Mark your calendars for our
next 5th Sunday Potluck Lunch!
May 31st following worship!



Potter Children's Home!

Mark your calendars for May
31st. The day of prayer & giv-
ing for Potter Children's Home!

It is also Summer Stock The
Pantry Time! Please bring in
the following by June 7th:

Marshmallows, Sweet Con.
Milk, Caramel Syrup, Turkey
Gravy Mix & Dish Soap.



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<i>“Sure” Continued from Page 5...</i> The divine inspiration of the Bible. Peter wrote, “knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.” This is not a verse about the interpretation of Scripture. It is about the inspiration of Scripture. And Peter says we can know it is from God. The meaning of Scripture. Paul said in Ephesians 3:3-4, “By revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ).” Neither Paul nor any other New Testament writer said we are unable to be sure we have the right interpretation of Scripture because everyone interprets it differently. True teaching from false teaching. “If anyone wants to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine, whether it is from God or whether I speak on My own authority” (John 7:17). Paul said, “Test all things; hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil” (1 Thess. 5:21- 22). We can know right from wrong. We can distinguish truth from error. That we are saved. “Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments” (1 John 2:3). “These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God” (1 John 5:13). Peter said to “make your call and election sure” in 2 Peter 1:10. God wants all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth (1 Tim. 2:4). —Kerry Duke			<i>“Spring” Continued from Page 2...</i> Heaven is not like the dead and cold of winter, nor like the burning heat of summer, and not even like the short-lived color of autumn. But rather, it is the refreshing renewal of spring—eternally. Enjoy this spring as it bursts open before us in living color, sweet scents, and soothing sounds. But also let it remind you of the eternal spring that God has planned for us in heaven! “But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life” (John 4:14). -Edd Sterchi <i>How Encouraging Are You?</i> Encouragement can sometimes be scarce in our world. It’s not something you’ll hear on the news very often. We often have a difficult time encouraging others when we ourselves feel discouraged on the inside. It’s simply becoming a rare commodity in our modern world. Yet for us as disciples, we have every reason to be encouraged in our lives, and to be encouraging to others. We can be encouraged to know that Jesus has overcome our greatest problems, namely sin and death, once and for all (Heb. 10:1-18) and that we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us (Rom. 8:37). It is encouraging to know that while we were yet still sinful, Christ died for us (Rom. 5:8). It’s encouraging to know that no matter what happens to us that God can work in it for good (Rom. 8:28). It is encouraging to know we have a living hope that’s rooted in the resurrection of Jesus (1 Pet. 1:3) to an inheritance that is eternal and unfading (1 Pet. 1:5). It is encouraging to know that the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end, that they are new every morning, and the Lord’s faithfulness is vastly great (Lam. 3:22-24). This is just a sampling of the great encouragement we have received in Jesus Christ! Paul would urge the Thessalonians to “encourage one another and build each other up” (1 Thess. 5:11). It’s really easy to tear someone down. It’s really easy to belittle and criticize people. It’s really easy to talk about others without ever helping them. I would like to nudge us in the direction of encouragement: to build each other up, to say a kind word, to appreciate someone else’s gifts, to say “thank you” when you normally wouldn’t, among other things. What else could you do to be an encouraging person? Don’t be afraid to get creative! -Todd McMillen		



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Pay Attention to Yourself. By: Jan Launius

Today, it is nearly impossible to purchase any consumer good that does not display a warning on the label. The first warning labels appeared in the late 1920's on hazardous household substances such as lye and acids. Some thirty years later, the widespread requirement for precautionary warning labels was implemented by federal agencies. Now, thousands upon thousands of products from chemical products, industrial machinery to medications and children's toys display warnings to consumers.

When it comes to warnings, the Bible is not short in providing spiritual cautions for the follower of Christ. The term “take heed” appears some twenty-one times in the New King James translation of the New Testament. Other versions use the phrases “watch out”, “be careful”, and “pay close attention”, all preceding cautionary instructions for the Christian. Why all the warnings? A brief review of just some of the admonitions found in the Scriptures will help us realize the importance of paying close attention to ourselves and our spiritual well-being.

- Beware of Hypocritical Religious Behavior (Matt. 16:6)
- Watch that the Light in You Doesn't Turn into Darkness (Luke 11:35)
- Beware of Materialism, Life Consist of More than Your Stuff (Luke 12:15)
- Pay Attention to Yourself and Forgive Those that Hurt You (Luke 17:3)
- Don't Get Weighed Down by Wasteful Living and the Cares of Life (Luke 21:34)
- Be Careful that You Build on the Foundation of Christ (1 Cor. 3:10)
- Pay Close Attention to Your Standing Lest You May Fall (1 Cor. 10:12)
- Take Heed to the Doctrine of Christ that Saves You (1 Tim. 4:16)

“Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming” (Matthew 25:13).



Bible Quiz: Matthew 24:45-51

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS AT THE BOTTOM UP PAGE !

1. “Who then is a __ and wise __, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season?”
2. “Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so __.”
3. True or False: The evil servant said “My Master is on time.”
4. “...the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not __ for him...”
5. Jesus said there will be __ and __ of teeth.

***Sure Faith and Real Knowledge.* By: Kerry Duke**

Can we know that God exists, that Jesus is the Son of God and that the Bible is God's inspired Word? Can we be sure that we have a soul and that heaven and hell are real? Can we know right from wrong? The world says no. God says yes. Here are some things the Bible says we can know:

God Exists. In Romans 1:18-20 Paul wrote, “For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse.” Paul said that even the Gentiles could “clearly see” the invisible attributes of God. He says they could understand the God exists. How? “By the things that are made”—the creation! And, he said there is *no excuse* for anyone denying that God exists.

The deity of Christ. Jesus said, “If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; but if I do, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that the Father is in Me, and I in Him” (John 10:37-38). Jesus said the works or miracles He did proved that He and the Father were one (John 10:30). *“Sure” Continues on Page 6...*

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