# Announcements and Church News

## Our Sigk

Karen Stallings and the Bernhardt's for covid; Penny Bevagua- broken wrist: Alison Harris for cancer; Tim Adams trmt for bacteria in lungs; Teresa Broyles for cancer trmt; Joyce Stanley, Kim Taylor, Sandy Caldwell, Fran Barclay, and Nancy VanWinkle for health issues.

### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR FAMILY/FRIENDS;

The Stewart's son Zachary/ health issues: Ranny Reeves- friend, Rachel/heart issues; Rick Mirra's co-worker Alyssa/cancer surgery; Bill Ingram's wife, Joy recovery of surgery; David Sain's wife Phyllis health issues; Steve Wilder healing from spine surgery; Mattie Simmons sisters and niece Melissa for covid and brother for upcoming surgery; Kay Jessup's niece for covid; Yllka Bejo'smother; Les Vasterling's- father/Hospice care; Kim Taylor's mother, Jayne home from hospital also baby William; *The Bernhardt's* relative Rustin/colon issues; Dianne Stewart's brother, Bobby Goodfield; Van Stewart's aunt Linda Parsons/health issues; The Stingles niece's baby; Paula Davis' niece for lupus; Carol Mitchell's mother, Mary; Darrell Broking- health issues. Dawn McFarland's — sister health issues.

#### PRAYERS FOR CANCER:

Freeman Cooper former member; Debbie Methvin's co-workers father Vasilos; Van Stewart's sister Tracey and cousins Paula and Kevin; Ronnie Sommerville's dad, Ron; Mattie Simmons friend William; Sandy Caldwell's brother-in-law Larry; Kay Jessup's friend, Lou.

#### **INMATES:**

Antwaun Thompson, Willie Newton & Tom George.

#### **OUR SERVICE MEN:**

Sam Wagner and cousin Mark Wagner (Navv) <u>Austin Reyes</u> (Marine Corp)

# Remember Our Shut-ins

At Home: Winston Sandlin

# AGUNUTURS

FSOP Lectureship—The 47th Annual Lectureship at the Florida School of Preaching in Lakeland, FL starts tomorrow, January 17th to the 20th. For more information pick up a flyer in the fover.

**Directory Update**— We are working on updating the membership directory. If you have any changes or corrections to be made, please give them to Mary.

Financial Report— The Financial Report for December has been prepared for you. It can be found on the table in the fover.

# Look To Jesus Today

In His eyes, is the light of life... In His voice, the word of truth... In His feet, the paths of peace... In His hands, the kingdom's work... In His heart, the Father's love!

**Reminder**— The weekly sermons are available on CD, our website and livestream on Facebook and YouTube Sundays at 10:30 & 5:00pm and Wednesdays at 7:00pm. If you need the Bulletin, Christian Service List, Calendar or Directory call the office at (727) 446-4808.

#### **Those Serving Today**

Announcements—Joe Bonelli Song Leaders—Joe Bonelli/Matt Pryor Opening Prayer—Van Stewart/Mark Bernhardt Lord's Table—Max Herman Closing Prayer—John Benson/Dennis Cuckler

# Birthdays This Week

Kay Jessup—January 17h Yllka Bejo—January 19th Rachel Pavne—January 22nd Lee Kozola—January 22nd







**Gospel Broadcasting Network** http://gbntv.org NouTube



TV Channel 44 (WTOG) at 7:30am Sunday watch & hear *Phil Sanders* - **VouTube** 





**YouTube** (24/7) to hear *Jeff Archey* 





We support Florida School of Preaching in Lakeland, FL



Childhaven is a Christian Children's Home that we support in Cullman, AL

### **Elders:**

Joe Bonelli Charles Brovles James George

# **Deacons:**

Max Herman Van Stewart

FOR WHAT IS A MAN PROFITED. IF HE SHALL GAIN THE WHOLE WORLD, AND LOSE HIS OWN SOUL? OR WHAT SHALL A MAN GIVE IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS **MATTHEW 16:26** 

**Preacher: Charles Broyles** 

Cell #: 423-240-9075 Office: 727-446-4808

Sunday Bible Study—9:30AM Charles Broyles

Major Prophets: Lamentations

Sunday Worship—10:30AM Charles Broyles

The Kingdom Built By Jesus Mark 9:1

Sunday Worship—5:00 PM Charles Broyles

**Making Christ the Focal Point of Life** 

Matthew 16:24-27

Ladies Bible Study—Postponed

Wed. Bible Study—7:00PM Charles Broyles The Bible

All of our services are available on Facebook Live and



YouTube Live!

#### From the Preacher's Pen

#### DAVID AND KING SAUL—YOU AND COVID

Dan Jenkins

It is hard for us to imagine the spiritual lives of those in the Old Testament, but the life and psalms of David give us so much insight into his worship. The design of the Sabbath was not to assemble (that only

began because of the scattering of the Jews as they went into captivity), but to take time every week to remember they were resting every week to spend time meditating on how God delivered them from the bondage in Egypt where they had no rest.

However, there were special feast days for Israel. Three times every year they came to the temple for those special days. That section in Psalms which contains the "Psalms of Ascent" gives us insight into the joy they celebrated as they ascended the mountains in Jerusalem to worship God. David describes his emotions. "I would go with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God with glad shouts and songs of praise, a multitude keeping festival" (Psa. 42:4 ESV).

Then the wrath of Saul destroyed David's ability to keep the feasts. As a youth, he made those three journeys with his parents for the feast days. For the early years in Saul's palace, he enjoyed being part of the songs of praise with the multitudes. Angry Saul changed that. For over seven years Saul's army robbed David of this joy. Hear his words showing the joy taken from him. "Come before the Lord with singing...Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful and bless His name" (Psa. 100:2-4).

How did the loss of this joy impact David? "As a deer pants for the water brooks, so pants my soul for You, O God. My soul thirst for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God" (Psa. 42:2)? He longed for that day when he again might be able to go to the feasts. His heart rested in the hope that someday it would be restored to him. "Hope in God, for I shall yet praise Him for the help of His countenance" (42:5).

Think of the parallel in David's life and the lives of many Christians. Two years ago, they came every week to celebrate a festive time at the Lord's table. David said, "I used to go with the multitude; I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise" (Psa. 42:4 NKJV). Covid came. It kept us from meeting our Lord in the keeping of the Lord's supper.

Are you among those who have been driven from assembling at His table? Are you among those who for two years could not speak to one another in spiritual songs? The most vital question you face is do you miss worship like David did? Has complacency settled in and replaced the joy of coming with the multitude into His presence? Are you thirsting and panting to come to His table? Think about this.

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Most of the problems in our lives are due to one of two things—we act without thinking, or we keep thinking without acting.

#### YOUR CHILD WON'T DO MORE THAN YOU

David Sproule

The goal of EVERY Christian parent ought to be to get their children to heaven! (Oh, how I wish that sentence could have said, "The goal of EVERY Christian parent IS to get their children to heaven!" But, unfortunately, that would not be an accurate statement.) Are you a Christian parent? Do you still have children at home? Is there anything you want MORE than for your children to go to heaven? How do your actions coincide with your answer to that last question?

It is highly unlikely (almost in the region of "it'll never happen") that your children will grow up to place more emphasis on the church than you do. They will not grow up to place more emphasis on Bible reading, prayer and Christian living than you do. At best, some will be a Christian at "your level." But most, unfortunately, will be "less" inclined to Christian living than you.

With that in mind, are you giving your children THE BEST opportunity to grow up to be a faithful Christian? Is their soul and their eternal destiny worth not living your Christian life to the absolute FULLEST?

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#### **NEW AND DIFFERENT**

David Sproule

When you see advertisements for products, what catches attention is if there is something "NFW" about it People like "new" things

something "NEW" about it. People like "new" things, "new" ideas, "new" technology. Even the Athenians in Paul's day "spent their time in nothing else but either to tell or to hear some new thing" (Acts 17:21). So it is in religion, many folks are looking for something "new," and so many churches feel like they need to offer something "new," in order to distinguish them from "the other churches" and to appeal to the masses.

Consider for a moment: The Bible was completed almost 2,000 years ago. It is not going to change or to offer something "new." We must "not add" anything to



it, in order to find or make something "new" or "different" (Rev. 22:18). If the truth of the glorious gospel and sound doctrine does not appeal to people, it is not our job to make it appealing. It alone is "compels" (2 Cor. 5:14; 4:7; 2 Tim. 4:1-4) and not us! Let us love, "seek" and teach "the old paths, where the good way is," and let us not be ashamed to "walk in it" (Jer. 6:16).