

# Announcements and Church News

## Our Sick

Cyndi Emery— in Largo Medical Rm 557 for a fall; Carol Untied—upcoming tests; Sandra Faver—for shingles; Ronnie Sommerville & Teresa Broyles cancer treatment; Joyce Stanley, Kim Taylor, Guery & Nancy VanWinkle health issues.

### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR FAMILY/FRIENDS:

Eve Chandler's—son Donovan for health issues and friend Kiki's husband and daughter/health issues; Marta Core's— sister for kidney removal surgery in April and biopsy of nodules in lungs; The Broyles— friend Tim Bolen recovering from kidney stone surgery; Val Clark's—friend Brittany Bartley/mass on her pancreas; The Herman's—sis-in-law Carol not well; Molly Burgess's—daughter, Carrie/kidney transplant; Dottie Curls— son Douglas/serious health issues; Jackie Clark's mother Dorothy & grandmother Gayle health issues; Patrick Pinto's—sister Angelina, nephew Joshua & niece Gwen; Lexi Cahill's—brother Jacob; The Stewart's—bro-in-law Russell Holt; The Kozola's son Tim; Van Stewart's —aunt, Linda Parsons; Dianne Stewart's—brother, Bobby Goodfield; The Stingles'—niece's baby; Paula Davis'—niece/lupus; Darrell Broking—health issues.

### PRAYERS FOR CANCER:

Marta Core's—sister for kidney cancer; Lexi Cahill's—grandfather; Penny Bevaqua's— sister Patricia; Deb Methvin's—cousin Melissa Clark; Charlotte Bytheway's cousin Janet Chaney; Tim Martin of Pinellas Park church of Christ; Dyianna Thompson's brother-in-law, Rodney; Ranny Reeves neighbor, Linda Wall; Linda Haddock's niece, June McCray; Carol Untied's stepmother Emily; Van Stewart's sister Tracey and cousin Paula; Sandy Caldwell's bro-in-law Larry; Kay Jessup's friends, Pete Pepjess and Marie Woleck.

**INMATES:** Antwaun Thompson, Willie Newton & Tom George.

**OUR SERVICE MEN:** Austin Reyes (Marine) Matthew Holleran (Army)

**SHUT INS:** Wayne Bishop (Coral Oaks), Delia Schlachter, Joyce Stanley and Guery & Nancy VanWinkle

## Activities

**LADIES BIBLE CLASS**—This Tuesday, April 2nd at 10:00am. All ladies welcome. See Vicki Herman with any questions.

**NEXT MEN'S MONTHLY BIBLE CLASS**— Thursday, April 11th at 7:00pm. See Van Stewart with any questions.

**WEEKI WACHEE YOUTH RETREAT**— Hosted by the Orange Street church of Christ from May 3rd to the 5th for ages 13-18. For more information flyers are in the foyer.

**WEEKI WACHEE CAMP K-5TH**—The theme is My God is So Big and So Mighty from July 25th to 27th. Flyers are in the foyer with registration information.

**BAPTIZED**—On Tuesday, March 26th John Garcia put on the Lord in baptism. John has been studying with Mark Bernhardt. We welcome our new brother in Christ to the family at Central.

**FOYER TABLE**—The Calendar for April and the Schedule of Those To Serve can be found in the foyer. Also the latest Christian Courier and the Spiritual Sword are available for you.

**HELPING THE NEEDY**— David and Samantha Jones are collecting clothing and non perishable items for those in need. Please put your items in the library.

**REMINDER**— If you would like the Gospel Meeting with Dale Duverney on CD for yourself or to share request forms are in the foyer.

### THOSE SERVING TODAY

*Greeters— Joe & Mary Bonelli*

*Announcements—James George*

*Song Leaders—Joe Bonelli/Jesse Lancaster*

*Scripture Readers—Dennis Cuckler/Joe Bonelli*

*Opening Prayer—Mark Bernhardt/Rob Schlachter*

*Lord's Table—Van Stewart*

*Closing Prayer—Godfred Amparbeng/Bob Haddock*

## Birthdays This Week

Pauline Russell—April 1st

Jackie Clark—April 2nd



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Arnold Town Road Church of Christ—Darrell Broking  
Chalmette Church of Christ—Mark Lance  
South Anchorage Church of Christ—Michael Dale  
Czech Republic Missions —Tony/Heidi Orellana

### Elders:

Joe Bonelli Charles Broyles  
James George

### Deacons:

Max Herman  
Van Stewart

**Preacher: Charles Broyles**

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**Sunday Bible Class—9:30AM**  
Charles Broyles  
**Book of Revelation—Chapter 14- & 15**

**Sunday AM Worship—10:30AM**  
**A Changeless Christ In A Changing World**  
John 12:48

**Sunday PM Worship—5:00PM**  
**The Lord's Soldier Equipment**  
Ephesians 6:10-13

**Men's Bible Study—Thursday**  
**April 11th at 7:00PM**

**Ladies Bible Study—Tuesdays**  
**April 2nd at 10:00AM**

**Wednesday Bible Study—7:00PM**  
Charles Broyles

**The Grace of Conversion**

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**From the Preacher's Pen**

**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

It is common for Christians today to become discouraged when facing hardships and wonder why God has not helped them. In Psalm 77, the writer seems to be facing this situation in dealing with some very distressing circumstances. It is uncertain what the troubling problem is, but clearly, he is in despair. He knows that God has helped him in the past and cannot understand why the Lord is not helping him now. In this Psalm, the writer expresses his feelings and frustrations frankly and forthrightly, pointing out that although he had prayed and wept throughout the night, he still did not receive help from God and felt Jehovah had deserted him. However, he travels a journey in the Psalm from hopelessness to happiness—from despair to determination. The Psalm tells us how we may obtain comfort and peace in times of distress. In the early part of the Psalm, the writer is full of doubt; it seems he is on the verge of completely losing his faith. Then, starting with verse 10, his outlook begins to change. What caused this? How did he deviate from his doubts? The change occurred when he began using his mind instead of simply his emotions; he began to think and became determined. In verses 10-12, with resolve, he said “I will” three times. He remembers God’s great works, which gave him confidence for the future. These remembrances and others, illustrating God’s power and His care for His people, invigorated the writer’s faith. Finally, he caught hold of himself and is no longer the victim of his feelings and emotions. We need to think about this in our time of discouragement.

**ONE MORE THOUGHT**

It is not uncommon for people to speak about how much better they feel after praying—they experience a peaceful assurance. For example (Psa. 3:4), after talking about people who said it does no good to pray, David responded, “I cried to the Lord with my voice, And He heard me from His holy hill.” He then cites what God has done and calls Him his shield, sustainer, and deliverer. Yes, God does hear His faithful, and we should not doubt that! Keep praying, brethren. He is listening.

Author Unknown

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**“IS CHRIST IN YOU?”**

Al Brown

A recurring theme of the New Testament is for Christ to rule in the hearts and lives of His followers. One of Paul’s favorite terms was: “Christ in you.” In Galatians 2:20, he wrote, “I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live, but Christ living in me: and that life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith which is in the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself up for me.” Again, he wrote: “My little children, of whom I am again in travail until Christ be formed in you” (Gal. 4:19). On another occasion, he wrote: “Christ in you [is], the hope of glory” (Col. 1:27).

“Christ in us” (ruling or controlling our lives) involves much more than the basic questions with which Christians are likely to concern themselves, such as: “Shall I go to

worship—attend Bible class—visit—teach—be careful about what I say and do before outsiders?”

These are all important, but “Christ in us” goes deeper—all the way down to our attitudes and aspirations. It affects what we truly want to do and the basic desires of our hearts. If Christ is really in us, we are trying to mold our attitudes, desires, aspirations and priorities in such a way that they are identical with the way Christ was when He lived among men.

This is the grandest, most noble, and satisfying aim one can have. If he is to be successful, he must come to know Christ as He was when He lived in the flesh. This is basic. He must see Christ in all His simple—yet sublime manliness, dignity, and beauty. He was everything God could be and still be in the flesh. He was also all man ought to be in bearing God’s image.

Jesus was love—as only divine love can be, and this love absorbed every other trait. In dealing with men, love expressed itself in compassion, a forgiving spirit, humility, sacrifice, tenderness, kindness, and patience. Toward His Father, it expressed itself in faithfulness, meekness, righteousness, sinlessness, fidelity, courage, and obedience. His greatest desire was to do His Father’s will.

If we would have “Christ in us,” we must follow Him in all these ways. Hence, it is improper to ask, “How near to the ideal do I have to get?” This implies doing only enough on which to get by. The Lord’s attitude was the very opposite: the compulsion of love—the desire to please God. The proper question is, then: “How near am I to letting Christ rule my life, and how much closer can I get than I am now?” Is this attitude in you?

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**HELPERS OR HONKERS?**

Leroy Brownlow

A woman driver had the misfortune of having her car stall in heavy traffic. Furthermore, she could not get it started. A man in the car behind her expressed his impatience by blowing his horn every few seconds. Finally, the perturbed and shaken lady got out of the car. Walked to the honker’s car and said, “I’m having difficulty starting my car. I’ll make you this proposition: if you’ll start my car for me, I’ll honk your horn for you.”

There are a lot more honkers than helpers. The reason—it is easier to honk than to help, to talk than to work, to criticize than to assist.

If you really want to help your fellow-man, lift a hand—and that includes off the horn.

When we are stalled out there on life’s highway, we are indeed thankful that God does not blow a horn at us. Instead, He helps us. In recognition of His help, the Psalmist said. “My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber” (Psa. 121.2- 3).

With deep appreciation we sing:

When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,

Help of the helpless, O abide with me.