Announcements and Church News

Our Stels

<u>Alison Harris</u> for cancer; <u>Bob Hadsock</u>- for upcoming tests; <u>Tim Adams</u> treatment for bacteria in lungs; <u>Teresa Broyles</u> for her cancer trmt; <u>Joyce Stanley, Kim Taylor, Sandy Caldwell, and</u> <u>Nancy VanWinkle</u> for health issues.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR FAMILY/FRIENDS;

Dvianna Thompson's cousin Allen Hamilton for covid and friend Betty Spencer in Hospice care; Bill Ingram's -wife Joy recent surgery; Yllka Bejo's-mother; Les Vasterling's- father/Hospice care; Kim Taylor's relative Melody/heart issues; The Follis's friend Ed/kidney transplant; The Bernhardt's relative Dustin/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; Pat Ledford's brother Tom not doing well; Jim and Val *Clark* need prayers for Delilah & Larry Roberts and Tyra Tackett. Darrell Broking-recently in the hospital; Dawn McFarland's-sister Debbie; Fran Barclav-friends Jim & Trudy, Cora Whitt and son Cody.

PRAYERS FOR CANCER:

<u>Debbie Methvin's</u> friend Debbie Decker and neighbor Grace Hillman; <u>Van Stewart's</u> sister Tracey and cousin Paula; <u>Penny Bevaqua's</u> sister Pam; <u>Ronnie Sommerville's</u> dad, Ron; <u>Kim</u> <u>Taylor's</u> mother, Jayne; <u>The Harris'</u> daughter Kim; <u>Mattie Simmons</u> friend William; <u>Sandy</u> <u>Caldwell's</u> brother-in-law Larry.

INMATES:

Antwaun Thompson, Willie Newton & Tom George.

Our Service Men:

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

Remember Our Shutt-ins At Home: Winston Sandlin

Activities

<u>Ladies Bible Class</u>—Is postponed until further notice. See Vicki Herman for any questions.

Virtual Ladies Day Seminar– Hosted by the 20th Street Church of Christ on Saturday, August 21st at 10:00am on Facebook Live. For more information please pick up a flyer in the foyer.

<u>Youth Seminar</u>— At South Florida Avenue Church of Christ in Lakeland on Saturday, September 18th. Flyers are in the foyer.

<u>Sympathy</u>— Our deepest sympathy to <u>Penny</u> <u>Bevaqua</u> for the recent loss of her cousin, Ned. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.

What Is Brotherly Love?

It's **Silence** when your words would hurt,

It's **Patience** when your brother is curt (rude),

- It's **Deafness** when some gossip flows,
- It's **Compassion** for a brother's woes,
- It's Courage when misfortune falls,
- Its's **Firmness** when ones duty calls,
- It's Willingness to help another,
- It's Trusting and especially a brother,
- It's **Restitution** made when due
- It's Forgiving when asked of you.

<u>Reminder</u>—Weekly sermons are available on CD, our website and livestream on Facebook Sundays at 10:30 and 5:00pm and Wednesday at 7:00pm. If you need the Bulletin, Christian Service List, Calendar or the Directory call the office —727-446-4808.

Those Serving Today

Announcements—Charles Broyles Song Leaders—James George/Joe Bonelli Opening Prayer—Joe Bonelli/James George Lord's Table—Max Herman Closing Prayer—William McRoy/Van Stewart

> Bristol Broyles—August 14th Dick Harris—August 14th



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> Sunday Bible Study—9:30AM Major Prophet—Jeremiah Charles Broyles

Sunday Worship—10:30AM Charles Broyles The Why of Suffering Matthew 27:46

Sunday Worship—5:00 PM Charles Broyles The Resurrection of Jesus Mark 16:1-2

> Ladies Bible Study Postponed

Wed. Bible Study—7:00PM Charles Broyles Types and Anti-Types All of our services are available on Facebook Live and YouTube Live!



From the Preacher's Pen

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CHRIST'S RESURRECTION

Each spring, millions of people around the world acknowledge, in some fashion or another, that Jesus Christ was raised from the dead some twenty centuries ago. Modern society calls it "Easter."

The origin of this term is uncertain, though it is commonly thought to derive from Eastre, the name of a Teutonic spring goddess. The term "Easter," in the King James Version of the Bible (Acts 12:4), is a mistranslation. The Greek word is pascha, correctly rendered "Passover" in later translations. In fact, though pascha is found twenty-nine times in the Greek New Testament, it is only rendered "Easter" once, even in the KJV.

Christians are not authorized to celebrate Easter as a special annual event acknowledging the resurrection of Christ. Faithful children of God reflect upon the Savior's resurrection every Sunday (the resurrection day – cf. John 20:1ff) as they gather to worship God in the regular assembly of the church (cf. Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:2).

We ought to be glad, however, that multitudes—usually caught up in pursuits wholly materialistic—will take at least some time for reflection upon the event of the Savior's resurrection. It is entirely appropriate that Christians take advantage of this circumstance; we should be both willing and able to explain to our friends—at least those who have some reverence for Christianity—the significance of the Lord's resurrection.

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is the foundation of the Christian system (cf. 1 Corinthians 15:14ff). If there was no resurrection, Christianity is a hoax, and we are wasting our time. But the truth is, the event of Jesus' resurrection is incontrovertible. Professor Thomas Arnold of Rugby, a world-renowned historian, once said that Christ's resurrection from the dead is the "best-attested fact in human history" (1939, 2569). This being the case, just what is the significance of Jesus' resurrection? Think about these matters.

First, the resurrection is one of the major evidences that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Paul affirmed that Christ is "declared to be the Son of God with power . . . by the resurrection from the dead" (Romans 1:4).

Second, Jesus' resurrection represents an assurance that we can have forgiveness from our sins. Paul contended: "[I]f Christ hath not been raised, our faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins" (1 Corinthians 15:17). The reverse of the apostle's affirmation would be this: if Jesus was raised, sins will be forgiven when we obey the gospel (Acts 2:38; 22:16).

Third, the resurrection tells the world that the kingdom of God is ruled by a living sovereign. The founder of Islam is dead and his bones lie dormant in the earth. But the founder of Christianity—sixty years after his death—appeared to John on the island of Patmos and said: "I am the first and the last, and the Living one; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive for evermore" (Revelation 1:17-18).

Fourth, Jesus' resurrection proves that physical death is not the termination of human existence. God, who is the giver of life (1 Timothy 6:13), has the power to reanimate the

human body. Christ's triumph over the grave is Heaven's pledge to us that we too shall be raised. This is why Jesus is referred to as the "firstfruits of them that are asleep" (1 Corinthians 15:20,23).

Fifth, the Lord's resurrection previewed the ultimate victory of Christianity over all its enemies. In the book of Revelation, Jesus is depicted as a lamb that had been slain, but was standing again (5:6). This same Lord was "the lion of the tribe of Judah" that had overcome his foes (5:5). Christians too will overcome as a result of the Lamb's sacrifice and victory over death (cf. Revelation 12:11).

The resurrection of the Son of God should be a constant reminder to us of these wonderful biblical truths. We honor our Master's victory over death—not once a year, but every week! —Wayne Jackson—Christian Courier

How To Live A Happy Life

1. Serve others (Galatians 5:13).

2. Throw out nonessential numbers. These include age, weight, and height. Let the doctor worry about them. That is why you pay him/her.

3. Keep only cheerful friends. The grouches pull you down.

4. Keep learning. Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, or whatever interests you. Never let the brain idle. "An idle mind is the devil's workshop."

5. Enjoy the simple things. When the children are young, that is all you can afford. When they are in college, that is all you can afford. When you are on retirement, that is all you can afford!

6. Laugh often, long, and loud. Laugh until you gasp for breath. Laugh so much that you can be tracked in a store by the noise.

7. Tears happen. Endure, grieve, and move on. The only person who is with you your entire life is you. Be alive while you are alive—do not put out a mailbox on the highway of death and just wait in residence for your mail.

8. Surround yourself with what you love, whether it is family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, or hobbies. Your home is your refuge.

9. Cherish your health. If it is good, preserve it. If it is unstable, improve it. If it is beyond what you can improve, get help.

10. Do not take guilt trips. Go to the mall, the next county, or a foreign country, but do not go to a "guilt country."

11. At every opportunity, tell the people you love that you do love them.

12. Worship God faithfully (John 4:24).

"These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full." (John 15:11)