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West Side Window

April 5, 2020

Present Day News

Worship and Study for this Week (via Facebook)

April 5, 10a, Sunday, "Give Us, Forgive Us and Lead Us"

April 8, 7p, Wednesday, "Wait on the Lord"

Psalm 27: 1-14

Pending

--April 18, Blood Drive at West Side. 8a- 12 noon

--May 31, Fifth Sunday Singing and Carry-in

Cancelled:

L2L Convention 2020

Your Place



For none of us lives to himself, and no one dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore whether we live or die, we are the Lord's (Rom. 14:7-8). The poet John Oxenham wrote:

"Is your place a small place?

Tend it with care; He set you there.

Is your place a large place? Guard it with care.

He set you there.

What e'er your place, it is not yours alone, but His who set you there."

Even though Paul's statement for the Christian is (or should be) an obvious truth, still it is very profound when we think on its implications. The Lord put each of us here. As part of being here, God gave us a mind to reason and to make life decisions. Some fill their minds admirably (Col. 3:1), and thus they tend to guard their place well. Others just never seem sure what they should do and thus cannot do their best. We must realize that God did put us here for a reason. And He will use us right where we are, if we but only let Him. When Queen Esther wasn't quite sure what she should do, her Uncle Mordecai reminded her, "Who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" Look around! Someone might really need you, and they might need you now.

--Hugh Shira (deceased)

*Note from the Joe Odle Family,
"Thank you so much for providing a meal for our family. We are so grateful to have a church family like you."*

*Nicole Duke
for the Joe Odle Family*



Services

Sunday Bible Study

9:30am

Worship: 10:30 am
& 6:00pm

Wed. Bible Study
7p

Preacher

Michael Gors

Elders

Michael Gors

Gary Reynolds

Todd Stults

Deacons

Don Allison
Fellowship

Jim Clark
Visitation

Lowell Huffman
Media

Those Whom

We Support

MSOP

Cannon Taylor

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Bible Correspondence
Course/ Bibles

Pray for Those Serving Our Country

Zach Privett, US Army in Middle East.

Devyn Riggs, US Marines, in Pensacola, FL

Alex Odle, US Marines, in NC

Larry Greene, National Guard in Middle East

Michelle Bess, Air Force, Deployed to Middle East

A Writer Writes

A young man made an appointment to meet with a well-known published writer. The first question the writer had for the young man was, "Why did you want to see me?" The young man replied, "Well, I am a writer, too. I was hoping you could share with me the secrets for success." The author asked a second question: "Well, what have you written?" "Nothing, at least nothing that I have finished," the young man replied. "If you have not finished anything yet, at least tell me what you have been working on," said the author. The young man answered, "Well, I am in school, so right now I am not writing anything." The author asked one final question: "So why do you call yourself a writer?" A writer writes. A painter paints. A cook cooks. A teacher teaches. You can't honestly call yourself something unless you are doing the work. The same thing is true for people calling themselves Christians. You shouldn't call yourself a follower of Christ unless you are following Christ! When it comes to Christianity, there are too many people sitting on the sidelines doing nothing, though claiming to be playing the game. Innumerable people claim to be Christians, but when it comes down to it, what have they done to follow Christ? How has their life changed? What are they doing in service to Him? Jesus said in Mark 8:34, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me." Being a Christian is not a spectator sport. So let us not merely claim to be followers of Christ - let us show whose we are by the way we live. --Luke Bower (Abilene, TX) via Old Paths

What is greater than
God?

More evil than the
devil?

The poor have it.

The rich want it.

But if you eat it,

You will die.

Nothing

Don't Forget Cards and Calls to:

Joyce Popplewell
Heritage Care, Yorktown

--Anna Funk

Westminster Village

--Linda Horning

Westminster Village

**"People judge you by
your actions not your in-
tentions. You may have a
heart of gold but so does
a hard boiled egg."**

Good Reading



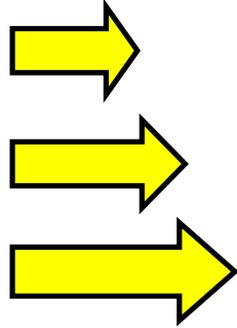
*"When Someone sings
his own praises, he
always gets the tune
too high."*

*Mary
Waldrip*

Have you had a kindness shown?
 Pass it on;
 'Twas not given for thee alone,
 Pass it on;
 Let it travel down the years,
 Let it wipe another's tears,
 Till in heaven the deed appears---
 Pass it on.

**Pass
 It
 On**

Did you hear a loving word?"
 Pass it on;
 Like the singing of a bird
 Pass it on;
 Let its music live and grow,
 Let it cheer another's woe,
 You have reap'd what others sow—
 Pass it on.



Be not selfish in thy greed,
 Pass it on;
 Look upon thy brother's need,
 Pass it on;
 Love for self, you live in vain,
 Live for Christ, you live again,
 Live for Him, with Him you reign
 Pass it on.

Henry K. Burton

In Need of Prayer

Adam Huffman,

Alex Odle, Cancer

Angie Reed, MS

Bob Murrell, Elder at Church of Christ in OK where Lowell and Charlene attended. Diagnosed with corona virus

Bill Bess, Father of Jennifer Clark. Released to go home

Bill & Pam Smith

Bob Owens, Radiation treatments continue

Carl and Martha Gilstrap

Carl Lafferty, Grandfather of Thomas Williams (Bethany's husband).

Cora Devine, Auto immune disorder

Gordon Huffman, Stroke.

Joe Odle

Kathy Channel, Cancer, Daughter of Lois Schlagel

Kathy Harper, Cellulitis, respiratory difficulties.

Kim Ham, Breast cancer. Kim is Dana Kellow's sister

Susie Long

Wanda Reed, Ongoing weekly chemo treatment

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Betty Kellow and her family. She received word that her brother, Richard Sharp, passed away of leukemia in TN.

“But we request of you, brethren, that you appreciate those who diligently labor among you and have charge over you in the Lord and give you instruction and that you esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Live in peace with one another. 2 Thess. 5:12

Sui Holloman--April 6

Seth Gors--April 9, 2008

Jacob Harper--April 10

Becky Hummel--April 10

Pat Ergle--April 14

Kara Latta--April 15

Sue Davis--April 20

Teresa Allison--April 21

Bill Smith--April 24

Brett Allison--April 29

Happy Birthday



Crying It Out

This past week has been a long one. My wife and I were trying to teach our infant son to sleep through the night. This has meant many hours of crying; and, yes, the baby was upset as well! The doctor suggested we allow him to “cry it out.” This means letting the baby cry himself back to sleep. It normally takes about three nights for babies to learn that nighttime is for sleep and to begin going back to sleep on their own. When they awaken, it is difficult to sit by and let them cry, but we know that in the end, we will all be happier and healthier. I can’t help but think that our Heavenly father sometimes lets us “cry it out” too. Many times, as we go through trials or struggles, we wonder, “Why doesn’t God just take it away?” Maybe that’s not what’s best for us. As followers of Christ, we know that whatever we are facing is temporary. In Romans 4:3-6 Paul wrote: “We also have joy with our troubles, because we know that these troubles produce patience. And patience produces character, and character produces hope. And this hope will never disappoint us, because God has poured out His love to fill our hearts. He gave us his love through the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to us.” Next time you find yourself “crying it out,” remember that you have a loving father just on the other side of the door, watching and listening, not wanting you to suffer – but wanting you to grow.

–Luke Bower (Abilene, TX) via Old Paths

–About Adam Huffman: was re-admitted to St. Vincent Hospital in Anderson for onset of bleeding. His doctor felt that it was due to the excessive chemo treatments that he underwent and sometimes bleeding will occur in different parts of the body because of this. He was released to go home but continues on dialysis 3x’s per week.

–About Carl and Martha: Carl is having difficult time with weakness and loss of weight. He and Martha welcome cards and calls as they transverse the difficult times of at - home care.

–About Betty: Betty has received blood transfusions and released to go home. Bleeding still not stemmed but she is feeling some better for the present time.

–About Wanda & Joe: Wanda has three more chemo treatments to go and will begin a regimen of radiation daily for 4-6 weeks at Community in Anderson. She emphasizes that she retains her “razor sharp” attention over Joe and Max, the chihuahua. She and Joe, each have their own puzzle on their own puzzle table and the two will never intertwine because the rule is: each is to leave the other alone. Because, she explains, Joe works 500 pieces and she works 1000 pieces. This is not to imply that either has superiority over the other. Wanda works to keep her spirits up and welcomes calls and cards. Her sight is a little better but her mobility and strength are poor.

“He who guards his mouth and his tongue guards his soul from trouble.”

Proverbs 21:23