



Volume 27, Issue 24

# West Side Window

June 14, 2020

## Note from the Elders:

We are so happy for the attendance last Sunday @ approximately 29. Let us all work through what is best for our individual situations in coming to the building . If you are able to come, please refrain from hugging or shaking hands

Sit with your family if you please but remember to seat yourself at least six feet from others

Get your individual communion packet before you sit down. There will be baskets at the front door and the annex doors for your contribution.

*Plan for upcoming worship service is pending. You will be notified via "one call" as the week proceeds.*

FYI: For your reading pleasure, there is a new letter from Cannon Taylor on the Missions Board.



"I have had more trouble with myself than any other man I have ever met."

Dwight L. Moody

## MAYBE I CAN WAIT

The Houston Airport had a problem. Over and over, a major complaint from its customers was that they had to wait too long for their bags after the flight. So the executives worked to address the issue. They added new staff, streamlined the process and were able cut wait time from as long as 30 minutes in some cases to an average of only 8 minutes. Still, complaints kept pouring in. They did everything they could to shrink the time, but 8 minutes was about as fast as they were going to get. Yet, irate customers still bemoaned the delay.

It was odd because the 8 minutes was the well within the standard for most airports but other locations didn't face the onslaught of complaints. That's when the administrators realized the real problem. The walk from the disembarking gate to baggage claim at Houston was a short 1 minute walk. Most other airport the journey was 5 to 10 minutes. It wasn't the 8 minute delay itself that was the problem; it was the fact that people had to stand around doing nothing during that time. When the airport moved the gates and carousels farther apart making the journey 6 minutes and the idle time only two minutes, complaints disappeared.

The same thing happens in the church. When a church is busy about the Lord's business, it's funny how complaints and murmuring disappear. When we grow slack and don't do much, the backbiting and chaos ensue. If you find yourself upset about something going on in your congregation, the best solution is not to complain but actually do something about it. It might not even be much of a problem once you get to work on it. If a group of people are murmuring, get them to work on something. The complaints may be more about idleness than any issue.

When everyone is busy rowing the boat, it's hard to find the time to rock it.

Barry Haynes

Hope church of Christ

Hope, AR

## 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

#### INDIA

Bible Correspondence  
Course/ Bibles

## Leaders in Worship

*June 14, 2020*

*Morning Worship*

Announcements: Lowell Huffman

Song Leader: Gary Reynolds

Opening Prayer: Jay Kellow

Scripture: Case Reynolds

Sermon: Mike Gors

Lord's Table: Todd Stults

Closing Prayer: Rick Cox

Sound Room: Jacob Clark

Weekly Contribution  
Goal

\$2440

June 7, 2020

\$3121

## Remember Calls and Cards to Our Shut-ins

Joyce Popplewell --  
Heritage in Yorktown  
Ann Funk--  
Westminster Village  
Linda Horning--  
West -minster Village  
Carl Gilstrap --Albany  
Health Care



Zach Privett, US Army in Middle East.

Devyn Riggs, Newly assigned to Cherry Pointe  
Air Station in NC. Back with her husband after a  
year of training in Florida

Alex Odle, US Marines, in NC

Larry Greene, National Guard in Middle East

Michelle Bess, Air Force, Deployed to Middle

"Anyone who thinks sitting in church  
will make you a Christian must also  
think sitting in a garage will make  
you a car."  
Garrison Keillor

*"My concern is not whether  
God is on our side; my  
greatest concern is to be on  
God's side for God is never  
wrong." Abraham Lincoln*

## Before...

Before you speak, **LISTEN**. Before you write, **THINK**. Before you  
spend, **EARN**. Before you invest, **INVESTIGATE**. Before you criticize,  
**WAIT**. Before you pray, **FORGIVE**. Before you quit, **TRY**. Before you  
retire, **SAVE**. Before you die, **GIVE**.

By Wm Arthur Ward

## *In Joy*

–We are full of joy and congratulations for Dennis Griffey who put on Christ in baptism last Sunday afternoon. We welcome you into the brotherhood of Christ, Brother Dennis, and wish you all good things and spiritual blessings as you enter into a new life in Christ.

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Muncie, IN 47303  
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## *In Sorrow*

–We are saddened by the news that Brother Matt Gernand's paternal grandmother, Julia Alice Gernand, passed away. She was the widow of Orville "Doc" Gernand, the mother of three sons, grandmother of 12 and great grandmother of 13. Her funeral was held last week in Muncie. Our love and deepest sympathy goes out to Brother Matt and his extended family. Cards may be sent to Matt's address:

14401 West Division Road  
Daleville, IN 47334

"All the art of living lies in a fine mingling of letting go and holding on."

Havelock Ellis

## Happy Birthday

Joe Reed--June 16

Holly Chambers--June 16

Betty Kellow--June 16

Trevor Qualkenbush--June 17

Hailey Allison--June 22

Ryan J. Daunhauer--June 24, 2015



## In Need of Prayer

**Adam Huffman**, At home with dialysis 3x weekly

**Alex Odle**, Cancer

**Angie Reed**, MS

**Bill & Pam Smith**

**Bob Owens**, Cancer. Kathy's cousin

**Martha Gilstrap**

**Carl Lafferty**, Diagnosis of ALS and leukemia

**Earl & Sue Lautzenheiser**, Brother Earl sustained a broken leg and he is 100 years old. Send cards to:

Bethany Pointe  
1707 Bethany Pointe, Room 115  
Anderson, IN 46012

**Howard Goodman**, Currently hospitalized in Indy

7102 Ridge Run Way  
Greenfield, IN 46140

**Kathy Channel**, Cancer, daughter of Lois Schlagel

**Kathy Harper**, Cellulitis, respiratory difficulties.

**Kim Ham**, Breast cancer.

**Mary Smith**, Stroke

**Mike Haviland**, Stomach issues with significant weight loss. Tests are ongoing at present time

1217 West Rebecca Parkway  
Greensburg, IN 47240  
765-744-0548

**Mitch Kinder**, Cancer. Sally's neighbor

**Susie Long**, Living in assisted living in TN

**Wanda Reed**, Wanda has three more radiation treatments to go. Holding on and dealing with side effects from past chemo as well as radiation.

## What to do with Treasures --Doug Wells

In one of Jesus' parables a servant was handed a mina (a piece of valuable currency). There were clear instructions on what to do with it: "Put this money to work...until I come back" (Luke 19:13). Some of his fellow servants did a great job with this. They used what talent they have to diligently make the money grow. But not this man. His fear led him to put the money in a piece of cloth. The master was so displeased with only getting back what was originally given that this servant lost everything.

Did you know that the Word of God is sometimes described as a treasure? "The law from your mouth is more precious to me than thousands of pieces of silver and gold" (Psalm 119:72). It is a treasure that is handed to us every time we open up our Bibles or hear the Word explained. Some people are wise enough to store up this treasure in their hearts. And that's a good thing – a much better option than just letting it bounce off of hard hearts and heads. Can you imagine what would have happened to the servant if he said "yes master, you gave me the money, but I didn't think it was important so I just left it lying on the ground"? He was at least wise enough to keep it safe!

But, as the servant found out, storing a treasure isn't the end of our responsibility. We need to put what we have to work until the Master comes back. Committing the message to memory is not an end in itself. The Word is meant to be used! We cannot let our fear cause us to keep the Word to ourselves. It is a treasure that is meant to be multiplied, invested in the hearts and minds of others. Is there a risk in sharing the Word? Sure. It may cost us all kinds of things in this world. But if we share, one Christian can turn into two...or maybe even five or ten! That's worth the risk. So I encourage you to read scripture. I encourage you to commit it to memory. But I especially encourage you to apply what you have learned and share it with others. Only the servants who multiplied what the Master gave received the reward. If you want to be one of them invest the message instead of burying it.



*Camden Avenue church of Christ  
Parkersburg, WV*

Have you ever stood in the ocean when the waves are rolling in? If you are not prepared and standing with your feet firmly set, the waves can easily knock you down. The Bible uses this idea of "standing firm" and "holding fast" when describing how we need to be living our lives. The term "hold fast" is defined as "to continue to believe in or adhere to an idea or principle." The closely related word "steadfast" is defined as "resolutely or dutifully firm and unwavering."

**We are to hold fast to God and be obedient to Him.** "It is the Lord your God you must follow, and Him you must revere. Keep His commands and obey Him; serve Him and hold fast to Him" (Deuteronomy 13:4).

**We are to hold fast to our faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, our Savior.** "Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession" (Hebrews 4:14).

**We are to hold fast to the teachings that we have received through the Bible.** "So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter" (2 Thess. 2:15).

**We are to continue steadfast in the work of the Lord.** "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:58).

Are we standing firm or letting life's worries wash us away like ocean waves?

**Ocean Waves of Life, Brad Tolbert, Monticello, AR.**