Prayer List

On a daily basis, ask the Lord for direction. Our 249 Family

Leroy Flowers began radiation treatments for cancer and all is going well with them.

Sherlyn Cartwright biopsy results were inconclusive. He wants her to see an oncologist.

Bill Cartwright is still having difficulty with his breathing. **Jessica Harold** and family need prayers.

Alcadio Gonzales is having migraine headaches.

Pam Woodley is having difficulties from a foot infection. **Stella Hamontree** returned to work and is doing fine.

Janet Barnwell is continuing her cancer treatment and needs our prayers.

Robert Winston has had his surgical procedure rescheduled due to an infection and needs our prayers.

Also Remember

Ruth Powers & Family, Larry & Jessica Harold & Family, Jackie Crawford, Carolyn Moon, Jane Moody, Doris Peavler, Willie Collins, Ira Goode and Daniel Williams

Friends and Family Also Remember

Alice Colunga, sister of Lydia Walden is sick..

Tony Mendoza, nephew of Lydia Walden is very sick.

Ben Moon (Son of Mike & Carolyn) is temp. paralyzed.

Van Webb (Brother-in-law of Mike Moon) has improved.

Richard Ross (Sandra Collins' brother),

Darlene Hodges (Sandra's aunt)-rehab

Dot, Jerry, Leon & Morris Allee, Stephen Gillespie,

Andre White, (Debbie White's son),

Mrs.George (Shannon Cobb's grandmother),

Doris Dromgoole, Debbie Bachmeyer (Doris'daughter),

Howard (Dixie's husband- Doris Peavler's sister),

Terry Peavler (Doris' son) macular degeneration.

Owen Cobb (great grandson of Linda Cobb),

Mike Howsley (Doris Peavler's great nephew),

Mike Ringenberg, (Shannon Cobb's dad),

Shut-Ins

Thomas Bailey, Joyce Bradley, and Debbie Goode

WELCOME VISITORS

We want to personally thank you for joining us today. It is our prayer you leave our worship service with an uplifted spirit. Below is what you can expect during our services.

SINGING: Non-instrumental music plays a great part of our worship services. We hope that you will find this to be an uplifting praise to the Lord. (Eph. 5:19)

LORD'S SUPPER: Each Sunday we observe the Lord's Supper, which reflects on the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord Jesus, and the hope of everlasting life we now can live through Him. (I Cor. 11:23-26)

CONTRIBUTION: During the service, we as members are given the opportunity to give a portion of what God has given us. This money is used to support the church and to help spread God's Word. (I Cor. 16:2)



Sundays-7:00 a.m.

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Upcoming Topics
February 5 – "At Your Word "
February 12 – "Overcoming Temptation"

Schedule of Services

Sunday: Bible Study9:00 a.m.
Worship10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.
Ladies Bible Class (September-May) 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday7:00 p.m.
Preacher Keith Bradley
Song LeadersKeith Bradley & Jamie Cobb
Elders: Keith Bradley & Jamie Cobb



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FROM THE PREACHER'S DESK

DALE HAS RETURNED FROM INDIA where he did preaching and teaching. He also provided assistance the preachers (400) and widows and orphans (200) that 249 and other congregations are helping to support. There were a total of 412 baptisms. Dale is much better from his sinus infection. Please pray for his health, success in this work and safety in travels.

SERMON RECOMMENDATIONS for February and March. If there is a subject you have not heard a sermon on in a long time or never, and would like to hear one on that subject, I would like your suggestions. In January Sunday-AM I have been preaching on First Principles. Younger Christians need these lessons to fortify their faith. Older Christians need to be reminded of things they have learned long ago.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT. When a preacher plans his sermons, he plans what he thinks will benefit the congregation the most. If you don't tell me how I'm doing, I really don't know your thoughts. If you have suggestions, I encourage you to discuss them with me.

THE WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS is being taught by brother Gerald Bennett. He is teaching a series on the book of Hebrews. Brother Gerald has over fifty years of Bible study experience and we are the beneficiaries of his knowledge. I have received many positive comments on this class.

Loved Ones Serving To Protect

Drew Girton – Navy - Hawaii
John Girton-Army-N. Carolina
Carl Higgs-Army-California
Jared Jensen-Air Force-Iraq
Travis Little-Air Force-Ellington
Scott Middleton –Marines-California
James Thomas-National Guard
James Williams-Navy-California
James Boribourn-Navy-Boot camp
Crystal Stallings Drake-El Paso Texas
Aaron Abel-Army-Dangerous Location?

Sermons for Sunday THIS WEEK

AM—" Remission of Sins " (Acts 2:38) PM— "Life in the Church " (1 Thess 5:12-28)

NEXT WEEK

AM— "Mission-Minded Church" – Dale Foster PM—"The Contagion of a Growing Faith "
(2 Thess 1:1-4)

Scripture for Today

Acts 2:37-39 (NKJV)

- Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?"
- ³⁸ Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."

Welcome New Member Jackie Thomas

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Wednesday Devotional

Jamie Cobb brought the devotional. His lesson was on the subject:

Lessons From a Tree

Jamie told us his grandmother planted a sycamore tree in their front yard years before he was born. As he grew and got older, he enjoyed this tree's benefit. Many others around him did as well. This past week the tree was cut down because it had died. Lessons we can learn from the tree:

- 1. Like Zacchaeus, the sycamore tree gave a place for Jamie to see way off in the distance. (Luke 19)
- 2. We need to be like a tree, firmly planted (Psalm 1)
- 3. It is good to sing praises to our God. (Psalm 147)
- 4. Singing brings joy to us and others around us.
- 5. It is good to sing praises to our God. (Psalm 147)
- 6. Enjoy God's creation, while we can.
- 7. Like trees, we all must die (Hebrews 9:27)

Next Wednesday (2/8/2017) - Tyrone Powers

Family, Food & Fun Chili Cook-off

Friday - February 17, 2017 - 7:00

We need a volunteer to deliver socks to Impact

Socks for the Homeless

249 Ladies are requesting socks to be given to the Homeless/Needy at the Impact Church of Christ. There is a large box in the foyer to put them in. With cooler weather upon us, this is needed. Any color is fine.



Proofs of our Love Week of January 29, 2017

Bible Class	31
Morning Worship	81
Evening Worship	27
Wednesday Bible Class	33
Contribution	\$ 1,486.00
Budget	\$1,871.00
Under Budget for Week	\$385.00

249 Pantry Items Needed



Soup & Individual Servings of Cereal

Sunny Glen Children's Home

Pantry Request

Juice & Canned Chicken

Due Date: 3/12/2017



Upholding What is Right Comes at a Cost

There's a story about a judge whose own son was brought before her for a crime he had committed. The judge felt a deep grief that her son would violate the laws upon which she based her entire life. Tears welled in her eyes and she listened painfully as the evidence against her son was presented. The audience wondered how she would handle the punishment. Much to their surprise, she handed down the maximum fine, upholding the law to its fullest degree. The son was in shock, for he knew that he couldn't pay the fine and was anguished at the thought of imprisonment. He looked up at her in disbelief. But then something happened that nobody expected. She stepped down from the bench, took off her judge's robe, told her son how much she loved him and then paid, out of her own pocket, the fine she had just handed down. Not everyone understood what she had done. As a judge, she showed her commitment to honor the law to its fullest, but she then stepped down from that seat of honor and showed her love for her child. Her son never understood the depth of his mother's commitment to the law until that moment, and, until that moment, he never knew the depth of his mother's love for him. He felt deep sorrow for the pain he had caused her and for those he had hurt by his act of crime. With his head bowed, and his tears flowing freely, he asked for her forgiveness, which she willingly and freely gave to him.

This story is actually an allegory for God's relationship to us. Our crimes are our willful departure from the laws given us by God for the way we are to live. When we break those laws, God is grieved and pained. Inevitably there are natural consequences of our failings that hurt others, sometimes affecting lives for generations to come. This is why God's laws say that the penalty for sin is death. His holy nature demands that He not just let us off the hook or go easy on us. So what did He do? He came down from heaven to us in Jesus Christ to help us to understand His laws, to show us the depth of His love for us and to pay the price of our sin with His own life. (Rom 6:23)