

PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of August 5, 2018

Bible Class	71
Morning Assembly	112
Evening Assembly	60
Wednesday Bible Class	48
Contribution	\$4301.00
Budget	1871.00
Over the budget for week	2430.00



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

A.M. = LOVE YOUR ENEMIES
(Matthew 5:43-48)

P.M. = ENMITY WITH GOD
(James 4:1-6)

SERMONS NEXT SUNDAY

A.M. = PRACTICING RIGHTEOUSNESS
(Matthew 6:1-18)

P.M. = HUMBLE YOURSELVES
(James 4:7-12)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUMMER SERIES

August 15th – Ray Wilkerson
Fifth Ward

August 22nd – Cruz Hernandez
Hidden Valley



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 singing 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)



Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Assembly	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening	6:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Class: (Sept-May)

Tuesday	9:30 a.m.
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Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

Preacher	Gerald Bennett
Song Leader	Tommy Bennett
Elders	Gerald Bennett, Jamie Cobb
Deacons	Dave Donohoe, Russell Dukes Jr.



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August 12, 2018

THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF THE SCRIBES AND PHARISEES

“For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 5:20)

There is a lot to say about this subject, but in Matthew chapter six Jesus begins by saying, “Beware of practicing your righteousness before men to be noticed by them; otherwise you have no reward with your Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 6:1). It is very plain that he is speaking of their deeds. He gives three examples to illustrate His point. The first is the giving to the poor. The second is prayer. And the third is fasting. The point He makes is that if you do these things with the motive of impressing men with how righteous you are, the only thing you are accomplishing is that you may be impressing men.

In chapter 5 Jesus deals with the way that the scribes and the Pharisees taught the Law. And it is plain that they knew what the Law was saying. But they wanted to use it to show their use of it to accomplish their purposes and not the true meaning of it.

Jesus was not saying that people or the world did not need to see them practicing righteousness. They did! And they do!

In Matthew 5:14-16 He says “You are the light of the world.” Like a city on a hill it’s light cannot be hidden. Like a candle on a candlestick it is to give light to the house. So He tells His disciples, “Let your light shine before men in such a way that may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.”

The difference between the righteousness of the Pharisees and the righteousness of disciples being seen, is motive. One does it to be seen of men, the other to glorify God.

THINK ABOUT IT

GERALD



PRAYER LIST

“Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” Hebrews 4:16

OUR 249 FAMILY

Mary Rush has a slipped disk on her lower back, she is on pain medication, and began Physical Therapy on August 10th.

Sam Rush has a blood clot in his right leg, he is able to drink water he still has problems drinking boost, the doctor says he is doing well and they hope to remove the tube in a few weeks may be a month. He can have short visits, please call first.

Stephanie Allen, Janet Barnwell, Marissa & Melissa Bennett, Shannon Cobb, Jackie Crawford, Alcadio & Sherlyn Gonzalez, Stella Hamontree, Myrtle Jones, Larry Rockett, Raymond Williams.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Dorothy Allee, Doug & Linda Allee, Lanell Allee, Mary Clara Barrett (Ira’s sister), Richard Bautista (Lydia’s uncle), Joyceln Bradley, Adam Brown (Peggy & Robert’s nephew), Sherlyn & Bill Cartwright, Vincent Davis (Ruth’s brother), Kimberly (Doris Dromgoole’s granddaughter), Stacey Farmer, Evelyn Grant (mother of Kevin Moore), Mike & Micah Hanna, Scott Horne (friend of Mary Kemp in Hospice, pray for Horne & Moore families), Howard (Doris Peavler’s brother in law), Dr. Husain, Jerry Jefferson, Rose Kuhn (friend of Debbie White) has cancer, Erin Cobb

Ledoux (is waiting on test results), Tony Mendoza, Lynette Mendoza, Tammy Miles, Sylvia Mize (Sharon’s aunt), Belinda Otero, Larry Powers (Tyrone’s brother), Alisha (recovering from surgery August 3rd and Edith Ramos (friends of Marissa), Rita (Linda Cobb’s friend), Lois & Nathaniel Smith and family (she is in hospice care), Tamara (classmate of Jaelyn), Karlene Vinas (niece of Maria Rush is recovering from multiple injuries after being run over by a jeep, she lost her mom in June), Judy Bentley Williams, those dealing with cancer and all other illnesses.



Summer is quickly coming to an end, teachers and aids have already started their new year.



Students will begin soon. Please let us know when you are on vacations and traveling, etc.

Janie Rocket and her daughter will be traveling this weekend to attend a funeral she asked for our prayers.

Dale Foster and the work in India, he is there now.



SERMON REQUESTS

If you have requests for lessons that you think should be preached, please give those requests to me and I will certainly try my best to fulfill them.

WILLING TO WORK FORMS

Please fill out the forms you were given to let the elders know in what areas you are willing to serve and if you have not already turned them in, please do so as soon as possible.



LARRINIQUE HAROLD was baptized into Christ last Sunday after our evening assembly.



FAMILY, FOOD, FUN – AUGUST 17TH at 7:00 in our Fellowship Room. MENU: Your favorite Casserole – A signup sheet is posted in the foyer.



SUNNY GLEN CHILDREN’S HOME GROCERY TRUCK WILL BE HERE SEPTEMBER 10 – 12

They have requested Cooking Oil & Liquid Dish Soap



Our Sympathy is extended to:

The Scott Family at the death of their Father and Mother last week.

To the family and friends of Robert Ravenell and to the Scenic Woods Congregation at his recent death.

To all of those who have recently lost friends and loved ones.

GERALD’S GLEANINGS

We had a good week last week around 249.

We had visitors as we do each Sunday. Ira came and announced that some needed to move in on the seats so some coming in late would be able to easily be seated. My suggestion would be to move in from the sides and those coming in late could come in on the sides and find their seats with very little disruption.

As has been stated in another place in this bulletin, we had a baptism last Sunday evening after we were dismissed. Larrinique Harold was baptized into Christ. We are so thankful that we were able to witness that new birth. And as I try to do whenever we have a baptism, I read Romans 6:3-5 to remind us all that we who have been baptized did the very same thing. I would encourage you to go read it now. As Peter called it, we share in a “like precious faith”. And we pray for more of these occasions at 249. God is good!

John Gooch and his wife Lisa were with us Wednesday evening for our Summer Series lesson. John preached and outstanding lesson on The Authority of Jesus. All who were in attendance were very blessed by this lesson. Several have asked for copies of the recorded lesson.

As you know we try to record every lesson that is preached here at 249 and there are form on the table in the foyer for you to give your requests.

I love you Gerald