The Pastor’s Point  
By Dr. Jimmy Orr

Recently, I came upon the obituary of Mr. E. Paul Warren. I never knew Mr. Warren, although I did know his wife, Mrs. Lorraine. They were members of Palmetto Baptist Church years ago. Mr. Paul Warren died in 1999, before I became pastor. He was 80 years old. He had been a businessman, the owner of Warren’s Auto Parts. A World War II Army veteran, he served with the Corps of Engineers in Europe.

What caught my attention about Mr. Paul’s obituary was the list of honorary pallbearers: “Honorary pallbearers will be members of Mr. Warren’s Sunday School class at Palmetto Baptist Church: Jack Bentley, Clyde Taylor, Homer Youngblood, Charlie Pace and Lynn Ware.”

While I never knew Mr. Warren, I did know his honorary pallbearers.

Mr. Jack Bentley, “Smilin’ Jack,” gave me some old golf clubs and tried his best to teach me to play golf. I never caught on, but I enjoyed being on the course with Jack. Jack’s wife, Audrey, was in the hospital at Warm Springs when Merriell Jenkins and I drove to visit with her. Merriell said he knew a shortcut—a shortcut that took us across the Alabama state line. What should have been a 45 minute journey took us over two hours.

Mr. Homer Youngblood and his wife, Mrs. Martha, were fixtures at PBC when I came. Before my time, the church discussed purchasing a new copier. Mr. Homer was against it; but when the church voted to buy one, Mr. Homer came by with a check the next day to pay for it.

Charlie Pace headed up our Senior Adult Ministry and cooked our Wednesday Night Suppers. I’ll never forget the senior trip to Pigeon Forge when Charlie secretly had me brought on stage at the Comedy Barn. I love Charlie and Hilda.

Mr. Lynn Ware and his wife Betsy lived in a small brick house in Palmetto, down the street from Palmetto Elementary School. Mr. Lynn, another World II veteran, didn’t say much, but that was mostly because Betsy would not let him get a word in edgewise.

And then there is Mr. Clyde Taylor, the last survivor among Mr. Paul Warren’s honorary pallbearers. When Mr. Clyde died last month, he was 101 years old, and our oldest church member. His wife, Mrs. Etta, had died in 2011 after battling years of Alzheimer’s. Mr. Clyde was a Marine, a comedian, a cracker and potato chip salesman, and a great man rolled into one. Mr. Clyde was laid to rest beside Mrs. Etta at the Georgia National Cemetery in Canton.

Yes, sir! Mr. Paul Warren had some great honorary pallbearers.
The goals of the PBC Student Ministry are to find ways to help students “Connect, Grow and Serve.” Over the summer months, the PBC Student Ministry has been going strong with providing students opportunities to “Connect, Grow and Serve.” During the month of June, the PBC Student Ministry served by being involved with VBS. During VBS the students served by helping conduct skits, Bible Stories, recreation, and by being group leaders. We finished up the month of June and started the month of July by taking over 50 students and adults to the Blue Horizon Retreat Center located in Panama City Beach, Florida, for the PBC Student Ministry Beach Retreat.

Another way the PBC Student Ministry likes to keep the students engaged is through “Momentum,” our midweek service for students in grades 6th-12th. If you have a student or know of a student in these grades, please encourage them to come and be a part of the PBC Student Ministry.

Lastly, the PBC Student Ministry would like to introduce our summer intern, Blake Van Dauser. Blake is a student at Brewton-Parker. His plans are to pursue student ministry upon completion. We are excited to give him an opportunity to learn from our students ministry on how to build relationships with student in order to help them grow in Christ. So, if you see him around, welcome him while he is interning here at PBC.

If you would like more information on the PBC Student Ministry, please contact me at 770.463.4642 or randall.j.mcdaniel@gmail.com

July always makes me and I’m sure many others think about Freedom.

Not only the freedom of our country, but also the freedom of worship. We are free to walk in our Worship life center every week without any fear. I am thankful for the fact that our country’s freedom has led to many other freedoms that we enjoy today.

Last year Mr. Chris arranged a barbershop quartet of the National Anthem that we sang live last year. We are planning to play the video clip on July 2 during both morning worship services! I am thankful we have the ability to record these special moments that we can cherish for years to come.

We are planning our second night of Worship to be sometime in early fall. I will have more details to follow for this special event.

Soon it will be time for school to start back before we know it! If your child is being promoted to the youth and would like to try out for the Youth Praise band contact me to set up a time. We would love to hear you!
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**Sunday Mornings**
- Traditional Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
- Sunday Morning Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
- Contemporary Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
- Secure childcare provided at all times!

**Sunday Evenings**
- PBC Home Groups 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday Evenings**
- Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.
- Momentum Student Ministry 6:00 p.m.
- PBC/YOU Classes 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
- Adult Choir Practice 6:45 p.m.

**Additional PBC Ministries**
- PBC Deaf Ministry
- Men’s Ministry
- PBC Food Pantry
- My Brother’s Ministry
- PBC Media Ministry
- PBC Ladies’ Fellowship/Ministry
- PBC Mission Trips
- Upward Basketball & Cheerleading
- January & February
- Palmetto Baptist Weekday Preschool
- September—May
- Upward Soccer – September and October

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- Megan Crawford 01
- Randy Blanchard 19
- David Duren 01
- Tanya Parker 19
- Ashley Chastain 01
- Tony Smith 19
- Barbara Pulliam 02
- Demiris Crespo 20
- Toby Potter Jr. 03
- Sharon Johnston 20
- Kayla Ginn 04
- Jimmy Orr 20
- Will Lambert 04
- Kathy West 20
- Gail Brooks 06
- Edwin Webell 21
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- Michael Hill 16
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- Bobby Parrott 31
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  - Mike Johnson, Jeff Cannon
  - Tommy Wood, Gary Milner

- July 2—July 8
  - Scott Farr, Eric Johnston
  - Alton Powell, Toby Potter

- July 9—July 15
  - Buddy Squires, Bill Creel
  - Frank Lambert, Casey Aycock

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