

J.O.Y. and an Eclipse

It's 8:15 pm Tuesday evening. I'm sitting in the White River Medical Center in Batesville waiting for my mother to wake up so we can visit. She was admitted this afternoon and is being "observed". Just the mention of my mother being observed sends my mind in a new direction. You see, I have observed my mother for more than half a century. I want to share two of those observations/teachings with you.

My mother is a word and deed person; her life reflects Someone greater. Her Christian example is evident making observations a simple task worthy of undertaking. I'm the middle of seven children (rapidly becoming senior citizens). Occasionally what I thought I saw was not what was modeled but even in those cases some additional teaching, a different perspective, or closer observation would reveal the true lesson.

I want to share two simple but powerful, life-changing lessons. First, love people, use things. In our society it is easy to get trapped by the attractiveness of riches. When our life is driven by material desire we quickly lose the truth about ourselves & everyone around us Matthew 13 The Sower; Matthew 16:26. We must love others--only then do we reflect our Father's love. What about those who are unlovable or at least hard to love? Mother, "the more unlovable someone appears the more love they need". We can't grow spiritually loving others because they first loved us, that is where we began as an infant. We must love others because God, our Father first loved us 1John 4:19; John 13:34.

The Second, closely related to the first, "it not about me". Wow, it's not about me. I'm not on the top of the list. I am on the list just not at the top or even in the second slot. Those two spots are filled, taken, reserved... God, number 1 and others number 2. Me, I come somewhere after that. As I live a day following that relational pattern, I find myself purposefully kinder and more considerate Matthew 5:16. Light shining honors God and leads us closer to Him. Pride and elevating self causes a solar eclipse where we are obscuring the very Light we are designed to reflect.

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Those Serving in September

Sunday Assignments:	Sept 3	Sept 10
Song Leader	Carson Copeland	Chad Hearne
Prayer/Opening	Luke Christian	Barry Holder
Scripture Reading	Marty Knight	Micah Mahan
Preside/Communion	Justin Akin	Adam Bledsoe
Prayer/Closing	Gordon Bond	Mark Copeland
Nursery	Jenna Koone, Whitney Smith Christi Brandon, Natalie DeVorak	Teresa Harris, Lisa Nabholz Sara Nestor, Lisa Rickett

Sunday Assignments:	Sept 17	Sept 24
Song Leader	Daniel Hudgeons	Tim Stroud
Prayer/Opening	Bill King	Andy Messer
Scripture Reading	Wesley Harris	Mark Ashley
Preside/Communion	Jack Martin	John Holder
Prayer/Closing	Michael Ledbetter	Allan Myers
Nursery	Melissa Smith, Jenni Rowell Donna Brantley, Debbie Lambert	Cindy & Rachel Ledbetter, Lisa Mahan, Amy Porter

Monthly Assignments:	Wednesday Nights:
Communion Jeff Hinton, David Brandon, Greg Chaffin Ronnie DeLoney, Brett Hedrick, Charles Shirey Cody Sublett, Tyler Vetsch, Jake Wesson Denver Hinson, Danny Jacobs, Ryan Overbay	Sept 6 Young Boys 2yr-1st (P) TBD Sept 13 Young Boys 2nd-6th (P) TBD
Ushers Kent Vetsch* Greg Oaks Jeremy Lowe, Jeremy Pumphrey Mark Sexson** Marcheski Hervey Alan Pounds, Bryan McBride	Sept (S) John Tooke (P) Steven Hopwood Sept 27 (S) Cody Sublett (P) Terry Ratzlaff
Greeters Chad & Dawn Hearne - Welcome Booth John & Nancy Holder, JoJo Mills, Mary Jo Wade, Mark & Brittany Sexson, Lois Carlon John Chesshir, Betty Ann & Robert Scaife	Food Coordinators for Sept (A-F) Renay Martin

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

September 2017

The Little Children

Jesus had great love and compassion for children. He taught that we should all be like them. From early on, scripture exhorted strongly that children be taught from their youth to love God and to honor their parents. Every parent knows that they must be trained in the ways you want them to go--they will not do well left to themselves.

Sunday is class promotion day for our Kids at R&C. We take seriously our role in teaching and guiding our children. We know that parents and grandparents need the assistance of Bible class to reinforce love for God and others in them.

We'll see you in Bible class Sunday morning!



KIDS IN THE PARK

Pizza at Laurel Park, September 11th - 6pm
Enjoy the kids and the Park and meet the community!

Bethlehem House Meal Night September 12th & 18th

See Debbie Moreland
or Michelle Tooke



Night Owls



Saturday, September 9th from 5:00 - 8:00

Sign-up to help parents of special needs children have a NIGHT OUT!
Forms are on our website. See Brittany Sexson or Leah Lowe for details.

Food for Families

Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo

Wednesday Night - September 13th

Serving time: 6:00 - 6:40

Women Serving Solo

September 16th - 9 am

Enjoy the food & fellowship of a Saturday Morning Breakfast with your sisters
(for ladies who are single, divorced, widowed, or attend alone)

September Calendar



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Retiree's Bible Class Begins September 6th

Children's Bible Class Promotion

September 3rd



Night Owls

September 9th
5:00 - 8:00

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EDM Meeting 11th 6:30 pm Fellowship Rm

Bethlehem
House - 12th

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Bethlehem
House
Meal night - 18th

SCCH Food Truck
Tuesday, September 19th

List of needed items at info desk.
Drop off items at table by
church office.



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WORLD BIBLE SCHOOL
10 a.m. in the Fellowship Room
September 26th

Please Keep Your
Info Updated.

Info forms are on the website:
www.r-c.org
All forms are on the front page

Events for this calendar should be submitted by the 25th day of the month before the event.

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Android Versions



R&C
DIRECTORY
APP

Several New Members
and many info changes
have recently been added

New Arrivals

Havyn Quinn Spencer
born August 7th to
Bradley & Makala Spencer

Matilda Grace Bowers
born August 17th to
Evan & Sara Kathryn Bowers

New Members

Bill & Pam Keefer
4 Alfred Cove
Conway 72034

Joseline Keefer
Isaiah & Gabby Ponce
56 Wilhelmina Cove
Conway, 72034

Dewey & Kathryn Mahan
Mayson, Shelby, Makenna
and Macoy
2 Brien Dr
Conway, 72032

Meeting Schedule

Bible Classes..... 9:00
Worship 10:00
Sunday Evening 5:00
Wednesday..... 7:00

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August Averages

Sunday Worship..... 602
Sunday AM Class 340
Sunday Night..... 276
Wed. Bible Study..... 341
Contribution..... \$27,049