



God's Word

When therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John, (Though Jesus Himself baptized not, but His disciples,) He left Judaea, and departed again into Galilee. And He must needs go through Samaria. Then cometh He to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with His journey, sat thus on the well: and it was about the sixth hour. There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink.

John 4:1-7

Too Far From the Word

I sat near the back of the church because I had a bus to catch. The Lord showed me long ago that I "must needs" sit up front. I tend to get distracted by the chatter that sometimes occurs in the rear. It was all I could do not to get up and walk to my assigned, reserved and engraved seat on the front pew.

There was not one thing wrong with my seat. But, something on the inside made me want to be closer to the anointing that was about to fall upon the congregation. To add to my angst, my notebook was in the car and the only scrap of paper I had I used to draft this very article. (Reminder to self; get that sermon DVD.) Nevertheless, I stayed put, and did my best to concentrate on the Word and not the distraction of where I was sitting. (It's amazing how I have to keep my mind focused during worship.)

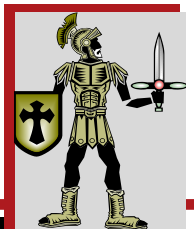
The bus came in the middle of the sermon and I had to leave...

Sitting up front is actually something I really enjoy—emphasis on the JOY. I come to church for one reason, and have no intention of missing out on any portion of my worship. So, it is up to me to place my open vessel in a place where my childlike span of attention will not be diverted.

Maybe in the back of my mind my hope is that the man or woman of God will lay a tremendous prophetic word upon me, but they won't be able to find me if I'm in the back. Sitting up front is also kinda unnerving; like the two-edged sword. Maybe he or she will call me out when one of those unChristlike thoughts pop into my head. It hasn't happened, yet. But, you never know! (I do a lot of inward repenting on that front pew.)

You have no idea of just how in love I am with the Lord! He puts up with my craziness (even thought it's mostly in my own head). He is patient with me as I strive to be in His Image. (And) He has given me all of you to encourage me in this ministry!

In total praise...I am *ellb*

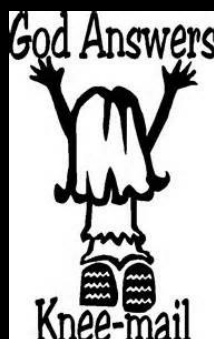




Sick, Shut-in and Prayer Requests

Please call these names out during your personal prayer time; and in your intercessions ask the Father to bless these individuals and ministries in His own way and in His own time.

Sis. Yolanda Allen	Sis. Letia Harris
Sis. Ada Anderson	Rev. Edna Holt
Sis. Alice Arnette	Bro. Edward Holt
Dea. David Ayers, Sr.	Kingdom Living Temple
Sis. Janet Ayers	Bro. Duke Johnson
Sis. Ethel Barksdale	Bro. Ruben Lewis III
Sis. Leanne Blalock	Deas. Dottie Martin
Bro. Atilol Bland	Sis. Emma Martin
Dea. James W. Bland	Bro. Walter Martin
Dea. Presley Bland	Sis. Mamie McKeathon
Bro. Shakespeare Bland	Bro. William McKnight
Rev. Peggy Brice	Bro. Milton Morris & Family
Min. Colette Brown	
Sis. Gladys Brown & Family	Sis. Janet Page
Bro. William Brown	Sis. Audrey Perkins
Sis. Mamie Bruce	Sis. Adeline Quarles
The Bullock Family	Sis. Sylvia Quarles
Bro. Andre Callahan	Bro. Alonzo Scott
Sis. Darlene Carter	Bro. Gilbert Scott
Sis. Cleolive Cavanaugh	Sis. Mary Scott
Bro. Alonza Coleman	Bro. Oscar Scott
Bro. Darnell Collier	Bro. Travis Shelton
Sis. Felicia Christmas	Sis. Virgie Shelton
Sis. Marcine Dillard	Sis. Maxine Spears
Bro. John/Sis. Susie	Rev. Otis Spellman
	Revs. Robert/Beulah Spellman
Sis. Clara Eubanks	Walton/Shipman Family
Dea. Ashland Fortune	Sis. Charmeka Stewart
Sis. Linda Gage	Sis. Doretta Trice
Dea. Eunice Graves	Sis. Lorraine Winston
Bro. Franklin Hardy	



Preaching Schedule

8:00 a.m.

July



5 - Rev. Dr. Sarah Morris
12 - Rev. Dale Bradshaw
19 - Min. Dory Martin
26 - Rev. Kimberly Fortune

11:00 a.m. Sunday Morning

Elder Ruben Lewis, Jr.

Away Preaching Engagements

July 5 11:00 a.m. - Min. Bradshaw @
Blue Run Baptist, Barboursville

11:00 a.m. - **Rev. Richardson @**
First Liberty Baptist, Dillwyn

July 11 12:00 p.m. - Rev. Richardson @
Living Water Christian Center -
Women's Conference

11:00 a.m. - **Rev. Fortune @** First
Baptist, Louisa - "Hat"itude 2015

July 12 3:00 p.m. - Elder Lewis @
Philippi Christian Church -
Missionary Program / **Ushers & Men's Chorus** to accompany

July 17 7:00 p.m. - Elder Lewis @
Chestnut Grove, Charlottesville -
Revival

July 18 10:00 a.m. - Min. Lewis @
Salem Baptist, Scottsville -
Women's Program

July 19 4:00 p.m. - Rev. Richardson @
Deliverance Temple, Waynesboro
- Pastor's Anniversary

July 30 7:00 p.m. - Rev. Richardson @
Calvary Baptist, Burkeville—
Revival

Ministry Engagements

July 6 8:00 p.m. Senior Choir & Usher Ministry @ Pleasant Grove -
Revival

July 14 4:00 p.m. Gospel Chorus @
Byrd Grove - Revival

JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 LINDSEY WASHINGTON
- 4 LUCILLE RANDOLPH
- 7 ZIKAYLA PALMER
- 10 GLADYS BROWN
DUKE JOHNSON
- 12 CLARIETHA BRISTOL
MILDRED QUARLES
TERRY ♥ TANYA RICHARDSON
- BRENDA SMITH
- DORETTA TRICE
- 13 RUSSELL QUARLES
- 14 EMMA MARTIN
- 15 VICTORIA GROOMS
RUSSELL BRADSHAW, III
- 16 JAMAR GLADDEN
KEYWAUN GLADDEN
JOHN ♥ MARY GROOMS
- ROGER PARRISH
- 17 WALTER MARTIN
- 18 JANET AYERS
- 22 CLARA AHEART
- 25 TREVAUGHN AYERS
- 26 ATILOL BLAND
SUSAN LEWIS
- 28 AUDREY PERKINS
- 29 DALE BRADSHAW



VBS 2015—Thanks!

The Vacation Bible School Staff wish to wholeheartedly “*THANK*” each and everyone who took of your precious time to support:



Discovering God’s Plan 4U = JESUS
JOHN 14:6-7

Every year you encourage us in our Kingdom efforts, by your presence and participation at Vacation Bible School.

Thank you and may God continue to bless us all in our efforts to serve Him & His people!



Trustees of the Month

Paul Bishop @ 540-967-7415
Robin Rucker @ 540-205-4257

Please contact for entry into the church after hours or for other church related concerns during **July**.





MUSINGS OF A SENIOR CITIZEN

I have had many opportunities for quiet reflection in the past few months. I have taken this time to evaluate my relationship with God and with my brothers and sisters in the church. The question that is uppermost in my mind is, "Am I walking worthily?" In Ephesians 4:1-3 Paul states, ¹*"I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beseech you to walk worthily of the calling wherewith ye were called, ²with all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; ³giving diligence to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."*

In the Christian tradition, we recognize the call to the gospel ministry, but relegate all other "calls" to a lesser position in the church. The Body is comprised of many members who have many different talents and abilities. Would it not follow that those gifts are to be used for the Body? And would it not be a calling to use those gifts for kingdom building? We are called when we respond to the Gospel.

This scripture exhorts us to walk in meekness and lowliness. We are to follow the example set by Jesus to be servants. Meekness and lowliness is best exemplified through the gentleness displayed by Jesus. A meek person is one who is considerate. They are able to put themselves in the other person's situation. The meek person is not a hothead. They demonstrate self-control as they seek to be a witness to the world. We must be slow to anger. We need to demonstrate exhibit understanding and self-control when we are wronged. A loving attitude should be on constant display.

I know that I have a calling. My calling is teaching. I have an inordinate level of patience with children. I am very tolerant of most of their antics. I love seeing their faces light up when they "get it". Their inquisitiveness is exciting. Their energy is invigorating. It's exciting. I love every moment of it.

When I say children, I am referring to little people under the age of ten. People above that age really present a challenge for me. I had an occasion recently to teach a group of teenagers. After thirty minutes, any meekness and lowliness I had was long gone. I was not able to put myself in their place as we discussed Ephesians 6 10-14. Seven of them were rude, obnoxious, and loud. One member of the group was more reserved and seemed to be interested in participating in the discussion. The next thirty minutes was spent with the two of us interacting. If this was a test, then I failed miserably. I was unable to walk worthily in my calling. I gave up on the seven. I let my annoyance keep me from trying to determine how I could have reached them.

I did not practice patience, endurance, steadfastness, or perseverance. I missed an opportunity to demonstrate God's love that night. I failed in my calling. I need to remember that even teenagers are my brothers and sisters.

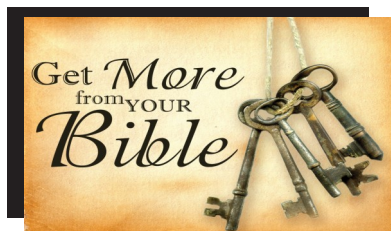
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UPCOMING NOTEWORTHY MINISTRY EVENTS

Bible Study Options

During the summer months the following Bible Study class will still be available:

Friday Mornings @ 9:00 a.m. — The Book of I John



(Medical) Emergency Response Unit

ECRU	July 5	July 12	July 19	July 26
11:00 a.m. Duty Roster	Tanya Richardson	Dottie Martin	Sharon Bradshaw	Diane McKight
	Terry Richardson	Diamond Quarles	Larry Bass	Sabrina Gaimo
	Thomas Waddy, Jr.	Brenda Smith	Mae Veney	Susan Lewis

Youth & Young Adult Ministry - Summer Events

Youth Revival— ReFuel the Fire this year will be July 8th - 10th at Foster Creek Baptist Church. The theme is: **"I Like Me!"** based upon Exodus 4:10-12.

Wednesday—Dinner, workshop & games from 6-9 p.m.

Thursday—Community service from 9am-12:30pm, lunch included

Friday—Family Fun will be at the Betty Queen Center from 6pm-9pm –Dinner included. Sign up in the vestibule

The participants of the Youth Revival are invited to attend **Six Flags America** in Upper Marlboro, Maryland on Tuesday, July 14th. Children under the age of 12 will need a parent to accompany them.

Screamin' Ice Cream

Gather

- ◆ 1 cup milk
- ◆ 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- ◆ 1 gallon –size plastic freezer bag
- ◆ 1 quart-size freezer bag
- ◆ 1/8 cup sugar
- ◆ Ice
- ◆ 2tbs rock salt

Go

1. Pour the milk, vanilla extract and sugar into the quart-size freezer bag. Seal it tightly.
2. Put the quart-size bag into the gallon freezer bag. Fill up the empty space in the gallon bag with ice.
3. Add the rock salt to the ice to help it melt. Make sure the bag is zipped tightly.
4. Shake and roll the bag around until the ice cream is as thick as desired. It should take around 7 minutes.
5. Makes approximately 3 servings. Repeat if you need more and enjoy your homemade vanilla ice cream with a friend!



Summer Celebrations

The fourth Sunday in June is set aside to **celebrate the children** (in the sense that we all are someone's child) of Galilee. Historically, we celebrated those who are graduates. The past few years we have taken to acknowledging not only grads, but all of our children no matter where they are on their academic road (from Pre-k to Ph.D.).

After our worship service, we enjoyed our **Church Cookout postponed** due to Saturday's rain showers. "Thanks" to all who provided and/or prepared the delicious dishes!



July 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.	4 
5 <i>Holy Communion</i>	6	7	8 Prayer Service 7:00pm	9 Youth Revival	10 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.	11 - 10:00am Senior Choir - 5:00 p.m. Church Business Meeting
12	13	14	15 Prayer Service	16	17 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.	18 - 10:30am Men's Chorus - 3:30pm Missionary Mtg
19	20	21	22 Prayer Service 7:00pm	23	24 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.	25 - 10:00am YPU
26 Youth Sunday	27	28	29 Prayer Service 7:00pm	30	31 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.	

Other Important Dates

Jul 5 6:30 a.m. Men of Promise

Jul 6 10:00 a.m. Ministers' Meeting

Jul 8 6:00 p.m. Youth Revival @ Foster Creek Baptist

Jul 9 6:00 p.m. Youth Revival - Community Service begins @ Foster Creek Baptist

Jul 11 5:00 p.m. **Church Business Meeting**

Jul 8 6:00 p.m. Youth Revival - Family Fun Night @ the Betty Queen Center

Jul 19 6:30 a.m. Men of Promise

Jul 28 6:30 p.m. Usher Board Meeting—
New Members Welcome

****2016 Budget Initiative Request Forms** are due to Financial Secretary, Shelia Waddy by **August 18th**.
The forms can be accessed on line via the church website home page or from the church office.

Please join us for Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS (Adult)

- July 5 **"No Rest for the Wicked"** *Lesson focus: God's truth might hurt, but it leads us to goodness .*
Micah 2:4-5 (*Parable of Woe*), 6-7 (*Prophecy Not!*), 8-11 (*Go Away!*)
- July 12 **"No Tolerance for Corrupt Leadership"** *Lesson focus: God's justice cleans out corruption.*
Micah 3:5-7 (*The Sun Will Set*), 8-10 (*Filled with Power*), 11-12 (*Money and Power*)
- July 21 **"The Spirit Creates One Body"** *Lesson focus: Every part of the Body of Christ is important.*
I Corinthians 12:14-20(*Unity in the Body*), 21-26 (*Harmony in the Body*), 27-31 (*Everyone Is in the Body*)
- July 19 **"The Gift of Languages"** *Lesson focus: God wants our sacrifices of justice, love and humility.*
Micah 6:3-5 (*An Impassioned Appeal*), 6-8 (*A Feeble Offer to Atonement for Past Sins*)

*If you know your Bible, Sunday School needs you.
If you don't know your Bible, then you need Sunday School.*

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