

God's Word

ut you are chosen generation, royal priesthood, a holy nation, ownpeople, that you praises Him who called OUT darkness into His marvelous liaht: who once were not a people but now are people of obtained merc but now obtained mercy.

1 Peter 2:9-10 (NKJV)



Answered Prayers

Have you ever prayed for a person, could see the Lord answering the prayer, yet the person seems to be doing everything against the will of God? I've been praying a specific prayer a long time for a person with whom I work. A few weeks ago the Lord showed me He was on it. All I could say was, "Look at God!" Sadly, you can steer a person towards God's blessing, but you can't make them accept it.

Do you know how hard it is to watch a friend self-destruct in spite of the Lord providing a way of escape? She accepts that I pray for her. We've prayed right there in her office...on more than one occasion. Oh, did I mention that she's not saved? Imagine how I feel each time I see the negative behaviors. This is when I remind myself, "she's not saved". Think of how I have to lay aside my self-righteousness when I see God's provision for life being tossed aside. (I remind myself, "she's not saved".)

Last week the Lord answered a recent prayer of my own. Contrary to many of my other requests, this blessing came fairly quick. My life will change quite a bit over the summer, but I look forward to this new thing. Although I am extremely grateful for this opportunity, I don't feel the excitement I think I should have regarding it. Not sure what's going on with that. I pray this lack of outward emotion is divinely inspired, because I told the Lord I did not want this change if it wasn't His will for my life. He did; so it must be.

Whenever we pray (for self or for others), we must be prepared for the unexpected. Maybe an unsaved friend or loved one will fight tooth and nail against being delivered. Maybe your own self will react strangely to being blessed. Either way, please know that neither reaction is a surprise to the Lord. The Word tells us that not all will accept Christ as their Lord. That same Word tells us that His chosen peculiar people are just that...peculiar (not ordinary, odd, strange). So, just keep praying!

Peculiar, In Jesus Name..



Sick, Shut-in and Prayer Requests and **Prayer**

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.

Bro. John Agee Bro. Nathaniel Agee Sis. Yolanda Allen Sis. Ada Anderson The Arnette/Cavanaugh Family

Dea. David Avers, Sr. The Banks/Callahan Family

Sis. Ethel Barksdale Elder Dorothy Bishop

Bro. Atilol Bland

Dea. James W. Bland Sis. Lolita Bland

Sis. Martha Bland Rev. Peggy Brice

Bro. Russell Bradshaw, III

Bro. Larry Brown

Bro. Sherman Brown

Bro. William Brown Sis. Mamie Bruce

Sis. Nancy Burney

Bro. André Callahan

Sis. Felicia Christmas

Bro. Shaun Daniel

Sis. Marcine Dillard

Bro. John/Sis. Susie Divers Bro. Charlie English

Dea. Ashland Fortune & LC Sheriff's Dept. Sis. Doretta Trice

Bro. James Fox

Bro. Jamar Galdden &

Family

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Bro. Franklin Hardy Sis. Letia Harris Sis. Marie Harris Rev. Edna Holt Sis Janas Howard Kingdom Living Temple Sis. Stacy Jackson Dea. Duke Johnson Pastor Lewis & Family Sis. Rhoda Lewis & Family

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Family Sis. lesha White Bro. Ronnie Whitbeck Sis. Lorraine Winston Walton/Shipman Family

Rev. Beulah Spellman

Sis. Charmeka Stewart

Dea. Chester Walker &



8:00 a.m. June



3 - Minister Dory Martin

10 - Elder Susan Lewis

17 - Pastor Lewis 10am Service

only

24 - Reverend Bernadine Bradshaw

11:00 a.m. Sunday Morning

Elder Ruben Lewis, Jr.

Away Preaching Engagements

Jun 3 11:00 a.m. - Rev. Graham @ No. Pamunkey Grove Baptist, Orange—Morning worship

Jun 4-6 7:00 p.m. - Pastor Lewis @ Free Union Gospel—Revival Men's Chorus to accompany

Trustee of the Month

Gilbert Scott @ 434-589-1309

Please contact for entry into the



church after hours or for other church related concerns during June 2018.

On the cover: Sunday, May 13, 2018. Bishop & Scott, 2 of the prep cooks for our annual Mothers' Day breakfast.

BTW, everything was delicious!! "Thank you, men of Galilee!"



June Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Ivanov Sanders-Hardy Destini Davis Ava Bass
- 3 Mark Grooms
- 4 James Payne Jayadi Blakely
- 6 William Brown
- 7 Jerome ♥ Linda Tyler
- 8 Ryan Richardson
- 9 Pastor Ruben Lewis, Jr.
- 11 Jeremiah Ayers-Short Rochelle Crawford
- 12 Sa'Neyah Jones
- 15 Lamiah Jones
- 16 Roger ♥ Kimberly Gaines
 Brian ♥ Crystal Curry
- 18 Robert Grooms Felicia Christmas
- 18 Natalie Bass
- 20 Telisha Quarles George Parrish
- 24 Javanov Barksdale-White Hobert Value Janas Howard
- 25 Camille Bradshaw
 Gilbert ♥ Barbara Scott
 George ♥ Harriett Parrish
 Jerry ♥ Sarah Slaughter
- 26 Wanda Jackson Briana Burruss
- 28 Raymond Flora Pace



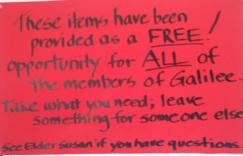
The Community
Corner HAS
DISAPPEARED! If



you (re)moved it please, please return it. THANKS!!!

Prayerfully, by publication time it will have

been returned.









"Go borrow vessels at large for yourself from all your neighbors. . . . Go in and shut the door behind you and your sons, and pour out into all these vessels, and you shall set aside what is full." 2 Kings 4:3–4 (NASB)

Have you ever felt hopeless? Swept away by the demands and pressures of life? The woman in this scripture was at the end of her rope. Her husband had died, and left her with a heap of debt and no income. Creditors were threatening to take her sons as payment for her bills, and in a moment of utter helplessness, she cries out to the prophet Elisha. He tells her to go bang on her neighbors' doors, borrowing any kind of container they may have. She probably felt embarrassed going door-to-door looking for containers, but desperate people are willing to do desperate things . . . and she was desperate!

We all have a tendency to focus on what we do not have and hence what we cannot do. But the God who gave us life knows what we do not have. He is interested in what we do with what we have. We have more than we know. Take inventory of all you have.

If I ask you to take a few minutes and list out all the things you don't have enough of, I am sure we all can come up with a decent list of things. The list might contain things like time, money, love, health, or energy. If I become more specific and ask you to list out things that you don't have enough of, which keeps you from doing enough ministry, the list might get shorter, and might contain items like talent, skills, knowledge, courage, time, freedom, or faith.

The fact is, all of us worry about what we do not have. When we are asked to do something, the first thing that comes to our mind is what is it that we do not have that might prevent us from doing that task.

The widow was first worried about how little she had. How she did not have enough for herself, let alone share it with the prophet. But when the widow willingly offers up that little to the Lord, we see the little, small offering of the widow being rewarded multiple times. When the focus changed from what she did not have to what could she do with what she had, it resulted in a great revelation and a great miracle.

All of us have the tendency to focus on what we don't have enough of. We hold back ourselves because we think we don't have enough of time, or money or skills or talent or popularity or energy. This can apply to us doing things for the Lord too. He is not asking us to move mountains (though He says we CAN do it if have faith). Any small act that we can do with what we have will be rewarded according to Him.

God is asking us to stop worrying about what we do not have enough of, and focus on what we can do with what we have already.

M.C.B.S., Columbia, Virginia





This year our **V**acation **B**ible **S**chool will be held the week of **June 25-29**.

Our 2018 VBS invites our kids to grab their megaphones, lace up their cleats, and tune up their instruments. As they fill up the offensive line, sideline, and drumline, your players, cheerleaders, and band members will realize God has given them His ultimate playbook. He wants them to: join His team, train hard, celebrate salvation, and encourage one another. Get in the spirit today with *Game On! VBS*.

If you have never participated in VBS, this is your opportunity to step out knowing that your game can always use some stepping up. So, smash through all those excuses and give it a try.

For your volunteering options, please contact Rev. Dale Bradshaw and/or Rev. Kimberly Fortune

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING ENTIRE FAMILIES AT VBS 2018!

MORRIS FAMILY ESTATE SALE

1341 Overlook Drive - Charlottesville, VA 22903

June 15, 2018 – 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. June 16, 2018 – 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Anything you could possibly want can be found at this sale!!!

Jewelry, beds, dining room sets, couches, king & double bedroom sets, tvs, stereos, various cookware, lawn mowers, dolls, toys, tools, guns, paintings, books, candles, baskets, cedar wardrobe & chest.

Each sale date will have new items to view!

If you think you need it, it is here!

Cash sales only! Contact Susan Lewis, 434-960-0801, for more information.



But Whom Do You Say That I AM? ETACOVDAEWH RURETSAMFOG AVRSUSEJLNO WRETMWAYICL VINYDAAKDDO RATSGNINROM DAYSTARCPTSALDNATSRIFORERUNNER EVGFNOPHHOTUJGROLESNUOCHCNARBO NMPEIAGONOFUORHADUJFONOILIFEI EEMVMIMOSRSFKHORNOFSALVAT RSAAHOFFETKEENDOGYTHGIMLAMENHI ASSQNGDDOILANINOSNETTOGEBYLNOD TJOUNNNNDECAEPFOECNIRPHYPLPE AAEDYOEGACORSTNENIVDIVADFONOSM NHRZWHSLQARSDPOCJTLAMBOFGODBVF RHORATOUC PHPOCSNDEGE ELRLDRSGRHD NDOFAEOERTE TRPOINLVUHE EEHDDRAESBM RVEREOTRESE EOTOLCILRHR SNLIKOAVE SGRVVNSAPS GADAERBTNHI WPSDRVSITER AGSGEVONORH LOWORDHGSDC NOITADNUOFY Advocate Door Lawgiver Redeemer Almighty Emmanuel Life Resurrection Alpha and Omega Everlasting Light Rock Amen Faithful and True Lion of Judah Savior Apostle First and Last Lord Servant Beloved Son Forerunner Lord of Lords Shepherd Bishop Foundation Master Son of David Son of God Governor Master Branch Head Son of Man Bread Mediator Captain High Priest Messiah Vine Carpenter Holy and Just One Mighty God Way Chosen Horn of Salvation Morning Star Wonderful. Christ LAM Nazarene Word Consolation Jesus Only Begotten Son Passover Cornerstone Judge Priest Counselor King

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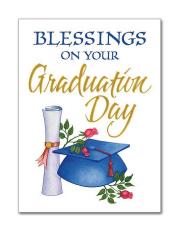
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Bible Study 9:00am	2 -10:00am Gospel Chorus
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			Prayer Service	7:00pm	-	-10:00am Senior
			7:00pm		Bible Study 9:00am	Choir
10	11	12	13	1	15	16
			Prayer Service 7:00pm	Flag Day	Bible Study 9:00am	-10:30am Men's Chorus
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DAYAD			Prayer Service 7:00pm	Summer	9:00am	
24	25	26	27	29	29	30 -10:00am
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Other Important Dates

June 24 4:00 pm Gospel Chorus Anniversary

June 25-29 Vacation Bible School Dinner @ 6:00 p.m. Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

July 14 5:00 pm Church Business Meeting







SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS (Adult)

Unit 1: God is Just and Merciful

June 3 "Justice and Sabbath Laws" Lesson focus: Mercy is more important than human rules.

Matthew 12:1-2 (The Pharisees' Rebuke), 3-8 (The Lord of the Sabbath), 9-14 (Healing on the Sabbath)

June 10 "Parables of God's Just Kingdom" Lesson focus: God's kingdom grows despite obstacles.

Matthew 13:24-26 (The Tares and the Wheat), 27-30 (Wait Until the Harvest), 31-33 (A Small Seed)

June 17 "Jesus Teaches About Justice" Lesson focus: Don't let human traditions substitute for honoring God.

Matthew 15:1-3 (Elevating Human Traditions), 4-6 (Nullifying God's Commandments), 7-9 (Giving Lip Service)

June 24 "Reaping God's Justice" Lesson focus: God's justice comes to everyone.

Luke 16:19-22 (Two Different Men), 23-26 (Two Different Destinies), 27-31 (Two Different Testimonies)

If you know your Bible, Sunday School needs you.

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

Lessons from ECHOES: Comprehensive Bible Study - Justice in the New Testament: Studies in Matthew, Luke, Paul's Letters; Volume 30, Number 4; 2018. Cook Communications Ministries (David C. Cook)





