

FED OR FAMISHED

A family had a youngster who became seriously ill because she didn't eat enough to meet her needs. Doctors were unable to find a physical cause. Her mother could not be blamed, for she provided tasty and wholesome meals. The problem was with the child and it was psychological. She was half-starved even though an abundance of good food was available to her every day.

We may be like this undernourished child, by not appropriating the "milk" of God's Word. To drink its milk means that we assimilate the truths of the Scriptures until they become living realities for us. A person can hear the Bible read in devotions, taught in Bible classes, and preached from the pulpit but still be emaciated and weak. He needs to digest God's Word by responding to it in faith and loving obedience.

Jeremiah describes the discovery of God's Word in these terms, "*Thy words are sound and I ate them*" (Jeremiah 15:16).

Let us digest our reading today so we will not starve. It will produce growth that will nourish and transform our lives.

"Like newborn babes, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation; for you have tasted the kindness of the Lord" (I Pet. 2:2-3)
—Power for Today

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SUN: 9:00am - Worship
10:15am - Bible Study
6:00pm - Worship
WED: 7:00pm - Bible Study

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MONITOR

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CARL'S THOUGHTS:

This past week has been an eventful week for our congregation. Our attendance has been so encouraging.

This past Thursday night we were blessed as Carlton, Regina and Sky Smith put on their Lord in baptism. We are so happy for them as all their sins have been washed away in baptism. Her mother, Malinda Taylor was so happy. Her sister, Angelique is also a member here at Main Street. How wonderful it is to see families united in Christ.

This past Saturday morning our Ralph Arnold and Clara Moore were united in marriage at the Lavergne church of Christ. I was privileged to be a part of this event. Many of you know Clara from years past. I pray that they will have many years together. Temporarily, they will alternate worshipping at Main Street and Lavergne.

As Paul said to those at Ephesians in **Ephesians 6:24**: "*Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen.*"

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE CROSS OF JESUS CHRIST!

Wednesday November 18, 2009

FOR THE RECORD

Morning Worship: (Nov. 15)	295
Bible Study	189
Evening Worship.....	163
Midweek Bible Study: Nov. 11).....	157
Contribution: (Nov. 18).....	\$6,023

HOSPITAL

Charlie McEwen, Vanderbilt, Rm. 5026

AT HOME

Bea Farrar, Clara West, Dessie Taylor,
Diane Brickey, Emmett Goodman,
Charles Berry, Beverly Vanover, Kenneth Poff,
Sandra McCall.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

There will **not** be a Wednesday night meal November 25th because of the Thanksgiving Holiday, but will resume on December 2nd.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THRU:

Carl Sims

PANTRY ITEMS

Rice, Canned Vegetables, Cranberry Sauce

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Buford Woodlee, uncle of Sandy Brown. His funeral was Wednesday @ High's Funeral Home in McMinnville.

MEN TO SERVE

THOSE TO SERVE, SUN. NOV. 22:

9:00AM

Song Leader: Mahlon Crosslin
First Prayer: Carl Russell
Scripture: Tim Brown
Closing Prayer: Scott Vaughn

6:00PM

Song Leader: Mahlon Crosslin
First Prayer: Leroy Munsey
Scripture: Tim Brown
Closing Prayer: Steve Willmore

SERMON TITLES:

A.M.: "Thank God" (Col. 3:12-17)

P.M.: "The Next Life" (Luke 16:19-31)

PICK-UP ATTENDANCE CARDS, SUN. NOV. 22:

Aaron Vaughn & Andrew Green

NURSERY ATTENDANTS, SUN. NOV. 22

Ella Livingston & Terri Rigney

THOSE TO SERVE, WED. NOV. 25:

Devotional: Carl Sims
Announcements: Steve Willmore
Opening Prayer: Bob Gillen
Closing Prayer: David Sullivan
Song Leader: Jonathan Hall

ATTENTION: CARE TEAM MEMBERS

We are in the process of compiling our Care Teams for next year. If you are on a Care Team or want to be on one please turn your name into the office or call Wayne or Barbara Rigney by December 1st. Everyone is welcome to participate but we need to know if you desire to be placed on a team or not.

CHILDREN'S CLOTHES NEEDED

If you have children's clothing, Sizes Birth—16, there is a need in the clothing room for them.

LADIES DAY

There will be a Ladies Day at the Hillsboro congregation, Saturday, November 21st, 9:00-12 noon. Lunch will be served from 12:00-1:00pm. The speaker will be Shelley Hazel.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ralph Arnold & Clara Moore on their recent marriage. They will be alternating worship between here and Lavergne for the time being.

BAPTISMS

Our hearts were made to rejoice over the recent baptisms of Carlton, Regina and Sky Smith. They live at 1807 Sainville Rd.

A3/17, M6/25, F7/26, Sky 5/12. Regina is the daughter of Malinda Taylor and Sky is her grandson.

We welcome them into the family of God at Main Street.

REDEDICATION

Our hearts are rejoicing over the re-dedication of his life to Christ by Dave Clayborne. He is the son of Mae Wanda Robinson.



Our special thanks to you at Main Street church of Christ.

"Kind hearts are the gardens, kind thoughts are the roots, kind words are the flowers, kind deeds are the fruits."

We want to say thank you to all of you at Main Street during our time of sorrow. The words of kindness and the food were greatly appreciated.

Barbara McMahan,
Jewell Morris, and
The Hickerson family

FRIDAY NIGHT SINGING

Nov. 20th, Pleasant Knoll, 7:00pm
Refreshments served at the break.

LIBRARY MEMORIAL

Everyday Strength, a Cancer Patient's Guide To Spiritual Survival.

by Randy Becton

In memory of Jean Eley
From: Buster & Martha Dicus

BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE

Lessons Graded (11/11-11/17).....	1,325
Requests For Personal Contact.....	4
Students served	530

JUST FOR TODAY

JUST FOR TODAY I will try to live through this day only, and not tackle my whole life problems at once. I can do something for twelve hours that would appall me if I felt that I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

JUST FOR TODAY I will be happy. This assumes to be true what Abraham Lincoln said, that "Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be."

JUST FOR TODAY I will adjust myself to what is and not try to adjust everything to my own desires. I will take my "luck" as it comes and fit myself to it.

JUST FOR TODAY I will try to strengthen my mind. I will study. I will learn something useful. I will not be a mental loafer. I will read something that requires effort, thought, and concentration.

JUST FOR TODAY I will exercise my soul in three ways: I will do somebody a good turn, and not be found out; if anybody knows of it, it will not count. I will do at least two things I don't want to do—just for exercise. I will not show anyone that my feelings are hurt; they may be hurt, but today I will not show it.

JUST FOR TODAY I will be agreeable. I will look as well as I can, dress becomingly, talk low, act courteously, criticize not one bit, not find fault with anything, and not try to improve or regulate anybody but me.

JUST FOR TODAY I will have a program. I may not follow it exactly, but I will have it. I will save myself from two pests; hurry and indecision.

JUST FOR TODAY I will have a quiet half hour all by myself, and relax. During this half hour, sometime, I will try to get a better perspective of my life.

JUST FOR TODAY I will be unafraid. Especially I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful, and to believe that as I give to the world, so the world will give to me