

MOWING THE FLOWERS

I am convinced that somewhere in the world there is a young person whose sole joy in life rests in tending to his parent's lawn.

In my day dream, he takes great pleasure in trimming, cutting, and making sure that the yard looks presentable. He continually frets over the driveway being swept, the sticks being picked up, and the grass being flawlessly cut.

I'm certain that this young person exists but I'm also well aware that he doesn't live at my house.

Too many times, I've had to remind my children not to mow the flowers. You would think this would be common knowledge but somehow it hasn't sunk in around our house.

Recently, while reminding my kids once again to be extra cautious around the roses, it dawned on me that sometimes Christians are also guilty of mowing the flowers.

The church is beautiful and delicate. Yet there are times, whether by careless words or thoughtless deeds, that we recklessly cut it down.

We do this when we gossip about other Christians, make negative comments about our leadership, or cause division and strife. It also occurs when we neglect our spiritual growth by allowing our hectic schedules to come between us and Jesus.

Christians should live cautiously not allowing ourselves to be overtaken with the troubles of this life that we fall into worldly habits. We must strive to conduct ourselves in a manner that is fitting of a Christian (Ephesians 4:29-32), and never become careless or lazy.

In this world there are roses living among weeds, may we always be mindful of both.

—Paul Harrington

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SUN: 9:00am - Worship

10:15am - Bible Study

6:00pm - Worship

WED: 7:00pm - Bible Study

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CARL'S THOUGHTS:

June is always a busy month for us as we have Vacation Bible School on June 26th. Our school children are always looking forward to this time each summer. We hope that everyone will work out their schedules to fit in this date.

We are also looking forward to June 20th as we honor our Fathers on this day. We hope to fill our auditorium on this day. Please invite your children to be with you, June 20th.

This past Sunday we honored our three high school graduates with a graduation celebration. A good number of our congregation stayed for this occasion. Heidi Barnes, Maranda Stacey, and Quaid Smith reached an important milestone in their lives. I believe they will be a shining light for the Lord and His church. We hope that all three will remember what Jesus reveals to us in Matthew 5:16: *"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."* Our young men and women can be a tremendous influence in a world of darkness.

Keep your eye on the cross of Jesus Christ!

Wednesday June 9, 2010

FOR THE RECORD

Morning Worship: (June 6)	274
Bible Study	170
Evening Worship.....	154
Midweek Bible Study (June 2).....	148
Contribution: (June 6)	\$9,639

HOSPITAL

Linda Robison, St. Thomas

Bill Bouldin, Centennial

Barbara Wright, Vanderbilt, Rm. 5020
(mother of Carrie McInturff)

David Browning will have surgery at Baptist on
Thursday. (husband of Karen Browning)

AT HOME

Dessie Taylor, Fairy Johnson,

Kenneth Poff, Sally Owens, Zora Jetton,
Terri Long, Beverly Woods.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THRU:

Garland Brown

PANTRY ITEMS

Dry Beans, Paper Towels, Crackers.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family
of E. Harold Elrod, brother-in-law of Ewin L. &
Betty Rigney. His graveside service was Tues-
day at Rose Hill.

BAPTISMS

Our hearts were made to rejoice over the
baptisms of Tim & Tricia Weber and his mother
Karen Weber, on Monday. They live at 524 Oak
Dr., Apt. A. Tim & Tricia have a son Rashaun.
A3/23, M6/2, F1/10. Karen 1/23 & Rashaun
3/17. We welcome them into God's family at
Main St.

CARE TEAM MEETING

Coy & Jewell Noblitt's Care team #1 will
meet for breakfast, Saturday, June 12th @
8:30am @ Shoney's.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 13-16: Leoni M-W 7:00pm

Classes: Nursery —Adults

June 14-18: Woodbury, 9-11am

Theme: "The Life of Paul"

Classes for all ages.

MEN TO SERVE

THOSE TO SERVE, SUN. JUNE 13:

9:00AM

Song Leader: Wayne Rigney

First Prayer: Carl Russell

Scripture: Roger Taylor

Closing Prayer: Bill Hollins

6:00PM

Song Leader: Wayne Rigney

First Prayer: Wayne Shelton

Scripture: Roger Taylor

Closing Prayer: Winfred Duke

A.M.: "Before Abraham Was" (John 8:48-59)

P.M.: "Seven Woes" (Matthew 23:13-22)

PICK-UP ATTENDANCE CARDS, SUN. JUNE 13:

Clayton Rowe & Nathan Brown

NURSERY ATTENDANTS, SUN. JUNE 13:

Beverly Woods & Linda Moore

THOSE TO SERVE, WED. JUNE 20:

Devotional: Carl Sims

Announcements: Carl Russell

Opening Prayer: John McInturff

Closing Prayer: Jim Thompson

Song Leader: Pierce Green

BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE

Lessons Graded (6/2-6/8)	1,110
Requests For Personal Contact	0
Students served.....	444

STUDENT COMMENTS

Thank you so much for this Bible
Study. It has enriched my reading and given
me a better understanding of many scriptures.
Again I say thank you. (Greenville, NC)



To our Christian family at Main St.,

Words can not express to you how
much we appreciate all that you have done
for us during the loss of our loved one. The
visits, cards, food, lighted church and
prayers will always be remembered.

In Christian love,
Katherine Nelson,
Patricia, Frances &
Matthew Uwechia

KYB MEMORIAL

In memory of Ervin Walker

From: Dorothy Bramblett

GOSPEL MEETING

June 13-17, Raus, M-W 7:00pm.

Speaker: Bill Cantrell

DIANA SINGING

June 11-12, 7:30pm.

WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. James Kevin Thompson
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter

Kayla Marie

to

Joshua Benjamin Hollins
son of

Dr. and Mrs. Bill Benjamin Hollins
Saturday, the Nineteenth of June

Two thousand and ten
at two o'clock in the afternoon

Willow Avenue church of Christ
Cookeville, Tennessee

Dessert reception immediately following

Directions available in our church office.

THE SAVIOR'S SHEPHERD

You cannot waver or fall asleep,
For preying wolves appear as sheep;
The newborn lambs require your care,
As easy prey, they need beware
Of prowlers bent on havoc and harm.
Shepherd, shout and sound the alarm!

Your task: protect, defend and feed
All the flock of God, to lead
To verdant fields each ram and ewe.
The erring sheep you must pursue,
Restore the wanderer to the fold.
Shepherd, bring them in from the cold!

Fill your service with purest joy,
Discernment and all wisdom deploy;
Let not this labor weigh on your mind,
Be eager to do the work assigned,
For heaven is for them your goal.
Shepherd, usher to God the soul!

WHO'S DUMB?

Birds build their nests and rear their
young, and so far as is known no bird ever tried
to build more nests than its neighbor; not fox
ever fretted because he had only one den; no
squirrel ever died of anxiety because he had not
laid up enough nuts for two or three winters
ahead; and no dog ever lost sleep because he
did not have sufficient bones buried in the
ground for his declining years. We call them
dumb? —Bulletin Digest

UPCOMING EVENT

June 26: Vacation Bible School
9:00am-2:00pm

Theme: "Faith Is the Victory"

Ages: Infants—6th grade.

Adult Class.

Lunch will be provided.