

## WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE?

When someone has just become a Christian and started out in the Christian life, what advice would you give that person about Bible classes? Would you say, "Now the church has Bible classes every Sunday and Wednesday, but they aren't really important. That the church assembles on Sunday nights but you do not have to go if you do not want to." Or would you say to a son or daughter, "I know that you would like to go today, but I want to read the paper, or I want to sleep late this morning, and I don't think those Bible classes are too important anyway" What advice would you Give?

When we willfully neglect the services (as some are doing) we are telling our children and those around us that the church is not important to us. Our children may even feel the church not important enough to become members of it. Then what could we say for ourselves? Could we say, "Lord, I did my best to teach them the true value of the church—I did this by going and taking them to every service?" —copied

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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:

Certainly we all are aware of the thought times that people are presently experiencing. I suppose we all are aware of the difficult situation that presently exist in Haiti, It is just hard to imagine what they are confronted with certainly we should be constantly in prayer for them. This Sunday morning in a separate contribution you will have an opportunity to help them in a financial way. We must remember what Paul said in Galatians 6:10: "*As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.*" We must do good to all men including those in Haiti.

However, we must never forget the plight of those that are in our midst who are hurting. Remember what Jesus said in Acts 20: 35: "*I have showed you all things, how that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, it is more blessed to give than to receive.*"

**Keep your eye on the cross of Jesus Christ!**

Wednesday January 27, 2010

**FOR THE RECORD**

Morning Worship: (Jan. 24) .....	233
Bible Study.....	164
Evening Worship.....	142
Midweek Bible Study:AM (Jan 20) .....	15
Midweek Bible Study PM (Jan. 20) .....	135
Contribution: (Jan. 24) .....	\$5,251

**HOSPITAL**

**Doris Shanks, Vanderbilt**  
(sister of Bob Gillen)

**AT HOME**

**Bea Farrar, Clara West, Dessie Taylor,**  
**Charles & Margaret Berry, Fairy Johnson,**  
**Beverly Vanover, Kenneth Poff, Leroy Munsey,**  
**Sammy Byars, Rickey Woods.**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL**

The menu for next Wednesday, is Feb.3rd  
Hamburger Stew, Crackers, Drink & Dessert. Re-  
member to make your reservations by signing the list  
in foyer by Sunday, Jan. 31st This is for any mem-  
ber and the cost is: **\$3.00 per person.** There is a  
special rate for families.

*Our goal for all of those who eat with us is to stay  
and attend Bible class @ 7:00pm.*

**SYMPATHY**

Our sympathy is extended to the family  
of Morris Trail whose funeral was Friday at the  
Manchester Funeral Home. He was the brother  
of Juanita Brown, uncle of Shelia Munsey and  
cousin of O.D. Crosslin & Betty Rigney.

Our sympathy is extended to the family  
of Dorothy "Dot" Emery

She was the aunt of Suzy Owensby.

**READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THRU:**

**Glenda Gillen, Wayne Johnson,**  
**Gene & Glenda Parker**

**PANTRY ITEMS**

**MEN TO SERVE**

**THOSE TO SERVE, SUN. JAN. 31:**

**9:00AM**

**Song Leader:** Tim Brown  
**First Prayer:** Bob Gillen  
**Scripture:** Michael Penney  
**Closing Prayer:** David Sullivan

**6:00PM**

**Song Leader:** Jonathan Hall  
**First Prayer:** Wayne Rigney  
**Scripture:** Michael Penney  
**Closing Prayer:** Charles Willmore

**SERMON TITLES:**

**A.M.: "Conversion of the Eunuch"**  
(Acts 8:35-40)

**P.M.: "Fellowship in Christ" (I John 1:1-10)**

**PICK-UP ATTENDANCE CARDS, SUN. JAN 31:**

Davis Green & Aaron Vaughn

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS, SUN. JAN. 31:**

Beverly Woods & Dawn Willmore

**THOSE TO SERVE, WED. FEB. 3:**

**Devotional:** Carl Sims  
**Announcements:** Tim Brown  
**Opening Prayer:** Bob Gillen  
**Closing Prayer:** Scott Vaughn  
**Song Leader:** Jonathan Hall

*If you are unable to serve at the scheduled time,  
please contact Brother Rigney @ 728-7716.*

**"YOUNG AT HEART" BANQUET**

The youth are planning a "Young at  
Heart" banquet for Sunday, February 7th in  
the fellowship hall at 11:15am. This is for  
**COUPLES** 60 years young and over. If we  
do not have your wedding picture from previ-  
ous years in the computer, please bring one  
by the office by Sunday, Jan. 31st.

The youth are planning a breakfast for  
the Widows & Widowers later but the date  
has not yet been confirmed.

**LADS TO LEADERS**

We will be making up Valentine Baskets

for the Nursing Homes which we will deliver  
on February 14th after the AM service. We  
need your help with providing articles to go  
into these baskets. You may leave these items  
in the office. They are: **Travel pack of tissue,**  
**Hard or Chocolate Candy, Gum, Chap**  
**Stick, Hand Lotion, "Find a Word" Books,**  
**Fruit, Peanut Butter or Cheese Crackers.**

**CONTRIBUTION FOR HAITI RELIEF**

The Elders have designated Sunday,  
January 31st as the day that a special con-  
tribution will be taken for all those who  
would like to help with the Haiti Relief ef-  
fort. **This will be in addition to the regu-  
lar contribution.** They will be sending  
this contribution to *Healing Hands Inter-  
national* which is affiliated with the  
churches of Christ. They ask that you  
make your check out to Main St. and then  
one check will be sent by the church for the  
entire contribution.

**FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

01-Jimmy & Zora Jetton  
22-Joe & Jeannette Verner

**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

01-Winfred Duke	17-Patricia Uwechia
01-Jonathan West	18-Gene Parker
04-Jewell Noblitt	20-Jesse Taylor
04-James Smith	21-Mallory Rogers
10-Virginia Nunley	23-Seth Little
11-Mary Smith	23-Frances Uwechia
11-Penny Barnes	24-Adam Willmore
11-Melissa Dickerson	25-Wanda Qualls
14-Kevin Rowe	26-Jayson Little
16-Carol Russell	29-Dawn Willmore
17-Heidi Barnes	

**2010 BUDGET**

Copies of the 2010 Budget for Main  
St. are available to be picked up in the back  
of the auditorium .

**BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE**

Lessons Graded (1/20-1/26).....
Requests For Personal Contact.....
Students served.....

**STUDENT COMMENTS**

I don't ever want to stop learning. This  
is fantastic. I'm getting back to m studying  
again as I use to do. Thank you so very much.  
(Newport News, VA)

**SECURITY**

Not so long ago people were talking  
about the great prosperity of the United States  
and its golden future. Today, the same people  
are not so sure that our nation can even stand.  
Things that seemed so permanently secure  
then are swiftly crumbling now. We are faced  
with threats to our economy and freedom.  
This not only affects us, but our children and  
their children.

The material civilization which has  
been the source of endless pride is busily en-  
gaged in a process of self-destruction. Fear  
and insecurity have gripped nearly everyone.  
Is there no such thing as security? Is anything  
sure and steadfast in this world?

There is a "rock of ages" which can  
protect us from the storms of life. This rock,  
secure and steadfast, to which we may cling  
and be safe, is God's definite promise to bless  
man under certain conditions. "Thou wilt keep  
him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on  
Thee" (Isa. 26:3).

Security belongs exclusively to those  
who dare to do God's bidding. There are two  
steps in securing our minds on God They are  
to engage in diligent study so that we may  
learn what God wants us to do, and to do  
God's will regardless of everything else.

—Adapted