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PROVE YOURSELF

A MAN

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David was about to die, so he charged his son Solomon to be strong, to prove himself to be a man and to keep the commandments of the Lord (I Kings 2:1-3). Solomon should have considered himself to be blessed to have a father like David, “a man after God’s own heart.” It would require the passing of time, typically so, before he could fully acknowledge his greatness and fondly reminisce. He received some insightful counsel on how to be a man (Prov. 4:3-9). Too many young men, and women, today are without fathers due to death, divorce or desertion. Some have fathers, yet are not being provided spiritual leadership.

If you were the son of Solomon, who by inspiration, would probably have given you the following advice:

1). Take heed to your counselors. The beginning of wisdom is to acknowledge the knowledge and wisdom of God (Prov. 1:7; 9:10). It will prolong one’s days and give meaning to one’s existence (Ecc. 8:12; 12:13). The Word should be our primary counselor in life. Secondly, we are to listen to the counsel of our parents (Prov. 6:20-21). Their experience and love for us can be great assets to our living right. We are to beware of evil companions (I Cor. 15:33).

2). He would have advised that his offspring take heed to their goals. Seek godly wisdom to make meaningful decisions. It will be “a tree of life” and a source of wonderful blessings (Prov. 3:13-24). He taught that wisdom was the principle thing (Prov. 4:3-13). Acknowledge God’s role in your life for He will direct your paths (Prov. 3:5-6).

3). Take heed to your relationships. He advised to avoid the harlot for she would entice and destroy (Prov. 5:1-14). She would ruin reputation and friendships (6:23-35). He further taught them to love their mate (Prov. 5:15-19). God will know those who look elsewhere for love (5:20-23). God loves marriage and will judge those who defile it (Heb. 13:4).

4). Take heed to your character. Avoid debt and slothful living. Debt enslaves, especially when co-signing for another (Prov. 6:1-5; 17:18). Laziness brings one to poverty (Prov. 6: 6-11; 10:4; 13:4). Christians are to be industrious and avoid indebtedness (Rom. 12:11; 13:8).

THOSE TO SERVE THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2015

Announcements: Lonnie Weaver
Sound Room: Matt Jennings
Usher: Jim Gann

Lead Singing: Sun. A.M.: Richard Jennings
Sun. P.M.: Greg Harrison
Wed.: Ray Kennedy/Youth

Sunday Prayers:

Feb. 01:
A.M. Perry Jones
Bobby Marques
P.M. Harold Crowe
Shane Crotts
Feb. 08:
A.M. Paul Ormon
Bill Lyon
P.M. Jason Jennings
Jerry Grimmett
Feb. 15:
A.M. Brad Pounders
Steve Todd
P.M. Terry Stubblefield
Thomas Wall
Feb. 22:
A.M. Randy Wall
Troy Robertson
P.M. Phil Young
Phillip Young

Lord's Supper:

North Head: Harold Russell
North Helper I: Mark Jennings
North Helper II: Gary Turner

South Head: Greg Clayton
South Helper I: Hunter Jennings
South Helper II: Alvin Parks

Scripture Reading:

Feb. 01 — Michael Crotts
Feb. 08 — Dean Dillard
Feb. 15 — Caleb Jennings
Feb. 22 — Anderson Parks

Wednesday Prayers:

Feb. 04 — J. L. Eaton; Ray Kennedy
Feb. 11 — Richard Jennings; Richard Adams
Feb. 18 — Tyler Weaver; Olen Clark
Feb. 25 — Ruston Adams; David Clayton

Greeters:

Feb. 01 — Richard & Kathy Jennings
Feb. 08 — Greg & Kim Clayton
Feb. 15 — Troy & Novene Robertson
Feb. 22 — April & Brad Pounders

Usher & Lock:

Jan. 04 — Brad Pounders
Jan. 11 — Harold Russell
Jan. 18 — Randy Wall
Jan. 25 — Lonnie Weaver

Host Youth Devo: Lonnie & Nicki Weaver

Prepare Communion: Nicki Weaver



(On the Light Side) WHO DOES WHAT

A man and his wife were having an argument about who should brew the coffee each morning.

The wife said, "You should do it because you get up first, and then we don't have to wait as long to get our coffee."

The husband said, "You are in charge of cooking around here and you should do it, because that is your job, and I can just wait for my coffee."



Wife replies, "No, you should do it, and besides, it is in the Bible that the man should do the coffee."

Husband replies, "I can't believe that, show me."

So she fetched the Bible, and opened the New Testament and showed him at the top of several pages that it indeed says... "HEBREWS"

DO NOT STAY AWAY

Because you are poor. There is no admission charge.

Because it rains. You go to work in the rain!

Because it is hot. It is hot at your house too.

Because no one invited you. People go to the movies without being begged.

Because we have a crowd? What about ball games?

Because you do not like the preacher. Remember, he's human like you.

Because your job makes you tired. You could lose your job.

Because there are hypocrites. You associate with them everyday.

Because you have company. They will admire your loyalty to Christ if you invite them along or they will wait until you get back.

Because you have plenty of time left. Are you sure?

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PRAYER LIST



Harvey Lovelady, father of *Nicki Weaver* is scheduled to have back surgery Thursday in Memphis.

Betty Young is in room 203 of the local hospital following partial hip replacement surgery. She is undergoing rehab and is improving.

Roger Clayton had a partial knee replacement surgery last week in Memphis. He is at home recovering.

Natalie Griffin, newborn great-granddaughter of *Janice Griffin* remains at Le Bonheur in Memphis. She is recovering from a recent heart surgery and was to have a feeding tube put in Mon., January 26th. Please continue to pray for this little one.

Sympathy:

We extend our sympathy to *Grace Lyon* and family in the death of her brother-in-law **Stanley Rowland**, who passed away Sunday at the Tupelo Hospital. We have no arrangements at this time.

Continue to remember:

Terry Young (nephew of Terry Young), Tatarin Wilson, Lacy Wilson, William Wilson, Sunny Gay, David Crossings, Andy Ulmer, B. A. Stubblefield, Whit Robertson, Grace Lyon, Harold Reeves, Sheila Thomas, Yolanda Stubblefield, Barbara Davis, Nancy Petrowski, Justin Forsyth, Preeble Foster, Donna Hanes, Hugh Collins, Jack Dunlap, Terry & Betty Young

Shut-Ins:

Jean Drummond, Teresa Clark, Linda Griggs, Billy Joe Garner, Tauso Branch, Claudia Senter

Nursing Home/Assisted Living:

Betty Lang, Charlene Coker, Grace Anderson, Mattie Golden, Laura Mae Harris, Louise Holcomb

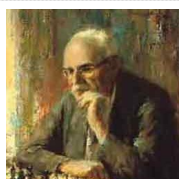
Military List:

Barry Wilhite, Tiffany Erwin, Aaron Raines, Raegan Cole, Derek Bradley, Jesse Stroud



I've Learned...

Lean on each other's strengths.
Forgive each other's weaknesses.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



February 02.....Miriam Styers
February 05.....Paige Young
February 09.....Marie Beard

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

February 12.....Mike & Sheila King
February 14.....Andy & Sharon Clemmer



IT'S A BOY

Congratulations to *Bobby and Dixie White* on the birth of a new great-grandson, **Anderson Ross Bingham**. *Anderson* was born Sat. Jan. 24th to *Adam and Rachel Bingham* of North Carolina. He weighed 8lbs 14oz and was 21 inches. His grandparents are *Don and Cynthia White* of Columbus, MS.



IT'S A GIRL

Congratulations to *John and Brandi Ashmore* of Huntsville, AL on the birth of their daughter **Ava Emelia Ashmore**. *Ava* was born Sun. morning, Jan. 25th at 8:30, weighing 8lbs 14oz and was 21 inches. She is being welcomed by big sister *Madelyn*, grandparents *Larry and Linda Ashmore*, and great-grandparents *Alice Ashmore and Harold Russell*. Mom and baby are doing fine.



EVENTS:

- Area Wide Youth Meeting Feb. 8th at the Gloster St. congregation.
- Senior Bible Bowl Feb. 15 @ Hwy 15 Pontotoc congregation.
- FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY Feb. 22nd!

**Christ Living in Me...
To Be Seen in 2015!**



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday School.....9:30
 Morning Worship.....10:30
 Evening Worship.....6:00
 Wednesday Bible Study....7:00

MINISTER

Mike King 507-0625
 Home..... 534-6872
 Office 534-4649

ELDERS

Richard Jennings316-1305
 Troy Robertson316-3163

DEACONS

Greg Clayton252-9762
 Roger Clayton 538-8195
 Brad Pounders.....316-7931
 Harold Russell..... 507-1180
 Randy Wall 316-9255
 Lonnie Weaver.....801-8448

TO SERVE

Scripture.....Michael Crotts
 A.M. Prayer.....Perry Jones
 Closing Prayer...Bobby Marques
 P.M. PrayerHarold Crowe
 ClosingShane Crotts
 Wed.2/4.....J. L. Eaton
 Wed.2/4.....Ray Kennedy
 Usher & LockGreg Clayton
 Greeter.....R & K Jennings

OUR RECORD

Sunday School.....112
 Sunday A.M.....126
 Sunday P. M.....92
 Wednesday.....116
 Contribution.....\$3,174.56
 Budget.....\$3,984.46



PANTRY ITEMS

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Corn

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Church Attendance - Is it Necessary?

The story is told about a preacher conducting a funeral service for church members who failed to attend the assemblies of the church. He reasoned that since these were not alive and active, they must be dead and therefore should have the benefit of a funeral. He placed the names of several "dead" members in a small artificial casket. The "funeral" was held on Sunday evening. Some of the names were:

Miss Lotta Services	I Wanna Stayhome
Illa Comeback Someday	I B. Bored
Dan Ratherbe Elsewhere	I M. Luke Warm
Phil Mypew Formee	Ima Inna Badmood

Obviously this "funeral" never really happened, but if such did take place how many of us would be represented in that "casket"?

While many church members today apparently think it is of little importance to attend the church services, we need to be reminded that God has always been concerned with the assembling of His people together for worship. Long before the Lord's church came into existence, the duty of assembling was an important practice during the Mosaic period. The Lord even ordained two silver trumpets to call the people together (Num. 10:2-3). The attitude of faithful Jews was expressed by the Psalmist when he said, "I was glad when they said unto me let us go to the house of the Lord" (Psalms 122:1 NASB)