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Lester Perrin Drummond

1936 - 2017



Perrin left this earthly existence on January 21, 2017 following an extended period of dealing with health issues. At the time of his death, he was in the Methodist Hospital in Germantown, TN. He was born in 1936 in New Albany, MS to Henry and Clyette Potts Drummond.

For forty-five years, Perrin worked as a District Sales Manager for MFC Services prior to his retirement. He took pride in his job and was competent in sales, leadership and training. He spoke often with pride of those many years working with people and helping provide services and material for his clientele.

He had been a member of the New Albany Church of Christ for many years and had served as a deacon and teacher for the congregation in years past. He was able to attend until his health started breaking.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Montgomery Drummond and the care he has shown her during numerous years of sickness; a daughter, Lisa Irwin of Collierville and two grandsons, Michael Irwin and Mason Irwin. He was preceded in death by two sons: Tony and Ronnie Drummond; four brothers and four sisters. He was the last to die of nine children.

Perrin was a local boy, having been raised working on a farm. He loved to visit his childhood experiences. He enjoyed living in the past and discussing “back when.” Those were years of hard work and doing his share. That, no doubt, prepared him to be disciplined and hard working for his years at MFC Services.

He will be greatly missed by Jean, Lisa, Michael and Mason. Too, he will be missed by the many extended family members and friends he enjoyed while here.

A Different Point of View

A local couple sent a playpen to friends in another part of the state who had been blessed with the arrival of their 4th child in six years. Two weeks later the mother responded with this note: "Thanks, many thanks for the pen. It comes in so handy—I sit in it every afternoon and read and think. When I'm in it the children can't get near me." We all need our space sometimes, but what do you do when there is space between the Lord and someone you care about very deeply? Mark 2:1-5 tells about the unorthodox efforts of four unnamed heroes who used faith and works to get a hurting friend to Jesus. Hearing that Jesus was in a house on Capernaum, four men sought to bring a paralytic to Jesus on a bed. Finding the house full of people and their way to Jesus blocked, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith He said to the paralytic, "*Son, your sins are forgiven you.*" This incident reminds us that faith brings a different point of view in getting lost people to Jesus. Four men who believed Jesus could make a profound difference in the life of their paralyzed friend refused to give up when they found the way to Jesus crowded and impossible to pass. What to do? Wouldn't it have been interesting to listen in as these four discussed their problem and how it might be solved?! Faithless, negative thinking would have said nothing could be done and there were simply too many obstacles. But one of them lifted his eyes and expressed a different point of view: "We can get on top of the house, tear the roof off and lower him down to Jesus." Faith helped them have a different point of view! As a result the paralyzed man went home with a newly healed body and a freshly cleansed soul.

Many preachers, elders, and Christians could use a different point of view. The devil has convinced some in the church that our job as Christians is to come, sit and listen. But the evangelistic mentality of the Holy Spirit is summed up in the words of Acts 5:20 - "Go...stand...speak." Some insist nobody they know is interested in God, but Jesus calls us to a different point of view. He says "*the harvest truly is already white for harvest*" (Matt. 9:37, John 4:35). Could it be many people are being kept from getting to Jesus because negative, faithless thinking is keeping us from getting to them? Faith can help us uncover the roof and see past what we alone can do with God's help. Has faith changed your point of view?

~ Dan Gulley ~

Have You Ever?

Have you ever told anyone about a radio station you like listening to, or a restaurant that has good food, or a store that has good bargains? Have you ever talked to someone about a ball team you like, or about fishing at the Lake or a recipe that all your family enjoys?

Have you ever told anyone about a painter that does good work, or a person who does yard work reliably?

Have you ever told anyone to watch out for wet paint, or for slippery steps, or held a door open for someone? You've likely done most of these things, on many occasions. Not to show off, but because you wanted to help someone out; to give them the benefit of your experience; to help them do better; or to keep them from being hurt or making a mistake. That's good. We should care for our neighbor. But, how often have you told someone about the church you're a part of?

Have you ever told anyone of the great hope you have for eternity? Have you ever told anyone of the peace we can have with God through our Lord Jesus Christ?

Have you ever told anyone of the Bible that has the answers to what we're looking for; that has words of comfort, encouragement, strength, wisdom and hope to get us through this world? Which things do you think are most important? Well, which things will make a difference 100 years from now? Is any ball team more important than the church? Is any TV show or movie or book more important than the Bible? Does any restaurant have a meal better than the Lord's Supper? Remember: "*out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks*" (Matt 12:34). What we tell others, is what we tell God is really important to us. Let's send Him the right message. Tell others of Jesus' church and to come see, as He has told us: "*But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.*" - James 1:22 "*And be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.*" - 1 Peter 3:15



- Ed Kelleher, West Columbia church of Christ, South Carolina

PRAYER LIST



Linda Griggs has not been feeling well and may be facing gall bladder surgery soon.

*Sick with Flu like symptoms Sunday, were **Marie Beard, Madison Gann, Jerry Grimmett, J.L. Eaton, Carl Smith & Dixie White.** There may be others of which we are not aware.

Dewayne & Mattie Jones', friends of *Dalton* and *Marie Beard*, house burned this past Friday. They lost everything, including one of their cars. Please keep them in your prayers.

Continue to Remember:

Wade Chism, Todd Coleman, Liz Collins, David Crossings, Roy Crow, Preeble Foster, Ray Franks, Jerry & Lucille Gibson, Jacqueline Golden, Pam Hall, Donna Haynes, Dianna Hodges, Laura Hollowell, Shane Hutton, Judy Kirk, Taylor Kirk, Dean Long, Neil Robertson, Cliff Sanders, J.D. Stroud, B.A. Stubblefield, Kayla Thomas, Sheila Thomas, Judy Ward, Chris Windham, Terry & Betty Young, Tommy Young.

Shut-Ins:

Teresa Clark, Linda Griggs, Billy Joe Garner

Nursing Home/Assisted Living:

Grace Anderson, Genice Collett, Wanda DeLoach, Jean Drummond, Mattie Golden, Laura Mae Harris, Cornelia Kennedy, Betty Lang, Mary Frances Reid, Claudia Senter, Ione Wall

Military List:

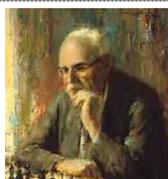
Derek Bradley, Tevin Bradley & Chase Seals

YOUTH NEWS

Sun. Feb. 19th, *Fletcher Cantrell* from Freed-Hardeman University will be here to try out for the Summer Youth Intern position. He will teach the teenage class and bring our morning lesson. The youth will have lunch with him following worship. Sunday night there will be a youth Devo following services. *Greg & Kim Clayton* will be hosting. The boys are asked to bring desserts and the girls drinks.

I've Learned...

We are always hard on our faults when we see them in others. Perhaps the reason is that we know how inexcusable they are.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



February 19..... Barbara Crotts
February 22..... Jennie Bell
February 25..... Carlisle Smithey
February 27..... Justin Dewberry
February 28..... Brian Carpenter

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

February 21..... Price & Claudia Senter



BAPTISM

We rejoice with *Masey Kate Adams* on her decision to become a child of God. Masey was baptized Sat. afternoon, Feb. 11th, by her dad, *Richard Adams*. May we all encourage her as she begins her new life in Christ.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

The New Albany Church of Christ sent memorial donations to Pine Vale Children's Home in memory of *Perrin Drummond* and *Miriam Styers*. Letters have been sent to the families to let them know of the donations.

JR. BIBLE BOWL

The Jr. Bible Bowl will meet for competition at the Gloster St. congregation Sunday, Feb. 19th, at 2:00pm.



CARE GROUPS

- Care Group 1 will meet Saturday, Feb. 18th, at 9:30 at the building to join our youth door knocking. They will be inviting people from the community to our Friend's and Family Day. They plan on meeting for lunch at McAllister's immediately following the door knocking. Everyone is invited to join them!
- Care Group 4 will meet at the home of *Roger & Kathy Clayton* Sunday, Feb. 19th following morning services.

OUR DREAM:

To become better friends with God in 2017!

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Email: nacoc15s@gmail.com

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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

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Home..... 534-6872
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Troy Robertson316-3163

DEACONS

Greg Clayton252-9762
Roger Clayton 538-8195
Randy Wall 316-9255
Lonnie Weaver801-8448

TO SERVE

Scripture.....Caleb Jennings
A.M. Prayer.....Jason Jennings
Closing Prayer..Bobby Marques
P.M. Prayer.....Mark Jennings
ClosingBill Lyon
Wed.2/22.....Harold Russell
Wed.2/22.....Tyler Weaver
Usher & Lock...Lonnie Weaver

OUR RECORD

Sunday School.....91
Sunday A.M.....119
Sunday P. M.....80
Wednesday.....102
Contribution.....3,759.75
Budget.....\$4,385.16



PANTRY ITEMS

Crackers

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You're invited to our

Friends and Family Day

Please be our guest for this great day
of worship and fellowship!

Where: New Albany Church of Christ

511 Hwy 15 South, New Albany, MS

Time: Sunday School ~ 9:30am

Morning Worship ~ 10:30am

Potluck meal after morning services

Evening Worship ~ 6:00pm

Date: Sunday, February 26th, 2017

Come as our guest and leave as our friend!

