

THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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February 19, 2013

Join Us Sunday, February 24th, 2013 for:

Friends and Family Day



250

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Sunday School: 9:30am
Morning Worship: 10:25am
Noon Meal
Afternoon Worship: 1:15pm



Be Like the Talking Acorn

by: Neil Richey



One of my favorite illustrations is about the little acorn that could talk.

One fellow picked the acorn up and it began to talk in the man's ear. The little acorn said, "I will grow and by and by I will become big and strong, and the birds will nest in me. By and by I will furnish shade in the summer for the weary traveler. By and by I will provide fuel to heat man's home in the frozen winter. By and by I will be shelter to those who seek a roof in time of storm."

After hearing the acorn go on and on he said, "Oh! daydreaming little acorn, wilt thou do all this?" The acorn replied, "Yes, God and I."

Friend, we can live confident and happy lives if we approach life like that! "Stress," "anxiety," and "depression" are words that are all too common now days. While some folks suffer from such because of medical problems, others do so far too often because of poor choices.

Perhaps someone is stressed out because he has taken on too much and the thought of getting everything accomplished that he wants to, is just burdensome.

Or, maybe someone is anxious because he has spent himself into debt and is now wondering which credit card isn't maxed out so he can use it to buy groceries this month.

Then, there's the individual who is depressed. No, not because of a chemical imbalance, but because of a life that is out of balance due to sinful choices.

So, what's the solution? Can I overcome these problems? How? Be like the little acorn who said, "Yes, God and I."

The Bible says, "*Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding*" (Pro. 3:5). Make the decision right now to put God first in every aspect of your life. You might just be surprised by what you're able to accomplish.

The Christian's Pledge

I will do more than belong; I will participate.
I will do more than care; I will help.
I will do more than believe; I will practice
I will do more than be fair; I will be kind
I will do more than forgive; I will work.
I will do more than earn; I will enrich.
I will do more than teach; I will inspire
I will do more than give; I will serve.
I will do more than live; I will grow.
I will do more than be friendly; I will be a friend.

"Do ye also to them likewise." Luke 6:31

YOUTH NEWS YOUTH NEWS

- Thanks to *Lonnie & Nicki Weaver* for hosting the Youth Devo Sunday night. We appreciate all they do for our youth.
- Our Senior Bible Bowl group came in third at the Skyline Sunday. Thanks to *Dan Cobb* for working with our young people. Their next and final competition this year will be held at the Mayfield Church of Christ, March 23rd.
- Congratulations to *Anderson Parks* for being chosen Master Sergeant in ROTC at New Albany High School. This is the first time for a freshman to receive this honor at New Albany.
- All Lads to Leaders practices will be Sun. afternoon following our Friends and Family Day.



I am the bronze snake that Moses put up. What is my name?

_____ 2 Kings 18:4



PRAYER LIST

Carl Smith is in room 5521 of the Tupelo hospital following colon surgery. He expects to be released in a few days.

Tauso Branch has been in the local hospital fighting an infection.

Pat Reed is suffering with gout in her finger which is causing her hand and arm to swell. She is in a lot of pain.

Bobbie Roden, member of the West Main congregation and friend of *Alyce Jennings* has been diagnosed with cancer.

* We extend our deepest sympathy to *Grace Lyon* in the death of her brother-in-law **Lloyd Warren**, who passed away Sun. Feb. 17th. Funeral services will be held Wed. Feb. 20th, at 2:00pm at the First Baptist Church in Houlika.

Continual Prayer :

Barry Yancey, John & Carol Anson, Robert & Jennie Frohn, Randy Dunnam, Will Neely, Pat Reed, Darrell Crow, Ben Paist, Jack Dunlap, Anna Claire Ellis, Melissa Reed, Diane Sloan, Randall Haney, Rosie Wilson, Tauso Branch, Prebble Foster, Tony Cross, Norman Brown, Al Pless, Shane Crotts, Terry & Betty Young

Shut-Ins:

Jean Drummond, Billy Joe Garner, Teresa Clark

Nursing Home/Assisted Living:

Belle Cross, Mattie Golden, Amy Vest, Laura Mae Harris, Louise Holcomb

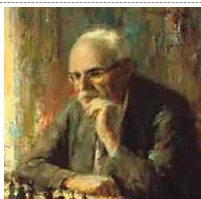
Military List:

David & Barry Wilhite, Jimmie Stutts, Tiffany Erwin, Aaron Raines, Michelle Hamm, Raegan Cole, Derek Bradley, Jesse Stroud & Christopher Phagan

God is like:

A FORD:

He's got a better idea.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



February 22. Jennie Bell
February 22. Nancy Frohn
February 25. Carlisle Smithy
February 27. Justin Dewberry
February 28. Brian Carpenter



MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTION

The New Albany Church of Christ received a Memorial contribution from *Joel and Mayola Holley* in memory of *Mary Nell Smith* and *Altha Rogers*. Letters have been sent to the respective families to let them know of this donation. A letter was also sent to *Joel and Mayola* to thank them for their donation.



BRIDAL SHOWER

A Bridal Shower/Tea for *Heather Robertson*, bride elect of *Tyler Boyd*, is scheduled for Sun. March 3rd, from 2:00-3:30pm at the fellowship building. *Heather* is registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond, Belk's, Calico Mushroom, Southern Traditions, and Wal-Mart. The couple is planning an early June wedding.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

- Remember our Friends and Family Day this Sun. Feb. 24th. If we all work together we can reach our goal of 250. Please remember to prepare extra food for our guests.
- Ladies Bible class will meet Thurs. night, Feb. 21st at the home of *Sharon Clemmer* at 7:00pm.
- M & M's ladies group will meet Thurs. Feb. 28th in the annex building at 9:00am. All ladies are invited.
- Bridal Shower for *Heather Robertson* March 3rd.
- Gospel Meeting March 17-20 with *David Lipe* as our guest speaker. Be sure to mark this on your calendar.
- Lads to Leaders Convention, March 29-31.

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FEB. 24TH ~ OUR GOAL: 250!**

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 Jennings534-6671
Troy Robertson534-3491

DEACONS

Greg Clayton..... 252-9762
Roger Clayton..... 538-8195
Harold Russell 534-4648
Randy Wall 316-9255
Lonnie Weaver..... 801-8448

TO SERVE

Scripture.....Tyler Waver
A.M. Prayer.....Paul Ormon
Closing Prayer..Bobby Marques
P.M. Prayer.....Troy Robertson
Closing.....Steve Todd
Wed 2/27.....Burrell Walton
Wed.2/27.....Alvin Parks
Usher & Lock....Lonnie Weaver
Greeter.....R & K Jennings

OUR RECORD

Sunday School.....106
Sunday A.M.139
Sunday P.M105
Wednesday.....106
Contribution.....\$ 3,703.98
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PANTRY ITEM

Pasta Meals

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Too Important Not to Share

Because of the intense competition in the automobile industry, carmakers try to keep their design breakthroughs secret. A company that can offer a new and desirable feature on its cars gains a coveted selling edge in a tough market.



That’s why it was surprising when a Mercedes-Benz ad showed one of their cars being crashed into a brick wall during a safety test. The way it withstood the impact revealed why its energy-absorbing construction has saved lives. Even though Mercedes-Benz holds the patent on the safety design, competitors are free to use it because the company does not enforce its claim. When asked why, the automaker’s spokesman replied, “Because some things in life are too important not to share.”

We possess information as Christians which can have a much greater impact on humankind than any new auto safety technique. We know the good news of Jesus Christ for the redemption of sinners! This message, which has been entrusted to us, is too important to keep secret from those who are lost and perishing without Him.

Isn’t it about time we got busy?

“And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem” ~ Luke 24:47

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