



Weekly Newsletter

February 20, 2011

Order of Worship

Welcome

Eddie Sanders

Song Leader

Jon Ewing

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#961

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Opening Prayer

Jerry Young

#752

The Lord's Supper

Jeremy Thurlkill

#260

Contribution

Jeremy Thurlkill

#438

Lesson

Bill McFarland

#50

Announcements

Eddie Sanders

#234

Closing Prayer

Aaron Tovar

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. (Matt. 5:14)

HOW TO STRENGTHEN YOUR BONES

Occasionally I see ads for various nutritional supplements or medications that are supposed to promote bone strength. Each comes with a reminder of how vital a healthy skeletal structure is for active and enjoyable living. Anyone who has dealt with a fracture, or endured the pain of some kind of "itis," or watched a loved one suffer with any osteological disorder easily understands.

It is interesting that the wisdom of the Bible offers its own thought-provoking prescription for healthy bones. In reading the statements, I realize that they are figures for the healing of what we "feel in our bones." Where does one get the strength to bear up under the burdens that weigh on him to the depth of his being?

One source of this kind of medicine for the bones is *reverence for God* as a way of life. Wisdom offers this counsel in Proverbs 3:7, 8: "Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your body and refreshment to your bones" (quotes in this article are from NASB). Humble, trusting, respect for God provides solid structure for living.

Good news is another thing that restores the bones. "Bright eyes gladden the heart; good news puts fat on the bones" (Prov. 15:30). We hear more than enough reports that discourage our hearts and sap our strength. What rejoices and refreshes is the news of what the Lord has done, and of the faith that works through love among his people.

Another part of the same prescription is *gracious words*. The wise man observes, "Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones" (Prov. 16:24). These are words that are fitly spoken, true in their content and kind in their motive. Either speaking or hearing such a word is a refreshing blessing.

The last, but not the least, quality that the Proverbs identify as essential for a good, strong framework for living is *a joyful heart*. Worse than a broken bone is a continually broken spirit. Proverbs 17:22 puts it this way: "A joyful heart is good medicine, but a broken spirit dries up the bones."

Keep your bones strong. It is an essential aspect of enjoyable and productive living, but even more so when we are thinking about the hidden man of the heart.

– Bill McFarland

Today's Messages:

AM: Jesus on Judging

PM: The Strange Case of the Strange Fire

Prayer List & News

Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for your visit.

For The Record

February 13

Bible Study:	275
Morning:	382
Evening:	249
Wednesday (2/16):	206
Contribution:	\$ 9,033



Elder of the Month
Eddie Sanders

Gertrude Hughes, former member who has been in assisted living in Bolivar for the last few years, has been moved to Citizens's Memorial Health Care Facility, Room 120-A, 1218 W. Locust Street, P.O. Box 590, Bolivar, MO 65613. I'm sure she would appreciate your cards.

Doris Burch has been moved to Woodland Manor, next door to Joy & Alice. Her address is: Woodland Manor, 1347 E. Valley Water Mill Road, 65803

Continue to remember Paul Bratcher, Herman Harris and Shirley Bartlett

Friends and Family:

♦ Melissa Mahon, John & Teresa's daughter, is now home recovering from surgery; she hopes to receive pathology report tomorrow

♦ Brenda Noe's brother & sister-in-law, Jon & Stephanie Houser, as Stephanie nears the end of her life

♦ Sarah Cowden will have more back surgery at Children's Hospital in St. Louis on Friday

♦ Mark Best, 4th grader at Strafford with Josh Luna and Kaven Mahon, has Aplastic Anemia. He is still awaiting a donor for a bone marrow transplant

♦ Mary Jo Rookstool's brother, John D. Key, in Ft. Worth is improving

♦ Patsy Class, friend of Fred Lorenz, will have surgery for cancer Tuesday

Sympathy



We extend our sympathy to Lori McCall and her family in the loss of her father, Randy Scarlet, who passed away last week.



Thank you so much for all the cards, prayers, phone calls and visits during my recent illness. They meant a lot to me. In Christian love, Eula Compton

To our brothers and sisters at Water Mill, Words cannot adequately express our thankfulness for your prayers and many acts of kindness these past few weeks. Our daughter Melissa has come through her surgery better than expected. Many of you volunteered to provide assistance for the boys and I while I continued to recover from knee replacement surgery and Teresa was in Chicago. It was appreciated more than you can know. We are blessed to be a part of a congregation of the Lord's church who practice what they preach, love for one another. From the our hearts we thank you. John, Teresa, and family (Address: Melissa Mahon, 1120 N Oakley Blvd Apt 2, Chicago, IL 60622)

Dear Water Mill Family, I appreciated all the cards, calls and prayers when we lost Gerald. Thanks to all who came to the visitation and the funeral. A special thanks to Bill and Dennis. The obituary and services were very special to all the family. Extra thanks to Kerry for his beautiful singing. The songs he sang were special to the family. Blanton was a very good friend of Gerald. He came to see him every so often. Gerald didn't talk much but to the family; he loved everyone. Thanks again. In Christian love, June Jean & Family

Thanks for praying for Shirley (Bartlett). She is feeling better and will begin therapy soon. Shirley says when the church prays, the Lord hears—I know this to be true. I am thankful to be part of the church family. God bless each of you. Arilla Buck

Long-Term

Paul Bratcher
Doris Burch
Bonnie Cole
Lucille/Milton Ford
Donna Harcrow
Clay Joseph
Marilyn Lanpher
Jarita Nimmo
Betty Shaw
Doris Tobler
Pat Woods
Military:
Cody Newman
Elaine Noe

Expectant Moms

Angela Morton (???) (May)
Summer Azeez (boy) (June)
Megan Crum Hollingsworth (Aug)

Birthdays next week

27 Luis Tovar
March
1 Devin Carroll
2 Daniel Jordan
Elizabeth Penner
4 Levi Nichols
5 Bill White
Happy Birthday



Don't forget to bring your used toner cartridges to the office. We can turn them in to Staples for rewards.

Today

- ☞ Wedding shower at 3 p.m. for **Ryan and Jeanne Friend**. They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target.
- ☞ **Water Mill Kids and Families (K-6th grade)** Pizza and Bowling after **AM service**. We will meet at **Pizza Inn on N Kansas Expressway at 11:30am** then meet at **Litehouse Lanes at 12:30**,
- ☞ **Youth Night at East Grand**

Upcoming Events:

- ⇒ **LTC Puppet & Drama will meet 2/27 & 3/27**
- ⇒ **Ladies Thursday Bible Class March 10**
- ⇒ **Married Couples Retreat March 11-12**
- ⇒ **Ladies Spring Tea April 16**



If you would like to help in the kitchen/dining area when we have potlucks and are not already on a team (list posted on bulletin board in west hallway), please see Jill Morrison.

Daily Rules From God for 2011

Wake Up! Decide to have a good day. (Psalms 118:24)
Dress Up! The best way to dress up is to put on a smile. A smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks. (1 Samuel 16:7)
Shut Up! Say nice things and learn to listen. God gave us two ears and one mouth, so He must have meant for us to do twice as much listening as talking (Prov. 13:3)
Stand Up! ... for what you believe in. Stand for something or you will fall for anything. (Galatians 6:9-10)
Look Up! ... to the Lord (Philippians 4:13)
Reach Up! ... for something higher. (Proverbs 3:5-6)
Lift Up! ... *Your Prayers*. (Philippians 4:6)



If you were unable to have your picture taken by Olan Mills for our directory, please see Oran Green in the fellowship room immediately after services for an updated picture.



“THE EARTH IS THE LORD’S”

By Dennis R. Smith

Read with care and think about what is said by the psalmist: *“the earth is the Lord’s, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein” (Psalm 24:1)*. Why could this divinely inspired writer make such a statement? It was because he knew who created it. But not only does this relate to our planet proper, but also everything that is upon the face of the earth belongs to the Lord. This is why we can read with faith, *“For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills” (Psa. 50:10)* and accept it without doubt. While we could bring in more scriptures on this thought, I believe these will suffice in letting us know that God owns everything and He has merely appointed us as His servants (Gen. 1:26). How we take care of the earth is certainly of concern to Him, but notice the passage also reads, *“and they that dwell therein.”* This means us! As we worry about the ecology of the earth, we also have the responsibility of caring for ourselves and our SOULS which God gave us in the beginning (Gen. 2:7). The earth is physical - our SOULS are spiritual - this earth and everything in it will someday be *“burned up”* (2nd Peter 3:10) - then which of these two will be the most important?

Happy Hollow Chili Supper



SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH

from 6 to 8 p.m.

Water Mill Church of Christ

The board of Happy Hollow invites you to the 2011 Chili supper. This is a fundraiser that is needed to help with repairs and upkeep of the camp facilities. Happy Hollow is now over 50 years old and we are planning some exciting improvements but we need your help.

Please come and support HHBC through this event. It is pay at the door, \$6.00 per adult and \$3.00 for children 5 to 12 yrs. (4 years and under are free) There will be a donation bowl for anyone who would like to make additional donations. We will be selling gift certificates for this year’s sessions which are good for one child per certificate. **We will be serving Chili, Hot Dogs, Chips,**

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM

Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM

Sunday Evening Worship...5:00 PM

Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

WORKS WE SUPPORT

Mark & Era Thiesen, Malawi, Africa

Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands

Voice of Truth International

Charles Renfro, Latin American Missions

World Christian Broadcasting

Churches of Christ Disaster Relief

Lincoln Church of Christ

Fair Haven Children's Home

"In Search Of
The Lord's Way"
7:00 A.M. Sundays
KOLR TV 10

"Know Your Bible"
10:30 A.M. Sundays
Springfield 33
KSPR-TV



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Office Hours:

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday - Friday

Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

AM Nursery: Robin Meeks/Jan Bowling
Greeters: Van & Barbara Barnes
Van Driver: Steve Prewitt/872-6849
KYB Phone: Jackie & Leah Freeze
Serve Jim Meinsen/Daniel Meinsen
Communion: Travis Morrison/Scott Nichols
John Penner/Justin Reaves
Bob Stockstill/Adam Stipp
James Simons/John Stayton

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer: Adam Barton
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: Isaac Tovar
Communion: Adam/Scott Barton
Nursery: Lee A. Donoho/K. Duncan

NEXT WEEK, February 27

	MORNING	EVENING
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole	Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer:	Brian York	Randy Blackburn
Communion:	Luis Tovar	Adam/Scott Barton
Closing Prayer:	Don Tracy	Tim Bowling
AM Nursery:	Linda Currier/Leona Snider	
PM Nursery:	Glenda/Jeremy Thurlkill	
Greeters:	Chatty Timmons/Linda Barnett	
Van Driver:	Shannon Haddock/732-4203	

MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Ushers: Brendan Carroll/
Ron Stokes
AV Room: Terry Loveland/
Matt Keener
Secure Building: Paul Lines/
Tim Buckner

Wednesday, February 23

Devotional: Eddie Currier
Song Leader: Tom Easterly
Opening Prayer: Verl Duncan
Closing Prayer: George Downing
Van Driver: Todd Kraus