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Order of Worship

Weekly Newsletter

Greeting/ Announcements John Hulett

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Hide Me Away Oh Lord

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Helping the Community

The Lord's people care about the community around them. There are both practical spiritual reasons. We care about the quality of our own lives. People matter to us. We also want to cause of the Lord to prosper.

When his people had been taken into exile in Babylon, Jeremiah sent a letter to them. He said God's will was that they live their lives and care about the community around them. "Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you," he wrote, "and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare" (Jer. 29:7).

The way of Jesus, too, is for his people to be people who care about community life. It's illustrated in his great prayer that final night of his ministry (John 17). He spoke of his disciples having been given him "*out of* the world" (v.6), yet being "*in* the world" (v.11), but being "*not of* the world" (v.16), and as being sent "*into* the world" v.18).

The relationship our Lord was envisioning involves his people's separation from, involvement in, and being a blessing to the community in which we live. We are called out of it, but left in it, to be different from it, and to have a positive impact upon it.

The church of Christ seeks the welfare of the community. Our citizenship is in heaven (Phil. 3:20), and in terms of values and hopes, we are no less exiles than those to whom Jeremiah wrote. Our calling is not only to reverence our Father, and to keep our conduct honorable, but also to bless the people around us (1 Pet. 1:17; 2:11-12; 3:9).

Live for the Lord in the midst of it. Be a presence of his selfemptying kindness within it. Hold forth the word of life to it. Pray for it. Care about the community.

-Bill McFarland

In Need of Our Prayers

- ♦ Julie Thornton will be having surgery on July 12th, please keep her in your prayers.
- Steven Cobb (Aubrey & Anita's son) will have a biopsy on the 27th. He is doing much better.
- Tom Meeks symptoms, from his condition, have worsened. He will see his Neurologist on the 19th.
- Sheryl Low will be having a procedure on Tuesday to break up scar tissue in her knee.
- Robert Raines (Denzil & Ruth's son) please keep him in your prayers as he continues to heal.
- David Nimmo is having surgery Wednesday, July 14th.

Continued prayers for health concerns:

Fred Lorenz, Pat Blackburn, Sandra Pingenot, Don Tracy, Tom Davis, Wanda Lou Hurd (Nancy Snider's cousin), Debbie Crawford, John Alspaugh (Ruth Lund's brother), Julie Alexander, Bettie Bean (Alison Thurlkill's mom), Alice Daniels, Ima Coleman (Sara Keener's friend), David High (Lucile High's son), Izumi Loomis' mother, Linda (Sue Aherin's sisterin-law), Betty Grabber, Jacquelyn Raines (Kim Maples grandmother), Truman & Helen Coltrane. Beverly Hammond (Coyeatte Ewing's mom), Sandie Shelby (Lucile High's niece), Dennis & Carolyn Smith, Sherrie Stern (Shirlane Horton's sister), Hasseltine Pendergrass (Helen Harbor's mom)

We want to thank you for all the prayers and concern during my recent surgery. We appreciate and love all of you so very much. Don and Linda Tracy





The Ladies Wednesday Night Bible Class will begin again July 14th.

Shut-Ins

Pat Blackburn **Barbara Barnes Ron Bower Mary Bratcher Dennis & Carolyn Smith Don Essex Clarence & Ola Jean Feeney** Wanda Frost **Doris** lorg **Doris Tobler** Jim & Ruth Reaves

Nursing Homes

Ann Freeze Wavne Harmon Nancy Snider Virginia Morgan Sandra Pingenot

Youth Group News

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

We are starting to put together dates for this summer. Be sure to mark the events we have so far.

- July 11-17 Camp Water Mill •
- July 18-24 Happy Hollow-Travis & Jason Session
- July 25th Bible Study - Maples House
- July 27th Cookout - Morrison House
- July 31st Float Trip

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- August 1st Bible Study Hatfield House
- August 3-6 Camp Wilderness
 - August 8th Bible Study Griffin House
- August 13th Lock-In - Water Mill

Note: Applications for Happy Hollow are located on the Information Desk.

There will be a Men's Fellowship here at the building Saturday, August 21st, from 8:00-10:00 AM. Men of all ages are welcome to come! Coffee and donuts will be provided.

Happy

- 7-11 Chris & Patricia Andrews 34 years
- 7-11 John & Michelle Hulett 29 years
- 7-12 Jerry & Angela Brummet
- 7-24 Truman & Helen Coltrane 62 years

There will be a pool party and potluck for the YFC families Sunday, July11th at 6:00 PM at Happy Hollow Bible Camp. We will also be discussing our word of the month, KINDNESSS.

> The next Youth Led Service will be July 25th.

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Directories

Any member wanting an updated directory can stop by the office and pick one up.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Nancy Snider in the loss of her brother, Tom, who passed away this week.

ATTENTION STUDENTS & TEACHERS

Don't forget to check in at the education desk each time before going to class.

THIS WEEK...

- Elders meet Tuesday, July 13th at 6:00 pm.
- We will have a **Devotional** Sunday evening, July 11th at 5:00 pm.
- **Thursday Ladies Bible Class** will meet on July 15th at 10:30, Ruth Essex will be teaching Chapter 13 of the book, "From Bethlehem to Golgotha," by Hillard Story.
- Quilters will meet at 9:00 am.
- Card Makers will meet at 9:30.

Birthdays

- 7-11 Izumi Loomis
- 7-12 Pamela Morrison
- 7-13 Carrie Lines
- 7-13 Brandt Snitker
- 7-13 Ginger White
- 7-15 Judy Kirby
- 7-16 Orvella Blackburn
- 7-18 Jan Bowling
- 7-18 Sophia Brumfield
- 7-19 Bryson Riggs 7-20 Tony Compton
- 7-22 Cheryl Friend
- 7-22 Audrey Wuench
- 7-24 Connie Fortner
- 7-24 Madelyn Hollingsworth
- 7-24 Keaton Galindo

