

THE HERALD

"herald the good news" Romans 10:15

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TO OUR 2009 GRADUATES

The time has come to cross a line-graduation will soon appear-
There is a sense of "Alright, I made it" but also some sense of fear.
Now that I've got that behind me what lies ahead?
Sure there will be times of great joy but others we face with dread.
But one thing you know is that family will always matter
Wherever you go or how far we all scatter.
Friendships will come-old and new will affect one and all
But there's one you can count on, but we must answer His call.
Our Lord knows well the path, He's traveled it with many before
You must trust Him always to provide an open door.
In the end the measure of success will not be a diploma or degree
But in our faithful walk with God, living by His decree.
You will always look back with fond memories of years that have past
But living in the present and hopeful for the future will bring joys that surely will last.
So we bid you well on journey's highway
And always ask yourself at the close of each day-
Did I serve today in sharing a victory or help someone in time of need?
Then I have honored my Maker, I've sown some precious seed.
Abundance is waiting, count it not as does worldly fame
But so live to enjoy the benefits of a truly blessed NAME!

5/17/09

Gary Puryear

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. I MUST BELIEVE

"But without faith, it is impossible to please Him" (Hebrews 11:6)

2. I MUST REPENT

"Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3)

3. I MUST CONFESS

"And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God" (Acts 8:37)

4. I MUST BE BAPTIZED

"He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." (Mark 16:16)

5. I MUST LIVE RIGHT

"We should live soberly, righteously, and Godly in this present world" (Titus 2:12)

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Worship at 10:30 am & 6:00 pm
Bible Class at 9:30 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Class at 7:00 pm

ELDERS

Fred Barnett, Mark DeLong,
Rodney Newton, Ray Poston, Stephen Stilwell

DEACONS

Micah Busbey, Karl Dawson, Bob McIndoo,
Jeff Morris, Juan Nunez,
Mark Springer, Leland Steely, Tim Tapp

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MEMORIAL DAY

A woman observed by a policeman half sobbing and half laughing as she was setting in her automobile leaning over the steering wheel. The policeman approached and asked if there was anything wrong. She said, "For ten years every morning I have been driving my husband to this station to catch the bus, this morning I forgot him." It is easy for us to forget the important, to major in the minor and less important things in life.

Many Americans will spend this weekend happy for extra time off work, rejoicing for a three-day break without the stress of work. Others will make ice cream or grill out, some will be watching the Indy 500; perhaps many will reflect the sacrifices made by men and women in the military. Memorial Day might be a good time for each to remember the importance of others. To recall that God created man in His image (Gen.1:26-27) and not in the image of a dog, tree, or some other object.

One news program this week told of one of our military who covered himself on a live grenade. He gave his life and in so doing he spared the life of several of his fellow-men. This weekend and future memorial day weekends this family will be recalling this sacrifice. Let us on this Memorial Day remember, not only those who have given the ultimate sacrifice for our country, but remember all those who have preceded us to the grave. Someone has well said, "Say goodbye to me, but not to the thought of me." We need to remember the deceased.

Originally, Memorial Day was instituted to remember the Civil War dead, but over the years it has become a time to remember all deceased veterans and all our deceased love one. This is one reason why it has long been called "Decoration Day." Many people still go to the graves of their loved ones and decorate them as a sign they haven't forgotten them. HOW COMMENDABLE THAT IS.

Perhaps this weekend it would be great not only to remember those who are deceased but also let us be more appreciative of those who continue to live and influence our lives. The Apostle Paul stated, "First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. God, whom I serve with my whole heart in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you" (Rom. 1:8-9).

Ron was a 15 year old teenager, a 10th grade student at Granger High School. It was game day, and he was the only sophomore suiting up with the varsity team. Excitedly, he invited his mother to attend. It was her very first football game, and she promised to be there with several of her friends. The game finally ended, and she was waiting outside the locker room to drive Ron home. "What did you think of the game, Mom? Did you see the 3 touchdown passes our team made and our tough defense, and the fumble on the kickoff return that we recovered?" he asked. His mother replied, "Ron, you were magnificent. You have such presence, and I was proud of the pride you took in the way you looked. You pulled up your knee socks 11 times during the game, and I could tell you were perspiring in all those bulky pads because you got 8 drinks and splashed water on your face twice. I really like how you went out of your way to pat number 19, number 5 and number 90 on the back every time they came off the field."

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY (5/27)

Opening Prayer: Gary Puryear
Closing Prayer: Sam Morris
Devotional: Neal Mathis
Song Leader: Leland Steely

SUNDAY (5/31/09)

AT THE TABLE

Fred Barnett *Mark Springer
Terry Bonds Russell Barker
Jim Hayes *Bill Brantley
Barry Watwood Jonathan Shockley

*Denotes those to serve communion Sunday night

AM Worship (5/31/09)

Announcements: Markl DeLong
Opening Prayer: Bob McIndoo
Scripture Reading: Jerry Whitlege
Closing Prayer: David Hust
Ushers: Glenn Lewis
Josh Fletcher

DOOR GREETERS

Danny Royster
Shelia Royster
Clydeen Puryear

PM Worship (5/31/09)

Opening Prayer: Barney Shockley
Scripture Reading: John Heldreth
Closing Prayer: Everett Mays

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Morning Worship: 238
Sunday Morning Bible Study: 148
Sunday Evening Worship: 147
Wednesday Bible Study: 118
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"Mom, how do you know all that? And how can you say I was magnificent? I didn't even play in the game." His mother smiled and hugged him. "Ron, I don't know anything about football. I didn't come here to watch the game. I came here to watch you!" Brethren, the moral of this story is: PEOPLE COUNT MOST OF ALL?

Jerry Jenkins

NEWS AND NOTES

Prayer Request: Tommy Jenkins (upcoming surgery), Lula Haskins (Redbanks), Mike Coffman, Vera Sue Pleasant (treatments), John Jenkins, Carol Buford, Carolyn Clevenger (treatments). Debbie Newman, Kathy Riggs, Jim McIlwain, Kathy Morris, Marion Baker, John Kavanaugh, Gene Thomason (home), Joann Hayes, Wayne Moore, Peg Williams, David Hayes, Caroline McShane, Karen Horton.

Congratulations: To Russ and Becca Barker; Another grandson, born to Aaron and Jenny Hutson. They welcomed David Hayes Hutson into the world on the 18th.

New address: Bonnie Newberry: SEE OFFICE.

Thank You: Words cannot express the Christian love shown to us during the loss of our Mom, Grandma, and Great Grandma. We thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls, flowers and visits. A special thanks to Gary and Ray for doing such a beautiful service. Also a special thanks to everyone that coordinated the bereavement dinner and to everyone who brought food to the church. The Family of Dorothy Newman Thank You: Note from Jeff Darby and family. See bulletin board.