

"herald the good news" Romans 10:15

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GOD'S UNFAILING LOVE

Recently as I was reading the book of Romans I was reminded of God's faithfulness to His task. "It is true that some Jews were not faithful to God. But will that stop God from doing what He promised? No! God will continue to be true even when every person is false. Like the scriptures say (Psa. 51:4) You will be proved right in your words, and you will win when you are being judged" (Romans 3:4 E.R.V.). Paul tells us in the book of Romans that God's righteousness is revealed in the gospel for all people (1:16-17).

We need reminding that there is One who will never fail in His promises. We often encounter people that make promises, some of which they have no intention of keeping. It is so easy to become skeptical of everyone due to the bad experiences we have had with the few.

Our heavenly Father has one goal in mind for all mankind-salvation of their souls and heaven as the reward. He will not be sidetracked in His plan for saving man. Sadly, some in the body of Christ have become more focused on what man wants rather than what man needs. Many are like a small child who usually follow the impulse of "want". As adults it is important for us to help them receive what they need. Some children would be happy with a constant diet of soft drinks and sweets (I still think that ought to be one of the main food groups-G.P.), but as responsible adults we know better because we have the bigger picture in mind (their health for the present and future). God always has the bigger picture in mind thus His commands are designed to prepare us for eternity. The word "faith" is found at least 39 times in the book of Romans. Paul describes how that faith operates in (1:5 and 16:26). All nations are to respond to God's will by "obedience to the faith". I'm so glad that we serve a God who is ever true to His word. We can face tomorrow knowing that through Jesus Christ we can be delivered from the body of death (Romans 7:24-25).

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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Upcoming Activities

September 18-20
WKYC Teen Week Retreat

September 26
Devotional @ Puryears

October 10
Devotional in Clay

October 17
Modest is Hottest!
Girls Convention in Benton, KY

October 24
Trip to Garden of Gods

Evangelistic Conversation Starters

All relationships with Christ start with an introduction. Most friendships start with an equally important encounter of some kind. To become effective at inviting your friends to worship and telling them about Christ you'll need to practice the right conversation starters. Try these on for size and see where they lead you with your friends and the conversations you have with them.

My best memory is...

My favorite person is...

I'm responsible for...

I'm willing to help you with...

I'm not perfect...

My life is full of...

I want you to realize I care...

This experience taught me...

Remember that you'll never get a second chance with your first impression! (NM)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY (9/16/09)

Opening Prayer: Bob McIndoo
Closing Prayer: Warren Hust
Devotional: Neal Mathis
Song Leader: Gary Puryear

SUNDAY (9/20/09)

AT THE TABLE

Stephen Stilwell Neal Mathis
Joe Hein Everett Mays
*Jeff Morris Kenny Brantley
Bob McIndoo *Sam Morris

*Denotes those to serve communion Sunday night

AM Worship

Announcements: Mark DeLong
Opening Prayer: Micah Busbey
Scripture Reading: Rodney Newton
Closing Prayer: Alan Carter
Ushers: Juan Nunez
Bob Eckels

DOOR GREETERS

Mark DeLong
Tamara DeLong
Reta Carter

PM Worship

Opening Prayer: John Heldreth
Scripture Reading: Warren Hust
Closing Prayer: Everett Mays

FOR THE RECORD (9/6/09):

Sunday Morning Worship: 197
Sunday Morning Bible Study: 143
Sunday Evening Worship: 144
Wednesday Bible Study: 128
Contribution: \$4900.07

NEWS AND NOTES

Prayer Request: Tommy Jenkins, Carolyn Clevenger, Ann Eddins, Debbie Hein, Kathy Riggs, Buck and Wanda Gish, Gene Thomason, Joann Hayes, Stephanie McLendon, Greg Tapp, John Kavanaugh, Jenny Revlett, Robert Simpkins, Concheta Towery.

Welcome: We are very delighted to announce that Greg and Judy Warmack and their daughters, Nicole, Rachel and Mallory have expressed their desire to place membership. Their address is 9163 US 60 W. Sturgis, Ky. 42459 Phone-1-270-333-7914

Add to Birthday List: Donna Moschner (9/17) and Greg Warmack (9/17).

Teacher's Meeting: Today at 5 p.m. for teachers of 4yr. Old-5th grade.

Gospel Meeting: *Hawesville Church of Christ: Sept. 13-16; If enough interest we will take the van on Monday (13th). Sign up.

*Walnut Grove Church of Christ: Sept. 18-20. See bulletin board for details on all meetings and ladies days.

Recertification: CPR and Defibrillator training will be held on 9/21 and 9/24. Sign up.

OUR HOMECOMING AND MEETING Sept. 27-30 with Andrew Phillips. Brochures are available. G.P.