

# The Weatherly Weekly

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## Life in a Rearview Mirror

**Adapted**

The past is almost always worth remembering. We've noticed that people who don't study history are often destined to repeat it. The Holy Spirit of God frequently counsels us to remember the faithfulness of God in the lives of faith's heroes, as well as our own. "I will remember the works of the Lord: surely I will remember thy wonders of old" (Psalm 77:11). The prodigal's memory of home saved him from death in a pig pen. Even Jesus called upon His disciples and future Christians, "Do this in remembrance of me."

While learning from the past and holding on to certain memories can be comforting, our past can bring with it a paralyzing remorse, or crippling fear. It can even invite sloth founded in sentimentalism for a past that was really never as glorious as its memory.

Why do we waste time longing for the "good old days"? I'm compelled to ask, "What days were they?" Was it the days before in-

door plumbing days of a hundred years ago? Was it the error of glamorized racism of the 1950s? Maybe it was the days before modern medical technology that saves countless lives?

Could they mean the pristine days of Jesus when the religious hated, lied about, and murdered Jesus? Was it the early days of Christianity plagued by heresy, immorality, and division? I wonder if we have been inclined to long for good old days that never were.

Living in a rearview mirror creates a distorted view of reality. The idea that people were happier, work more virtuous, more spiritual, or families safer is simply a myth. For people whose lives are centered in Christ, the best days are always yet to come. Living in the past, on the other hand, forfeits today's opportunities and tomorrow's blessings. Resist the temptation to long for what once was. Pray instead to live in hope, walk by faith, and rejoice in God's promises for the future. □

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### WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

	THIS WEEK NOVEMBER 6	NEXT WEEK NOVEMBER 13
<b>Sunday AM</b>		
Announcements	Tommy Hill	Tommy Hill
Song Leader	Charles Hill	Jared Jimison
Opening Prayer	Mike Coward	Mike Holt
Scripture Reading	Melvin Godette	Charley Carter
Closing Prayer	W. D. Patrick	Jim Risner
<b>Sunday PM</b>		
Song Leader	Charles Hill	Jared Jimison
Opening Prayer	Nick Holland	Tommy Hill
Closing Prayer	Ken Cavender	Collis Terry
<b>Wednesday PM</b>	NOVEMBER 9	NOVEMBER 16
Song Leader	Phil Furlough	Collis Terry
Invitation	Mike McLemore	Mike McLemore
Closing Prayer	Terry Barnett	Melvin Godette
<b>Group Meeting</b>	Group 1	Group 2

### MONTHLY OPPORTUNITIES

<b>November</b>	
<b>Serving on the Lord's Table AM</b>	Wes Caudle Ron Harmon Bobby Wright Jim Ehl ** Collis Terry
** Overseer	Kirk Hatcher Jeremy Leshko Ryan Patrick

<b>Lord's Supper PM</b>	Forest Summers ** John Stokes
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<b>Visitor Greeting</b>	
Sunday AM	
Rear Door	Terry & Kim Barnett
Side Door	W. D. & LaNelle Patrick

<b>Sunday PM</b>	
Rear Door/ Side Door	Harmon/Starks
Communion Prep	Dot Summers
Building Lockup	Forest Summers

### QUARTERLY BIBLE CLASSES OCTOBER — DECEMBER 2016

#### AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Acts of Apostles Survey  
Nick Holland

#### ADITORIUM WEDNESDAY

The Book of Daniel  
Mike McLemore



### 2017 WEATHERLY HEIGHTS LECTURES

Mark you calendar  
May 4th—7th, 2017

#### Weatherly's Shepherds

Louis Garrett	(256) 883-7785
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#### Evangelist

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#### Weatherly's Deacons

Steve Hagewood	Ron Harmon	David Jacks
Hill Roberts	Will Starks	Forest Summers
Collis Terry	Bobby Wright	

#### TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Assembly	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Assembly	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Classes	7:00 p.m.



# PEOPLE ARE SIGNIFICANT

The author of the following article is unknown to me:  
"During my second month of nursing school, our professor gave us a pop quiz. I was a conscientious student and had breezed through the questions, until I read the last one: 'What is the first name of the woman who cleans the school?'" Surely this was some kind of joke. I had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was tall, dark-haired and in her 50s,

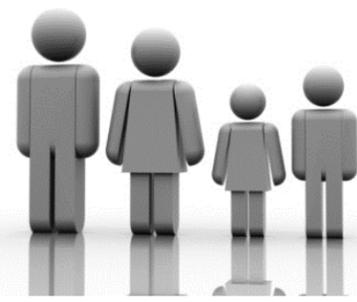
also learned her name was Dorothy."  
When you look at the life of Jesus, one of the things that stands out is the value Jesus placed on people. He didn't just see everybody as a mass of humanity; he made an effort to know people on an individual basis. And as he came to know them, he acknowledged and met their needs.  
The story of Zacchaeus is typical of so many of Jesus' encounters:

"Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house'" (Luke 19:2-4).

People deserve our attention and care, even those people who may seem to be "insignificant." By the way, do you know the name of the person who cleans your school or workplace? If not, I encourage you to find out. □

but how would I know her name?  
"I handed in my paper, leaving the last question blank. Before class ended, one student asked if the last question would count toward our quiz grade.  
"Absolutely," said the professor. 'In your careers you will meet many people. All are significant. They deserve your attention and care, even if all you do is smile and say hello.'  
"I've never forgotten that lesson. I

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## Family matters News and Notes of Interest To Weatherly Members

### Pray for Those in Need

*June Furlough* was able to take their long planned trip to The Greenbrier in West Virginia. We are so pleased that she was well enough to go and enjoy herself. Please remember in prayer *June & Phil* as they travel. The Furloughs asked me to relay a message to the congregation.

Please tell everyone "Thank You" for your many prayers, cards and words of encouragement. I am doing really good. Love, June Furlough

*Gladys Howard*, former and long time member here at Weatherly, is not doing well at all. Her health is rapidly declining. *The Cowards* and *the Harmon's* were able to visit with her on Friday. Please pray for *Gladys* and her family. Her remaining days upon the earth are few.

We are continuing to pray for *the Harmon's* nephew, *Blake Wood*. *Blake* is being cared for in the home of his parent's. His requires around the clock care. Your prayers for this young man and his family are desperately needed. *Collis & Sue Terry's* friend, *Jerry Shelton*, remain on our prayer list.



### More on the Eldership

Last Lord's day morning handouts were given to Weatherly members for the purpose of identifying those men deemed qualified to serve as Elders of the congregation. You are being asked to return your completed booklets by Sunday, November 13th. Please take your time in making your choices. Return your booklet to Tommy Hill or Louis Garrett. Please pray for the Lord's guidance in your decisions. And, please pray for the congregation as we go through this critical period.

### Sunday Night Study Series

Sunday Night Study Series is in week #5. Plan to come tonight! Bring a friend as we continue our study of the "Bee-Attitudes!"

### Weatherlychurch.com

Our new website is up and functional. Over the next few weeks we will be updating information. The directory is being populated and your user accounts are being set up. Take a look at the site. We hope you will enjoy it.

### No Group Meeting

Group 1, led by *W.D. Patrick*, meetings today in the home of Mike & Peggy Coward immediately after morning worship. Please plan to attend your group meeting. □

### Weatherly Birthdays

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|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 11-11 Kiel Adams      | 11-18 Samuel Holland |
| 11-20 Riley Monroe    | 11-21 Miles Ibarra   |
| 11-22 Ina Carter      | 11-23 Trey Curtis    |
| 11-24 Carolyn Holland |                      |



## Lessons from My Grandfather

Author Unknown

Every society is only one generation away from paganism. For this reason, parents and grandparents have the awesome responsibility of passing down to their children the biblical truths and principles that have changed their lives. That is why I want to share what my grandfather taught me.

When I graduated from high school at the age of seventeen, I decided to visit my granddad, whom I had seen only two times in my life. I had an entire week to spend at his home, and all I wanted to do was listen to him. As he spoke to me, the thing that impressed me above all else was hearing him say, "Charles, obey God. If God tells you to run your head through a brick wall, you head for the wall. And when you get there, God will make a hole for it."

He knew a lot about brick walls and how God makes holes in them. He shared that his youthful passion had been to preach but that this dream was blocked by his lack of education. With no schooling, he did not see how he would ever get started as a preacher. But he opened the Bible, got on his knees, and learned to read and preach by simply crying out to God for help.

From that humble beginning, he started to preach, and as the Lord opened opportunities, my grandfather eventually helped to start congregations. That week of visiting and sharing taught me that when you really want to do God's will, He will move heaven and earth to show you the way. □

# Weekly Walk!