

The Weatherly Weekly

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WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

	THIS WEEK JUNE 25	NEXT WEEK JULY 2
Sunday AM		
Announcements	Will Starks	Forest Summers
Song Leader	Jared Jimison	David Jacks
Opening Prayer	Nick Holland	Steve Hagewood
Scripture Reading	Kirk Hatcher	Terry Childress
Closing Prayer	Gene Preston	Jim Ehl
Sunday PM		
Song Leader	SINGING	David Jacks
Opening Prayer	Tommy Hill	Tommy Hill
Closing Prayer	Jim Ehl	Kirk Hatcher
Wednesday PM	JUNE 28	JULY 5
Song Leader	Collis Terry	Phil Furlough
Invitation	Mike McLemore	Louis Garrett
Closing Prayer	Louis Garrett	Terry Childress
Group Meeting	Group 4	Group 1

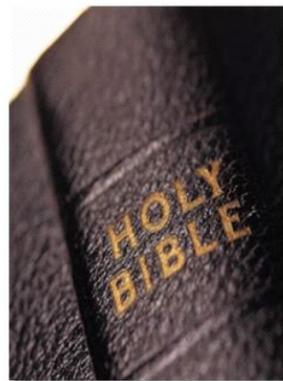
QUARTERLY BIBLE CLASSES JULY – SEPTEMBER 2017

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

1 & 2 Thessalonians
Gene Preston

ADITORIUM WEDNESDAY

Study of First Century
Churches
Various Speakers



2017 FRIDAY NIGHT SINGING

Tim Stevens, John Kilgore and Jeff May
August 11th, 2017

MONTHLY OPPORTUNITIES

July	
Serving on the Lord's Table AM	Ken Cavender Wes Caudle Nick Holland Will Starks ** Jim Ehl Kirk Hatcher Rob Crank John Patrick
** Overseer	
Lord's Supper PM	Gene Preston ** Terry Childress
Visitor Greeting	
Sunday AM	Louis Garrett
Rear Door	
Side Door	Forest & Dot Summers
Sunday PM	
Rear Door/ Side Door	Cavender/T. Hill
Communion Prep	Becky Hill/Julie Singleton
Building Lockup	Collis Terry

Weatherly's Shepherds

Louis Garrett	(256) 883-7785
Tommy Hill	(256) 883-0010
Will Starks	(256) 883-5273
Forest Summers	(256) 348-2251

Evangelist

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Weatherly's Deacons

Steve Hagewood	Ron Harmon	David Jacks
Hill Roberts	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.

Take Heed How You Build

Michael W. McLemore

Children sing familiar refrain: "The wise man built his house upon the Rock." The Rock in this song is of course Jesus, Rock of Ages. Building represents each motive, each deed, and each word, or the material for our spiritual house. Paul joined the sentiment, urging followers to erect with care, because on the day of judgment, fire will test the quality of each person's work. He wasn't referring to literal fire, but to the purifying presence of Jesus Christ.

When we stand in the Savior's holy and perfectly just presence, all the wood, hay, and stubble in my life will disappear. Good deeds done with wrong motives will vanish along with secret sins and bad attitudes. Only what has been done and said in keeping with Christ's will remains. And the moment the chaff is gone, we will see that God is right — those things didn't fit the life of His child.

On hearing this explanation, someone will retort, "All that matters is that I go heaven." It is true we all want to be counted among the faithful and to hear the Savior's assuring

words, "You have been faithful over a few things, I will make you master of many. Enter into the joys of thy Lord." But, the attitude that I need to do just enough is shortsighted, because the judgment of faithful is about rewards. In the parable of the unrighteous steward, Jesus explained the basic concept to His disciples: "He who is faithful in a very little thing is faithful also in much" (Luke 16:10). Our time on earth is the beginning of an eternity serving and rejoicing in the Lord. God will reward us according to our faithfulness here.

Wise people plan for the future (Proverbs 27:12). Do you want to receive as much of God's goodness as He offers? Will you determine to build with top-quality, enduring materials? The privilege of serving is only the beginning of the rewards. In heaven, God's generosity will be even more abundantly unleashed. We could never fathom all that He has prepared for those who love Him. Take heed how you build! □

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LIVE!

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The Saddest Words

When God placed man in the garden of Eden, he gave him laws to live by. God provided all things for man and would care for all the needs of man in every way. The relationship between man and God was based upon God's law and man's willingness to obey those laws. "Then the LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, 'Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die'" (Genesis 2:15-17).

As laws go, this was a simple law to understand and to obey. With the numerous trees in the garden, man had freedom to freely eat. Man was forbidden from eating of only one tree in the garden. From the outside, we could look at this law and wonder how it could be misapplied or misunderstood. God's law was simple to understand in relationship to man's obedience.

In Genesis chapter three we find how a simple law of God was made to be a law that was confusing and difficult to understand. The tragedy of this story is that it only took four words to take away the relationship between God and man: "Has God indeed said?" The devil knew in order to persuade Eve to take of the fruit as forbidden by God, Eve would need to question the will of God. The approach taken by the devil was simple — question God!

Following the devil's tempting of Eve to consider the simple command of God as too complex and challenging her to think for herself, she took of the fruit and ate and gave it to Adam and he ate. The devil had won the victory! Man now stood alone and apart from his God. Sin had gained the temporary victory and would for generations upon generations destroy the lives of millions of

souls. Only by the victory in Jesus Christ can man now fully understand and overcome the sting of sin. But the story continues.

Today the devil is still inducing people to question the simple commands of God. In the word of God, the plan of salvation unfolds with the majesty and simplistic nature of God's divine word. Man needs to come to God and obey him. Satan whispers, "Has God indeed said?" While most in the religious world agree on the need for hearing the word of God (Romans 10:17), seeking repentance (Luke 13:3) coupled with the confession of the mouth (Romans 10:10), but few believe that one must be baptized "unto salvation" (Acts 2:38).

Satan has filled the hearts of so many today who teach the only thing a person needs to do is to accept Christ as their Savior and they are saved. Baptism is placed on the shelf as something good to do but not necessary. The Bible teaches in very simple tones the need of baptism for salvation. Baptism is the completion of one's obedience to Christ. In every case, every case of conversion in the gospel of Christ, every single person obeyed the law of God in baptism. Not one example is found in all of the gospel of Christ where baptism is not shown as the completion of the law of God; yet today men question God!

Multitudes of scripture teach the necessity of baptism for salvation. Nowhere in God's word does it teach that one is saved by faith alone. Never! Yet many people will hear the saddest words ever spoken to man - "Accept Christ as your personal Savior and you will be saved." These words are sad because if believed — and practiced — the final sad words will be given by Jesus himself when he says, "I never knew you, depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness" (Matthew 7:23). □



Family matters

News and Notes of Interest
To Weatherly Members

Pray for Those in Need

Erin Riggs went to the cardiologist on Friday. We do not have the report as yet. We will try to pass that word in the morning assembly. Pray for *Erin*.

Carol Blackwood, niece of *Margaret Smith*, has had periods of consciousness. This of course is a very good sign. Your prayers for *Carol* and her family are appreciated.

Melvin Godette remains on our prayer list. We are daily asking for his relief, his strength and for his consolation during these difficult days.

We are pleased with the progress that *Glenda Cavender* is making. Your prayers for her and for *Ken* are greatly appreciated.

Jenny Jacks also remains on our prayer list. Her appointment at Vandy is slated for the July 10th. Your prayers for her are requested.

We would like to add *Marqueta Cook* to our prayer list. She has been diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer. *Marqueta* had a preliminary surgery on Thursday and a PET Scan on Friday. Please remember this dedicated servant of the Lord and all of those who love her to the Lord as you pray. *The Cooks* live in Madison.

We are saddened to hear of the passing of *Paul Ayers*, faithful preacher of the Gospel from Louisville, Kentucky. I had the good pleasure of being associated with *the Ayers*

many years ago at North Carolina Camp. *Paul* was particularly influential in the early spiritual development of our son-in-law, *Bryan Garlock*. Please prayer for his wife, *Sharon*, and their family. He will be missed.

Art Miller, *Mike Gore*, *Vicki Stevens* and *Steve Gittings* remain on our prayer list.

Singing Tonight

This being the last Sunday evening of the month, we will set aside our regular schedule in favor of a night of praise in reading and song. *Mike McLemore & Jared Jimison* are coordinating the effort. We hope you find it encouraging.

Skills Class Tonight

Remember Sunday night skills class will begin promptly at 6. We hope all of our little ones will be able to be present. It is most encouraging.

Group 3 & 4 Meetings

Group 4, led by *Ron Harmon*, will meet immediately after morning services for a covered dish and group meeting at the home of *Ron & Phyllis*. We hope you can attend your meeting.

Also, Group 3, led by *Murray Castleman*, will meet tonight after evening worship to sign cards. The *Castlemans* were away on vacation last week. □

Weatherly Birthdays

6-26	Keion Godette	6-30	Susan Hand
7-3	Leslie McCary	7-10	Will Patrick
7-19	Jim Ehl		



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Enough Already

Michael W. McLemore

Some wrestle with the issue of security. Do I know enough? Am I right enough? Do I do enough? Am I generous enough? Do I attend enough? Am I prayerful enough? Enough already!

The very way we frame the question of security sets us up for a multitude of errant philosophies. Two essential errors are exposed in the words themselves: "I" and "enough." "I will be accepted ONLY if I DO enough." Such sets us on a life track that often ends in ruin.

Satan is one slick adversary! He knows every trick to seduce us away from Christ. He preys on insecurities and sets us up to be destroyed. Children are so afraid of rejection or of disappointing adults that they can be lured by predators and molested. Older ones are so afraid of "not fitting in" that they will dress in ways that embarrass them, experiment with alcohol and drugs, or run the risk of a criminal record. Adults want the trappings of success so desperately that they will be ungodly in attitude, unethical in business, and untrue in relationships. The desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, pride in riches — Satan strikes again to claim a soul from its intended place in the service of God.

The story of every self contained, self-centered and self-seeking life is tragic and replete with eternal consequence. We've made a grave mistake in our instruction and preaching if we leave the impression that life's meaning (acceptance) is predicated upon "MY" doing "ENOUGH." □

Weekly Walk!