

# Weatherly Weekly

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## “Ye Which are Spiritual”

Michael W. McLemore

How does one measure his or her spirituality? Perhaps it's maturity indicated by the way one acts. The immature behave in a childish fashion, so maybe this is it. But, isn't there more? To be spiritual would imply one would respond and be guided by and act with a spiritual attitude under varied circumstances.

Listen to Paul, “Brethren, if a man be overtaken in fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted,” *Galatians 6:1*.

Two challenges sometimes arise in considering one's spiritual stature. First, the spiritual must refrain from thinking he is stronger than he really is. Second, one must refrain from wrong prevailing spirits, *i.e.* arrogant rather than meek. To one degree or another — depending on the circumstance — Christians will face these challenges, trying or ordinary.

With regard to the first challenge, one should always bear in mind that temptation is not something about which he should be flippant. It is serious. As one attempts to help others, he must be humble

enough to recognize that he is not always as strong as he might think. While trying to influence others toward godliness, one must keep up his guard lest he be influenced by the same temptation and trip.

The second challenge has a great deal to do with attitude. The spiritual must learn to hold firmly to God's truth, but not lose a grasp on the “divine motive” — love for the souls of men no matter how low they may have plunged. Extant gentleness must characterize one's tone and frame of mind as he interacts with the weak. When this is the case the attempt at restoration will draw the lost back to the Lord.

Jesus was amazed in his generation at “spiritual” arrogance. Sin is serious and restoration is for serious people. Jesus was clear about repentance, telling the sinner to “go and sin no more,” *John 8:11*. But the Lord approached those in need of doing so with a spirit of compassion, gentleness and love.

This important work must always be approached with a Christ-like spirit of meekness. God wants us to be spiritual. It is for this we must constantly strive. □

# Let the Lower Lights Be Burning

Greg Chandler

God has made it clear not only that He wants us to pray, but also to trust that our prayers can have great impact. To this end, the apostle Paul admonished Christians to “pray without ceasing,” *1 Thessalonians 5:17*. The writer James stated, “The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working,” *5:16b*. A life devoted to prayer with a faith that trusts these prayers are heard by the Lord should build confidence in His children!

As the apostle Peter was about to undergo a time of testing, the Lord Jesus made a powerful statement to him: “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you that he might sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers,” *Luke 22:31-32*. In this, the Lord sets an important example of praying for the strength of another. Preceding his statement about the prayers of the righteous, James echoed this point when he wrote, “Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed,” *5:16a*. What a blessing we have in prayer!

This congregation is richly blessed to have so many lower lights who are devoted to prayer. In a church the size of ours, there is a constant need for these godly brothers and sisters. Rarely does a week pass when members or their family or friends are not touched by some manner of difficulty or challenge. Health-ailments, travel assignments, and family struggles are only a few of the challenges that often

call for prayers. What a comfort to know that these lower lights stand (or maybe kneel!) ready to take petitions to the throne room of Heaven.

Speaking personally, I can assure you there is great encouragement given when someone says, “I have prayed for you and your work for the Lord.” It has also been of great encouragement when tragedy struck my family in this past year to know that so many brothers and sisters have taken requests for my family's well-being to God. Others in this congregation have also attested to the strength they gained when similar or worse events visited their homes. Pray often and let others know you are praying for them!

May all the faithful lower lights who devote themselves to prayer for the well-being of others keep up this good work. Powerful things happen when humble saints pray! □

*(Editor's note: When I read Greg's article I could not help but think of my recently deceased brother Louis Garrett who loved this metaphor, the lower lights. As I read I could not help but be impressed with my friend Greg Chandler's personal thanks for the benefit his family enjoyed because many prayed for him. Though personal references as these are often only understood by those originally addressed by the author, I thought many in our family could relate to its beautiful sentiment. Thanks, Greg! mmm)*

Watch LIVE!





# FAMILY MATTERS

News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members



## FAMILY UPDATES

### Prayers:

We are happy to report that the two (our family is aware of their names) who contracted COVID are both feeling well considering. They are both experiencing moderate cold symptoms. Please continue to remember them in your prayers.

Terry Childress reports that Peggy is doing great. She is progressing as expected. Terry says "we are blessed." Your prayers and expressions of kindness toward them are greatly appreciated. Cards may be sent to their home address.

It was great to see Wanda Castleman at services on Sunday. Her shoulder is doing fine but her knee is still very sore.

Cathy Preston continues to be in need of our prayers as she tries to get over her knee replacement surgery. Please say her name to the Father.

The grandson of Gary & Billie Patton, Darren Patton, is progressing well. He still has a few burns that are slightly infected, but he felt well enough to go to worship last Sunday. They do not think surgery will be required. The Patton's have expressed their thanks for the love, concern and especially the prayers for Darren throughout this ordeal.

Please continue to pray for our brother Reason P. Marara and his wife who are suffering from COVID in Zimbabwe. We are a part of the support of his splendid work there. Our prayers are for their quick recovery.

We continue to solicit your prayers for Mechi Hunt's sister, Zoila Herring, who is bring

treated for cancer. We are praying that her upcoming surgery will be successful.

Pray for those who are confined in care facilities and memory care — Laura Phillips, Jim Risner, Lane Roberts, Dot Summers. ☐

### Daily Prayer List:

Glenda Cavender	Melvin Godette
Laura Phillips	Dot Summers
Charlotte Hagewood	Lane Roberts
Bill Reavis	Ron Harmon

## DIRECTORY UPDATE

Please make a note of the Ambrose family's contact information: Lara, Mel, Knox, Noah, & Alli Kate Ambrose.

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## WEATHERLY UPDATE

UPDATE: As you are all aware our Weatherly family has experienced an unfortunate accidental exposure to COVID. We are happy to report that thus far no one has shown any symptoms of the virus. That is such good news. The elders determined that we would initiate our Covid protocols as a result of the exposure. We will suspend services for the next two Sundays. No public assemblies will be held at Weatherly until Sunday, August 8th. We appreciate your understanding as we implement our safety measures.

Sunday Bible Class will stream live at 9:30 and worship at 10 am. No public assembly. ☐

## JULY & AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



JULY 25, 2021

7-27	Donna Godette	7-29	Mike McLemore
7-31	Phillip Dill	8-2	Wanda Castleman
8-6	Forest Summers	8-10	Clark Boles
8-10	Natalie Frazier	8-11	Phyllis Harmon
8-19	Peggy Childress	8-23	Janice Schrimsher

## Real Difference Makers

Anonymous

The following is the philosophy of Charles Schultz, the creator of the "Peanuts" comic strip. You don't have to actually answer the questions. Just read straight through, and you'll get the point.

Name the five wealthiest people in the world. Name the last five Heisman trophy winners. Name the last five winners of the Miss America contest. Name ten people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer Prize. Name the last half dozen Academy Award winner for best actor and actress Name the last decade's worth of World Series winners.

How did you do?

The point is, none of us remember the headlines of yesterday. These are no second-rate achievers. They are the best in their fields. But the applause dies. Awards tarnish. Achievements are forgotten. Accolades and certificates are buried with their owners.

Here's another quiz. See how you do on this one:

List a few teachers who aided your journey through school. Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time. Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile. Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special. Think of five people you enjoy spending time with.

Easier?

The lesson: The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the most credentials, the most money, or the most awards. They are the ones that care. They are the real difference makers. ☐

## WEEKLY WALK

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## TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes Stream 9:30 am

Sunday AM Assembly Stream 10:00 am

Sunday PM Assembly Zoom 7:00 pm

Wednesday Classes Stream 7:00 pm

Stay informed and engaged online at  
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LIVE Sermon archive or  
live stream during  
all Weatherly services



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## Weatherly's Deacons

Phil Furlough	Steve Hagewood
Kirk Hatcher	David Jacks
Hill Roberts	Collis Terry
Bobby Wright	

# Weatherly at Work

These are asked to assist in our labor.

Sunday, July 25

Sunday, August 1

Welcome:

Song Leader:

Opening Prayer:

Scripture Reading:

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Romans 4:13-25

Sermon:

Mike McLemore

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I Want to Be in the Kingdom

Called to the Faith

Closing Prayer:

## Evening Worship

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Bible Skillz

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Songs Leader:

Opening Prayer:

Virtual Devotion on ZOOM

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Closing Prayer:

Wednesday, July 28

Wednesday, August 4

Songs Leader:

Invitation:

Streamed Bible Study

Streamed Bible Study

Closing Prayer:

None

None

## 2021 Singing Cancelled

## Quarterly Adult Classes July – September 2021

### AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Divided We Fall

Mike McLemore

### AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY

First Corinthians

Mike McLemore

## Serving in July

Serving on the Lord's

Table AM

\*\* Overseer

\*\* Will Starks, Bill Thompson, Kirk Hatcher, Phil Shaver

Lord's Supper PM

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Communion Prep

Building Lockup

