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Pray for Ukraine

Michael W. McLemore

War! War! War! It is everywhere in our news. The sheer sensationalism of the event captures the imagination. Most find it difficult to turn away. But, we cannot, we must not ignore the terrifying realities of war and its human toll. In the final analysis, war is about people!

Admittedly we are spectators to war. War results in the taking of human lives by other human beings. Soldiers die on the field of battle at the hands of other persons who never knew them personally. Civilians are killed merely for being in a place where bombs fall. The sheer economic toll and long-term damage to homes, cities, and economies lasts for generations. But the human toll is immeasurable.

Inside this issue I have included just two posts from young Christians, mothers and their children, as they cope with the danger that has befallen them. What is missing from these

stories is that their husbands, also Christians, are required by law to stay behind to defend their homeland. Please read their stories. Pray for them. Pray for other Christians in Ukraine. Pray for "all people" in Ukraine.

Another cost of war is often unacknowledged by most — the eternal cost. After the fall of the Iron Curtain the Gospel found free course in that once dark corner of the world. It's not that it was unheard, but it was hidden in dark corners. For the last four decades it has flourished and has been believed and obeyed. Thousands of Christians are living in Ukraine. Millions more do not know Christ and His saving grace. Many will be lost for eternity. Pray for them!

Ask God to use this terrible tragedy to melt once hardened hearts. Pray for our Father to watch over His own children. Pray for those who "WILL BE" His! He knows! He cares! ☑


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Anastasia & Julie are just two from a long-long list of affected Christians in Ukraine. These two personal accounts touched me, but there are so many others that could have been shared. It's heart wrenching to think of their state of mind, but their faith is apparent and so very uplifting!

It is impossible at this point for us to know how to help our brethren in this war-torn country. As the days, weeks and months pass our prayer is that it will become more clear. Today we are moved by the great faith and the strength of character that is observed in these faithful Christians. Personally this author is especially encouraged to see such young faces undaunted by fear, smiling and trusting God for His care.

All week we've seen the images coming out of Ukraine from fellow Christians. Many of these small churches are made up of young people — young fathers and mothers with little ones in tow. It is dif-

 **Anastasia Nikolaienko**
20 h · 🌐

The girls and I along with another girl from the church are in Ukraine, in the city next to Slovakian border. Yesterday seemed like se have a plan that would work. Christian family was heading to Lvyy. And I asked if they could take us with them. They agreed. Then I asked if they could take us to Slovakian border (I didn't hope to hear yes) but they agreed. So we've been driving the whole day from 9 a.m and made it to the border at 11ish p.m. to see that we're not gonna make it. Crowds of people were standing there without any particular order. And it just didn't seem possible to stand out there with gates closed, with two little kids in the cold. But God is still caring. And our brother in Christ lives near here, so I called him, he came and brought us to his apartment. A brother in Christ from Slovakia spent hours waiting to pick us up on that side. So close and yet so far. All in vain. Thankful for family in Christ, more than I could express now. We are not hurt, Slava is doing great, girls are behaving. Until yesterday we had wonderful time "traveling". But than they started to suspect something after I woke them up at 1 a.m. to get down to basement. Anyways, thankful for what we have. Everything could be much worse. Sasha had a hard day. All the day driving. At some point their wheel broke on the middle of nowhere, during the war. He is in the city we left with the girls this morning. Pray for God to save this country, to stop this madness. It is a funny feeling, like we have options and at the same time we don't.

* on today's cover

 **Julie Kachuk**
12 h · 🌐

Our house is now metro station. Our bed is a marble floor. These cold walls become family because you feel at least some sort of security. All people become one family when they help each other. But all circumstances and situations are temporary. Everything passes, and it will pass. The best time will come, we will see each other again and hug each other. The most important thing is to keep your heart in gratitude to God and men. Our connections with each other are the most priceless wealth. Our bonds are of love, care, prayer. When in the crowd you see an acquaintance, a friend or a person you know and have not seen for a long time, you rejoice and smile, and hurry to hug. So happy to see friends and acquaintances. Thank God for these days, He is constantly taking care of us at all times. His love and mercy is upon us I love you my family. Stay safe everyone, strong spirits and faith, and in gratitude for all events, even these. This will keep us from hardening our hearts. Our spirit will not be broken, for we are strong in God and we stand together.

difficult to image how they will cope and endure.

We would ask every member of our Weatherly family to please pray for these good brethren. Ask for their safety and especially to care for the hundreds of young fathers who will be put in harms way by these unprovoked events. Beseech the Lord to protect the innocent children from harm and anxiety.

Finally, pray for world leaders. We trust that our God establishes boundaries of kingdoms and rules over the domains of men. Petition His throne for good to come from the determinations that are reached in the days to come. Above all trust in His ultimate will to be done in all things! ☑

Watch LIVE!

FAMILY MATTERS

News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members



Dot Summers Laid to Rest

A beautiful gathering of family, brethren and friends came together on Tuesday afternoon to say our final goodbyes in this life to our generous and loving sister, **Dot Summers**. **Guy McDaniel** lifted our hearts as he remembered days gone by and the joy Dot brought to so many in her life. Our faithful brother and constant encourager, **Denny Freeman**, spoke eloquently of Dot, her love for the Lord, her love for truth and her love for people. We are forevermore indebted to these two good men for what they have meant to our Weatherly family. We are thankful for them. We are grateful for their beautiful tribute to our sister and friend that we have loved so deeply and that we will miss so much. ☐

FAMILY UPDATES

Prayers:

We are continuing to remember our sister **Ruth Mitchell** following the passing of her brother, **Bobby McGuire** (89). He was laid to rest on Tuesday in Athens. Our condolences are extended to the entire family.

Mike Coward is doing well following his Heart Cath last week and the placement of a stent. It appears the valve was not receiving the blood flow that it needed to properly function. He and **Keith** have been doing a few exercises. So far so good! **Peggy** told me that when Mike woke up on Friday morning, he said, "I don't feel tired!" We are thankful.

Bill Reavis went for his follow-up visit with his surgeon on Thursday of last week. Scans revealed success in the repair of his aneurysm. His doctors feels good about everything. He

will continue on limited activity for the next three weeks and then all is good. Bill wanted me to relay his thanks for your prayers. He says, "I look forward to coming back to services in three weeks!" It'll be great to see him!

Please pray for **Will & Sarah Starks'** granddaughter, **Ciera Elledge**, as she continues treatments.

Also, please remember **Mechi Hunt's** sister, **Zoila Herring**, as she undergoes her regular treatments.

Pray for those who are in assisted living facilities and memory care — **Laura Phillips, Jim Risner, Lane Roberts**. ☐

Daily Prayer List:

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

TODAY AT WEATHERLY

Sunday morning Bible Class begins at 9:30. **Mike** will be continuing our study of **1 Timothy** — **Holding Faith in a Good Conscience**. We are in chapter 2.

Sunday morning worship begins promptly at 10. **Mike** is continuing his series "The Heart." His lesson today is "With All Your Heart" from **Mark 12**.

Remember our **ZOOM Devo** at 7 Sunday evening. Zoom in with us tonight!

Wednesday Mike's class continues on **1 Timothy**. We hope you will be with us for the Bible classes. We meet at 7 pm with streaming and in-person assembly. ☐

Treasures in Heaven

Michael W. McLemore

Jesus commanded, "Lay up treasures in heaven!" How do I do it?

Can I ask, "What's in heaven?" God! Jesus! The Holy Spirit! Yes, and the angelic host. But, what else? The souls of men and women. What more important work could the follower of Christ that help people find heaven? I can think of none!

When it comes to this critical work, all Christians are personally responsible. Jesus said to His disciples, "As the Father has sent Me, I also send you," **John 20:21**. One cannot get involved in a wiser or more everlasting venture than pouring your spiritual wealth into another person's mind and heart. Investing in souls is the only "sure thing."

Long-term investments are critical. But it's not stocks or bonds, savings or property. Christians invest in people — our family, our neighbors, those who come into the sphere of our influence. The material riches of this world will rot, decay and perish; only faithful souls will gain the true treasure. So we must devote ourselves to helping as many as possible reach heaven.

It's not merely reaching the lost, but helping each other! It's our common pursuit. Lay up treasures in heaven. Step into the life of someone near you. Model Christ. Aid them in their walk with Christ, then help them do the same! ☐

WEEKLY WALK

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TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes **9:30 am**
Sunday AM Assembly **10:00 am**
Sunday PM Assembly Zoom **7:00 pm**
Wednesday Classes **7:00 pm**

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Kirk Hatcher **David Jacks**
Hill Roberts **Collis Terry**
Bobby Wright

Weatherly at Work

These are asked to assist in our labor.

Sunday, February 27

Welcome: **Will Starks**
Song Leader: **Mel Ambrose**
Opening Prayer: **Ed Dill**
Lord's Table Lead: **Steve Hagewood**
 Mark 12:28-34
Sermon: **Mike McLemore**
 With All Your Heart
Closing Prayer: **Riley Monroe**

Sunday, March 6

Tommy Hill
Hill Roberts
Phil Furlough
Marty Hunt
 Galatians 4:4-7
Mike McLemore
 You Are Sons!
Gene Preston

Evening Worship

Bible Skillz **CANCELLED**
Songs Leader:
Opening Prayer: **Virtual Devotion on ZOOM**
Closing Prayer:

Evening Worship

CANCELLED
Virtual Devotion on ZOOM

Wednesday, March 2

Songs Leader: **David Jacks**
Invitation: **Mike McLemore**
Closing Prayer: **Marty Hunt**

Wednesday, March 2

Bill Thompson
Mike McLemore
Ron Harmon

2022 Lectures TBA

Quarterly Adult Classes

January – March 2022

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Divided We Fall
Mike McLemore

AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY

First Corinthians
Mike McLemore

Serving in March

Serving on the Lord's Table AM
**** Overseer** **** Marty Hunt (3-6), Will Starks (3-13), Ed Dill (3-20), Tommy Hill (3-27)**

Lord's Supper PM ******

Communion Prep
Building Lockup

Collis Terry

MARCH BIRTHDAYS



3-6 **Harold Smith** 3-11 **Evelyn Hall**
 3-11 **Chase Leshko** 3-12 **Stevie Hagewood**
 3-13 **Andrea Leshko** 3-13 **Collis Terry**
 3-14 **Becky Hill**

