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PURPOSE FROM HIS HEART

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Do you have something for which you live each day? A promotion? A pay-raise? Retirement? Or, have you discovered the reality that basing aspirations on getting ahead in this world typically ends in disappointment? Have you found that a misguided sense of direction often leaves you feeling completely unfulfilled?

Have you finally realized a goal of saving for the future or moving up the corporate ladder? You are charitable, serve in the local church, but somehow still feel a sense of insignificance or aimlessness. If so, there is a truth you need to hear: God gives each of us life for a very specific reason: to serve Him or glorify Him. Nobody finds the peace that “surpasses understanding” without reconciling this truth. Our culture teaches us that pleasure, prosperity, position, and popularity will make us happy – but living in the service of self always leaves an emptiness no

earthly reward can fill.

Be assured, worldly philosophies will not stand the test of time. Few men and women are going to live to be 100 years old. Whatever we will become in this life, we are in the process of becoming right now. The shepherd boy David was anointed king long before actually assuming the role, *1 Samuel 16:12*. He spent decades serving the purpose of God in insignificant places while developing into a great man. His story illustrates that discovering God’s purpose for your life begins with humbly submitting to His will as we daily serve Him. This is our surest path to success.

Be assured that our Father’s purpose for our lives comes from His perfect heart of love. None of us can foretell the great things He has in store for us, but we can trust His plan completely. Surrender to Him today and say, “Not my will, Lord, but Yours be done.” ☐

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Watch LIVE!

One of God's main jobs is making people. He makes them to replace the ones that die so there will be enough people to take care of things on earth. He doesn't make grownups, just babies. I think because they are smaller and easier to make. That way, He doesn't have to take up His valuable time teaching them to talk and walk. He can just leave that to mothers and daddies.

sure to hear you because they got it worked out so one of them is on duty all the time.

You should always go to church on Sunday because it makes God happy, and if there's anybody you want to make happy, it's God. Don't skip church to do something you think will be more fun like going to the beach. This is wrong! And, besides, the sun doesn't come out bright until noon anyway. If you don't be-

A Child's Perspective on God

Child Unknown

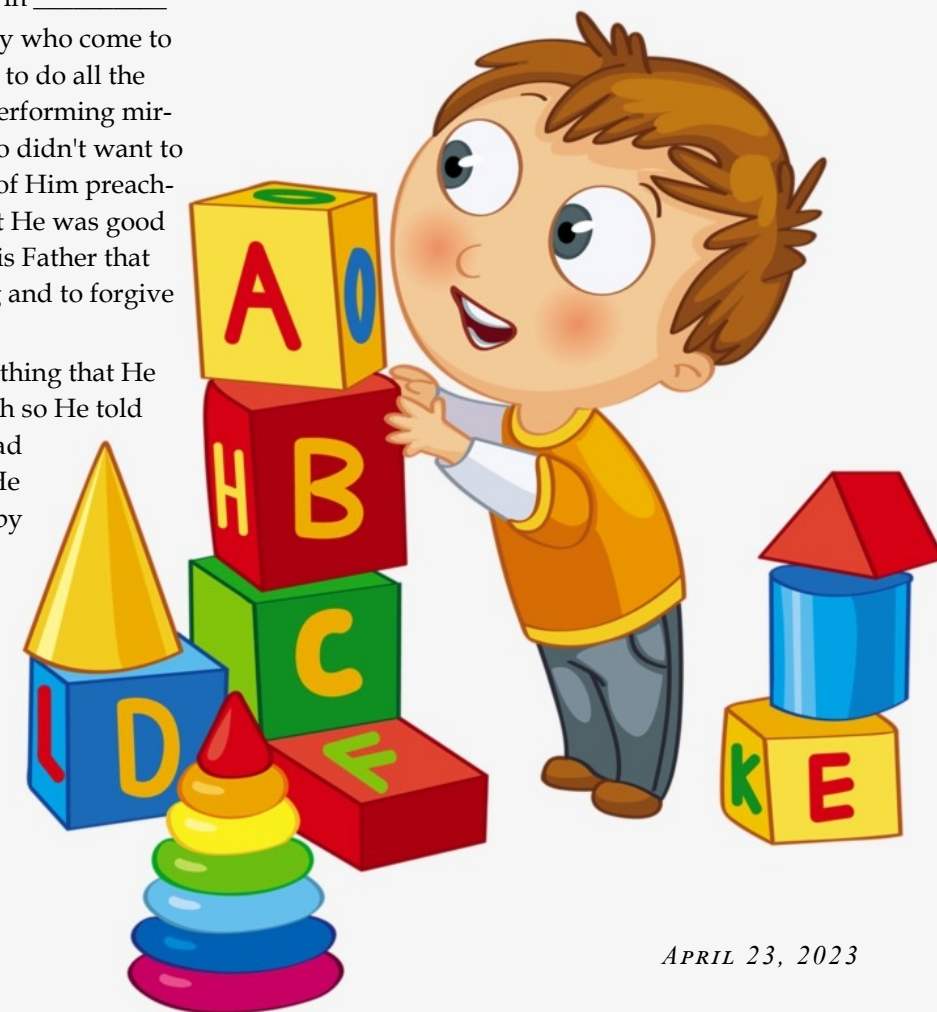
God's second most important job is listening to prayers. An awful lot of this goes on, since some people, like preachers and things, pray at times besides bedtime. God doesn't have time to listen to the radio or TV because of this. Because He hears everything there must be a terrible lot of noise in His ears, unless He has thought of a way to turn it off.

God sees everything and hears everything and is everywhere which keeps Him pretty busy. So you shouldn't go wasting His time by going over your mom and dad's head asking for something they said you couldn't have. Atheists are people who don't believe in God. I don't think there are any in _____ . At least there aren't any who come to our church. Jesus is God's Son. He used to do all the hard work like walking on water and performing miracles and trying to teach the people who didn't want to learn about God. They finally got tired of Him preaching to them and they crucified Him. But He was good and kind like His Father and He told His Father that they didn't know what they were doing and to forgive them and God said, “Ok.”

His Father (God) appreciated everything that He had done and all His hard work on earth so He told Him He didn't have to go out on the road anymore, He could stay in heaven. So He did. And now He helps His Father out by listening to prayers and seeing things which are important for God to take care of and which ones He can take care of Himself without having to bother God. Like a secretary only more important! You can pray anytime you want and they are

lieve in God, besides being an atheist, you will be very lonely, because your parents can't go everywhere with you, like to camp, but God can. It is good to know He's around you when you're scared in the dark or when you can't swim very good and you get thrown into real deep water by big kids.

But you shouldn't just always think of what God can do for you. I figure God put me here and He can take me back anytime He pleases. And that's why I believe in God.” ☐



FAMILY MATTERS

News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members



New Directory

A new directory is slated for publication at the end of the week. Please check your information for accuracy. An email was sent of Friday that attached a copy of everyone's information. If any change needs to be made, please respond to that email. OR, a paper copy has been posted along the classroom hallway. You may make the changes there, or put a check mark by your name letting us know that it was checked. Thanks for your help. *Mike M*

Family Updates

Prayers:

We learned that **Edith Turner** suffered a stroke recently and is currently at Encompass Health undergoing needed rehab. Sister Turner had what was described as a "mid-brain" stroke that affected both her speech and ability to walk. She realized improvement from the stroke's impact in the early days afterward which is a very good indicator. Her rehab is going well. Please pray for Edith.

Silvia Henderson has a follow up appointment with her doctor next week to "see where we go from here." At present she is undergoing rehab for the next few weeks. Silvia was unable to have the anticipated shoulder surgery. Please pray for her.

Becky Shaw was moved to Encompass Health, **1490 Highway 72 East, Huntsville**. She is in the same facility as is Edith Turner. Visiting hours are 8 am to 8 pm daily, but after 4 pm works better as it will not overlap with her rehab. Becky is struggling a bit. Please pray for her to grow stronger.

Peggy Childress spent the better part of the week at Vanderbilt in Nashville after being diagnosed with Norovirus (a potentially serious stomach bug) that left her weak and dehydrated. Thankfully she is much improved and was released on Friday. Please remember **Peggy & Terry** in your daily prayers. They are both very appreciative.

Susan Watson's mother, **Janie Cheatham**, remains on our prayer list.

Louise Caudle, has completed her Chemo. We are praying for positive results.

Ciera Elledge also remains in our prayers.

Zoila Herring, Mechi Hunt's sister continues to have an interest in our prayers

Pray for these. Each has their own particular health challenge. — **Peggy Monroe, Bill McCord, Jim Risner, Lane Roberts, Glenda Cavender, Edith Turner, Melvin Godette, Maragem Harbin & Betty Dubose.**

This Week at Weatherly

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE class meets at 9:30. **Mike McLemore** will continue to lead our study titled "Powerful Prayer." Today we will be looking at the Lord's prayer in the garden.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP follows at 10. **Mike's** is continuing his series titled "Remember ME!" our closer look at the Lord's Supper. Today's sermon: "New with Me in My Father's Kingdom" Our text is **Luke 24:13-35.**

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP begins at 6. **Mike** will lead us in an informal devotional.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY begins at 7. **Mike** will continue his verse by verse study of the **Gospel of Mark.** Come be a part. ☐

APRIL & MAY BIRTHDAYS



APRIL 23, 2023

4-23	David Jacks	4-25	Sue Terry
4-27	Lauren Thompson	4-29	Harrison Smith
5-2	Cathy Preston	4-7	Bill Reavis
5-8	Hill Roberts	5-9	Ruth Mitchell
5-11	Gail Franklin	5-12	Betty Dubose

Missing Trait

Unknown

I read this many years ago and am happy to share this important example with you here.

At twenty-four years of age, Abraham Lincoln became the Postmaster of the New Salem, Illinois post office at an annual salary of \$55.70. The New Salem post office closed a few years later, but it was several years following its closure until a postal agent from Washington, DC could get to Illinois to settle accounts with ex-Postmaster Lincoln. When the agent finally arrived, Abe was a struggling lawyer having difficulty making a living by the practice of law. The postal agent informed Lincoln that he owed the Federal Government \$17.00. Abe walked across the room to an old chest where he unwrapped a yellowed rag tied up with string in which he had kept the money he owed the government. "I never use anyone's money but my own," he told the federal agent. He had kept this money for years, and could likely have lied about having it - and gotten away with it. That was in 1836. It would be 24 years later when Mr. Lincoln would take the oath of office to "preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States" and thereby become the President and Chief law enforcement officer of the United States of America. Such episodes in this great man's life earned him the appellation, "Honest Abe." ☐

WEEKLY WALK

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Sunday AM Assembly 10:00 am
Sunday PM Assembly 6:00 pm
Wednesday Classes 7:00 pm

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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, April 23rd

Welcome: **Tommy Hill**
Song Leader: **Hill Roberts**
Opening Prayer: **Bill Thompson**
Lord's Table Lead: **Phil Furlough**
Luke 24:13-35
Sermon: **Mike McLemore**
New in My Father's Kingdom
Closing Prayer: **Will Starks**

Sunday, April 30th

Will Starks
Mel Ambrose
Steve Hagewood
Collis Terry
Matthew 21:23-27
Mike McLemore
Authority in Worship
Will Patrick

Evening Worship

Bible Skillz **Mike McLemore**
Songs Leader: **David Jacks**
Opening Prayer: **Marty Hunt**
Closing Prayer: **Bobby Wright**

Evening Worship

Mike McLemore
Mel Ambrose
WD Patrick
David Jacks

Wednesday, April 26th

Songs Leader: **Collis Terry**
Invitation: **Mike McLemore**
Closing Prayer: **WD Patrick**

Wednesday, May 3rd

TBA
Mike McLemore
John Patrick

Quarterly Adult Classes

April – June 2023

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY
Powerful Prayer
Mike McLemore

AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY
The Gospel of Mark
Mike McLemore

Serving in April

Serving on the Lord's Table AM & PM
**** Overseer**

**** Marty Hunt (4-2), Tommy Hill (4-9), Bill Thompson (4-16), Phil Furlough (4-23), Collis Terry (4-30)**

Communion Prep
Building Lockup

Will Starks

