

The Weatherly Weekly

May 28, 2017

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WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

	THIS WEEK MAY 28	NEXT WEEK JUNE 4
Sunday AM		
Announcements	Tommy Hill	Will Starks
Song Leader	Jared Jimison	David Jacks
Opening Prayer	Will Starks	W.D. Patrick
Scripture Reading	Ken Cavender	Wes Caudle
Closing Prayer	Riley Monroe	Kirk Hatcher
Sunday PM		
Song Leader	SINGING	David Jacks
Opening Prayer	W.D. Patrick	Collis Terry
Closing Prayer	Phil Furlough	Terry Childress
Wednesday PM		
Song Leader	MAY 31 Searcy Hall	JUNE 7 Mike Coward
Invitation	Mike McLemore	Louis Garrett
Closing Prayer	Terry Barnett	Charley Carter
Group Meeting	Group 4	Group 1

QUARTERLY BIBLE CLASSES APRIL – JUNE 2017

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY
Various Lessons
Louis Garrett & Mike McLemore

ADITORIUM WEDNESDAY
Building Up One Another
Michael McLemore



2017 FRIDAY NIGHT SINGING

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

MONTHLY OPPORTUNITIES

June	
Serving on the Lord's Table AM	Adam Hagewood Riley Monroe Bobby Wright Ron Harmon ** Steve Hagewood
** Overseer	W.D. Patrick Jeremy Leshko Will Patrick
Lord's Supper PM	Terry Barnett ** Doyle Wray
Visitor Greeting	
Sunday AM	Ann Summers
Rear Door	Susan Hand
Side Door	Mike & Gwyn McLemore
Sunday PM	
Rear Door/ Side Door	Jimison/Ehl
Communion Prep	Sarah Starks/Hilda Wright
Building Lockup	Will Starks

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.

Rest in the Lord

Michael W. McLemore

For many resting is one of the hardest things to do. It may sound easy, but it actually requires one to momentarily suspend a sense of duty and responsibility in order to re-charge. Why is it important? God ordered it!

God's promise to Abraham to make his descendants "a great nation" was tempered with "rest," ordering a national day off for all Israel - "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy" (Exodus 20:8). In the broader context the essential message to Israel was "take a day off, God did" (20:8-11). We tend to work harder, longer hours because we are concerned for a task or duty, *ie*. "just to pay the bills," but the body needs rest. God never intended the people of His creation to be 24/7 workers. Rest will make us more effective, not less.

The Psalmist weighed in on the subject of "rest" leaving God's people a second perspec-

tive: "Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not..." (Psalm 37:7, KJV). Patiently waiting for the Lord is one of the supreme tests of our spiritual maturity. We tend to want to personally handle, and fix, to fret and worry. This spirit militates against delight and trust in the Lord.

The stronger our desire to "Git-R-done" is, the shorter our trust fuse. God calls His people to trust His timetable, and to know that real, restorative rest ensues in His way. He told Israel "you've done enough this week, rest." He calls upon disciples to "wait for Him." Pressing ahead of God, we risk reaping disappointment, pain, and loss. The maximum benefit will always be achieved in His time, in His own way. "Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not." □

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Memorial Day

Michael W. McLemore

Tomorrow our country will pause to remember on a national Memorial Day. Such a day conjures a myriad of feelings. A grateful country feels appreciation. A saddened comrade may feel guilt: "Why was another taken? Why not me?" A grieving family feels loss which surpasses words: "Life has been stolen from us. What has been gained?" The shed blood of our young men and women has long been the price of freedom from tyranny for our country. Freedom has come at a dreadful cost.

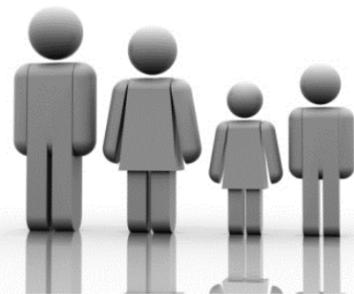
As I consider Memorial Day's meaning I am forced to connect such a day with the Lord's final reminders to His unsuspecting disciples as the long night of His impending death gathered about them - "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). This bit of verse is often quoted on days like our Memorial Day. Frequently Jesus' words are functionally attributed to those who have died to serve our country. Jesus said there is no greater love than to die for a friend, then He proved it wasn't so by dying for his enemies. He truly demonstrated the "greatest love of all" when He went to the cross to secure freedom from sin for ALL. Jesus voluntarily laid down his life to secure life for mankind. It was an alarming price.

Memorial Day in our country has come to signi-

fy the beginning of the summer season and the associated recreational activities. What will many of us do tomorrow on Memorial Day? Some will attend a backyard cook out, take a trip to the lake or picnic area. Some will attend parades or Memorial Day celebrations. But, for those who have given the sacrifice of their son or daughter in the cause of freedom, it is the day of remembrance.

The Father of our spirits has set a day of memorial. On that day He has called the Redeemed to remember. For many it has come to signify the end of the weekend. It is a day for cookouts, fishing, golf outings or other recreation. "In the beginning it was not so." This memorial day commemorates One who not only gave His life for his friends, but also for His enemies (Romans 5:7-8). This memorial day is not to remember those who have fallen in battle, but One who was triumphant over death (Colossians 2:15). This memorial day doesn't begin a single season of the year, but begins every week of the year. This memorial day is observed by those who are faithful Christians upon the first day of the week, every week. What is this day of which I speak? It is Sunday, the first day of the week, the Lord's day.

Yes, today is memorial day. Will we be found remembering Him? ☐



Family matters

News and Notes of Interest
To Weatherly Members

Welcome Addison Shea Ivey

Dwight & Susan Ivey and Jerry & Ruth Mitchell are grandparents AGAIN! Addison Shea Ivey made her grand appearance into the world Friday, May 26th. She weighed 7 lbs., and is 18 inches long. Both mother, Kristen, and daughter are doing very well. Dad, Adam, and little brother, Brennan, are beaming from ear to ear.



of her while she endures.

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

Our Graduates

It is official Trey Curtis and William Hill graduated on Friday evening. Congratulations are in order for both of

these young men. A celebration is being planned in their honor on June 4th at Annabella. All Weatherly member are invited to attend.

Pray for Trey and William as they begin this next



phase of life.

Pray for Those in Need

Margret Smith's niece, Carol Blackwood, is in ICU at UAB in very serious condition. Carol is suffering from a brain aneurism. She is most urgently in need of our prayers.

Glenda Cavender is making incremental progress. We are so happy that she is getting stronger.

Melvin Godette is hoping to see an Orthopedist soon. The Godettes are in hopes they can find a way to give Melvin some relief from his chronic pain.

Jenny Jacks also has an appointment for a second opinion as she seeks answers as to the cause of her chronic pain. Pray for the Lord's care

Bible Skills Class

Remember skills class at the front of the auditorium tonight at 6. Let's see if we can fill up the front row! We are hoping to see you and your little ones.

Group Four Meets Today

Group 4, led by Ron Harmon, will meet today following morning worship for a covered dish luncheon at the home of John Stokes. All Group 4 members are invited to attend. ☐

Weatherly Birthdays



MAY 28, 2017

5-28	Terry Barnett	5-31	Petra Carter
6-1	Elaine Dorris	6-1	June Furlough
6-4	Ellie Pellegrini	6-5	Lynne Crank
6-7	Shelia Hagewood	6-11	Ann Summers
6-12	Erin Riggs	6-13	Adam Hagewood

IMITATORS

MICHAEL W. MCLEMORE

How is it possible for us to be imitators of God? Is it not a vain effort to try if all of resemblance to God is beyond our reach? But this is not the case. While speculative theology is fatally successful in magnifying the distance between man and God, practical revelation is ever bringing us nearer to God.

We are like God by nature. God is a spirit, and we are spiritual beings. God made us in His own image. It is our work to revive that image where it has been obscured and to carry it up to higher resemblances.

We can imitate God in very small ways. Because He is infinite and we are finite we are not to infer that all common likeness is impossible. The smallest pool of water may bear a perfect image of the sun.

We are susceptible for indefinite growth and improvement. Because we are sadly unlike God now it does not follow that we may never resemble him. "Beloved, now we are the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:2).

God has revealed himself to us. We cannot imitate what we do not know. Mysteries of the Divine nature must ever lie beyond our sight. Nevertheless, something real about God we do know. For we have seen Christ, and he who sees Christ sees God (John 14:9).

We can know Him and we can be like Him in a very small way, growing daily to be more and more like our God. ☐

Weekly Walk!