

# Weatherly @work

## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

	THIS WEEK MARCH 25	NEXT WEEK APRIL 1
<b>Sunday AM</b>		
Announcements	Tommy Hill	Will Starks
Song Leader	Jared Jimison	David Jacks
Opening Prayer	Marty Hunt	Tommy Hill
Scripture Reading	Jim Ehl	Searcy Hall
Closing Prayer	Doyle Wray	Jeremy Leshko
<b>Sunday PM</b>		
Song Leader	Jared Jimison	David Jacks
Opening Prayer	Ed Dill	Phil Furlough
Closing Prayer	Gene Preston	Jim Risner
<b>Wednesday PM</b>	MARCH 28	APRIL 4
Song Leader	Collis Terry	Phil Furlough
Invitation	Mike McLemore	Louis Garrett
Closing Prayer	Terry Barnett	Kirk Hatcher
<b>Group Meeting</b>	Group 4	Group 1

## MONTHLY OPPORTUNITIES

<b>March</b>	
Serving on the Lord's Table AM	Ken Cavender Wes Caudle Ron Holland Forest Summers ** Gene Preston
** Overseer	Ryan Patrick Kirk Hatcher Will Patrick
<b>Lord's Supper PM</b>	Collis Terry ** Doyle Wray
<b>Visitor Greeting</b>	
Sunday AM	
Rear Door	Terry & Kim Barnett
Side Door	W.D. & LaNelle Patrick
Sunday PM	
Rear Door/ Side Door	Harmon & Starks
Communion Prep	Julie Guice & Julie Singleton
Building Lockup	Collis Terry

## QUARTERLY BIBLE CLASSES JANUARY – MARCH 2018

### AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Lessons from Jesus  
Mike McLemore

### AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY

Ezekiel  
Mike McLemore



## 2018 WEATHERLY LECTURES

Lowell Sallee, Kevin Clark, Greg Chandler  
& Robert Harkrider  
May 3-6

## 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

Phil Furlough	Steve Hagewood	Ron Harmon
Kirk Hatcher	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.

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# The Weatherly Weekly

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## "Blessed is the Man"

William Arthur Ward

Blessed is the man with whom a good woman lives, to whom his work is a pleasure, by whom his friends are encouraged, with whom others are comfortable, in whom a clear conscience abides, and through whom his children see God.

Blessed is the man whose strength is enhanced by his tenderness, whose wisdom is empowered by his faith, and whose courage is made complete by his compassion.

Blessed is the man who looks at life with joyful optimism, who listens to his children with eager attentiveness, who enriches his community with creative enthusiasm, who loves his country with grateful loyalty, and who worships his God with unswerving fidelity.

Blessed is the man who brings honor to the word "father," who is a credit to the word "brotherhood," who is a quiet example of the child's perfect image of the word "manhood."

Blessed is the man who confidently builds bridges of understanding, who generously lightens the loads of his fellow man, and who cheerfully brightens each day with words of hope, inspiration, and assurance.

Blessed is the man of whom his children often say, "We're glad he's our father"; of whom his wife often says, "I'm glad he's my husband"; of whom his parents say, "We're glad he's our son." □

Watch us  
LIVE!

# God's Love

By Michael W. McLemore

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The story is told that the famed C. H. Spurgeon was on one occasion walking through the English countryside with a friend. As the two strolled along, the denominationalist noticed a barn with a weather vane on its roof. At the top of the vane were these words: GOD IS LOVE. Spurgeon remarked to his companion that he thought this was a rather inappropriate place for such a message. "Weather vanes are changeable," he said, "but God's love is constant."

"I don't agree with you about those words, Charles," replied his friend. "You misunderstood the meaning. That sign is indicating a truth: Regardless of which way the wind blows, God is love."

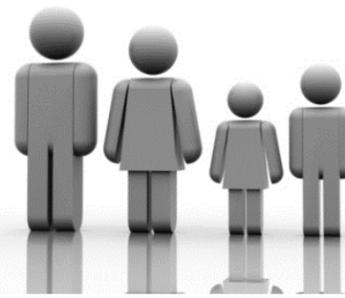
It's true. God loves regardless. Why is it so? How is God's love so unselfish? I would first suggest that the very nature of man's being as created by God is indicative of God's desire for man's eternal well being (Genesis 1, 2). God gave Adam a beautiful, lush home and work to perform so Adam could be fulfilled (Genesis 2:1-15). The garden offered most of what Adam needed - food, security, beauty, and fulfillment. God acknowledged Adam's need of a counter-part, so He created Eve for Adam (2: 18). Adam and Eve enjoyed true fellowship with God in the garden. But, when the man and woman of His creative had fragrantly severed that fellowship, God offered

them hope and made future arrangements (Genesis 3:15).

Unworthy of God's love because of sin, God never failed in His interest. David exclaimed, "What is man, that thou are mindful of him...?" (Psalms 8:4). "But God commendeth his love toward us," Paul writes, "in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5: 8).

Often heard are the recitations of many, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). But, God's love is not simply sentiment, it has purpose. The purpose is expressed in the negation "should not perish" and in the affirmative, "have everlasting life." God's love contains a reasonable and possible requirement, "whosoever believeth in him...."

Will you believe Christ, obeying His will and respond through repentance, confession and baptism? Will you imbibe in the unceasing love of God? Loving God should be easy. "We love him, because he first loved us," penned the apostle John (1 John 4: 19). And again, "For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous" (1 John 5: 3). No matter how the winds blow God loves. Won't you love Him? □



## Family matters

News and Notes of Interest  
To Weatherly Members

### Pray for Those in Need

*Elaine Dorris* has been struggling with a respiratory illness for several days. We have missed her and *Gordon* in the assembly, and would ask you all to pray for her.

*Rick Morgan* has only two more physical therapy sessions and a medical review left. He hopes to be able to with us next Sunday morning. We are thrilled with his progress and are thankful.

*Carolynn & Jack Barr* are in the process of trying to get in home care arranged to assist with *brother Jack's* needs. We have been asked to please remember this good family to the Lord as they begin this new phase of life.

*Melvin Godette* hopes to be cleared for surgery by his insurance company soon. Your prayers for his relief are solicited. Please say his name to the Father daily.

*Ann Summers & Glenda Cavender* need our prayers. We are thankful for the powerful example these two have been to us for so many years. Say their names to the Lord daily.

We are also continuing to pray for *Mike and Aaron Gore*, along with *Sandra* as she serves as provider and care-taker.

*Steve Henley*, who we have mentioned recently, has been released from Redstone Hospice and is resting comfortably at his brother home in

Athens. Your prayers are appreciated.

Others in our family are wrestling with various challenges. We would ask you to say those names to the Lord as you pray.

### Weatherly Spring Spruce-up

An email was circulated to our family yesterday outlining the plan for our spring cleaning day here at Weatherly. We hope everyone will be able to participate. Please find the sign-up sheets on the table in the foyer and volunteer. We need everyone. We hope you can help.

### Spring Study Series Week 2

Our Spring Study Series began last Sunday evening. We are off to a great start, with over 100 present for the assembly. We are grateful for all our participants and for our teachers. What a blessing it is to be part of such a dedicated and enthusiastic family of God's people. Thank you one and ALL.

### Group Four Meets Today

Group Four, led by *Ron Harmon*, will meet immediately following morning worship at the Harmon's for a covered dish and group meeting. We hope you can attend. □

### Weatherly Birthdays



3-27	Jonathan Matlock	4-2	Silvia Henderson
4-5	Carolynn Barr	4-6	Jerry Mitchell
4-8	William Hill	4-12	Auburn Henderson

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## Failure or Faithful?

Michael W. McLemore

After thirty years of preaching, I am a bit clearer now that failure is connected to serving Christ. It was for Jesus in His ministry: He failed with the young ruler; He failed in Nazareth because of the people's unbelief; He failed with Judas Iscariot; He failed with the bulk of His fellow countrymen; He failed with the religious leadership; He failed with nine of the ten lepers; He failed with Pontius Pilate. In the face of repeated failure, Jesus continued firmly in the love of His Father and to keep His Father's Word.

Events in His earthly ministry were not mistakes. He took the risk of being open with people with the love of God: many responded favorably, many did not. If, then, we live in the love of God and listen to the Word of God, we will meet constant failure. We will not always be successful. It will be tempting, because we live in such a results-dominated society, to see failure as reprehensible and therefore to be avoided. One way to avoid failure is to call it a mistake — and then to try to eliminate any mistakes, to make sure we get things right and that we succeed. Many local churches base their activities on such priorities and virtually reject any authorized action that is at all forward thinking, because "we cannot afford to make mistakes." □

## Weekly Walk!