

Weatherly Weekly

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Exposed to the Light

James W. Adams

It is said that after diamonds have been exposed to strong sunlight, they become phosphorescent if removed to a dark room. We have seen the same phenomenon in human diamonds who have been exposed to the strong light of the word of God.

A number of years ago while we were laboring with a church in a small Texas town, a young Christian man began bringing his sweetheart to the services of the Lord's church. After having attended services for several months she insisted that the young man attend the services of "her church," a large congregation of a popular denomination. The young man agreed and attended. The experience was a shocking and revealing one to the young woman. In conversation with us later, she confessed that she was embarrassed beyond measure. "Her preacher" spent his time in telling his own experiences and death bed stories. She had forgotten what the preacher was like in "her church." A few months previous, it

sounded good. What happened? She had been exposed to the light of God's word. Being honest, like the diamond, she had become phosphorescent with Divine truth. Within a very few weeks, we baptized the lovely young woman into Christ.

It grieves us to observe our brethren substituting for strong teaching of Divine truth the paraphernalia of denominationalism. The church of the Lord is the only institution that can and will teach the truth. People can get entertainment, recreation, friendly association with amiable people, social betterment lectures etc. elsewhere but only through the church of the living God can they get the strong sunlight of Divine truth. Christians like the diamond must derive their light from the Sun of Righteousness through the medium of His holy word. Let us then put the emphasis where the emphasis belongs. □

Gospel Visitor, May 12, 1960

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"PREACH, But Leave Others Alone"

Hoyt Houchen

This title not only represents the thinking great majority of people in the denominations, but unfortunately it reflects the attitude of some of our own brethren. It involves the idea that we should preach only what is agreeable to everyone, avoiding anything of a controversial nature.

First of all, it is impossible to preach the truth and leave other people alone. It does not matter what subject a gospel preacher may select, it will contradict the belief of somebody. For instance, suppose that I should decide to preach on the subject of God. In that sermon I point out that there is but one God and no other. I point out the attributes of God, showing the characteristics of God as taught in the Bible. That

preach what the New Testament says about it. I quote such passages as Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Galatians 3:27 and 1 Peter 3:21. However, when I do this I am not leaving a good majority of religious people alone. A good part of the denominational world would not be in agreement with my preaching on baptism because a good part of the denominational world denies the essentiality of baptism as a condition of salvation. Should I refrain from preaching on baptism because it does not leave others alone?

I preach on the one church that is revealed in the New Testament. I quote such passages as Ephesians 4:4; 1:22, and Colossians 1:18. But that kind of preaching does not please those who teach and be-

lieve that there are many churches and that one is just as good as another. Am I to stop preaching on the one church

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sermon would meet the approval of many people, but are we so naive as to believe that it would meet the approval of everyone? It certainly would not leave the atheist alone.

But suppose that I should decide to preach on the subject of Christ. I go to the word of God and prove His virgin birth, His divinity, His pure and sinless life, His example for us to follow, and the authority of His teaching. This sermon too would meet the approval of many, but even that kind of preaching would not be agreeable to the orthodox Jew who rejects Christ as the Messiah. Are we to cease preaching Christ because it offends the Jew?

But now I decide to preach on baptism. I simply

because there are people who disagree?

The truth is very plain that it is absolutely impossible to preach on any Bible subject and leave other people alone. God does not expect us to do so. Paul wrote in Galatians 1:10, "For am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God? or am I striving to please men? If I were still pleasing men, I should not be a servant of Christ."

People must know the difference between truth and error that they may be saved from their sins. Many are sincere, but wrong; many are honest, but they are misled. It is only when error is pointed out to people that they will know to leave error. □

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LIVE!



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FAMILY MATTERS

News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members



FAMILY UPDATES

Prayers:

Forest Summers received great news at his oncology appointment on Tuesday — No Cancer! We are thrilled. He will be undergoing a maintenance treatment every other month for the next two years. Prayers have been answered.

Betty Reavis suffered a TIA while receiving fluids at CCI last Thursday. She is in Huntsville Hospital continuing to undergo tests. Betty has some manifestation of the “mini-stroke” on her left side. **Bill** is able to be with her in the room. Pray for **Betty & Bill**.

Ron Harmon suffered a TIA. After a couple of days at Huntsville Hospital, he was transferred to rehab at The Cove in Owens Crossroads. He will be there for a few days before returning home under the care of home health. Pray for **Ron & Phyllis**. We are so thankful that it wasn't worse.

Please continue to pray for **Glenda Cavender**. We miss her and look forward to being able to have her well enough to attend the assembly when all of this is over.

Kathryn Wall, Edith Turner's sister, remains in our prayers. She has begun running a fever and is still showing to be positive for COVID. Your prayers are solicited.

Carol Robert's young cousin, Sam Friday, remains on our prayer list. He is recovering at home. Pray for his full recovery.

Angelia Leyva, Ruth Mitchell's niece, was able to go home last week. ☐

Daily Prayer List:

Betty Reavis **Laura Phillips**
Jean Woodard **Melvin Godette**
Glenda Cavender **Steven Guice**

Special Prayer for Lori Eakes

Lori & Sam Eakes sent a note to **Susan Ivey** last week. Please remember Lori in prayer. “We have been watching online services at Weatherly, as we can't come in person. I have to be extra careful of COVID right now. I am due to have surgery on July 29th. I have been diagnosed with Endometrial Cancer. Praying no other treatment will be needed. I would greatly appreciate everyone's prayers.” I have included the Eakes' address.

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Thanks to **Jared Jimison** who filled in last

WEATHERLY UPDATES

week. We will assemble at 10 am for worship today at the building.

Sunday Morning Bible Study will begin at 9:00 — Lesson from Joshua asks “Remember When.”

Sunday morning worship will begin at 10. Mike's sermon is entitled **What to DO in a Pandemic**.

Sunday Evening “Virtual Devo” will begin on Zoom at 7 pm. We will email a link Sunday afternoon.

Wednesday Bible Study — Mike begins 3rd John. Class streams at 7 pm. ☐

JULY & AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



JULY 19, 2020

7-19	Jim Ehl	7-19	Peggy Shelton
7-27	Donna Godette	7-29	Mike McLemore
7-31	Phillip Dill	8-2	Wanda Castleman
8-6	Forest Summers	8-10	Clark Boles
9-10	Natalie Frazier	8-11	Phyllis Harmon

Pray For Me

Michael W. McLemore

Alfred Lord Tennyson penned, “More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of. Wherefore let thy voice rise like a fountain for me night and day.” I share his desire.

Many years ago a dear aged saint was hospitalized in a rural hospital. Her days were few on this earth and I paid a visit. Her son, a highly respected gospel preacher among God's people, was present when I stopped in to offer my encouragement. As I was about to leave, I asked if I might have prayer with them. The saintly little lady, known for her wry wit, looked me square and asked, “Are you living right?”

Over the years I've thought of the sage wisdom of that question. James, the brother of Jesus, assured, “The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.” *James 5:16*. Sister Nollie knew that prayer's power is in God who hears the petition of the faithful, not in the multitude of words lifted to heaven.

To pray is to make a petition to or address God. It is more than simply a wish or desire of the heart. My sister knew that God will not hear and answer the prayers of rebellious sinners, *Proverbs 28:9*. We serve and plead before the eyes of the God Who's eyes are over the righteous and Who's hears are open to their prayers, *1 Peter 3:12*. Those I desire to pray for me night and day. ☐

WEEKLY WALK

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TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes 9:00 am
Sunday AM Assembly 10:00 am
Sunday PM Assembly 5:00 pm
Wednesday Classes 7:00 pm

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



These are asked to assist in our labor.

Sunday, July 19

Welcome: **Mike McLemore**
Song Leader: **Jared Jimison**
Opening Prayer:
Scripture Reading:

Sermon: **Ephesians 3:14-21**
Mike McLemore
What to Do in a Pandemic

Closing Prayer:

Sunday, July 26

Mike McLemore
Jared Jimison

Hebrews 13:1-6
Mike McLemore
No Fear, You're Not Alone

Evening Worship

Bible Skillz **CANCELLED** **CANCELLED**

Songs Leader:
Opening Prayer: **Virtual Devotion on ZOOM** **Virtual Devotion on ZOOM**
Closing Prayer:

Wednesday, July 15

Songs Leader:
Invitation: **Streamed Bible Study** **Streamed Bible Study**
Closing Prayer:

None

2020 Weatherly Lectures
April 30th—May 3rd

**We regret to announce that our
2020 Lectures have been cancelled.**

None

Quarterly Adult Classes
July — September 2020

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY

Lessons from Joshua
Mike McLemore

AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY

Letters from John
Mike McLemore

Serving in July

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

Lord's Supper PM

**Communion Prep
Building Lockup**

