

Weatherly Weekly

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The Path of Godliness

Michael W. McLemore

Motivating our children to pursue the path of godliness isn't always easy, but the rewards are great. It involves several things including commitment to love God with our entire heart. We should teach our children about His loving care. These we must do! But, they must first see our own total commitment to the Lord at every turn.

The path of godliness for our children involves sacrifice. For them to see it in us, we must give up those pleasures and habits that interfere with raising godly sons and daughters. They must see that the cause of the Lord is premier. Our personal sacrifice must be apparent.

Fathers we need to show our children courage. We need to admit we're wrong and ask for forgiveness when we make mistakes. Our family, who already knows our weaknesses, will see Christ's light as we adjust our own behavior.

The path of godliness involves perseverance.

We should show our children how to stay the course and not lose heart. It takes time for children to develop godly habits. What greater example could be shown than a father pressing daily toward the goal.

Prayer is another important aspect of godly parenting. Pray that your children will grow in understanding the Lord's character, precepts, purposes, and His love. Faithfully practice the spiritual disciplines of prayer and Bible study. Children must see their Father on bended knee.

The path of godliness for our children means we must learn to live by faith. We should trust in God and please Him; recognize our bodies are a temple of the Holy Spirit. Insisting on moral courage is imperative, but our children must witness godliness in our own life.

Fathers we must return to the Lord a portion of our children's time, talents, and treasure. They must hear us speaking to others about Jesus. □

"My Anchor Holds"

Adapted

This very day many are suffering in dire circumstances of war and natural disaster. Our hearts and our hands go out to those who have suffered unimaginable trauma. A question looms in the minds of those affected: Is there ANY hope?

When faced with difficult circumstances, the Psalmist was also on the verge of despair. He wrote: "My tears have been my food day and night, while men say to me all day long, 'Where is your God?'" *Psalm 42:3*. Yet, he reminded himself of the only true source of hope in any and every circumstance: "Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your

hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God," *Psalm 42:5*. Is there any hope? Yes! Our hope is in God.

A preacher was putting the finishing touches

on a sermon that he was soon to deliver when his telephone rang. Answering the phone the preacher heard the words of a student: "Last night my child died." The preacher thought to himself, "What can I say to him?" Then he made up his mind: "I will say to him what I

would say to anyone." It's captured in this gospel song [by Edward Mote]:

Because of Christ, one may proclaim along with the writer of the book of Hebrews: "This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast," *Hebrews 6:19*. An anchor is used to provide stability, even in the times of storm. In the same way, one's hope in Christ gives stability in the storms that life brings. This hope extends beyond the

storms of this life – even beyond the grave – to an eternity with God in the Paradise of Heaven, *Revelation 21:4*. □

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

On Christ, the Solid Rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

Watch LIVE!

FAMILY MATTERS

News and Notes of Interest to Weatherly Members



FAMILY UPDATES

Prayers:

We learned late last week that **Cathy & Gene Preston's** granddaughter, **Mackenzie Steele** (18), may have fibromyalgia. She will require further testing to confirm the diagnosis. Please pray for Mackenzie and her family. As more information becomes available we will relay those findings.

We are thankful that **Mike Coward** was able to be back with us at worship. Please remember Mike to the Lord as he continues to struggle with strength related to his heart.

Please continue to remember **Glenda Cavender** in prayer. Also pray for **Ken** and the children as they attend to her daily needs.

Your continuing prayers are solicited for **Ciera Elledge**, granddaughter of **Will & Sarah Starks**. Ciera is battling an aggressive cancer. Pray for the effectiveness of both the Chemotherapy and radiation treatments. Also, please remember her family to the Lord. This is a challenging time for the entire family.

Mechi Hunt's sister, **Zoila Herring**, needs our daily petitions on her behalf. Say her name and that of her family as you lift your voice to the Lord this week.

We would like you to pray for those in our Weatherly family who are still watching our services via live stream. We have an extensive list of members who need to remain vigilant and careful in large public gatherings. We are praying for better days ahead. Thankfully COVID numbers seems to continue to decline for the most part. It will be a glorious day indeed when we will be able to resume a full normal schedule of assemblies.

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 Evening Services to Resume! We are excited to announce that Weatherly will resume Sunday evening services on **Sunday, April 3rd at 6 pm.** Our assembly will meet in the auditorium with a brief **Bible Skillz** drill for the children, then proceed. We are looking forward to this welcomed addition to our work. The format will be a bit different and we hope appreciated by our local church family. We will relay more information in the next issue of the Weekly. See you on Sunday night, April 3rd.

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 5 today.

Sunday morning worship begins promptly at 10. **Mike** is continuing his series — **"Just Like Your Son."** His lesson today is titled **"Father, Forgive Them!"** from **Luke 23:33-35.**

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. ☐

Trust Him

Michael W. McLemore

In the Old Testament it was common for people, even among God's people, to carve and worship a false gods. Today, it's more typical to idolize something unseen, such as wealth, power, fame, or relationships. Even God's people are guilty of this type of idolatry. These can consume our passion, money, and time—and in the end leave us fruitless and empty. The Lord, on the other hand, is alive and real, ready to be intimately involved in our lives.

God is truth, and He is always faithful, **John 14:6; 1 Corinthians 10:13.** Unlike sinful man, the Lord is trustworthy—and everything that He says will happen comes to pass. Our sovereign God has all power and is in control of every situation.

Christ loves us unconditionally. How can we ever doubt His love when He willingly gave His life in our place? And His love is based not on our behavior or status, but rather on His character alone.

The heavenly Father is unchanging. All of the above are timeless attributes that will forever be true.

God can be trusted. Don't give Him just the easy concerns; rely upon your Creator for everything. He desires a relationship with His beloved and is able to guide each child of God through life victoriously. In a changing, suspicious world, you have a Friend who is always reliable. ☐

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, March 20

Welcome: **Tommy Hill**
Song Leader: **David Jacks**
Opening Prayer: **Bill Thompson**
Lord's Table Lead: **Ed Dill**

Sermon: **Mike McLemore**
"Father, Forgive Them!"
Closing Prayer: **Ron Harmon**

Evening Worship

Bible Skillz CANCELLED

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

Wednesday, March 23

Songs Leader: **Phil Furlough**
Invitation: **Mike McLemore**
Closing Prayer: **Tommy Hill**

Sunday, March 27

Will Starks
Hill Roberts
Steve Hagewood
Tommy Hill

Mark 10:45
Mike McLemore
Make Me a Servant
Dwight Ivey

Evening Worship

CANCELLED

Virtual Devotion on ZOOM

Wednesday, March 30

Mel Ambrose
Mike McLemore
Marty Hunt

2022 Lectures TBA

Quarterly Adult Classes

March — June 2022

AUDITORIUM SUNDAY
Faith & A Good Conscience
Mike McLemore

AUDITORIUM WEDNESDAY
First Timothy
Mike McLemore

Serving in March

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

Lord's Supper PM ******

Communion Prep
Building Lockup

Collis Terry

MARCH & APRIL BIRTHDAYS



3-22	Thomas Hill	3-28	Adrienne West
4-2	Silvia Henderson	4-5	Carolynn Barr
4-6	Jerry Mitchell	4-8	Williams Hill
4-13	Sherrie Stovall	4-18	Peggy Monroe
4-20	John Stokes		

