



1776 Clay Road
Mableton, GA 30126

February 17, 2019

TIMES OF SERVICES:
Sunday Bible Study 10 AM
Sunday AM Worship 11 AM
Sunday PM Worship 2 PM
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 PM
Ladies Bible Class Tuesday 10 A

HOW DO WE REACT WHEN SOMEONE SINS?

Some of the greatest teaching we have in Scripture concerns the church, the body of Christ. Paul used this imagery in talking with the churches in Rome (Romans 12:3-8), in Corinth (1 Corinthians 12-14) and Ephesus (Ephesians 1:22-23; 4:4).

Notice some of the things we learn from these passages:

In Romans 12:3-8 Paul stresses these things: 1. None of us should think of ourselves more highly than we ought to think. Obviously, he warns against pride and arrogance as he discusses this with the Romans. 2. There are many members of one body and all of us do not have the same function in the body. (See Ephesians 4:11-16 and see how Paul portrays each of the members and how they function to help the body). 3. We are all members of the body, and members of one another. Hence, when one of the members of the body sins, it affects the whole body. Even private sin can affect the whole body. 4. All of us have been given gifts by the Spirit, and we are to use whatever gifts he has given for the good of the WHOLE body, not just ourselves. In that day the gifts given were miraculous, as they did not have the completed revelation (see 1 Corinthians 12-14). Today these gifts would be teaching, encouragement and helping the sick as well as others.

In 1 Corinthians 10:17 Paul stresses the idea that Christians are not to associate with idols. When we partake of and share the cup of blessing (the Lord's Supper) we cannot associate with idols. Paul emphasizes that that what a Christian does outside of the church assembly does have an impact on the whole body – the church.

In 1 Corinthians 12-14 Paul again addresses the use of the miraculous gifts of the Spirit and lists some of these in 1 Corinthians 12:1-11. He emphasizes that the Spirit gave these gifts for the good of the body, and that EACH MEMBER OF THE BODY is important to the whole body. A body can live without an eye but is handicapped when both eyes are gone. A body can make it with one leg, but the rest of the body has to compensate due to that one leg missing. Please understand this – when one member of the body is not doing his or her part, the whole body suffers. When one member of the body is sick, the whole body is affected. Hence, we must also understand that when we are sick spiritually; when we dabble too much in the world and not enough with God's people; when we sin even privately, we weaken our spirit, and thus weaken the body of Christ. And like physical sickness, it will take the body a while for it to get over the sickness.

The more we sin, the longer and harder it is to get over the weakness of the sin. Let us compare this to cancer (often sin could be compared to cancer in that it is hidden, then bursts out in the open – we find out through tests, xrays, CT scans . . .). The damage is done. Radiation or chemotherapy is now necessary, which further weakens the entire body. It is then easier for the body to catch colds, flu, or pneumonia which then puts the body at risk for death because of the weakened immune system. The body grows weaker. When we continue in sin, the soul grows weaker, until we die spiritually.

This is why we need to understand that the body as a whole needs to come to the aid of weak member who sins. Because sin affects the body, it affects all of us. So, as my body fights the infection all parts of the body grow weaker trying to fight. ***The only reason why the body would allow another part to be amputated or removed is if the part is so diseased that it will kill the rest of the body.***

ATTENTION LADIES

Jean Cribb is going to take over the organization of meals for those in need for the whole congregation. We will no longer be doing this via zones. If you know of a family in need please contact her.

There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer, if you are willing to provide a meal please put your name on the list so that she will have a list of people to call

DIRECTORY UPDATE

JENNIE STUBBLEFIELD has disconnected the home phone. If you need to get in touch with her you can do so via her cell phone.

770-309-1958

RESPONSES

SUE KING responded Sunday evening requesting prayers that she might say the right things while studying the Bible with her son-in-law.

HOW TO FORGIVE

Begin by listing all of the favors and mercies that God has shown you over the years, and how, without him, you could not have continued on.

Offer thanks to God for his forgiveness for your sins, perhaps the same ones, over and over.

Pray for the one who has sinned against you. Pray for their soul! Pray for their relationship with God. Seek to bring them back to God.

Look for an opportunity to help the one who sinned against you.

Be willing to serve the one who sinned against you.

SICK AND PRAYER REQUEST

AL GATTIS is now on 100% oxygen due to COPD.

C. STEPHEN LAW, father of Josh Law, did not have a stroke. He has a compressed vertebrae in his neck.

DAVID NIXON taking chemo for lung cancer.

DWAYNE WATSON'S supervisors dad has been diagnosed with terminal cancer and he asks for prayers for the family.

DERRICK REECE, brother of Dwight Reece, is doing better.

EVA WILLIAMS, Nina Reese's grandmother, is not doing well.

JENNIE STUBBLEFIELD ask for prayers for her friend, Gail Griswell, who has Crohn's disease and Alzheimers.

JOAN CARSON will have back surgery March 20th.

JOY REBB asks for prayers for her sister PAT, her brother in law JIM who will be having surgery soon and her niece JENNIFER, who are all having health issues.

LARRY CHUNN had knee replacement surgery and is doing well but in a lot of pain.

MARICE ALLEN received good news from her latest MRI and is about the same.

MARY COLE asks for prayers for her cousin Teresa who has brain cancer.

MICHELLE NOVITCH had surgery on Tuesday and is home recovering.

NANCY WALKER is scheduled for surgery February 18th at Northside Hospital.

NOI GATTIS, daughter in law of Margie Gattis, has lung cancer.

PATSY, mother of Jeff Novitch, started chemo.

SANDRA HERINGTON has been at home sick.

SHARON HARDEN asks for prayers for her grandfather, Howard Guy, who is still in the hospital. He has suffered a stroke while in the hospital.

SHIRLEY GLOSSON is back at home after time in the hospital. She has to see her doctor, then have tests run for the mass in her lung.

STEVE WATTS has pancreatic and lung cancer.

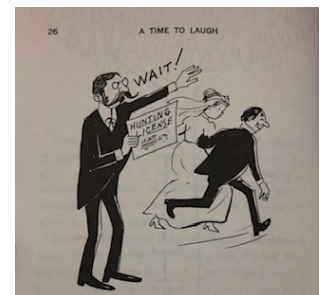
YES WEEKEND 2019

February 22-24 2019

The theme is THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM; the things that keep us from growing in Christ. Speakers will include Joe Wells, Austin Johnson and Hiram Kemp. Classes for teens, College and Adults @ the Forrest Park Church of Christ in Valdosta GA.

HUMOR

"License to do one thing does not grant permission to do something else," asserted grandpa. For instance: A couple appeared before him, handed him a license, and he married them. As they were leaving, he looked at the instrument and saw it was a hunting license. Running out the door, he yelled, "Hold on! Hold on!" As he handed the license to the man he quipped, "You don't have my permission, I thought you wanted to marry her - not shoot her."



PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MARCH 15-16.

The DYNAMIC DEACONS WORKSHOP will be held here at South Cobb on March 15-16, 2019. Aubrey Johnson will be here to guide and train not only the deacons that serve now, but also for all the men of this congregation and others in the area that want to become better servants of the Lord.

One of the crying needs of the church today is encouraging qualified men to serve the Lord in capacity of elder and deacon. The leadership of South Cobb believes that this begins by training our young men to make wise decisions when they are young, so that they can be qualified later to serve. And we encourage ALL men to attend, so that we can be challenged to be better for the Lord. "Iron sharpens iron . . ." Proverbs 27:17.

This principle is clearly brought out in passages such as 1 Corinthians 5, when the church knew about a sin the body, and did nothing about it but was puffed up. It is clearly brought out in 2 Thessalonians 3, when Paul condemned those who had quit work and were being idle, waiting for the coming of the Lord. The idle would become busybodies, thus walking disorderly, and have to rely on others to eat. Hence, Paul says if anyone will not obey the word in this epistle, "*note that person and do not keep company with them, that he may be ashamed. Yet do not count him as an enemy but admonish him as a brother.*" (2 Thessalonians 3:14-15)

So what are the "take aways?"

We will sin in the body – we need to understand that when we sin it affects more than just us, it affects the whole body.

When one of the members of the body sins, the rest of the body needs to come to their aid and help them get rid of the cancer. As blood flows to the wound to clean it; the white blood cells attack the foreign body. Forgiveness and mercy need to be shown, but, more importantly, we need to help that part of the body to heal. As a bone is broken and other parts of the body has to make up for the broken part UNTIL IT HEALS, so must we in the body, the church.

THE LAST RESORT, the very last resort, is for the body to attack the wounded part and "amputate" it for the good of the rest of the body. We must do what we can to save the body! We must be concerned about that member that has sinned and do all we can to save it. But some will not be saved. Some will continue in the sin and spurn the efforts of the body. Then the body has no choice.

Do we come to the aid of those who sin, or shun them? Do we forgive or bear grudges? What do we need to do?

Think on these things
Tommy

We received a letter from Churches of Christ Disaster Relief in which they received check # 3298 January 21, 2019 in the amount of \$9,019.00 from South Cobb to help with disaster relief. On the bulletin board in the foyer is a list of where the help has gone in 2018, and the amounts. Your gifts DO make a difference.

Thank you for your heart
Tommy

CAMP INAGEHI

There will be a Paul Bunyan breakfast/workday on
March 9th @ 8am.

THOSE SERVING

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Dwayne Watson

SONG LEADER

Feb 17 Shane Tidwell
Feb 24 Chris Tidwell
Mar 03 Boyd Cribb
Mar 10 Bruce Stroud
Mar 17 Rob Stroud

PRESIDING:

Feb 17 Larry Stubblefield
Feb 24 Dwight Reese
Mar 03 Shane Tidwell
Mar 10 Boyd Cribb
Mar 17 Ronnie Dorsey

A/V ROOM

Feb 17 Augustine Sunday
Feb 24 Kenneth Fincher
Mar 03 George Awuley
Mar 10 Austustine Sunday
Mar 17 Kenneth Fincher

SERVING ON LORD'S TABLE:

1. Bobby Fincher
2. Kenneth Fincher
3. Shane Tidwell
4. Wiley Ballard
5. Steven Pütz
6. Doug Durham
7. Larry King
8. Doug Pirtle

DOOR GREETERS:

Feb 17 Mary Cole/Amy LeBlanc
Feb 24 Bobby/Marie Fincher
Mar 03 Hubert/Alene Grier
Mar 10 Ed/Betty Singleton
Mar 17 Wiley/Barbara Ballard

PREPARING LORD'S SUPPER

Dawn Stubblefield

IN THE MILITARY

ISHMAEL GORDON - FL
JESSE BLANTON - GERMANY
MICAIAH THOMPSON - NC
MALACHI BIEN-AIME - CA
MICAH THOMPSON - VA

**SHUT-INS/NURSING HOME/
ASSISTED LIVING**
FANNIE PIGG-HOME

KEVIN BIERLEY-HOME

MELBA SHINHOLSTER

SARAH HARMON-
PRESBYTERIAN VILLAGE

THELMA PIRTLE/JOY REBB
- POWDER SPRINGS NURSING AND
REHAB

JERRY/ROSLYN ANDERSON
DELMAR GARDEN SMYRNA

MAUDE BIEN-AIME

SHIRLEY GLOSSON-HOME

JACKIE STUBBLEFIELD - GARDENS
OF SMYRNA

MISSIONS:

GA AGAPE
RAINTREE VILLAGE CHILDREN'S
HOME
RAINBOW OMEGA
ROBERT MARTIN -PACIFIC ISLAND
A MISSIONARY IN DUBAI
WAYNE PARKER POHNPEI
SPENCER BOOME LAM

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTION

February 10, 2019

Sunday AM Bible Study 89
Sunday AM Worship 133
Sunday PM Worship 75
Wednesday Bible Study 69

CONTRIBUTION

Budget \$4,500.00
Contribution: \$4,552.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 17th Elders/Deacons Meeting
Feb 24th Congregational meal
March 14th Senior Luncheon at the building 12pm
March 16th Men's Breakfast at the building at 8am

AREA EVENTS

AREA WIDE WIDOWHOOD

LUNCHEON February 20 at 11:30 am.
Villa Rica Church of Christ

5K TRAIL RUN Camp Inagehi March 23

LADIES DAY Bremen Church of Christ
March 23, 9-12pm

49th ANNUAL BIBLE BOWL Villa Rica Church of Christ May 4.

GOSPEL MEETING March 17-21, 2019
Lithia Springs Church of Christ Eric Garner, speaker.

MARRIAGE MINISTRY

The next meeting will be on Friday MARCH 8th at the house next door to the building 7-9pm. Please bring finger foods.

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Kenneth Fincher
Jeremy Peters Steven Pütz
Tom Smith Rob Stroud
Larry Stubblefield
Chris Tidwell