Passion for God.....Compassion for People February 5, 2012

Dates to Remember:

Men's Business Meetings are the first Sunday of each month, immediately following morning worship.

Stanton Nursing Home Services are the third Sunday of each month, beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Church Singings are the second Wednesday of each month.

Our sermon airs each Sunday at 8:30 a.m.WSKV – 104.9 FM

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Those undergoing medical tests, those going through personal trials, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, those who have lost loved ones, and those on the church prayer list.

.....the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16 Our men and women serving in Afghanistan and other war torn areas. Greater love hath no manJohn 15:13

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If you missed the dawn I made for you today, it doesn't matter. I'll make you another one tomorrow. *God*



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Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship
Sunday Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday7:00 p.m.

Sunday A.M.: What is Baptism?..... M.C. Rice Sunday P.M.: The Christian and The World Daniel Newell



We appreciate your presence today. We trust that God will be pleased with our worship and pray that each of you will be strengthened by your attendance. We welcome our visitors and encourage each to join us again for every service. May God's richest blessings be yours throughout the week.

ENTER TO WORSHIP ... Please turn off all cell phones and prepare to worship God.

Announcements and Sick	.Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	

Prayer:

A.M. Prayer before Worship	Joe Slone
A.M. Closing Prayer	Charles Rice
P. M. Opening Prayer	Jody McCoy
P.M. Closing Prayer	Greg Brewer

February:

Communion:	
Reading	Shane Burgher
Serving	Dan Newell & Walter Rice
Communion to the Sick	Daniel Newell & Dan Jr.
Collection	Pearl Brewer & Jody McCoy
Prepare Communion	Carla Watson
Cleaning Outside	Jody McCoy & Charles Rice
Van Driver	Shane Burgher



Thoughts to Consider

Use the five to one ratio when correcting someone - five positive comments to one negative comment.

The harder the truth, the greater the love with which it should be said.

Never put confrontational words in writing. Instead, confront face-to-face and write only words of encouragement that can be read again and again. Our words should not only be guarded and carefully measured, but should be filled with wisdom and kindness as well.

While it is our responsibility to train our children in daily living, it is more important that we train them in Kingdom living. Words of wisdom gleaned from God's Word will not only transform the hearts and lives of our husband and children, but our own as well. Look for every opportunity to emphasize God's words as a model for the words we speak.

Make it a daily habit to speak words of encouragement to the people with whom you come in contact. By doing so, your heart and mind will soon be trained to focus on the good in each other. And that perspective builds healthy relationships.

"A SQUASH OR AN OAK?"

James A Garfield noted, "When God wants to grow a squash, He grows it in one summer; but when He wants to grow an oak He take a century."

Personally I like squash. As a teenager, I could eat it as fast as my mother could fry it. It was delicious. However, I don't want to be a squash. Squash vines can be pulled up easily and stomped down quickly. They are here in the summer and gone by fall. I want to be an oak. I want to have deep roots and rugged strength. I want steady through multiple seasons.

President Garfield's point is well made, isn't it? You can't grow oak trees or men quickly. It takes time to grow things that endure. Under-standing this, we need to be patient with children and new converts. It will take some time for them to reach maturity. However, if they desire to grow, they will eventually get there (1 Peter 2:2; 2 Peter 3:18; 2 Tim. 2:15). With time, they will go from children tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine to men who cannot be moved (Eph 4:14-16; Ps. 16:8; 21:7 46:5; 55:22; 62:6).

As elders, preachers and bible school teachers and parents, our goal is to help our young people to grow into mighty oaks spiritually. In order to do this, we must feed them a balanced diet of God's word (1 Tim. 6:3; & 2 Tim 1:3). Are we presently producing squash or oaks? For sure, time will tell.

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Southhaven church of Christ

A Church is almost certain to grow....

When each member has a deep concern for the lost. When each member enters into worship with enthusiasm. When each member is interested in bible school. When each teacher is interested in improving his/her teaching ability. When each elder and deacon is dedicated to the work. When the preacher preaches the word with love. When each member is personally involved in his/her work of soul saving. When each member lets brotherly love express itself to every other member.

So they said, "Let us rise up and build." Then they set their hands to this good work. Nehemiah 2:18b (NKJV) Findlay church of Christ Sparta, TN