Passion for God.....Compassion for People January 10, 2010

Please be Reminded:

Church Singing will be this Wednesday. This is an opportunity to praise God together in song. The young boys of the congregation also have a chance to lead a song in front of the congregation. Please plan to attend. Your presence is needed.

Stanton Nursing Home Services will be next Sunday, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Brother M. C. Rice will be doing the speaking. Please join us in encouraging those who live there.

Men's Business Meetings are the first Sunday, immediately following morning worship. Plan to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Paul Napier, Anna Vires, Fred Teasley, Patricia Fetters, Pauline Powell, Joe and Debbie Slone, Brian Rice, Kay Stewart, Sharon Olinger, Reva O'Hair, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, all those on the church prayer list.

.....the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16

Food Pantry: Help those less fortunate by contributing to the food pantry. Please bring non-perishable items such as instant potatoes, canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned meats, soups, stew, peanut butter and jelly, oil, spaghetti and sauce.

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Worship Services

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Sunday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Sunday A.M.: Why Be Baptized?	M.C. Rice

And Hannah prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the Lord, mine horn is exalted in the Lord: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation. There is none holy as the Lord: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock like our God. Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let not arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed. 1 Samuel 2:1-3



Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	Terry Abney
A.M. Prayer	Homer Rice
A.M. Prayer before Worship	Jody McCoy
A.M. Closing Prayer	Glenn Hayes
P. M. Opening Prayer	Dan Newell Jr.
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January:

Communion:

ReadingGreg Brewer Serving Terry Abney, Joe Slone` Collection......Willard Dunn., Paul Napier Prepare CommunionCarla Watson, Josie Watson

The church of Christ, in its universal sense, includes all Christians. It is the family of God; and, of course, contains all of God's children. There is no such thing known to the Bible as first becoming a Christian and afterwards joining the church. Some men of the present time may teach that sort of doctrine, but it has come as a result of the many religious parties and denominations which now exist, but which are all also unknown to the Bible. Certainly one may become a Christian before one joins any particular religious party, and one may live a Christian and never join any religious party or denomination; but when one becomes a Christian, one then and thereby becomes a child of God, a member of the family of God, which is the same as the church of God.

G. C. Brewer in "The Model Church" copyright 1957

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This and That

In the parable of the talents, as recorded in Matthew 25:14-30, it is evident that the Lord is teaching accountability for the things that are delivered to us in this world. There is to be an improvement in the things we receive. I would like for us to consider two areas of our lives that should garner attention and positive advancement.

Are we improving *Personally*. The most important thing that God has given unto us is our life. As long as we are living in this body, there should be a desire and effort to improve oneself. We may do this physically by diet and exercise. We can do this spiritually by applying God's word to our lives. In the Simple English Version of the Bible, Peter gave a formula whereby one "may never fall" He says "This is why you must do your very best to add: goodness to your faith, knowledge to your goodness, self-control to your knowledge, endurance to your self-control, godliness to your endurance, brotherly love to godliness, unselfish concern to brotherly love. If you have these qualities and they are improving, then they will make you active and productive in knowing Jesus Christ, our Lord." 2 Peter 1:5-8

Are we improving *Socially*?

Within the family structure? As a parent, spouse, or child are we improving our relationships? Parents are to educate, train, and mentor our children. Spouses are to obey the rules outlined in Ephesians chapter 5. Children are to "obey your parents in the Lord". Is our home the sweet sanctum of relief from the world that it should be? For each member of the family?

Within the neighborhood? We should be thought of in a positive way. How does the neighbor(s) think of us? Are we friendly? Are we helpful? Are we known as a Christian? A faithful Christian?

Within the Church? The church is the blood-bought body of Christ and is comprised of the ones saved from their sins. It is very important to Jesus. It should be also to us. Are we an active participant in all the church activities? Do we participate in the worship services? Do we sing? Do we pray? Do we participate in the Bible Study sessions available to us? Are we an example of the believers? Think about it. Daniel Newell

■ My life on earth is but a span, and so I'll do the best I can J