

The Follower

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Matthew 16:24

"Then Jesus said to his disciples,
If any [man] will come after me
let him deny himself and take his
cross, and follow me"

God
is so
Good!

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What Must I Do To Be Saved?

We must hear the word of God. (Romans 10:17)

We must believe the Word of God. (Hebrews 11:6; John 1:16; Mark 16:15-16)

We must repent of our sins. (Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38)

We must confess Christ before men. (Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10)

We must be immersed for the remission of our sins. (Acts 2:38; 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21)

We must live faithfully until death. (Revelation 2:10; Romans 12:1-2)

“Keep It Between The Ditches”

When I was growing up my dad would sometimes use the saying, “keep it between the ditches”. He would use this when something was going wrong in our lives, things seemed to be getting wild or out of control. I always knew what he meant and somehow it always helped because it would cause me to slow down and think through that particular situation that I was in.

When we were told that I had cancer, as you could imagine me and my whole family was real upset. When the doctors told us what the treatment, odds, and path that I must travel to give myself the best chance of survival it was overwhelming. What do I mean? I was 13 years old and I had a lot of other plans for my life. It didn't include loosing my hair, being sick to my stomach all the time, and spending my teenage years in and out of the hospital. But you guessed it. We used our saying! If we want the end result, (DEFEATING CANCER) then we must travel this path and “keep it between the ditches!” I continued this course even though my cancer would go away and then come back in a different spot.

In February 2010 Dr. Lisa McGregor came in my room after I had completed all my test and scans. She had a real sad look on her face. She told me that my cancer was back again and it had spread throughout my body. Further news, I had went through all the treatment known to help my cancer and we were at the end of my treatment. She did tell me that she would begin chemo again to try and help slow down the growth and spread of my cancer. Well, before I went any further, I asked a question I never dreamed I would have to ask. “How Long Do You Think I Have?” The news hurt me and my family so bad. We couldn't control our emotions for some time. The news: “Jay, you have four to six months to live if you take more treatment.” Mom keeps saying that I don't have ‘give up’ or ‘quit’ in me so I told mom and dad this is our new path and let's “keep it between the ditches”. As I write this article I am approaching my sixth month. I'm struggling with my health but I continue on my course.

As we travel through our life, longing for our home in heaven we also have to keep on our path. As we read in Matthew 7:13-14 we get to choose which path to travel: *“Enter ye in at the narrow gate: for wide [is] the gate, and broad [is] the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there are who go in by it: 14 Because small [is] the gate, and narrow [is] the way, which leadeth to life, and few there are that find it.”* The wide path is the one most commonly traveled. Even when we feel we are in a hard or even loosing battle we have to “keep it between the ditches” which also means travel down the narrow way that leads to Heaven.

I sometimes wonder what to do. Which way to go now. But I go back to the only answer that I have and that is found in God's Word. Jesus is the answer and He is the RIGHT WAY to go. John 14:6 *“Jesus saith to him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no man cometh to the Father, but by me.”* We must want to get to our Father in heaven. We know through His teaching what a wonderful place Heaven must be.

I hope and pray that we can all learn to “keep our lives on the narrow path.”

-jay

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays: October 21-Lori McClain, 23-Jacob Peevyhouse, 23-Scarlet Peevyhouse, 25-Ben Holmes, 28-Sharon Wright. **November 3-** Tina Kelly, 9-Haley Christman, 17-David Bryant, 18-Hayden McClain, 18-David Brasher, 23- Elizabeth Latch, 28-Joshua Brasher.

Anniversaries: October 21-Benji & Nichole Lawrence. **November 25-**J.T. & Glenda Rogers

HEALTH WATCH

Jay Rogers is resting at this time. Jerry Martin's health is continuing to fail. Susan Lawrence is recovering from hip surgery. Mollie Rumley (Norris mother) is recovering from back surgery. Linda Ballentine's test showed a tumor on her thyroid. Doctors hope to treat with medication and not surgery. Mickey Holland will have a cancer removed from his ear. He is waiting until they get moved to Arkansas.

SHUT-INS & NURSING HOME

Billy Bennett, Helen Pinson, Horace Ray Coleman, Glenda Rogers, Betty De Priest, Eva Mae Bray.

PRAYER LIST

Russell Below, Dustin Church, Nina Long, Evelyn Miller, Joann Mewbourn Goodman, Denise & Mark Algood, Otis Brown Foster, Edsel Holt, Irmgard Cunningham, Bobby O'Dell, Doug Gordon, Gerthal Leach, Kary Granada, Leon Purvis, Lois Arrington, Judy Garrard, Ruth Bennett, Josie Plunk, Sherry Parker, David King, John David Presson, Rena Arrington, Jerry & Betty De Priest, Reitha Martin, Zach Crider.

CANCER: Tracy Lewis, Mike Arrington, Kim Mewbourn Warren, Martha Jones, Anita Mayo, Jane Price, Lisa Acklin, Lizio Sims (Benjie's Aunt), Diana Bray, Martha Bobo, Jerri Ann Bennett, Keri Dodd, Joy Hays, Judy Robinson, Donald Kelly, Ann Spain, Becky Bledsoe, Bobby Giles, Linda Fynum, Ruby Fesmire, Sherry (Argo) Stout, Tolbert Ray, Gail Pritchard, Mary Wilson, Jay Rogers, Dwayne Bateman, James Green, CJ Wachsmuth, Joey Anderson, Pat Schneider, Samantha Wallace, Beth Ann Potter, Jerry Martin, Josie Plunk.

MILITARY: Troy Pollack

☞ Let's continue to remember our men and women in the military.

Pantry Item - Canned Green Beans & Vegetables. Our Pantry is very low at this time due to the need at West Tennessee Children's Home. Please pick up Items to restock our Pantry. We will have several with needs in the coming holiday months.

<u>Last Week's Record</u>		<u>Goals</u>
Bible Study:	52	75
Worship AM:	76	101
Wership PM:	48	75
Wednesday:	58	75
Contribution	\$1,568.00	\$1,650.00

Invite A Friend To Worship!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 21st -Conduct services at the McKenzie Rest Home. 2:00pm. Care Group #1
October 27th - 3:00pm-Trunk or Treat at church building then a bon-fire and hayride at Charie & Annie's house.
November 4th -Elders & Deacons meeting at 3:00pm.
November 7th - Monthly Singing.
November 9th - 1st Annual Christian Chapel church of Christ Singing 7:00pm-Midnight. 10555 Garden - Christian Chapel Road, Waldersville, TN
November 10th - Annual "Golden Age Banquet"
THEME: THE DIFFERENCES YOU HAVE MADE!
November 11th - Monthly Fellowship meal after our morning service.
November 18th -Conduct services at the McKenzie Rest Home. 2:00pm. Care Group #2
December 2nd -Deadline to Sign up for CYC. \$25.00 for ticket.
December 2nd - Elders & Deacons Meeting 3:00pm
December 5th - Monthly Singing
December 16th - Conduct services at the McKenzie Rest Home. 2:00pm. Care Group #1
December 30th - Huntingdon Rest Home. 2:00pm.
February 22nd-24th - CYC. See Date, David or Mark for more details.

REASON TO REJOICE

Dylan Holt was baptized into Christ this past Wednesday night. We are so proud of him for his decision. Let's all encourage him as he continues to grow in Christ.

CAN YOU FIND 16 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE?

I once made a remark about the hidden books of the Bible. It was a lulu, kept people looking so hard for facts and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names of the books were not capitalized; but the truth finally struck home to numbers of readers.

To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually take a minister to find one of them and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea, so she can concentrate better. See how many you can complete. Relax now for there are really sixteen names of the Bible in this story.

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Sunday Morning	October 21, 2012 9:00 am	October 28, 2012 9:00 am
Power Point	David Brasher	David Brasher
Greet	Greg & Lori	Greg & Lori
Announcements	Tim Rogers	Tim Rogers
Song Leader	Keith Peavyhouse	Keith Peavyhouse
Scripture Reading	Steve Foster	Tim Rogers
Reading Text	Psalms 1:1-6	Psalms 23
Opening Prayer	Nick Bryant	Mark Wright
Preside - Table	Greg McClain	Greg McClain
Preside - Table	David Bryant	David Bryant
Table	Terry Hall	Terry Hall
Table	Charlie Wachsmuth	Charlie Wachsmuth
Table	John Henry Long	John Henry Long
Table	Shane De Priest	Shane De Priest
Closing Prayer	Norris De Priest	William Moore
Sunday Night	October 21, 2012 5:00 pm	October 28, 2012 5:00 pm
Song Leader	David Bryant	David Bryant
Opening Prayer	Shane De Priest	Charlie Wachsmuth
Scripture Reading	Norris De Priest	Shane De Priest
Reading Text	Hebrews 4:14-16	Matthew 7:13-14
Table	Greg McClain & David Bryant	Greg McClain & David Bryant
Closing Prayer	Garrett Wright	Joshua Brasher
Wednesday Bible Study	October 24, 2012 7:00 pm	October 31, 2012 7:00 pm
Opening Prayer	David Brasher	Dale Aden
Devotional	Norris De Priest	Tim Rogers
Closing Prayer	Joshua Brasher	Dale Ballentine

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:00a.m.

Worship 10:00a.m.

Evening Worship 5:00p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00p.m.

"Bible Classes For All Ages"

COME WORSHIP WITH US

We welcome all our visitors and invite you to attend at every opportunity.

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MISSION WORK

Dorian Flynn & Partners 4 Africa

West Tennessee Children's Home

It's Not Easy

It's not easy to apologize, to begin over, to admit error, to keep trying, to take advice, to be unselfish, to be charitable, to face a sneer, to avoid mistakes, to be considerate, to endure success, to profit by mistakes, to keep out of a rut, to forgive and forget, to think and then act, to make the best of little, to subdue an "unruly" temper, to recognize the silver lining, to shoulder a deserved blame, but

IT ALWAYS PAYS.

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