

The Follower

A Weekly Newsletter of The Trezevant Church Of Christ

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"

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Welcome To Our Services

SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:00am

Worship 10:00am

Evening Worship 5:00pm

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 6:30pm

"Bible Classes for all Ages"

OUR AIM IS . . .

- To speak where the Bible speaks, and to be silent where the Bible is silent!
- To call Bible things by Bible names and to do Bible things in Bible ways!
- To have unity in matters of faith, liberty in matters of opinion, and love in all things!
- To "serve God acceptably with reverence and with Godly fear"! (Heb. 12:28)
- To welcome all who submit themselves to God and honestly seek to do His will!

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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 3:16; 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)

Don't Settle for Second Best

Alan Smith

The story is told of a professor who stood before his class of twenty senior organic biology students, about to hand out the final exam. "I want to say that it's been a pleasure teaching you this semester. I know you've worked extremely hard and many of you are off to medical school after summer. So that no one gets his GPA messed up because he might have been celebrating a bit too much this week, anyone who would like to opt out of the final exam today will receive a 'B' for the course." There was much rejoicing amongst the class as students got up, passed by the professor to thank him and sign out on his offer. As the last taker left the room, the professor looked out over the handful of remaining students and asked, "Any one else? This is your last chance." One final student rose up and took the offer.

The professor closed the door and took attendance of those students remaining. "I'm glad to see you believe in yourself," he said. "You all have A's."

Too often, we're content to settle for second best. A lot of students would be thrilled to settle for a 'B' (That's better than I usually get.) "That's doing better than most of the others I know.") And most students, I think, would rather get a "B" with little time spent studying, than to make the effort it takes to get an "A."

A lot of us are content to settle for second best in our spiritual lives as well. We're close to God (at least closer than many people we know), but we aren't willing to take the time and the effort to have the kind of relationship we know God wants us to have.

The biggest problem with settling for second best is that we miss out on that which is best.

"As Jesus and His disciples were on their way, He came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to Him. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what He said. But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to Him and asked, 'Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!' 'Martha, Martha,' the Lord answered, 'you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her' (Luke 10:42).

What Martha was doing was good (second best, even) but "Mary has chosen what is better." May we always seek out and choose "what is better" in our relationship with God!

via: Greensboro Road church of Christ

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS ON PRAYER

"...Men ought always to pray, and not to faint" (Luke 18:1).

Pray immediately upon rising. In what better way can we begin the day than by thanking God for His

protection and care during the night and by asking His guidance and help during the coming day. A prayer at the beginning of the day will be a kind of insulation against evil through the entire day.

Pray before every meal. God has provided for our every need in such a bountiful manner. Surely, the least we can do is to express our gratitude as we sit down to enjoy each meal! When we eat in restaurants, a few moments of silent prayer may serve for the audible prayer which we pray around our tables at home.

Pray at set times. The ancient Jews, and others, found it helpful to reserve certain periods of the day for prayer. We may find it helpful, too. Those regular times serve as reminders and help to keep the busy, on-rushing world from crowding out our periods of communion with God.

Pray with your whole family. There is something particularly wonderful about a prayer in which both children and parents have a part...

Pray when you feel discouraged. Most of us need little encouragement to pray when we feel discouraged or when we face some special problem. At such times prayer comes unsought. It is a great comfort to know God listens to our prayers in times of crisis. One of the greatest privileges of the Christian is the privilege of leaning upon the Lord in times of difficulty.

Pray at odd times. Pray whenever you feel the desire. The real Christian will often find cause to pray-while driving a car, while working at his desk, while waiting for a friend, or while doing a host of other things. When the desire comes, pray. The prayer need not be long-perhaps only a sentence or two. It need not be spoken aloud, for God can hear "silent" prayers, too.

Pray when you are happy. It is easy to pray in times of crises, and equally easy to forget to pray when the affairs of life are going well. Most Christians need to thank God for their happy, prosperous lives far more often than they do.

-Batsell Barrett Baxter

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays: April 5-Piper De Priest, 11-Ben Parker, 19-Mandy Bryant, 22- Shirley Jennings, 24-Kay Greenway, 25- Judy Keen, 30-Jennifer Hall Wroten.

Anniversaries: April 12-David & Pam Bryant, 20-Charles & Jackie Sue Foster.

HEALTH WATCH

Sick this past week: **Jimmy McClain, Pam Bryant, Rhonda Aden, Norris De Priest** – back problems, **Mickey Holland** is doing better. His address is: Charles Mickey Holland – 103 Bloodworth Road – Searcy, AR 72143. **Sammy Holland** started hospice care this past Thursday.

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families of:

Carolyn Seymour & Donovan Wolf.

SHUT-INS & NURSING HOME

Laverne Belew, Helen Pinson, Betty De Priest, Eva Mae Bray.

PRAYER LIST

Joe McDaniel (Barbara Holt's brother-in-law), Randle Smith, Glen Morgan (Dale Aden's friend), Anita Mayo (Barbara Holt's sister), Rachel Arrington, Craig Ballentine, Ann Seavers, Toni Mitchell (Julie Miller's Sister), Larry Hays, Trevor Keymon, Kristopher Conway, Jimmy & Ginger Taylor, Will McAlpin, Derick Lamen (David & Gail's friend), Larry Kelley, Alice Moore, Nina Long, Tina Peevyhouse, Cathy Glasgow, Jimmy & Kaffie Greene, Kinley Fowler, Tom Aden, Evelyn Miller, Joann Mewbourn Goodman, Denise & Mark Algood, Otis Brown Foster, Bobby O'Dell, Missy Denton, Rena Arrington, Zach Crider.

CANCER: Wayne Seavers, Mary Wilson, Kim Barker (Jackie-Sue's cousin), Nathan Hodge (David Brasher's co-worker), Chayla Blagaich (friend of Pam & David), Mona Rychen, Jerry Shelton, Mike Crocker, Sam Bailey, Ann Spain, Charles Hays, Ian Edwards, Pat Schneider, Marianne Draper, Dorothy Lowe, April Fultz, David Fowler, Elizabeth Cronin, Karen Allen, Kenneth Foster, Christine Johnson, Web Maddox, Debbie Browning, Sammy Holland, Jr. Bell, David Jackson, Timmy Little, Stephanie Carter, Jason Robinson, Keri Dodd, Joy Hays, Tolbert Ray.

Last Week's Record

Bible Study	65
AM Worship	74
PM Worship	59
Wednesday Bible Study	44
Contribution	\$1,542.00

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 5th- Elders & Deacons meeting @ 3:00pm
April 12th- Fellowship meal (Widows & Widowers Appreciation) after our morning service. Devo @ 12:15pm.
April 14th- Grub Club. Van will leave at 10:30am for Reelfoot Lake.
April 19th- Conduct services at Wesley Fountain Place in Milan. Van will leave at 2:00pm. Speaker: Norris De Priest.
May 3rd- Elders & Deacons meeting @ 3:00pm

May 10th- Fellowship meal (Mother's Appreciation) after our morning service. Devo @ 12:15pm.

May 17th- Conduct services at Wesley Fountain Place in Milan. Van will leave at 2:00pm. Speaker: Steve Foster.

May 31st- Conduct services at the Huntingdon Rest Home. Van will leave @ 1:30pm. Speaker: Charlie Wachsmuth

June 1st- SYS @ East Jackson. Theme: "Whatever"

June 7th-10th- **Vacation Bible School!**

June 8th- SYS @ McKenzie. Lesson – "Whatever you Wish" Matthew 7:12

June 14th- Family & Friend Day! - Fellowship meal after our morning service. Devo @ 12:15pm. GOAL 150!!!

June 15th- SYS @ Van Dyke. Lesson – "Whatever you Do" Colossians 3:17,23

June 22nd- SYS @ Trezevant. Lesson – "Whatever is True" Philippians 4:8.

June 29th- SYS @ Broad Street, Lexington. Lesson – "Whatever is Honorable" Philippians 4:8.

July 6th- SYS @ Huntingdon. Lesson – "Whatever is Just" Philippians 4:8.

July 13th- SYS @ Clarksburg. Lesson – "Whatever is Pure" Philippians 4:8.

July 20th- SYS @ Main Street, Milan. Lesson – "Whatever is Lovely/Commendable- Whatever is Excellent/Worthy of Praise" Philippians 4:8.

July 27th- SYS @ Camden. Lesson – "But Whatever Gain" Philippians 3:7.

August 3rd- SYS @ Henry. Lesson – "In Whatever Situation" Philippians 4:11.

July 31st- **Annual Singing. 7:00pm**

August 16th-19th- Our Gospel Meeting. Speaker: Bill Irby

PEW PACKERS

Our Pew Packer's class will meet tonight at 4:45pm.

Widows & Widowers

We need your favorite picture of you and your spouse. Please turn it in to Lori McClain or Tim Rogers. We will return your picture.

We need these pictures as soon as possible.

Teachers: April, May, June 2015

Cradle Roll – Jana Blount

2year old-K

Sunday: Rhonda Aden,

Wednesday: Nichole Lawrence

1st – 3rd

Sunday: Jeanie Brasher

Wednesday: Lori McClain

4th-6th

Sunday: Rita Foster

Wednesday: Kim Lindsey

Jr & Sr High

Sunday: Boys – Nick Bryant

Sunday: Girls – Mary Jo Hall

Wednesday: Tim Rogers

Wednesday Night Adult Class

April 8	Prayer
April 15 David	If the Blind Lead the Blind Matthew 15:14

Privileged To Serve

April

Prepare Communion Trays: Edward Ray & Jean Ford Power Point: Mark Wright Greet: Sherrill & Wanda Smith
Announcements: Steve Foster Song Leader AM: Nick Bryant / Song Leader PM: Keith Peevyhouse / Wednesday: David Bryant
Preside at Table: Dale Aden & Dale Ballentine Serve on Table: Dylan Holt, Peyton Lindsey, Barry Moore & Monte Morris
Scripture Reading: AM – Psalms 142 Scripture Reading: PM – John 1:11-12

Date April Sunday	AM Opening Prayer	AM Scripture Reading	AM Closing Prayer	PM Opening Prayer	PM Scripture Reading	PM Closing Prayer	Date April Wednesday	Wednesday Opening Prayer	Wednesday Devotional	Wednesday Closing Prayer
5	Charlie Wachsmuth	Jacob Keen	Daniel Rogers	Steve Foster	Greg McClain	Dale Ballentine	8	Mark Wright	Steve Foster	Joshua Brasher
12	David Bryant	Joshua Brasher	Steve Foster	Dale Ballentine	Jack Lawrence	Nick Bryant	15	Keith Peevyhouse	David Bryant	Dale Ballentine
19	Sherrill Smith	Peyton Lindsey	Charlie Wachsmuth	David Brasher	Dale Aden	Joshua Brasher	22	David Brasher	Dale Aden	Daniel Rogers
26	William Moore	Garrett Wright	Jacob Keen	Dale Aden	David Brasher	Peyton Lindsey	29	Steve Foster	Dale Ballentine	Jacob Keen

PLEASE LET DAVID BRASHER KNOW IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO SERVE.

DAILY BIBLE READING FOR 2015

April	New Testament	Old Testament
5	Luke 7:18-50	Joshua 8-9
6	Luke 8:1-18	Joshua 10-12
7	Luke 8:19-39	Joshua 13-14
8	Luke 8:40-56	Joshua 15-16
9	Luke 9:1-27	Joshua 17-18
10	Luke 9:28-45	Joshua 19-20
11	Luke 9:46-62	Joshua 21-22
12	Luke 10:1-20	Joshua 23-24
13	Luke 10:21-42	Judges 1-2
14	Luke 11:1-28	Judges 3-4
15	Luke 11:29-54	Judges 5-6
16	Luke 12:1-21	Judges 7-8
17	Luke 12:22-40	Judges 9-10
18	Luke 12:41-59	Judges 11-13
19	Luke 13:1-17	Judges 14-16
20	Luke 13:18-35	Judges 17-19
21	Luke 14:1-14	Judges 20-21
22	Luke 14:15-35	Ruth 1-2
23	Luke 15	Ruth 3-4
24	Luke 16	I Samuel 1-3
25	Luke 17:1-19	I Samuel 4-6
26	Luke 17:20-37	I Samuel 7-9
27	Luke 18:1-17	I Samuel 10-12
28	Luke 18:18-43	I Samuel 13-14
29	Luke 19:1-27	I Samuel 15-16
30	Luke 19:28-48	I Samuel 17

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