

TO SERVE TODAY:	AM	PM
Opening Prayer	David Bryant	Dale Ballentine
Song Leading	Dale Ballentine	Keith Peevyhouse
Preside Lord's Supper	Dale Aden	
Scripture Reading	Josh Brasher	Dylan Holt
Closing Prayer	Mickey Keen	Monte Morris
NEXT WEEK:		
Opening Prayer	Mark Wright	Freeman Mahan
Song Leading	Dale Ballentine	Keith Peevyhouse
Preside Lord's Supper	Dale Aden	
Scripture Reading	Mickey Keen	Monte Morris
Closing Prayer	Noah Brasher	John Henry Long



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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**SUNDAY:**      Bible Class    9:00 AM  
                             Worship      10:00 AM & 5:00 PM  
                             (Meet-Eat-Meet each second Sunday)

**WEDNESDAY:**      Bible Study    6:30 PM  
                             (Fellowship & devo each fourth Wednesday)

## Our Adversary

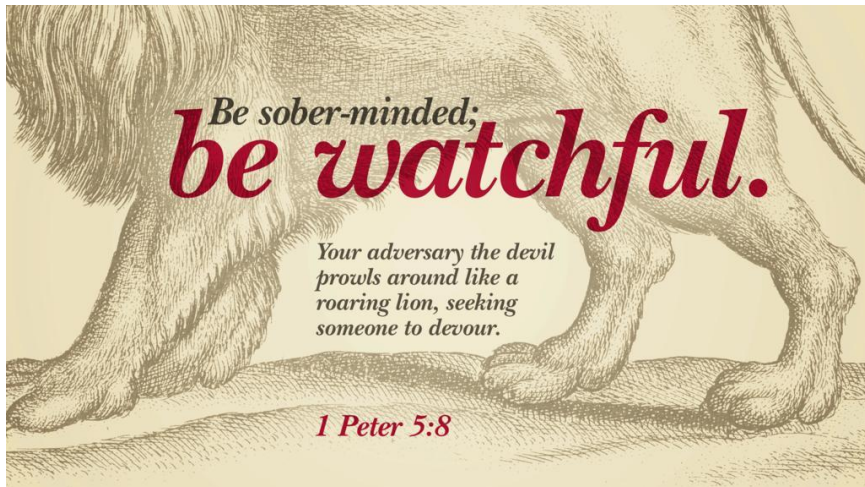
The dictionary meaning of the word "adversary" is anyone who contends with, opposes, or resists, such as an enemy or an opponent. In sports, for example, the opposing team will be our adversary once we face them within the confines of the arena. However, our adversary does not have to be our enemy once the game is over. Many athletes often socialize as friends the same opponents they want so badly to defeat during the competition.

As Christians, we have an adversary who is relentless and never stops trying to defeat us. Unlike athletes, we cannot afford to be socially friendly with him. Note what Peter said about him: *Be sober, be vigilant; for your adversary, the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour... (1 Pet. 5:8)*. Paul admonished this way: *Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil (Eph. 6:11)*. Jesus cautioned Peter that *Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you like wheat (Luke 22:31)*. This is the same Satan who deceived Eve in the garden (1 Tim. 2:14), and tempted Jesus after His fasting in the wilderness (Matt. 4:1ff). He is crafty and knows our weaknesses. The closer we get to God, the more he tries to lure us away. This is serious business because he wants more than to just tempt us to sin, He wants our souls in eternity.

Fortunately, God has provided us with warnings about this fight, and has given us the ability to fend off Satan's temptations. Peter encouraged us when he said that we can *resist him, steadfast in the faith (1 Pet 5:9)*. Paul reassured that God *will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able, but will with the temptation also make a way of escape... (1 Cor. 10:13)*. And we have Jesus' perfect example of how to resist the devil: *It is written... (Matt. 4:1ff)*.

Let us arm ourselves with the whole armor of God. By doing so, we will be able to resist the devil and he will flee from us (*Jas. 4:7*).

~Freeman



**MEMORY VERSE - James 4:7:**

*Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.*

## Remember in Prayer . . .

- **Miss Mary** was taken to the hospital Wednesday evening after falling. Fortunately she suffered no broken bones and was returned to the nursing home.
- **Pam** has been with dealing with a lot of abdominal pain this past week, and has undergone several tests.
- **Diane** fell at the grocery store after leaving services last Sunday morning.
- Dale Aden's sister, **Mary Lee Hall**, had her second hip replacement last week. Another sister, **Carolyn**, has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's, and it appears to be rapidly progressing.

PRAYER LIST: Miss Mary; Sherrill; Steve; Rita; Ginger Avery....

## News and Notes . . .

- We welcome our visitors; we are indeed honored to have you with us. Please complete a visitor card and leave it in the pew or the collection plate, and please allow us the opportunity to get acquainted with you following services.
- **Summer Youth Series** tomorrow evening at Clarksburg. The van will leave at 6:15.
- **Wednesday evening devo: Dale Aden**
- **Second Sunday Fellowship and Meet-Eat-Meet** next week.

## JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

Linda Ballentine - 07  
Orvaline Mann - 15  
Mickey & Judy - 21  
Rhonda Aden - 25  
Ruth Morgan - 28