

“Be Alert”

(1 Thessalonians 5:1-11)

I. The Aggressiveness of Satan

II. The Increase of Compromise in the Church

III. The Prevalence of Indifference in the Church

IV. The Presence of Spiritual Defeat Seen Among Believers

V. The Alarming Degree of Fruitlessness Among Christians

December 10, 2023 • Ray Rose

TODAY'S GREETERS: Matt & Kayla Nichols

SUNDAY AM BIBLE CLASSES

Auditorium - Adults (Ray Rose)
The book of Philippians

Multipurpose Room - Teens (Doug Boyle)
Church History

WEDNESDAY PM - December 13th

Greeter Frosty & June Munsell
Song Greyson Waide
Scripture (1 Peter 2:1-6) Alec Boyle

WEDNESDAY PM BIBLE CLASSES

Auditorium - Adults (Tucker Fuxa)
“What Jesus Had To Say About Worship”

Teen Room - Teens (Ray Rose)
The book of Philippians

Fellowship Hall - Ladies Class (Fern Boyle)
Biblical Geography

BLAST Class - PreK - 6th (Dec 13th: Kay Scott)

NEXT SUNDAY - December 17th

Greeters Jan Tinsley & Rocky Gaisford
Announcements Tucker Fuxa
Songleader Greyson Waide
Scripture Reading/Prayer Matt Nichols
Lesson Ray Rose
Communion Tim Rehmel
Closing Prayer Frosty Munsell
PM Songleader 3rd Sunday Singing
PM Prayer Bill David Walker

ELDERS *Elder of the Month - December

Doug Boyle *Greg Waide



DEACONS *Responsible for locking the building - December

Tim Ford - Audio-Visual/Technology *Roger Gaddie - Building/Communion Svc
Tim Rehmel - Education

If you ever miss a robo-call from the church, you can hear the most recent message again by dialing: 1-877-333-9336.

PULPIT MINISTER - Ray Rose SECRETARIES - June Munsell & Jennifer Waide

Office Hours: 8:30 to 4:30 (Mon & Wed-Fri) Notary services are available in the office Wed-Fri.

 ALL SERVICES INTERPRETED FOR THE DEAF	SUNDAY		WEDNESDAY	
	Bible Classes	9:30 am	Mid-Week Boost Meal	5:30-6:30 pm
	AM Worship	10:30 am	Bible Study	7:00 pm
	PM Worship	5:00 pm		

CHURCH LIFE

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WEEP WITH THOSE WHO WEEP

Sorrow is an unfortunate companion in this life. Oh, there are occasions when it turns out to be an indispensable friend, if it is a sorrow that leads the sinner to repentance (2 Cor. 7:10). Yet, as simple everyday life goes, sorrow can be a bitter pill. Let's face it, wherever disappointments, discouragements, and death exist, tears will be there. The wise man Solomon once said, "To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die...a time to weep...a time to mourn..." (Eccl. 3:1-2,4). Sooner or later, it is the fate of us all.

When such a time confronts us, we are immediately burdened by it; yet there is not a worse sense of despair or hopelessness than to have to face that burden alone. We all need a shoulder to cry on once in a while. Job 2:11-13 records that Job had three friends who came to comfort him after the devastating loss of his children and possessions. It says that they "lifted their voices and wept" and that "they sat down with him on the ground seven days and seven nights, and no one spoke a word to him, for they saw that his grief was very great."

I think one of the most touching stories I've ever read on the subject of grief and sorrow was one told by Leo Buscaglia about a four-year-old boy and his next-door neighbor (an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife). Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into his neighbor's yard, climbed onto his lap and just sat there. When his mother asked him what he had said to the neighbor, the little boy said, "Nothing. I just helped him cry."

Herein lies a lesson. When another's eyes "waste away with grief" (Ps. 31:9), there is but one thing to do: "weep with those who weep" (Rom. 12:15).

BULLETIN DIGEST (Sep 2013)
1002 N Johnson St
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Aaron Veyon
via Chapman church of Christ
Ripley, MS



Family of Don Brewer (Grandfather of Jennifer Waide)...He passed away last Saturday. He was 91.

Fern Boyle...She has chronic plantar facsciitis in her foot and is getting injections.

Brent Boyd (Friend of Fern Boyle)...He was hit by a car and has a head injury.

Terri Speer (Friend of Connie Walker).....She is battling cancer and not doing well.

Meagan Dillard (Granddaughter of Mac & Joy McCoy)...She had complications following surgery and became septic. Thankfully, she is doing better now and recovering at home.

Lynda Malaska.....She should get the results from her heart tests this week.

Calvina Osburn.....Her ankle surgery on Thursday went well.

Garry Osburn.....He is still having dizzy spells and will see the doctor Thursday.

Chris Strate...She has been diagnosed as borderline diabetic and would appreciate prayers.

Mission Trip to Ghana, Africa.....Please be praying for Amanda Turpin and Jonathan Crowell as they are in Africa through December 23rd. (Re'Elle Crowell was unable to go.)

Please continue to pray for:

Lena Stites Marsha Hager Nancy Thomas (Sister of Polly Watkins)

Lucille Wilder Tina Wilder Eldon Gritz Misty Walker

Jason (Grandson of Jerry & Shirley Lorenz) Mike Goodpasture (Cousin of Dan Biby)

Kathy Wade (Aunt of Bill David & Connie Walker's daughter-in-law)

We are having a Christmas card party for Ken Strever, Zane Johnston, Sue Mathis & Virgie Lee! Cards are available on the credenza. They will be delivered next week.



DECEMBER EVENTS:

- TODAY 12 pm, Holiday potluck honoring widows & widowers
6:30 pm, Devotional at the Boyles' home - All are welcome!
13th 5:30-6:30, Mid-Week Boost meal
14th 6 pm, Ladies Night Out Christmas party
17th 6 pm, Teen devo & Christmas party in the Fellowship Hall
24th 2-5 pm, Shepherds' Christmas Come & Go at the Boyles' home
31st 7 pm, Evening services ** Please NOTE the time change! **
8 pm, New Year's Eve party

DAYS IN GOD'S WORD (Nov 26 - Dec 2)

Number of days: 138
Slips turned in: 23

OUR RECORDS

Week of December 3, 2023

Table with 2 columns: Activity and Count. Bible Class 58, AM Worship 102, PM Worship 38, Contribution \$4,910, Wed PM .55



MAKING DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

MISSIONS WE SUPPORT:

- Elio Vergara - Panama
Andrew Boyle - Memphis School of Preaching
Jonathan Crowell - World Bible Institute
Ariana Crowell - Wales
Re'Elle Crowell - Ecuador & New Zealand
Garriott Road Prison Ministry
In SEARCH of the Lord's Way
Lariat Creek Christian Camp
Future Teacher Training Camp

ORDER OF WORSHIP - Dec 10, 2023

- AM ANNOUNCEMENTS - Dan Biby
ELDER WELCOME/PRAYER - Greg Waide James 4:4-10
SONGLEADER - Doug Boyle
83 God Is So Good
10 A Mighty Fortress
948 I Am Resolved
619 A New Creature
NIB The Law Of the Lord (Psalm 19:7-10)
449 Thy Word
622 Ring Out the Message
SCRIPTURE/PRAYER - Bill David Walker 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
LESSON - Ray Rose "Be Alert"
567 Restore My Soul
376 He Paid a Debt
LORD'S SUPPER - Matt Nichols
651 Sound the Battle Cry
CLOSING PRAYER - Travis Key
PM SONGLEADER - Greyson Waide
414 Anywhere With Jesus
639 Rescue the Perishing
PRAYER - Tucker Fuxa
EQUIPPING THE SAINTS: Doug Boyle (James)

WEEKLY MID-WEEK BOOST MEAL

\$5 per adult; \$3 per child (12 & under); \$20 family maximum

THIS WEEK'S MENU (Dec 13th): Asian Feast

Again this year, we have an opportunity to support those who attend the prison ministry by sending Christmas cards. A list of inmates is available in the Encouragement room. Cards are available, if needed. Contact Kay Scott with any questions.

POWERFUL PRAYER WARRIORS,



Please pray specifically for these three students this week:

- OURANIA STATTON Granddaughter of Frosty & June Munsell
MATTHEW COX Son of Matt & April Cox
MACI NICHOLS Daughter of Matt & Kayla Nichols

HOLIDAY POTLUCK

TODAY

Following morning worship

Devotional TONIGHT At the Boyles' home Following evening services

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

A meal will be provided.

SUNDAY PM SCHEDULE:

TONIGHT James (Doug Boyle)
Dec 17th 3rd Sunday Singing
Dec 24th No evening services
Dec 31st Special Devo @ 7 pm
Jan 7th 1 & 2 Peter (Ray)

Shepherds' Christmas Come & Go Hosted by the Boyles & Waides At the Boyles' home Sunday, December 24th 2:00-5:00 pm

Youth Group Christmas Party

Sunday, December 17th Following evening services Bring a quart-sized Ziploc bag filled with goodies that all begin with the first letter of your middle name. See Carolyn Rehmel for any questions or if you need ideas!

SAVE THE DATE: Hearts in Harmony Annual Meeting

Sunday afternoon, January 7th

All ladies are welcome and encouraged to attend!

VERSE OF THE WEEK: James 4:6-7

"And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,"

OUR SHUT-INS:

- Virgie Lee, The Commons, Rm 305
Sue Mathis, The Commons, Rm 106
Zane Johnston, Tennyson Manor, Apt 7
Ken Strever, Garland Rd Nursing & Rehab Ctr, Rm 521-B



Bible Reading Schedule:

- Dec 10 Colossians 1-4
Dec 11 1 Thess 1-4
Dec 12 1 Thess 5 — 2 Thess
Dec 13 1 Tim 1-4
Dec 14 1 Tim 5-6
Dec 15 2 Tim 1-4
Dec 16 Tit 1-3 — Philemon

CARE & SHARE:

Dwayne & Margaret McLerran

Ladies, if you coordinated a Hearts in Harmony ministry during 2023, please complete the evaluation form found in your binder and turn the binder in to the office by Dec 31st!

Ladies Night Out Annual Christmas Party

This Thursday, December 14th 6 pm in the Fireside room

Please bring finger foods. Wrap your "favorite things" for a gift exchange (i.e. ornaments, candles, baked goodies, movies, etc).

For more info or ideas, see Alyssa Boyle.