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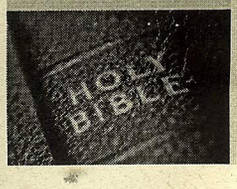


Perry Hill Road Bulletin

A Prayer For Our Elders

Our Father, let me be a pillar of strength to them, not a thorn to sap their strength, nor a burden on their back to pull them down.

Let me support them without striving to possess them; lift up their hands without placing shackles on them.

Let me give them my help that they may devote more time to saving others and less time to gratifying my vanity.

Let me be unselfish in what I do for them, not selfish and demanding that they do more for me.

Help me remember they are ministers to the whole flock.

Help me to serve the church more, and be happy that they need to serve me less.

Help me to be as good a member as I expect them to be good elders.

Help me to appraise their work with love, for I have never walked in their shoes.

Help me, O Lord, always to be a Christian, that their labors may be easier because I am not a problem to them, and that my own soul may be drawn closer to Thee. Author Unknown

Golfers are right: the fundamentals are all that count

"If something goes wrong, it's the fundamentals that go wrong."- Professional Golfer Jack Nicholas.

Not only in golf but in life, it's the fundamentals that go wrong. Job hung on to the fundamentals when he suffered and when his friends told him to "curse God and die" knowing that God was the one fundamental that would see him through. He cried out "I hold fast my righteousness and will not let it go. My heart does not reproach any of my day." (Job 27:6)

The apostle Paul wrote, "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect." (Romans 12:2) Discussing doctrinal fundamentals he wrote, "Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain." (1 Corinthians 15:1-2) And to emphasize the point he wrote to the Thessalonians, "But examine everything carefully; hold fast to that which is good; abstain from every form of evil." (1 Thessalonians 5:21-22) Jesus said, "I am coming quickly; hold fast what you have so that no one will take your crown." (Revelation 3:11)

When things in life go wrong, hang on to the fundamentals; when there are doctrinal questions, hang on to the fundamentals; when you are tempted, hang on to the fundamentals and God will see you through.

The lack of respect for the fundamentals is what's wrong with the world, including the world of religion, politics, education and business. A return to fundamentals is always the answer. Jack Nicholas was right.

Bill McDonough,

Perspective Changes Things

A funeral puts everything into perspective, doesn't it? So many of the issues of life that cause us such concern fade into insignificance when standing next to a casket. The truest of concerns emerge to the front of our minds as we consider our own mortality amid the crisis that loss brings. The ordinary inconveniences that furrow our brow and frown our lips suddenly appear to be disinteresting. Perspective changes things.

Perspective is the way we look at life, the ideas that we have as they are influenced by the realities around us. One person opens their Bible and is amazed by what they read; another person falls asleep. Everything in our life is seen through a certain lens, we have no choice in the matter. But we do have a choice as to the particular lens through which we choose to see our life.

"If the stars should appear but one night every thousand years how man would marvel and adore." ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

Deciding if the glass is half-empty or half-full does not change the reality of the glass. It does change our perspective and thus our attitude about the glass. In many ways perspective is also changed by faith. Jesus pointed us to mountains that move, mustard seeds that become the largest trees in the garden, and sparrows of which Almighty God is aware. Do you think He wanted us to look at our problems through a certain lens? Marvin Phillips had a sermon called "Looking at Your Problems Through the Proper Perspectacles."

Corrie Ten Boom was right when she wrote, "Child, you have to learn to see things in the right proportions. Learn to see great things great and small things small." The Message paraphrases Colossians 3:2, "Don't shuffle along, eyes to the ground, absorbed with the things right in front of you. Look up, and be alert to what is going on around Christ—that's where the action is. See things from his perspective."

Seeing things from His perspective means that we take on the perspective of love. Apostle Paul wrote of love: "It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres" (1 Corinthians 13:12, NIV 11). Take on the perspective that seeks to protect, trust, hope, persevere. If perspective changes things, then because of this perspective we can look for some wonderful changes in our life. John Dobbs Forsythe

Ruth White….. Recovering in Florida from major open heart surgery.

Laura Slater… Sister-in-law of John and Betty Burch may have a reoccurrence of cancer.

Dan Robinson …. Upcoming shoulder surgery..

Orval Huff .. Continuing to have health issues.

Joyce Huff… Recovering from knee Replacement surgery. Now at home

Marsha Williamson Continuing her treatment for health issues.

Johnnie Mae White.. Please keep in your prayers as she struggles with her health conditions.

Diane Ferguson (Becky Blake's sister) has kidney problems and Leukemia.

Helen Darnell…. Continue to pray as she has constant leg pain.

Mildred Allmon… Linda Lashlee's mother as she has health issues and is living in Montgomery with the Lashlees.

Robert Rinehart.. Emily McDaniel's father had successful Gallbladder surgery this week.

Leading in Worship

Sunday Morning Worship

Coordinators:	Jim Keith / Bud Porter
Ushers	Bill Knighten / Bob Trefethen
Announcements:	Neal Smith
Scripture:	Gary McDaniel
Lead Singing:	Craig Sims
1st Prayer:	Aaron Smelser
Preaching:	Marshall McDaniel
Closing Prayer:	David Turner
Sound System:	Jim Keith

Bread	Cup
Bud Porter	Doug Williamson
Darrell Puckett	Mel Ott
Eric Bradford	John Burch

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements:	Neal Smith
Ushers	James Powell / Paul Puckett
Scripture:	Harold Mustin
Lead Singing:	Mike Howard
1st Prayer:	Gary Hart
Preacher	Marshall McDaniel
Lord's Supper:	John Demas
Closing Prayer:	John Williamson
Sound System:	Kerry Lashlee

LORD'S Supper Preparation

03/23 Katherine Trefethen 03/30 Meagan Jones

Wednesday Bible Study

Ushers	Curt Williamson / Doug Williamson
Announcements:	Neal Smith
Lead Singing	John Burch
Opening Prayer	John Demas
Invitation	John Burch
Closing Prayer	Darrell Puckett
Sound System	Harold Mustin

Count Contribution

Daniel Jones, Kerry Lashlee, Alan White

To our visitors:

- The people who assemble at Perry Hill Road are simply a group of Christians who belong to Christ and are devoted to serving God.
- Our aim is to glorify God by following the Bible, His inspired word, which is our only guide in worship and service.
- Our commitment is to preach Christ, who is man's only hope for eternal life, and live in such a way so that others may see Christ in us.
- We encourage an open study and discussion of the Scriptures in all our Bible classes and extend to all a sincere welcome.
- Personal studies are available upon request.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

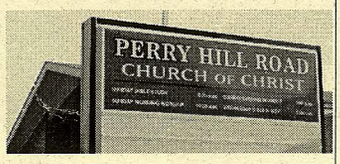
Bible Classes	9 AM
Worship	10 AM
Evening	5 PM

Wednesday

Bible Classes	7 PM

Attendance

Sunday AM	***137***
Sunday Class	***85***
Sunday PM	***80***
Wednesday	***69***
Contribution $ 5,064	



Care Group 3 Meets Tonight

Ruth White....Get well cards can be sent to

Ruth White

c/o Terry Hemby

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Several have asked for Ben May's contact info. You can reach him as follows:

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