ON THE HOME FRONT

Gary Colley

It is good to see the joy and happiness of those who attend all of the services at Getwell regularly! No doubt this good atmosphere for worship will cause others to want to have a part in the work here. Our obligations to God and our fellowman are great and only can be satisfied if we “trust and obey.”

The wise man said, “Righteousness exalteth a nation; But sin is a reproach to any people” (Prov. 14:34). Not only does righteous living exalt a nation, but it also lifts up our spirits to God in praise. Men need to cling to the principles of Truth today more than ever. The church and our nation were built on these principles, but sadly it seems few remember in our time to practice those needed principles.

The Psalmist wrote concerning the foundations of virtue and piety, “If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?” (Ps. 11:3). This seems to have been written when law and order were being ignored, and wickedness seemed to triumph over righteousness. Of course the righteous have to keep on doing righteousness, and they will win the victory over sin whatever the devil and his servants may do! Our Shepherd continually blesses the righteous individually, in that he “restoreth my soul; He guideth me in the paths of righteousness for his name’s sake” (Ps. 23:3).

Isaiah writes, “Thus saith Jehovah, Keep ye justice, and do righteousness; for my salvation is near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed” (Isa. 56:1). What does it mean to “do righteousness”? The Psalmist says, “Let my tongue sing of thy word; For all thy commandments are righteousness” (Ps. 119:172). Jeremiah wrote about those who do the commandments, “Jehovah is our righteousness” (Jer. 23:6; 33:16).

Let us hold fast to the foundation of Truth and right in order to have the best life on earth, and to insure that Heaven will be our home (Jn. 14:6).
FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL LECTURESHIP
MARCH 29-APRIL 2, 2009

THEME:
“TO SEEK AND TO SAVE”
MEMPHIS SCHOOL OF PREACHING

3950 Forest Hill Irene Road, Memphis, TN 38125-2560

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2009
9:30-10:20 A.M. Evangelism: The Faith To Get The Job Done..........................David Sain
10:30-11:30 A.M. “To Seek And To Save”......................Barry Grider
5:30-6:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
6:00-7:00 P.M. World Vision For Christ......................George Bailey

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2009
8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL (Forest Hill) “He That Winneth Souls” (Pro. 11:30)........Scott Cain
9:00-9:50 A.M. People Really Are Lost.......................Paul Sain
10:00-10:50 A.M. Evangelism: Using Publications........Garland Elkins
LADIES* What Can A Woman Do To Seek And To Save? (Women Only)........Irene Taylor
11:00-11:50 A.M. Working Together: Congregations And Individuals......................Eric Owens
CLASS* Evangelism: “In Sin City”..................Randy Mabe

11:50-1:30 P.M. LUNCH
1:30-2:20 P.M. Evangelism: Challenging
LADIES* The Home Is A Mission Field (Women Only)..................Carla Moore
2:30-3:20 P.M. Why Must The Church Grow? ...........Jerry Jenkins
CLASS* Evangelism And Bible Preaching........Greg Dismuke
3:30-4:15 P.M. “Searching For Truth”..................John Moore
Value Of Youth Camps ....................Ronnie Hayes

4:15-6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION
6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
7:00-8:00 P.M. The Cross: The Heartbeat
Of Evangelism...............................Dan Winkler

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2009
8:30-8:50 A.M. “Converting The Soul” (Psa. 19:7)........Gary Curry
9:00-9:50 A.M. Does Education Inhibit Evangelism? ...............................................Curtis A. Cates
10:00-10:50 A.M. Evangelism: Using The Media................Jim Dearman
LADIES* Evangelism Means Confrontation:
How Do We Handle It? (Women Only).................................Tanya Silcox
11:00-11:50 A.M. Retired Or “Re” Tire .......................Gary Colley
CLASS* Evangelism And World Wide Missions
.........................................................John Grubb

11:50-1:30 P.M. LUNCH
1:30-2:20 P.M. Evangelism And Church Discipline
LADIES* I Stood By His Side (Women Only)..............................Melany Hatcher
2:30-3:20 P.M. Evangelism: Using Campaigns............Billy Bland
CLASS* Training Fishers Of Men....................Tim Wilkes
SEMINAR FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS AND SUPPORTERS (MSOP CHAPEL)
3:30-4:15 P.M. “Digital Bible Study”......................Jonathan Jenkins
Value Of New Converts Class ........Gary Culbreath

4:15-6:30 P.M. ALUMNI AND FRIENDS DINNER
(FELLOWSHIP HALL)
6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
7:00-8:00 P.M. Light The Fire Of Evangelism...........Tom Holland

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2009
8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL (Forest Hill) “What Is A Man Profited?” (Mat. 16:26). ....................Donnie Vick
9:00-9:50 A.M. “Who Go Ye Means Go Me”....................Keith Mosher
10:00-10:50 A.M. What Must I Do To Be Saved? ..........Mark Lindley
LADIES* Winning Souls Through Compassion (Women Only)..................Jane McWhorter
11:00-11:50 A.M. You Never Mentioned Him To Me
CLASS* The “Action” Of Evangelism..................David Prophater

11:50-1:30 P.M. LUNCH
1:30-2:20 P.M. Evangelism: Quality Or Quantity........Timothy: Training Our Children To Be Evangelistic (Women Only)................Sheila Butt
LADIES* Priscilla And Aquila: Partners
2:30-3:20 P.M. In Evangelism ........................................Herb Alsup
CLASS* Evangelism And Apologetics....................Kyle Butt
3:30-4:15 P.M. Truth For The World .......................Skip Andrews
Starting A New Congregation..................Jeff Collet

4:15-6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION
6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
7:00-8:00 P.M. “Burning Up The Woods”......................B. J. Clarke

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2009
8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL (Forest Hill) “They That Turn Many to Righteousness” (Dan. 12:3)
.........................................................Wayne Rodgers
9:00-9:50 A.M. Evangelism: Who Will Lead? ...............Jerry Martin
10:00-10:50 A.M. Evangelism: School On The Internet......Tom Bright
LADIES* The Value Of One (Women Only).....................Vada Rice
CLASS* Did He Not Also Die For Them? ..........Irene Taylor
11:00-11:50 A.M. Given To Hospitality ......................Matt Shelton

11:50-1:30 P.M. LUNCH
1:30-2:20 P.M. Evangelism: Big City Vs. Small Town.................Bob Prichard
LADIES* Little Things Mean A Lot (Women Only).........................Cecilia Grider
2:30-3:20 P.M. The Power Of Influence ......................Dan Cates
CLASS* Evangelism And The Radio.....................Paul Meacham
3:30-4:15 P.M. House To House/Heart To Heart .......Allen Webster
Value Of Prison Ministries......................Charles Box

4:15-6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION
6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
7:00-8:00 P.M. “Go Make Disciples” ..................Robert R. Taylor, Jr.
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**FAMILY NEWS AND NOTES**

**I WAS SICK AND YE VISITED ME**
*MATT. 25:36*

Jack Thomas is in Room 460 at St. Francis Hospital following knee replacement surgery. W. T. Hardwick is recuperating at home from pneumonia. Paula Perkins continues to recuperate from pneumonia and some heart irregularities at the home of her daughter Susan. Please remember Brenda Pike in your prayers as she undergoes tests. Our former member Elida Bell has asked to be remembered in our prayers as she recuperates from pneumonia.

Please also remember with your cards, calls, and prayers those of our number who are confined at home or in nursing homes: Hazel Bizzell, 356 Calle Escada, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459-3698; Buddy Brandon, 11714 Macon, Eads, TN 38028, 853-4720; Nell Brandon, Quince Nursing and Rehab Center, 6733 Quince Rd., Room 2006A, 38119; Emma Brotherton, Landmark of DeSoto, 3068 Nail Rd. W., Room 310B, Horn Lake, MS 38637; Frances Collins, 4779 Amboy Rd., 38117, 682-6917; Mary Haynes, 274 S. Highland, Apt. 808, 38111, 327-2127; Addie Nelms, 4007 Dunn Ave., 38111, 743-7554; Skipper Schulz, 139 Magnolia Dr., 38117, 683-3049; and Minnie Wayne, Gallaway Healthcare Center, Room 106, 435 Old Brownsville Rd., Gallaway, TN 38036, 317-4590.

**SYMPATHY**

We extend our sympathy to the family of Gordon Stalcup in his passing on March 20.

**PHOTO UPDATES**

March 29 will be the last Sunday for now to have your picture made for our hallway picture board. Please go to the fellowship room following our morning service if you need to take care of that.

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