

Good News

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SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY ACTIVITY

SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.
Worship.....10:20 a.m.
Worship.....5:00 p.m.

TUESDAY

Ladies Bible Class (Sept. - May) 10:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

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ON THE HOME FRONT

Gary Colley

We are off to a good start for 2017 at the Getwell church of Christ! We have enjoyed increased attendance for the classes and worship services on the first day of the week, the first day of the month, and the first day of the New Year! It is also true that this was the first day of the rest of our lives. It is so important at this and other times of the year to follow Paul's inspired instructions to the brethren at Corinth: "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates? But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates [failing when tested, GC]" (II Cor. 13:5-6).

Some have asked that we repeat the suggested resolutions used in the recent sermon, which we are happy to do:

1. Read your Bible through in 2017.
2. Look for the best in others.
3. Visit or send a card of cheer to the lonely shut-ins.
3. Be more thankful for your blessings.
4. Pray more to your Father in Heaven.
5. Accept each day as a challenge to live the best you can.
6. Plan to be on time for the classes and worship services—make it a habit.
7. Take care of your restroom needs before classes and worship so as not to disturb others.
8. If you are to participate in the services, sit close to the front of the audience.
9. Be the kind of spouse you desire your mate to be.
10. Give more compliments to the younger and older members.
11. Strive to use your time and money in a wise way and without waste.

Where in the Bible Will I Find . . .

Gary Colley

The Important Role of Christian Mothers?

The God-given roll of mothers has been attacked on many fronts today! Atheistic Humanism and the “liberation” movement (that does not liberate, but enslaves in selfishness), have derided the special and dignified role of motherhood. Surely it is without controversy that the greatest privileges, obligations, and responsibilities given by God to any person are given to the dedicated and worthy mother. When God made woman, He made her uniquely qualified for the great work of bearing children, keeping the home, and fostering love, companionship, and security for her husband and her children. She was given the talent to react more emotionally and mercifully than men to special needs and situations. Her sweet ability to show love, sympathy, and unselfish interest in her husband and children makes her the foundation of society. Abraham Lincoln clearly stated about his own mother, “All that I am, or can be, I owe to my angel mother.” Godly mothers realize that they are obligated to do more than just produce children; they are responsible to raise them in harmony with God’s will. No day-care center, or any other substitute, should or can raise children as the mother! The Bible says she has pain in childbearing but that soon “she remembereth no more the anguish nor the joy that a man is born

into the world” (Jn. 16:21). Let us note some of the characteristics of a truly Christian mother:

1. She honors and appreciates her great privilege of motherhood (Gen. 21:6-7; Lk. 1:46-55).
2. The Christian mother will treat with dignity and honor the sacred human life in the womb (Gen. 25:22-23; Lk. 1:15, 41).
3. She will honor also God’s divine plan for marriage (Gen. 2:24; Heb. 13:4; Matt. 19:9).
4. Though it seems strange that a command would be required, she is commanded to love her children (Tit. 2:4; I Cor. 13:4-7).
5. As a great influence on her children, the Christian mother will strive to be a good woman (Lk. 2:21-39).
6. She will work diligently to teach and guide her children in God’s way (Tit. 2:5; II Tim. 3:14-15; Deut. 11:18-21).
7. The Godly mother will exercise proper discipline upon her children (Heb. 12:6-11; Prov. 29:15, 17).

There are so many blessings that come to Godly mothers! “Her children rise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her” (Prov. 31:28).

RON'S REMINDERS



Well, here we are in 2017. At the time of this writing we have 363 days left in this year – 363 opportunities to serve the Lord. As we begin this year, it is a time to make resolutions, hopefully spiritual resolutions. May I offer some suggestions:

1. Attend every worship service this year.
2. Read your Bible every day.
3. Talk to God every day; in other words, “pray without ceasing.”
4. Read your Bible completely through in 2017. In other words, “study to show yourself approved unto God.”
5. We put a memory verse in our bulletin each week, and we will publish the bulletin fifty times this year. If you memorize the verse each week from the bulletin, at the end of the year you will have added 50 verses of God’s Word to your memory and added weapons to your spiritual arsenal. Keep in mind the three recorded temptations of Christ when Jesus rebuffed the devil with scripture. Could you rebuff the devil with scripture when tempted?
6. In your everyday life, mention God at least once a day to a friend or acquaintance.
7. Lead a soul to Jesus Christ. In connection with this goal, make a short list of prospects and ask God to open a door to reach that person.

I hope these suggestions for resolutions will prove helpful.

In other matters, I know it has been several months since our lectureship, but there is one person who worked very hard throughout the lectureship. Steve Ulrich is a talented videographer who recorded our entire lectureship. Steve was aided by two other talented brothers in Christ. These recordings were professionally done and provide a valuable resource for every student of God’s

Word. Before Steve took over recording this year, brother James Green used his talents to unselfishly record our Spiritual Sword lectures for a number of years.

So often these days, young people are viewed in a negative light, but I have come in contact with some very fine young people who are using their talents for God. In no particular order, there is **Jordon Grace**, who graduated from The University of Memphis in May 2015 and is currently serving in the U. S. Marine Corps. His fiancé, **Amber Zink**, graduated in December 2016 and is currently serving in the U. S. Navy. Our own **Deadrick Mayberry** is currently attending Tennessee State University and will graduate in December 2017. He is also holding down a job in the Nashville area. **June Wallace** is attending Freed-Hardeman University and will graduate in May 2017. She is presently on tour with the FHU Chorale for two weeks, and they will also compete in the Abilene Christian University choral festival. **Noah Wallace** is currently attending Freed-Hardeman University and will graduate in December 2017 with a double major. In March Noah, along with other Freed-Hardeman students, is going on a mission trip to Wisconsin during spring break. I recently came in contact with another fine Christian young person who attends Freed-Hardeman, **Blaine McKenney**, who is traveling to Miami, Florida, to help a Hispanic congregation that was started by a group from Freed-Hardeman. Blaine, along with others, is canvassing the area with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As I pointed out at the beginning of this paragraph, so many young people are getting bad press because of the actions of a few. I wanted to draw attention to some young Christians who are using their talents for the Lord.

--Ron Wallace