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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 rejoice in the return of some who have suffered from health problems recently. Our work at Getwell continues to bear fruit from week to week. We always rejoice in the presence of our visitors and look forward to their return. We do have some who are not members of the church of Christ attending, and we want them to know that we will be happy to study with them when desired. All members need to remember that faithfulness and humility are two important keys to helping these and to enter into Heaven when this life is over.

Some wonder how the Holy Spirit works in the lives of non-Christians and Christians. We received recently an article which explains very well how the Holy Spirit works through the Word of God. We do not know the author, but appreciate his good work.

Holy Spirit

Word

John 3:5-8	Born of	I Peter 1:23
II Corinthians 3:6	Gives Life	John 6:63
I Corinthians 6:11	Sanctified By	John 17:17
Ephesians 2:22	Built Up By	Acts 20:32
Acts 9:31	Comforted By	I Thessalonians 4:18
Romans 8:2	Makes Free	John 8:32
I Corinthians 6:11	Washed By	Ephesians 5:26
John 16:8	Convicts	Titus 1:9

Where in the Bible Will I Find . . . Instrumental Music in Worship?

Gary Colley

For centuries preachers, theologians, professors, conventions, and synods have looked for the use of instrumental music in New Testament worship. But with all of their search of the Scriptures, they have not found even one indication of its use by Christ, the apostles, or the early church of Christ. With this thought before us, perhaps our readers will want to ask their preacher for Christ's authority to use instrumental music in worship. Surely, if instrumental music is being used in the religion of which you are a member, there must be some Scriptural justification for its use. If a reference to its use is found in the New Testament, you would be our friend to call it to our attention, since we have not been able to locate it. Faithful Christians want to speak and act only as "the oracles of God" (I Pet. 4:11), and this question is of great interest to all who want to worship God "in spirit and in truth" (Jn. 4:24). According to this verse, we must worship God, with the proper disposition, and in complete harmony with the Truth, in order to please our Heavenly Father (Heb. 11:6). Except we worship in this manner, our worship is vain (Matt. 15:9). Some times it is ignorant worship, as Paul spoke of on Mars Hill (Acts 17:22-25). But we can know our practice in worship is acceptable to God when we do "all things" by the authority of Christ

(Col. 3:17; Matt. 28:18). It is the sin of presumption to think that we have equal authority with Christ and can do what we please in worship. Where many religionists would not think of adding some additional emblem to the Lord's table, because the Lord has commanded the use of unleavened bread and the fruit of the vine, still they seem to think nothing of adding an instrument of music to the worship God has commanded, which is singing. Singing is a specific kind of music. It is "singing" which the Lord commands, not playing on an instrument. The verses that concern music in the Lord's church can easily be reviewed: Ephesians 5:19, speak in song, make melody in the heart; Colossians 3:16, teach in song, admonish in song; I Corinthians 14:15, sing with the spirit and understanding; Hebrews 2:12, praise God in singing; Hebrews 13:15, our lips giving praise. TO DO MORE IN WORSHIP IS NOT ONLY VAIN WORSHIP, IT IS SIN, BECAUSE IT TRANSGRESSES GOD'S WILL (I Jn. 3:4). Would it not appear to the thinking of all of our readers that any practice not authorized in the Scriptures goes beyond what is written and, therefore, does not meet God's approval (I Cor. 4:6). To be restored to God's favor, one must repent and abandon all wrong practices (Acts 8:22; II Jn. 1:9-11).

RON'S REMINDERS



The year 2017 is starting off to be a busy one at Getwell. On February 19 the Freed-Hardeman University Chorale came to Getwell and gave a wonderful performance. In connection with this event I want to take this opportunity to thank all those who brought food and helped serve.

A big thank-you goes to Martha Barch and Frances Wallace, who cleaned and straightened the church pantry. They were aided by Michael Taylor, Stanley Wallace, and Shannon Williams, who helped dispose of the out of date groceries.

This Sunday, March 12, we are having our annual "Newcomers" luncheon, recognizing those who have been baptized into Christ and have placed membership this past year. If possible, get to know these folks:

Becky Buchanan
Kenneth Crawford
Jimmy Gantt
Dermaine Gonzalez
Jacqueline Martin
Dorothy McCollum
Kenneth Middlebrook
Mariah Moore
Tom Pinner
Markel Seay
Rob Simpson
Jaquan Smith
Shannon and Melissa Williams

In other news, there are several area events directed toward the ladies coming up in the near future. April 1st at the Ripley Church of Christ, Cindy Colley will conduct a ladies' day with the theme "Living a Faithful Christian Life." On April 21st there is a girls' day scheduled at Southaven Church of Christ with the theme "I Am Enough." Also at Southaven, on April 29th there will be a ladies day titled "Singing in the Rain," a thought provoking title. Don't count on Gene Kelley being there, but it will be a profitable day for the ladies.

In local news here at Getwell, the elders have again planned a summer series beginning June 7th. Following is the lineup:

Treasures of Matthew 13

June 7 - Don Walker - The Parable of the Sower
June 14 - Dan Cates - The Parable of the Tares
June 21 - Michael Clarke - The Parable of the Mustard Seed
July 5 - Ryan Manning - Parable of Leaven
July 12 - Stan Mitchell- Parable of Treasure in The Field
July 19 - David Looney - Parable of the Pearl of Great Price
July 26 - Mike Hixson - Parable of the Net Cast into the Sea

— Ron Wallace