GOOGINEWS From Getwell

Published by

Getwell Church of Christ

1511 Getwell Road Memphis, Tennessee 38111-7299

> Phone: (901) 743-0464 Fax: (901) 743-2197

E-Mail: mail@getwellchurchofchrist.org Website: www.getwellchurchofchrist.org

ELDERS

Dewey Murray Ransom Reaves MINISTERS

Daniel P. Phillips Ron Wallace, Youth

Publishers of THE SPIRITUAL SWORD Alan E. Highers, Editor

Home of
The Spiritual Sword Lectureship

Radio Program *The Truth in Love* WHBQ-AM 560 / FM 87.7 Sundays, 8:00 a.m.

The Getwell congregation sends monthly support to the following:
Tennessee Children's Home, Spring Hill, TN West Tennessee Children's Home, Pinson,TN Potter Children's Home, Bowling Green, KY Children's Homes, Paragould, AR

SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY ACTIVITY

SUNDAY

Bible Study9:30	a.m.
Worship10:20	a.m.
Worship5:00	p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study......7:00 p.in.

Volume LX

May 19 2019

Number 15

ON THE HOME FRONT

Gary Colley

Our labors at Getwell continue to be pleasant and, we believe, profitable for the spread of the Gospel. It is a joy to know that the Lord is present when His authority is upheld in the assembly of the saints (Matt. 18:20). For those who read these lines and are not faithfully attending all of the services, we exhort you to attend regularly for the salvation of your soul. This is one way of carrying out the "golden rule": "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets" (Matt. 7:12). We all want others to be faithful and encourage us to be faithful, so we should do the same to others of our brethren (Heb. 10:23-26).

Faithfulness to the Lord will produce the proper influence in our lives before others, and especially for our children's lives. It will help us in our recreation and business dealings, but especially in our homes. What parent does not realize the importance of bringing up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord (Eph. 6:1-4)? Any who do not realize these facts are bound for a sorrowful future with their children. This, of course, means that we must bring them up with discipline and the teaching of God's Word. Our children perhaps learn most of the lessons to be used in life by observing the example of their Godly or ungodly parents than through any other means. Have your children seen you read the Bible? Have they seen and heard you pray? Are they brought up knowing that when worship time arrives we will be in attendance with our brethren? We do not want them to go in the wrong direction in life; therefore, it is imperative that we live as we should before them. May God bless you and your home.

Acceptable Worship

Gary Colley

he world is well aware of the fact that all men worship something in this life. What men worship is decided by that which they observe to benefit them the most. Some worship the Nile river, cows, their work, their family, and some make an idol out of money. These things are revered first in life. Money, energy, and effort, are given to the honor of these things. Their trust is supremely in these things, though their near-sightedness betrays their eternal welfare. Many see only the things of the present and never look to the future. This was the mistake of the foolish builder, referred to Jesus in the sermon on the mount, who built his house on the sand or thin earth. When the final test came, as it must come to all, the "rain descended, and the floods came, and the wind blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it" (Mt. 7:24-27).

The Worship Commanded

When Jesus was tempted by the devil the third time, in that "exceeding high mountain," he was shown and offered "all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them." Jesus again said unto the devil, "Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve (Mt. 4:8-10). When Jesus taught the woman at the well, he regulated the proper worship and devotion which we are to offer for eternal blessings. He said, "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" (Jn. 4:23-24). We must notice from these scriptures that God the Father is to be first and above all things of the world in our thinking and affection (cf. Mt. 6:33). For a man's worship to the Father to be acceptable, he must be sure that worship is directed to God, in the proper attitude of mind, and in harmony with Truth. Worship offered after the thinking and in the ways of men, and offered in another fashion than is prescribed by the Lord, is vain (ls. 55:8-9, Mt. 15:9). This one will be destroyed instead of being acceptable in the last great day, the Day of Judgment (Col. 2:20-23). Since worship

is the focal point of service in the Christian's life, we certainly want to make it acceptable to God (Heb. 11:6). He instructs us through His word (II Tim. 3:16-17), and we must accept the teaching to be approved workmen (II Tim. 2:15). We are forbidden to change the arrangements of God, either by adding to or subtracting from (Rev. 22:18-19). We are not to practice in worship what we have devised in our own heart (I Cor. 4:6).

Worship-A Christian Privilege

One who will not honor the Lord in obeying the Gospel to become a Christian cannot expect that he has the privilege of worship (Lk. 6:46). It is the height of presumption to think that one has the right to acceptably come before God in worship, calling Him Father, who is not a part of His spiritual family, the church (Gal. 3:26-27). Prayer, giving, singing, and gathering around the Lord's table in remembrance of Him who died for us are privileges of Christians, not alien sinners. The Old and New Testaments deny that any but the people of God are able to worship God acceptably (Prov. 28:9; I Jn. 3:19-22). How strange that some think just anyone, whether or not one has obeyed the Gospel, can still have these privileges! How can an alien sinner consistently sing, "0, how | love Jesus," or, "Where He Leads, I Will Follow," when they show by their lives and lack of obedience that these words to them are sung in hypocrisy?

Our Prayer for You

Why not come into the family of God, the church of Christ, that these blessings may be yours? It is not that we arbitrarily consider exclusiveness in these matters, but we do believe the Bible. These spiritual blessings belong to the sons of God, who have the spirit of sonship (Gal. 4:6; Rom. 8:15). Remember the words of Paul, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ" (Eph. 1:3). Our prayer for you is that you will enter Christ today in the appointed way (Rom. 6:3-4; Gal. 3:26-27).

June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	*BIRTHDAY **ANNIVERSARY Please advise us of your birthday and anniversary if they do not appear on our calendar.	JUNE COMMUNION SERVICE John Chaney Carl Allen Ron Wallace Arthur Winbush Larry Pike McArthur Frison Melvin Hammond Stanley Wallace Alternate: Ed Lyon			Job 35-37 Comm.Prep Ron/Karen wallace	
2 Job 38-40 *Sara Lyon	3 Job 41-42	4 Ps. 1-6	5 Ps. 7-11 Summer Series Hero-Noah (Ryan Manning)	6 Ps. 12-15 **Jack & Mary Thomas (66)	7 Ps.16-19	8 Ps.20-24 Comm. Prep Ron/Karen Wallace
9 Ps. 25-28	10 Ps. 29-31	11 Ps. 32-34	12 Ps. 36-37	13 Ps. 38-41	14 Ps. 42-45	15 Ps. 48-50
*Scott Shepherd		**Ron & Karen Wallace (37)	Summer Series Hero-Elijah (David Looney)	*Carl Allen	FLAG DAY	Comm. Prep Stanley wallace
16 Ps. 51-54 Happy Father's Day	17 Ps. 55-58 *Mary Helen Overton	18 Ps. 59-62 *Brenda Smitherman	19 Ps. 63-66 *Pat Phillips Summer Series Hero-Abraham (David South)	20 Ps. 67-69	21 Ps. 70-72	22 Ps. 73-75 Comm. Prep Stanley Wallace
23 Ps. 76-78 *Jason Kundeti	24 Ps. 79-81	25 Ps. 82-86 *Bradley Smith	26 Ps. 86-88 Foundations Class Conduct Services	27 Ps. 89-91	28 Ps. 92-95	29 Ps. 96-98 Commun. Prep Thaxter/Martha Hodum
30 Ps. 99-102 *Mariah Moore	•					