



Seeking and saving the lost...

We are honored and blessed to have you worshipping with us today and we extend our warmest welcome. Our service is modeled after the New Testament pattern of worship. If you have any questions or concerns please express them to us. We are all here to serve.

PRAYER

changes things

Pray for Sylvia and family as they mourn. Brother Rick Curran is extremely ill, keep him in prayer. Pray for Francisco's recovery from surgery. Ann Marie and Cambry have been sick. Pray for sister McKinney, her back surgery is being scheduled. Otha Jr. has been scheduled for reconstructive surgery on his knee Jan. 20th, keep him in prayer. Lorena's brother Ricky Young is scheduled for surgery on his shoulder Jan. 7th, keep him in prayer. Pray for TC and family, he has been quite sick, he also wants prayers for more spiritual strength. Thom and Mary Elizabeth need prayers, she has had bronchitis. Prince needs prayers for his health. Pray for sister Leola's friend Elena who has stage 4 kidney cancer. Pray for Keisha's health. Pray for Gena and family, her stepson has cancer. Pray for the spiritual and physical health of Leola's brother-in-law also pray for Keion, her 7 year old nephew who has cancer. Paris has suffered a possible stroke and/or heart attack, also her son was injured in a car accident, they need our prayers. Pray for Tulu Tulu Niusuls's health. Ebony's friend Josh needs prayer. Darla has been sick pray for her. Stan's friend Rachel's husband was burned severely, pray for him. Pray for Zandra, her back has been bothering her.

**Song Leader - Stan
Prayer - Jeremiah
Preaching - Stan
Table Lead - Henry
Helper - Travis
Helper - Prince
Announce - Lenard
Prayer - Dan**

Order of Today's Services

1. Singing
2. Opening Prayer
3. Singing
4. Preaching
5. Invitation Song
6. Communion Song
7. Communion
8. Song Before Offering
9. Offering
10. Announcements
11. Closing Song
12. Closing Prayer

Schedule

Sunday Bible Class10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship11:00 AM
 Sunday Afternoon2:00 PM
 Wednesday Evening7:00 PM

Plan of Salvation for Mankind

Hear the WordRomans 10:17
 Believe the WordMark 16:15-16
 Repent of your sinsLuke 13:3-5
 Confess His name.....Matt. 10:32-33
 Baptism1Peter 2:211
 Live FaithfullyRevelation 2:10

Please silence your cell phone.

Let us not
become weary
in doing good,
for at the proper time
we will reap a harvest
if we do not give up.
Galatians 6 vs. 1



Articles

To Read and Share

Night Watch

A nurse took the tired, anxious serviceman to the bedside. "Your son is here," she said to the old man. She had to repeat the words several times before the patient's eyes opened.



Heavily sedated because of the pain of his heart attack, he dimly saw the young uniformed Marine standing outside the oxygen tent. He reached out his hand. The Marine wrapped his toughened fingers around the old man's

limp ones, squeezing a message of love and encouragement.

The nurse brought a chair so that the Marine could sit beside the bed. All through the night the young Marine sat there in the poorly lighted ward, holding the old man's hand and offering him words of love and strength. Occasionally, the nurse suggested that the Marine move away and rest awhile.

He refused. Whenever the nurse came into the ward, the Marine was oblivious of her and of the night noises of the hospital - the clanking of the oxygen tank, the laughter of the night staff members exchanging greetings, the cries and moans of the other patients.

Now and then she heard him say a few gentle words. The dying man said nothing, only held tightly to his son all through the night. Along towards dawn, the old man died. The Marine released the now lifeless hand he had been holding and went to tell the nurse. While she did what she had to do, he waited.

Finally, she returned. She started to offer words of sympathy, but the Marine interrupted her. "Who was that man?" he

asked. The nurse was startled, "He was your father," she answered. "No, he wasn't," the Marine replied. "I never saw him before in my life."

"Then why didn't you say something when I took you to him?" "I knew right away there had been a mistake, but I also knew he needed his son, and his son just wasn't here. When I realized that he was too sick to tell whether or not I was his son, knowing how much he needed me, I stayed.

The next time someone needs you . . . just be there. Stay. We are not human beings going through a temporary spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings going through a temporary human experience.

A Doctor Explains Death

A sick man turned to his doctor, as he was preparing to leave the examination room and said, "Doctor, I am afraid to die. Tell me what lies on the other side."

Very quietly, the doctor said, "I don't know."

"You don't know? You, a Christian man, do not know what is on the other side?"

The doctor was holding the handle of the door. On the other side came a sound of scratching and whining, and as he opened the door/ A dog sprang into the room and leapt on him with an eager show of gladness.

Turning to the patient, the doctor said, "Did you notice my dog? He's never been in this room before. He didn't know what was inside. He knew nothing except that his master was here, and when the door opened, he sprang in without fear. I know little of what is on the other side of death, but I do know one thing... I know my Master is there and that is enough."

Are You Smarter Than a Frog?

It has been said that one could try this experiment: Take one plump frog; one pan of water; put the frog in the water and place the pan on the stove;



gradually increase the temperature of the water. See for yourself if the frog does not become relaxed and contented as the water becomes warmer. The frog will eventually become so comfortable in the warm water that he will allow himself to be cooked.

As we laugh at the stupidity of the frog, let us note the analogy between the frog and man. The devil has his own experiment for man. He merely puts man in the pot of temptation and increases the temperature gradually. Eventually, man becomes accustomed to many situations that the Bible has condemned. Many accept the theory, that if everyone is doing it, it must be okay. The devil, by his subtle approaches, continually softens man. So many have been softened today that they have an indifferent attitude toward the decaying moral standards of our nation. Through the mass media of today, the devil persistently engulfs unconscious man. Many preoccupied men are unmindful that the moral standards are being degraded through our movies, magazines, books, TV, fashions and advertising. Man becomes contented in the warm water of sin.

The devil is smart enough that he does not increase the temperature all at once. If he did, man would be overwhelmed and horrified at the consequences. Generally, the devil begins in a mild manner to cook his prey. To the gullible Christian he simply says, "don't attend church services tonight," "skip your daily Bible reading," "no need to pray today," etc. Thus he continues tempting the naive soul until he has him in a helpless state of unfaithfulness. The devil is an energetic chef that forever is seeking an unwatchful mortal. Let us all adhere to the wise exhortation of the apostle Peter as he says in 1 Peter 5:8, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour." – Bill E. Freeze

Just Suppose

Just suppose the Lord should begin tomorrow to make people as sick as they say they are on Sunday?

Just suppose the Lord should take away the children whom the parents use as an excuse for staying away from church?

Just suppose the Lord should make some people as poor as they say they are when asked to finance His program?

Just suppose the Lord should have every covetous man stoned as He did Achan?

Just suppose the Lord should strike dead all who lie about their giving, as He did Ananias and Sapphira?

Just suppose the Lord should let some parents look into the future and see where their example and lack of control led their children?

Just suppose that all Christians really live consistently and prove by their lives that they really love the Lord?

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some count slackness; but is longsuffering to you-ward, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9)



Traveling

Keep sister June in prayer as she is away from us.

Portable Baptistry

Still needing donations for a portable baptistry so that we can move forward with our building remodel plans. Anticipated cost is about \$1200.

