

October 2, 2016

Nursery

Michelle House

SOUND ROOM

Clay Winn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rodger Harlan

SCRIPTURE READING

Connor Marsh

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Jacob Moore

LEAD PRAYER

Harold Moody

Caleb Shock

LORD'S TABLE

Rodney Partee, b.

Jarod Partee, c.

Carey Wells, o.

Rodger Harlan

Clay Winn

Roy Bulice

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Randy Riddle

LEAD PRAYER

Bob Johnston

Eddy Jones

LORD'S TABLE

Curtis Sawrie

Rodney Partee

Wed., Oct. 5, 2016

LEAD SINGING

Bob Johnston

LEAD PRAYER

Curtis Sawrie

Rodney Partee

DEVOTIONAL

Josh Moore

October 9, 2016

Nursery

Michelle House

SOUND ROOM

Caleb Shock

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rodger Harlan

SCRIPTURE READING

Thomas Martin

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Curtis Sawrie

LEAD PRAYER

Josh Moore

Bob Johnston

LORD'S TABLE

Jack Hancock, b.

Stanley Gordon, c.

Toby Stocks, o.

Thurman Brown

Gary Lambert

Harold Moody

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Michael Hunter

LEAD PRAYER

Ralph Hunter

Michael Hunter

LORD'S TABLE

Jarod Partee

Carey Wells

Wed., Oct. 12, 2016

LEAD SINGING

Eddy Jones

LEAD PRAYER

Jarod Partee

Carey Wells

DEVOTIONAL

Joey Moore

At A Glance

October 10 – Preacher's Meeting. 10 a.m.

Greenbrier C of C

October 15 – Marsh/Gilliam wedding. 2 p.m.

October 30 – Goal Day: 250

October 30 – Potluck following a.m. service

October 30 – Contribution to Building Fund

November 27 – Contribution to Building Fund

December 25 - Contribution to Building Fund

Bible Class Lessons

Sunday, October 2: Lesson #299: 1 Samuel 12-13

Wed, October 5: Lesson #300: 1 Samuel 14

Sunday, Oct 9: Lesson #301 – 1 Samuel 15

Wed., Oct 12: Lesson #302 – 1 Samuel 16

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:15 a.m.

Evening Service 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

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- Ted & Barbara Knight (U.S.A., Romania)
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- Main Street Church of Christ (Stuttgart, Arkansas)
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- Truth For Today World Mission School
- Gospel Chariot (Africa)
- Gospel Crusade (Local)
- Camp Areopagus

The *Marsh Hill* Messenger

October 2, 2016

CUT-RATE RELIGION

We live in a time of discount houses, wholesale firms and direct selling companies, all offering prices that are less than "retail". Many people would never consider buying anything at regular price, and are always looking for a cut-rate price.

In the commercial world, this thinking is fine. But, in matters between us and our God, we must understand that **FULL PRICE MUST BE PAID**. In Matthew 16:24, Jesus said, "...if any man will follow me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." There is no discount rate on this price. Nothing but full payment will do.

Remember, Jesus paid the full price for our sins on the cross. It was a horrible price to pay. He even asked God, if it were possible, for His suffering to pass from Him. It not being possible, He paid it!

As we consider denying self and taking up our cross, let us not think of trying to get by on less than the full price.

He Paid It All !!!!!

The Kinsman Redeemer

DO YOU LIKE SUPERHEROS? When I read the book of Ruth, I immediately took interest in the topic of a redeemer - someone that comes to your rescue. A superhero! Unfortunately, in order to be rescued you have to be in danger, you have to have a problem, a conflict, or in Ruth's case, a curse. To understand the curse, we need to know where, why, and how it came to be. In order to do so, we need to start with Abraham.

In Genesis 19:37, it tells us that Abraham's nephew Lot had a relationship with his own daughter that brought forth a son they named Moab. Their son was the beginning of a nation by the name of Moab or the Moabites. Moab was an idolatrous nation. Not only that, it was also a cursed nation. The curse is explained in Deuteronomy 23:3 when it says, "No Ammonite or Moabite may enter the assembly of the Lord. Even the tenth generation, none of them may enter the assembly of the Lord forever." This curse fell upon the Moabites because Moab rejected the true and living God. **Ruth was a Moabite woman. Unfortunately, this meant she was placed under this curse.**

Now, let me ask you, **If Ruth was under the Moabite curse, how was she able to enter the assembly of the Lord?**

The answer I found was Ruth was able to enter the assembly of the Lord because God sent her a kinsmen redeemer. Before I go any further, I would like to say what a kinsmen redeemer is in my own words. A kinsmen redeemer is the closest male relative who takes on the role of caring for and redeeming the family members in need. Ruth was a widow. Boaz stepped up and took the role of her kinsmen redeemer; he married her. He became her superhero. Once they got married, it was as if the curse was lifted from the Ruth's shoulders and she became one of God's people. Boaz redeemed Ruth's land and widowhood. By doing this, he made it so she could once again have a family name.

I would like you to think about what I just said as I ask you my next question.

If we are such lowly sinners, then why are we welcomed into the presence of God? Why do we get a chance to get to Heaven, His home, the highest of high?

We get to enter the presence of God because God himself sent us the ultimate kinsmen redeemer, his only son, Jesus Christ. Ephesians 1:7 states, "*In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.*" **Jesus came down to the Earth and was crucified so that we could be His. We became his eternal bride when he became our everlasting redeemer.**

If you listen and obey God, every person has the opportunity to be saved and get the curse lifted off of you. The only reason we have this wonderful opportunity is because God sent us his son, the ultimate kinsmen redeemer. Someone that will bring us out of the deepest darkest pit, our very own superhero! If you are living in sin, remember you have a redeemer.

PRAYERS NEEDED

Karen Lambert is suffering with shingles.

Harold Moody has been diagnosed with diverticulitis.

Bob Johnston will undergo hip replacement surgery on October 17th.

Nita Patrom is at home recovering from issues with her kidneys.

Barbara Ausbrooks is recovering from surgery.

Mike Widner will undergo surgery on October 12th to remove melanoma.

Eddy Jones is continuing to have problems with his heart.

Alex Lafferty is in need of our prayers.

Linda Brown, Ova Leah Leighton's daughter-in-law, has been moved to a rehab facility in Greenbrier.

Phillip Hall, Anita Bayless' brother, is recovering from a broken rib and punctured lung.

Extended Sick List: Nell Bostic, Jeane Harvey, Nita Patrom, Mark Allen, Paula Stocks, Bob Johnston, Pam Webb, Carolyn Brown, Ethan Lafferty, Karen Lambert, Shelia Riddle, Robie Permenter, Monteen Ward, Martha Walker, Jerry Walker, Allie Sawrie, Tami Baker, Wayne Guess, Larry Ellinger, Carroll Sites, Diane Bane, Gordon Newsome, Ken Cope, Geraldine Morris, John McBee, Bob Dalton, Pam Johnson, Sandy Hill, Marjory Stanley, Ava Walker, Ron Smith, John Riddle, Jerry Almond, Anna Kay Jones, Barbara Fowlkes, Jim Canter

FAMILY NEWS

Wedding: Connor Marsh and Jessica Gilliam will be married in a ceremony at the Mars Hill building on Saturday, October 15th, at 2 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Goal Day: Our goal is 250 in attendance on Sunday, October 30th. Everyone must do their part. Invite, encourage, and bring all your family and friends.

Fellowship Meal: Sunday, October 30th, is going to be a special day. The father-son team of Aris Ortis, Sr., Aris Ortis, Jr., and Jonathan Ortis will deliver three powerful messages for us on that day. Following the morning service, we will share in a fellowship meal. Every Mars Hill member is asked to bring enough food for their own family and some extra for our guests. The evening service will immediately follow the meal. There will be no 5 p.m. service.

Pantry: If you would like to assist the Vilonia Church of Christ pantry, they are currently in need of anything you are able to give. Bring these items to the building and they will be delivered to Vilonia.

Many years ago, I saw a lady canning jelly in glasses. To seal the containers, she melted paraffin wax and poured it on the top of each glass. I saw, too, the event of spilling the wax. It covered all the items on the table and ran onto the floor. When it cooled, it could be lifted off the table. It had conformed to the exact shape of the items it covered. So it is with the Christian. All we have to do is relax our vigil and fall. In Romans 12:2, we are warned "...be not conformed to this world..." We can very easily be exactly like the sinful world about us by letting ourselves go.