

January 27, 2019

Nursery

Kim Wells

SOUND ROOM

Dan Blair

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thomas Martin

SCRIPTURE READING

Ralph Hunter

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Thomas Martin

LEAD PRAYER

Mark Mauney

Steve Shock

LORD'S TABLE

Rodger Moore, b.

Dennis Martin, c.

Clay Johns, c.

Ethan Johns

Caden Johns

John Foster

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Michael Hunter

LEAD PRAYER

Steve Shock

Dan Blair

LORD'S TABLE

Caleb Shock

Bob Johnston

January 30, 2019

LEAD SINGING

Bob Johnston

LEAD PRAYER

Ralph Hunter

Michael Hunter

DEVOTIONAL

Rodger Harlan

February 3, 2019

Nursery

Lisa Hunter

SOUND ROOM

Curtis Sawrie

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clay Johns

SCRIPTURE READING

Michael Hunter

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Curtis Sawrie

LEAD PRAYER

Rodney Partee

Jarod Partee

LORD'S TABLE

Joey Moore, b.

Aaron Harp, c.

James Moore, c.

Mark Mauney

Steve Shock

Dan Blair

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Bob Johnston

LEAD PRAYER

Curtis Sawrie

Rodney Partee

LORD'S TABLE

David Hall

Doug Ellison

February 6, 2019

LEAD SINGING

Harmon Sawrie

LEAD PRAYER

Thomas Martin

Rodger Moore

DEVOTIONAL

Clay Winn

**At A Glance**

**January 27** – Contribution designated for the Building Fund

**January 27** – Elders/Deacons Meeting. 3:30 p.m.

**January 27** – Birthday Celebration after p.m. service

**January 30** – Wednesday Meal. 6 p.m.

**February 4** – Ladies' Bible Study at Sara Beth Blair's home. 7 p.m.

**February 6** – Wednesday Meal. 6 p.m.

**February 9** – Valentine Sock Exchange. Debbie Moody's house. 6 p.m.

**February 10** – Area-Wide Youth Devo. Liberty C of C

**February 11** – Preacher's Meeting. Greenbrier C of C. 10 a.m.

**February 12** – Fellowship Meal and Singing. Downtown C of C. 5:30 p.m.

**February 20** – Wednesday Meal. 6 p.m.

**February 22-24** – Ladies' Retreat at Areopagus

**February 23** – Teen Game Night

**February 23** – Singing at Oppelo C of C. 6 p.m.

**February 24** – Elders/Deacons Meeting. 3:30 p.m.

**February 24** – Birthdays Celebration after p.m. service

**February 27** – Wednesday Meal. 6 p.m.

**March 6** – CRC Choralaires at Mars Hill

**March 9** – Men's Breakfast. 8 a.m.

**Bible Class Lessons**

Sun., Jan. 27: Lesson #117 – Acts 6

Wed., Jan. 30: Lesson #118 – Acts 7

Sun., Feb. 3: Lesson #119 – Acts 8

Wed., Feb. 6: Lesson #120 – Adam & Noah Review

**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)
- Roberto Sarmiento, Costa Rica
- Main Street Church of Christ (Stuttgart, Arkansas)
- Youth Outreach University Youthoutreachuniversity.com
- Truth For Today World Mission School
- Gospel Chariot (Africa)
- Gospel Gathering (Local)
- Camp Areopagus

# The Mars Hill Messenger

January 27, 2019

## In Season, Out Of Season

On his second missionary journey, Paul came to the city of Philippi. There, while worshiping by the river, he met and baptized Lydia. But not all in Philippi listened to Paul and he was falsely accused of "troubling the city" (Acts 16:20). Beaten and thrown into prison, Paul and Silas did not let persecution stop their preaching. Instead they sang hymns to God. An earthquake gave Paul the opportunity to tell the jailor about the hope of eternal life through Jesus. The jailor gathered his family and they heard the precious message of Jesus Christ. He and all in his household were immediately baptized—the same hour of the night!

Paul could have griped and moped about his problems. Instead, he was devoted to serving God. He had come to a city where he knew no one. On the day of worship, he went where others were worshiping God. An obstacle became an opportunity to tell others about Jesus. Falsely imprisoned, he preached Christ to the keeper of the jail.

How important is Christ to us today? Are we going where we can worship with others? Can we overcome the fear of persecution, or rejection by telling others the good news of Jesus? When our soul's salvation becomes more important than worldly favor, then we like Paul, will be "ready in season and out of season" to spread the gospel to our world.

John K. Wills

## Doctrine Is Not A Four-Letter Word

The spirit of compromise which permeates our society may be blessing in some areas, but it has little place in regard to the clear teachings of the Bible. Its presence has led to a watered-down teaching in churches in America. While the Bible doctrine about morality is clear, denominations are struggling to deal with divorce for every cause, living together without marriage and homosexuality. The same is true about how God wants us to worship, the organization of church, the path to salvation and many aspects of Christian living. It is as though there is no doctrinal teaching on these matters. This spirit of compromise has made doctrine a four-letter word.

### Jesus Taught Doctrine

Take time to read the Sermon on the Mount in its entirety. Do not stop after the Beatitudes (which some would not view as doctrine) but read all three chapters where the sermon is found. It is filled with a precise teaching and leaves little room for religious compromise. Immediately after the beatitudes, Jesus attacks the false teaching of the religious leaders in a series of topics centered around "You have heard it has been said" and Jesus' words, "But I say unto you." Clear doctrinal teaching is what Jesus did. He did not think that doctrine was a four-letter word. He exalted it.

At the end of these three chapters, pay special attention to what is said, "When He had finished these sayings, the people were astonished at His doctrine, for He taught them as one who has authority" (Matt. 7:28-29). Churches in America, where the teachings of the Bible are being compromised, stand in marked contrast to the doctrinal preaching of Jesus. Remember that Jesus said, "My doctrine is not Mine, but His who sent Me" (John 7:16). What did He do with that doctrine given to Him? He gave it to the apostles. "For I have given to them the words which You have given to Me" (John 17:8).

### The Apostles Taught Doctrine

What did the apostles do with those words? How did they use them? After Jesus ascended to heaven, they gave the doctrine to the world. On the day the church began it is stated, "They continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine" (Acts 2:42). They taught in the temple and when arrested were charged, "You have filled all Jerusalem with this doctrine" (Acts 5:28). When Paul taught in Athens his listeners said, "May we know what this new doctrine is of which you speak" (Acts 17:19). The apostles taught that salvation comes when men "...obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine" (Rom. 6:17).

Let's talk more about doctrine in next week's article. Remember that doctrine is not a four-letter word!

Dan Jenkins

## PRAYERS NEEDED

**Ronnie House** began dialysis this past week. He is in the Spring Hill hospital room 107.  
**Lou Riley** will undergo surgery on Thursday.  
**Kimberly Sawrie** is having a lot of problems with a shoulder.  
**Karen Lambert** will begin radiation therapy soon.  
**Gunner Smith** is recovering from surgery to repair a severed tendon.  
**Vanessa Ellison** is at home recovering from surgery.  
**Don Riley** will undergo knee-replacement surgery on Tuesday.  
**J.T. Belew** is in the Baptist Hospital in Little Rock with serious injuries from a car accident.

**Extended Sick List:** Shelia Riddle, Sonny Nealey, Nell Bostic, Angie Hawks, Paula Stocks, Ray Walker, Terry Turner, Martha Walker, Alex Lafferty, Kathy Hall, Nita Patrom, Mark Allen, Pam Webb, Danny Morris, Connie Cook, Charlene Lasley, Larry Keathley, Sarah Roderick, Martha Green, Gladys Widner, Robie Permenter, Jerry Walker, Gordon Newsome, Jerry Almond, Anna Kay Jones, Barbara Fowlkes

## FAMILY NEWS

Kid's Konnection: Each Sunday at 5 p.m. Following a few minutes of memory work a special class will be conducted for the youth. Tonight's lesson: Crippled Cured (Acts 3)

Building Fund: Today's contribution will go toward our building payment. Please be as generous as possible.

Guest Speakers: Clay Johns and Jacob Johns will preach today.

Elders/Deacons Meeting: Today, 3:30 p.m.

Birthdays: Everyone is invited to celebrate January birthdays after services this evening.

Valentine's Sock Exchange: Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m. at the home of Debbie Moody.

Wednesday Meals: Everyone is invited to a meal each Wednesday at 6 p.m. If you are willing to be responsible for preparations for a meal in January or February, please sign the sheet in the foyer or see Bob Johnston. If you will be attending on Wednesday please sign the sheet on the table in the foyer.

Magi Boxes: In February please bring individually wrapped hard candy. Packing Date: March 17<sup>th</sup> after the morning service.

## Kids Make Great Parrots

Children make great parrots—especially when you don't want them to repeat what you say. One father learned this the hard way when he invited his boss over for dinner. He was hoping to score a few extra points with his superior but ended up losing it all when his young son asked the boss, "Where are your cards? Dad says you're not playing with a full deck."

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