

May 12, 2019

**Nursery**

Marilyn Ellison

**SOUND ROOM**

Dan Blair

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dan Blair

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Caleb Shock

**A.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Thomas Martin

**LEAD PRAYER**

James Moore

Mark Mauney

**LORD'S TABLE**

Steve Shock, b.

Dan Blair, c.

Curtis Sawrie, c.

Byron Sawrie

Caden Johns

Rodney Partee

**P.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Ethan Johns

**LEAD PRAYER**

Dan Blair

Curtis Sawrie

**LORD'S TABLE**

Caleb Shock

Bob Johnston

**May 15, 2019**

**LEAD SINGING**

Randy Riddle

**LEAD PRAYER**

David Hall

Doug Ellison

**DEVOTIONAL**

James Moore

May 19, 2019

**Nursery**

Marilyn Ellison

**SOUND ROOM**

Dan Blair

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dan Blair

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Bob Johnston

**A.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Curtis Sawrie

**LEAD PRAYER**

Steve Shock

Dan Blair

**LORD'S TABLE**

Jerrold Partee, b.

Rodger Harlan, c.

Clay Winn, c.

Mike Widner

Jack Hancock

Tom Hedrick

**P.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Clay Johns

**LEAD PRAYER**

Rodney Partee

Jerrold Partee

**LORD'S TABLE**

David Hall

Doug Ellison

**May 22, 2019**

**LEAD SINGING**

Michael Hunter

**LEAD PRAYER**

Bart Davenport

Ralph Hunter

**DEVOTIONAL**

Clay Johns

***At A Glance***

**May 12-15** – Gospel Meeting, Harding St. C of C.

**May 18** – Movie Night. 5:30 p.m.

**May 19** – Teachers Meeting following the a.m. service

**May 25** – Teen Game Night

**May 26** – Contribution to the Building Fund

**May 26** – Elders/Deacons Meeting. 3:30 p.m.

**May 26** – Memorial Day Cookout following p.m. service

**June 3-6** – Day Camp at Areopagus. K-3<sup>rd</sup> Graders.

**June 9-15** – Sr. High Camp Session at Areopagus. 9-12<sup>th</sup> Graders.

**June 16-19** – Gospel Meeting. Jerusalem C of C.

**June 16-20** – Middle School Session at Areopagus. 4-6<sup>th</sup> Graders.

**June 23-29** – Jr. High Session at Areopagus. 7-8<sup>th</sup> Graders

**June 29** – Teen Game Night

**June 30** – Contribution to the Building Fund

**June 30** – Potluck and early evening service

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

**July 7-12** – Gospel Gathering. Robinson and Center C of C. 7 p.m.

**July 28** – Contribution to the Building Fund

**July 27-30** – VBS at Mars Hill

**September 29-October 2** – Harding University Lectures. Theme: Fan the Flame

**Bible Class Lessons**

Sun., May 12: Lesson #146 – 2 Samuel 6

Wed., May 15: Lesson #147 – 2 Samuel 7; Psm 23

Sun., May 19: Lesson #148 – 2 Samuel 8

Wed., May 22: Lesson #149 – 2 Samuel 9

**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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**Missions**

- **Ted & Barbara Knight (U.S.A., Romania)**
- **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

May 12, 2019

**MOTHERS: REFLECTIONS OF GOD**

When God created Adam, He created His own spiritual image by breathing into him a part of His own eternal Spirit. “Man became a living soul” (Genesis 2:7).

At first God did not create two different sexes, male and female, but created just one man, Adam, and Adam reflected all the spiritual qualities of His God. Later God created Eve from out of Adam so that for the first time God’s character was seen in male and female gender.

Of all the spiritual qualities of God, love is perhaps the most perfect. And a mother’s love is one of the purest reflections of God’s love for us:

1. **The love of a mother is a reflection of God’s desire to bring life into existence.** As we look at many of the strong women of the Bible, we see that one of their strongest desires was to bear children and nurture life. A Christian mother is reflecting the glory and beauty of God’s own image.
2. **A mother’s sacrificial love reflects God’s love.** As God’s love blooms in their hearts there is no sacrifice too great for them to fulfill God’s purpose as Christian mothers. This reflects God’s love in sacrificing His own Son for us.
3. **A mother’s love is a nurturing love.** A Christian mother influences by instilling spiritual values and faith in the heart of her children. God does the same (Romans 10:17).

On this day, and all others, we express our love, respect, and appreciation for the wonderful women God has blessed us with.

David

**Those involved in providing our devotional time on Wednesday evenings are asked to please help us be ready to begin our Bible Study time by 7:15.**

## The Two Women of Proverbs

Godly homes do not just happen. They are the result of hard work. They are built by the strong hands of both men and women who follow after God's wisdom (Psalm 127:1). Such homes are a blessing.

In Proverbs 31, Lemuel's mother understood the importance of finding a good wife. The closest human relationship a married person should have is with his or her spouse. Not getting the husband-wife relationship right makes it that much more difficult to get the parent-child relationship right. Wives and mothers have a great deal of influence. They are important in every area of life, including the family, church, and society as a whole.

A wife has the power to either stabilize or destroy the home (14:1). The home depends on her character. She will either balance and support it through her wisdom or bring it crashing down through irresponsible and foolish behavior.

She has the power to either make or break her husband (12:4). She can bring out the best in him. However, she can also bring him down through constant nagging or ungodly behavior, continually gnawing at him like a consuming disease.

The book of Proverbs discusses *the contentious woman* (19:13; 27:15-16). A wife who is always in conflict with her husband is a constant irritation, much like constantly dripping water. She cannot be quieted and it is useless to even try. A man's only relief from her is separation - whether this comes through sleeping on the couch, building an extra den, working all the time, or finding a hobby that keeps him away from home (Proverbs 21:9, 19; 25:24). The image that comes to mind is that of a woman who has nothing to do except sit around and think of things to complain about.

On the other hand, Proverbs also gives us the beautiful picture of *the virtuous woman* (31:10-31). Because she is a hard worker, her life is packed to the brim with meaningful activity. She looks for tasks that need to be done and is willing to do them instead of complaining or leaving them undone (v. 13). She goes to whatever lengths she must in order to acquire the things her family needs (v. 14). Her greatest satisfaction comes from caring for her family, even when it takes all day and night (v. 15).

She is wise and industrious. She is a good business manager and can make wise decisions on her own. She prepares herself for the rigorous work of providing food and clothing for her family.

Because of all these qualities, she is a benefit to her family. They think, "What would we ever do without her?" She provides for the family's every need (v. 21). She is an asset to her husband and his standing in the community (v. 23). She even brings in extra income for the family (v. 24).

This woman is strong and honorable (v. 25-26). Notice the difference in speech between the contentious woman and the virtuous woman. When the virtuous woman speaks, she knows when to speak, what to say, and how to say it. Unlike the fool, whose speech is hasty and often hurtful, the virtuous woman has something worth listening to.

The results of such a life are immense blessings. Though we might credit the godly woman's success to many things, like charm or beauty, those things do not last (v. 30-31). The secret is found in her fear of the Lord. This should not surprise us, because this is where wise living begins (1:7; 9:10).

Alex Hale

## PRAYERS NEEDED

**Amy Smith** is having issues with her heart.

**Gabe Bayless** will have his tonsils and adenoids removed on Friday.

**Joey Moore** is having problems with his back.

**Roy Bulice** is in the rehabilitation center at Greystone. Room 416.

**Dorothy Glover** is recovering from a broken arm.

**Charlene Lasley** has been released from the hospital but suffered a fall at home.

**Barty Pearce** is recovering from a fall.

**Linda Wood**, Bob Johnston's sister-in-law, has been moved to rehab.

**Sammye Gordon's** sister is recovering from surgery to repair an aneurism.

**Extended Sick List:** Ronnie House, Karen Lambert, Shelia Riddle, Nell Bostic, Angie Hawks, Paula Stocks, Martha Walker, Alex Lafferty, Kathy Hall, Nita Patrom, Mark Allen, Pam Webb, Ronnie Kirkland, Charlene Lasley, Martha Green, Gladys Widner, Robie Permenter, Jerry Walker, Jerry Almond, Anna Kay Jones, Barbara Fowlkes

## FAMILY NEWS

Service Project: All men and boys are asked to meet at the home of Heather Riley next Saturday morning to help put a metal roof on her house. Please bring tools for the job.

Movie Night: Everyone is invited to the Mars Hill building next Saturday at 5:30 p.m. to enjoy a movie. Please bring snacks.

Teacher's Meeting: All involved with our Sunday and Wednesday Bible School program are asked to meet after services next Sunday morning.

Memorial Day Meal: Everyone is invited to stay after services on Sunday evening, May 26<sup>th</sup>, for a meal and fellowship. Matti Loyd will be recognized at the meal for her High School graduation accomplishment.

2-3 Years Old: The 2-3 Years Old Bible Class contributed \$354 in coins to Camp Areopagus for the purchase of recreational equipment.

Summer Camp Supplies: You are able to help reduce the tuition costs for all attending the Summer Camp sessions at Areopagus by donating needed supplies. Please consider purchasing a case of name-brand soft drinks for the older sessions and Capri Sun for the Day Camp. Please bring place the items in the foyer by the Teen Room.

Kid's Konnection: Each Sunday evening at 5:00 our children are urged to meet at the front of the auditorium. A special class for them meets each Sunday evening. Today's Lesson: Acts 16: "Philippian Jailer Converted"

Wednesday Meals: Everyone is invited to a meal the last meal of the Spring at 6 p.m. Wednesday. The meals will resume in the fall.

Summer Camp: If your child plans to attend a Summer Camp session at Areopagus please register them now. [www.campareopagus.org](http://www.campareopagus.org).