

May 26, 2019

**Nursery**

Marilyn Ellison

**SOUND ROOM**

Curtis Sawrie

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dan Blair

**SCRIPTURE READING**

David Hall

**A.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Caleb Shock

**LEAD PRAYER**

Rodney Partee

Jerrold Partee

**LORD'S TABLE**

Stanley Gordon, b.

Jade Smith, c.

Harmon Sawrie, c.

Gus Smith

Gary Lambert

Harold Moody

**P.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Randy Riddle

**LEAD PRAYER**

Carey Wells

Ethan Johns

**LORD'S TABLE**

Bart Davenport

Ralph Hunter

**May 29, 2019**

**LEAD SINGING**

Caden Johns

**LEAD PRAYER**

Michael Hunter

Thomas Martin

**DEVOTIONAL**

Ethan Johns

June 2, 2019

**Nursery**

Moey Mauney

**SOUND ROOM**

Clay Winn

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Curtis Sawrie

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Doug Ellison

**A.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Thomas Martin

**LEAD PRAYER**

Ethan Johns

Rodger Harlan

**LORD'S TABLE**

Mike Widner, b.

Caleb Shock, c.

Bob Johnston, c.

David Hall

Doug Ellison

Connor Marsh

**P.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Michael Hunter

**LEAD PRAYER**

Rodger Harlan

Clay Winn

**LORD'S TABLE**

Thomas Martin

Rodger Moore

**June 5, 2019**

**LEAD SINGING**

Bob Johnston

**LEAD PRAYER**

Rodger Moore

Dennis Martin

**DEVOTIONAL**

Mike Widner

**At A Glance**

**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** – CRC Day

**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 26: Lesson #150 – 2 Samuel 10

Wed., May 29: Lesson #151 – 2 Samuel 11

Sun., June 2: Lesson #152 – 2 Samuel 13-14

Wed., June 5: Lesson #153 – 2 Samuel 15

**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)**
- **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 26, 2019

**In Him**

Ephesians is a book every Christian should lay up in his heart. It is about the tremendous privilege we have as Christians. It is about the great blessings we enjoy as a result of being Christians. It is about the huge challenges we face because we are Christians. And it is about the eager anticipation we enjoy because we are Christians. In Ephesians Paul uses the phrase “in Him” to describe what it means to be a Christian. And he will identify the “him” by speaking of being “in Christ” twelve times.

In Him we have redemption through His blood (1 :7). In Him we have forgiveness (1:7). In Him we are recipients of the abundant grace of God (1:7, 8). In Him we have an inheritance (1:11). Remember how Peter described this inheritance in 1 Peter 1:4-9. And so we, like them, “trusted in Him” after we heard the word of truth and in Him we were sealed with the Holy Spirit (1:13). And now because we are in Him we “have boldness and access (to God) with confidence because of our faith in Him (3:12; Romans 5:1-1 1).

As a Christian you are “in Him” and that is where every spiritual blessing is located (1:3). If this does not get you excited and make you want to study God’s word more I do not know what will.

*Alton Norman*

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.

## In Our Hands

*“How many loaves do you have?” Jesus asked. “Seven,” they replied, “and a few small fish.” - Matthew 15:34*

It is very tempting to view opportunities to serve from the perspective of what we do not have. After all, if I do not have much I cannot do much. The problem is that disciples count things one way and Jesus counts them another. When faced with feeding thousands the disciples do a census of available food and come up with seven loaves and a few small fish. Looking at thousands of hungry faces, that's not much.

Disciples throughout the centuries, including contemporary times, have looked at the little amount in their hands and felt helpless to do much to help anyone else. Even though we are the richest nation in the world with the greatest amount of wealth the church has ever known, many times we shrug our shoulders and say to ourselves we don't have much to give... whether it is time or money or support.

Kittie L. Suffield was born in New York in 1884. A talented pianist and soprano, she became a Christian at age 19. During a trip Kittie was on a train that became stuck in a heavy snowstorm. One of the passengers headed out into the snow to find help. Fred Suffield was awakened by the man pounding on his farmhouse door. Fred guided the passengers to his house for safety. Later, Kittie wrote Fred a thank you letter for his kindness and this began a correspondence between them that resulted in marriage.

Fred was converted under the ministry of the father of George Beverly Shea, a Wesleyan pastor. After their marriage they traveled as evangelists. Kittie wrote many songs, but the song that was the theme of her life was a song, the chorus of which rings a familiar tone: “Little is much when God is in it! Labor not for wealth or fame. There's a crown - and you can win it, If you go in Jesus' name.” Kittie died in 1972.

What a legacy to leave behind! A reminder that when we think we have too little to offer and we back away from the Lord's service, we are forgetting something. That *little* in our hand is not little at all, for God is in it. David Sellers wrote, “We are not meant to be passive recipients of God's grace, but to be active channels of his love. We do not come to Christ merely to be fed, but to feed others. That is a condition of our discipleship.” Let us pray to see what God sees in our hands.

*John Dobbs*

## PRAYERS NEEDED

**Ronnie House** is recovering from surgery.

**Becky Martin** is recovering from a fall.

**Winnie Joslin** is having some health issues.

**Ginger Conover** has been suffering with pneumonia.

**Tamara Kimbrell** had test on her heart this past week.

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

**Gabe Bayless** is recovering from surgery to remove his tonsils and adenoids.

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

**Roy Bulice** completed rehab and was released to go to his home on Wednesday.

**Dorothy Glover** will be beginning physical therapy on the arm she broke.

**Heather Partee** will go to the Mayo Clinic July 1 for tests and possible surgery.

**Keith Moore** is recovering from back surgery.

**Charlene Lasley** is at home recovering from a fall.

**Phillip VanWinkle**, preacher for the Foothills C of C in Searcy, has stage 4 colon cancer.

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

## FAMILY NEWS

Rejoicing: Mary Mcgonigal was baptized Tuesday evening. We welcome her to the family of God. Thank you to brother Stanley Gordon for sharing the gospel with her.

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

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

Memorial Day Meal: Everyone is invited to stay after services this evening for a meal and fellowship. The meal is provided. Mars Hill members are asked to bring desserts. Matti Loyd will be recognized at the meal for her High School graduation accomplishment.

Service Project: Help is needed at the former home of Thurman Brown. If you have a morning or afternoon in the later part of this week that you can help please contact Curtis Sawrie.

Summer Camp Supplies: Please consider purchasing a case of name-brand soft drinks and Capri Sun for the camp sessions. Please bring and 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 18: “Reasoning With A Preacher”

Gospel Gathering: The annual Gospel Gathering is scheduled for July 7-12 at the building of the Robinson and Center congregation. 7:00 each evening.