### December 29, 2019 Nurserv

**Brittney Wells** 

#### SOUND ROOM

Curtis Sawrie

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Curtis Sawrie

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Caden Johns

#### A.M. SERVICE

**LEAD SINGING** 

Curtis Sawrie

LEAD PRAYER

Carlton Clayton Jack Hancock

# LORD'S TABLE

Rodney Partee, b.

Jerrod Partee, c.

Rodger Harlan, c.

Sean Vines

Clay Winn

Mike Widner

# P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Harmon Sawrie

LEAD PRAYER

Tom Hedrick

Stanley Gordon

LORD'S TABLE

Harold Moody Caleb Shock

#### January 1, 2020

LEAD SINGING

Randy Riddle

LEAD PRAYER

Ralph Hunter

Michael Hunter

**DEVOTIONAL** 

Thomas Martin

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rodney Partee

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

January 5, 2020

**Nursery** 

**SOUND ROOM** 

Ethan Johns

Kim Wells

Clay Winn

#### A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

**Bob Johnston** 

LEAD PRAYER

Tom Hedrick Stanley Gordon

# LORD'S TABLE

Jack Hancock, b.

Jade Smith, c.

Gus Smith, c. Harmon Sawrie

Gary Lambert

Harold Moody

## P.M. SERVICE

**LEAD SINGING** 

Fthan Johns

LEAD PRAYER

Jade Smith

Harmon Sawrie

LORD'S TABLE

**Bob Johnston** David Hall

#### January 8, 2020

**LEAD SINGING** 

Michael Hunter

LEAD PRAYER

Thomas Martin

Rodger Moore

**DEVOTIONAL** 

Clay Johns

#### At A Glance

**December 29** – Weekly contribution will go to the Building Fund

January 13 – Preacher's Meeting. Greenbrier C of C. 10 a.m.

January 14 - Area-Wide Fellowship Supper.

**January 24-26** – Youth Outreach University January 26 – Weekly contribution will go to the Building Fund

**June 1-4 –** Day Camp Session at Areopagus June 7-11 - Middle School Session at

Areopagus June 14-20 – Jr. High Session at Areopagus **June 21-27** – Sr. High Session at Areopagus July 5-10 - Gospel Gathering, Robinson and Center C of C. 7 p.m.

#### **Bible Class Lessons**

Sun., Dec. 29: Lesson # 208 - Revelation 3: 22:16-21

Wed., Jan. 1: Lesson #209 - Review

Sun., Jan. 5: Lesson #210 - Exo. 21-23; Lev. 24:10-16

Wed., Jan. 8: Lesson #211 - Exo. 24

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.

#### 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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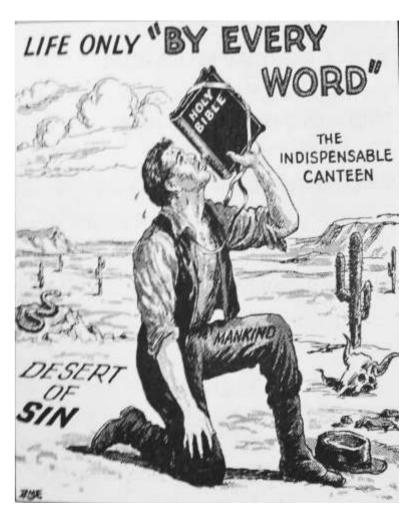
Dan Blair 514-1440

#### **Missions**

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

# The Mars Hill Messenger

**December 29, 2019** 



# **Fit For Eternity**

"For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart" (Hebrews 4:12).

Some people today who claim to be Christians think that the Bible is a collection of men's ideas about God. If that is the case, then what do we really know about God? We can conclude from the universe that there is a Supreme Being who created everything (Romans 1:20). But to really know about God, we need a revelation from Him.

Why would God communicate with people who are so far below Him? God's very character requires Him to communicate with us. God is righteous, holy, and just. If God did not tell us who He is, tell us what He desires from us in our character, let us know the consequences of disobedience, and show us His love, then He would not be a righteous, holy, and just God.

But God has told us. He has given us the Scriptures which are "inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work" (II Timothy 3:16-17).

I believe that God directed every single person who had a part in writing the Bible. I believe that God made sure that they wrote exactly what He wanted said. I also believe that God has protected His message to humanity through the centuries. If God hasn't done these things, then we are completely in the dark concerning Him.

What is the Bible to me? It is the message of a loving, concerned Father. It is a message that will change me. Sometimes the changes come easily. Sometimes they come painfully.

But they come with the goal of making me fit to spend eternity with God.

David

# Thirsty?

Our physical bodies demand water. That shouldn't surprise anyone since 55% of the male body mass is water (51% in women). Our blood is 83% water, and muscles are 75%; even our bones are 22% water. Our survival depends on getting enough water, and just a 2% deficiency means we are dehydrated.

Thirst is a sensation all experience, but few can explain. All we know is that when we're thirsty we begin searching for something to drink.

How's your spiritual thirst? Jesus pointed to this reality: "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water" (John 7:37-38).

Do you crave the righteousness of God found in the pages of Scripture? How long has it been since you've had a drink?

## PRAYERS NEEDED

**Roy Bulice** is having problems with his legs.

Phil Autrey is having problems with his heart.

Wade Haynie is recovering from surgery to improve blood flow to his legs.

Alice Kirkland, Dennis Kirkland's mother, has been moved to the Baptist Rehab in NLR.

**Nadine Gillam**, Jessica Marsh's grandmother, has been moved to the Beebe Retirement Center.

**Extended Sick List:** Kenneth Baxter, Amy Smith, Ronnie House, Shelia Riddle, Nell Bostic, Paula Stocks, Martha Walker, Alex Lafferty, Nita Patrom, Mark Allen, Pam Webb, Barbara Knight, Charlene Lasley, Martha Green, Gladys Widner, Robie Permenter, Jerry Walker, Jerry Almond, Anna Kay Jones

# **FAMILY NEWS**

Mission Report: Ted Knight will preach and report today.

Kid's Konnection: No Kid's Konnection today. Begins again next Sunday evening at 5 p.m.

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

<u>Birthdays</u>: An end of the year birthdays celebration will be held after services this evening. Everyone is invited to enjoy cake and ice cream.

Youth Outreach University: January 24-26. Robinson and Center Church of Christ, Conway.

<u>Retreat</u>: A Men and Boys Retreat is being planned for Friday evening, January 31<sup>st</sup>, through noon on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, at Camp Areopagus. If you are interested in attending please sign the sheet on the table in the foyer.

# **Are You Living A Questionable Life?**

"But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear" (I Peter 3:15).

Is your life such that people see a difference? Is your life so questionable that people burn with curiosity to ask, "What's with you?"

The actions of the Christians in Acts 2:42-47 stood out so much that people who saw them clearly sought to find the answer to "What's with you?" Learning the answer led them to Jesus.

The first-century Christians were living God- centered, God-directed, and God-focused lives. Those Christians demonstrated godly, caring attitudes.

Peter said that non-believers will glorify God as they observe your good deeds (I Peter 2:12).

Today even atheists do good deeds. What can you do so that people will see a difference in your deeds? A difference that causes them to question you?

--Ed Wittlif (Denver, CO)