

# The Mars Hill Messenger

November 7, 2021

<p><b>Sunday, November 7, 2021</b> <b><u>SOUND ROOM</u></b> Clay Winn <b><u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u></b> Curtis Sawrie <b><u>SCRIPTURE READING</u></b> Steve Shock <b><u>LEAD SINGING</u></b> Thomas Martin <b><u>LEAD PRAYER</u></b> Bob Johnston Wade Haynie <b><u>LORD'S TABLE</u></b> John Foster, b. Dan Blair, c. Doug Ellison, o. Jerrod Partee</p>	<p><b>Wednesday November 10, 2021</b> <b><u>LEAD SINGING</u></b> Michael Hunter <b><u>LEAD PRAYER</u></b> Mike Widner Harold Moody</p> <p><b>Bible Class Lessons</b> <b>Sunday, Nov. 7:</b> Lesson #344: "Paul: Acts 19:21-20:2a <b>Wednesday, Nov. 10:</b> Lesson #345 "Paul: 2 Corinthians 1-2" <b>Sunday, November 14:</b> Lesson #346: "Paul: 2 Corinthians 3-4"</p>	<p>Rodger and Saundra Harlan have been under the weather. Carlton Clayton's will have eye surgery on Tuesday. Stanley Gordon is recovering from surgery and a fall. Bob Johnston is recovering from surgery to his hand. Mary Mcgonical was able to be in worship with us last week. Melanie Gordon will undergo aggressive cancer treatments.</p> <p>Dale Haynie, Roy Bulice, Ova Lea Leighton, Bernice Wells, Martha Walker, Paula Stocks, Gladys Widner, Gunner Smith, Charlene Lasley, Steven Moore, Michelle Koone, Leroy Kirkland</p> <p><b><i>At A Glance</i></b> <b>November 8</b> - Preacher's Leader's Meeting. 10 a.m. Greenbrier C of C. <b>November 9</b> - Area-Wide Meal and Singing. Harding St. C of C. 5:30 p.m. <b>November 14</b> - Homecoming. 2:30 p.m. N. Main C of C. Stuttgart. Speaker: D. Riley <b>November 20</b> - Hobo Stew and Singing at Areopagus. Singing: 2 p.m.; Meal 3:30 p.m.</p>
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**Thanksgiving Baskets:** Please see the list in the foyer to sign up to bring food items for Thanksgiving Baskets that will be given out by the Vilonia congregation. Please bring the items to the building by Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Area-Wide Singing and Meal:** Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the Harding St. Church of Christ in Morrilton. If you plan to attend please let David know.

**Singing and Hobo Stew:** Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, at Camp Areopagus. Singing begins at 3 p.m. with meal following. Please bring a can of ingredients for the stew and an additional can for donation to a food pantry. Bring cornbread and/or desserts. Invite your family and friends to join us.

**Area-Wide Ladies' Craft Day:** Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Camp Areopagus. Lunch will be provided. See Sara Beth Blair for detail.

## Can God Use Me?

I receive a brotherhood paper that usually lists the accomplishments and great deeds performed by Christians. I love to read these, but they often leave me with the feeling that I have not done enough wonderful things for God and my fellow man. In other words, I'm just not good enough. This way of thinking contains several fallacies.

First, scripture tells me that "All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). No one is good enough. If I am working to earn my salvation, I am working for the wrong reason. That attitude minimizes God's saving grace through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Second, I believe that if I let God work through me, He puts me where He needs me. I may not become a famous doctor, lawyer, teacher, or great leader, but my Father needs someone who will humbly do what needs done where he is. God will use my talents, whether they be taking care of my family, encouraging others, or just giving a thirsty soul a glass of cold water. God does not give everyone the same talents, and He wants me to serve Him where I am.

Third, God does want me to grow, but He doesn't expect me to do it by myself. God told Paul, "My power is made perfect in weakness" (II Corinthians 12:9). I am weak, but it is God's power, not mine, that strengthens me.

Fourth, I should know that my self-doubts and discouragement are Satan's weapons against me. Satan knows that if I get down on myself, I will lose my focus on God and Jesus, the author and finisher of my faith. When I focus on God and Jesus, I am always good enough.