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<b>July</b>	<b>Leadership Training Camp</b>	
9-13	For Young Men & Young Women	
<b>July</b>	<b>Central Florida Bible Camp</b>	
20-26	Jenkins' Week	
August 10	Promotion Sunday	
<b>August</b>	<b>"Evolution Is Unscientific" Seminar</b>	
29-31	with Dr. Jeff Miller	



## **The Question Everyone Should Face**

When Ananias came to Paul, he asked one question which each of us should face. He was hesitant to come to meet Saul of Tarsus, who was to become the great apostle Paul, because Paul was at the forefront of the assault being made against the church. At God's urging, Ananias stood be-

By Dan Jenkins

fore the persecutor and asked one question. "And now why are you waiting?" This question should be answered by each of us, for we all face the decision about becoming a Christian.

Some are waiting because they have not heard about the salvation in Christ. However, this is not the case with those who are reading these words. The motivation for world evangelism is the fact that some have not heard of the Lord, yet that is not the case with you. Why are you waiting?

Some are waiting because they feel they are good enough already. This view of how God judges a man is unknown to God. Some think that God will put all the good we have done on a heavenly balance scale and if it outweighs all the evil we have done, He will save us. The Judge of our eternal destiny has said that salvation is not by works of righteousness which we have done (Titus 3:5). It is not of works which we have done (Eph. 2:8-10). Salvation is by grace, and the price of sin cannot be paid by doing more good than evil. "All our righteousness is filthy rags" (Isa. 64:4). Why are you waiting?

Some are waiting because they do not feel worthy of salvation. They are so ashamed of past actions and those around them sometimes remind them of what they have done. What they fail to realize is that it is God who determines their worth. He is the One who decides who can be saved. Christ died for all and the invitation is for "whosoever" (Rev. 22:17). Why are you waiting?

Some are waiting because they feel they delay obedience simply do not know enough. If this is why you are waiting, then think of how little was known by those who first obeyed the gospel. Read Acts 2 and listen to that one sermon which was heard by the 3,000 who became Christians. They knew that Jesus was the Christ, that He was the Lord and He wanted them to

repent and be baptized. Those in Acts 16 learned enough in just one hour to obey the gospel. They did not wait to commit their lives to the Lord. Why are you waiting?

Some are waiting for a better time to come for them to obey. They intend to obey the Lord, but not right now. Their heart has good intentions. What they fail to see is that this intention is a decision to not obey Him now! Satan has blinded them and won the battle! Why are you waiting?

Let me ask again, Why are you waiting?



## What Makes You Stand Out?

Sometimes, in paintings of centuries past, artists would depict the apostles (and especially Jesus) as having a glowing circle around their head. Have you seen those pieces of art? If the apostles actually walked around with glowing circles about their heads, do you think they would have been

By David Sproule

easy to recognize and identify as a follower of Christ? But, you well know that no glowing aura followed those men around. So, there was something else that made What makes us them stand out from the rest. stand out from

In Acts 4, Peter and John were arrested for preaching Jesus Christ in the "holy city" of Jerusalem. While they were put on trial before the Sanhedrin, the Jewish council "saw [their] boldness," and "they realized that they had been with Jesus" (Acts 4:13).

There was something that stood out about these men (not a glowing arch behind their heads), which made it obvious that they had been with Jesus. Question: Is there anything about you and me that makes it clear to honest observers that we have been with Jesus?

In your speech, is it obvious that you have been with Jesus? Do your words sound like Jesus? Do your words belong to Jesus? Do your words honor Jesus? Are your words saturated with Jesus?

In your thoughts, is it obvious that you have been with Jesus? Do your thoughts, as they are expressed in your life, think like Jesus would think? Do your thoughts belong to Jesus? Do your thoughts honor Jesus? Are your thoughts saturated with Jesus?

In your attitudes, is it obvious that you have been with Jesus? Do your attitudes (whether we look at them individually or collectively as one) resemble Jesus? Do your atti-

> tudes belong to Jesus? Do your attitudes honor Jesus? Are your attitudes saturated with Jesus?

In your conduct, is it obvious that you have the world is that been with Jesus? Does your conduct (in its single actions and its cumulative effect) mirror Jesus? Does your conduct belong to Jesus? Does your conduct honor Jesus? Is your conduct saturated with Jesus?

> In your treatments of others, is it obvious that you have been with Jesus? Does your treatment of others imitate Jesus' treatment of others? Does your treatment of others belong to Jesus? Does your treatment of others honor Jesus? Is your treatment of others saturated with Jesus?

> There are no glowing circles that surround our heads to distinguish us from others. What makes us stand out from the world is that we have been with Jesus! The world must observe Jesus in our speech, thoughts, attitudes, conduct, etc. Not for our good or our glory, but all for His!

The decision to is actually a decision to disobey God!

we have been

with Jesus!



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### Tough choices: make them WITH God

Every day we are faced with choices. Some of them are big; some of them are small. Many choices we face are not matters of right or wrong (choosing whether we give into sin or not), but they are life decisions that determine the course of our day, our year or even our life. Rather than make these choices on our own, it is so much better and easier to make them with God!

Scripture says, "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him" (Jas. 1:5). Next time you are faced with a big decision, try this three-step approach. First, pray hard for several days (maybe weeks) and ask God to help you decide what to do. After you've done that and you begin to make your choice, then change your prayer for the next several days (or weeks) to, "Lord, with Your help, I think I'm going to do [this]. Is that the right thing to do?" After several more days, when you're on the verge of moving forward with your decision, change your prayer one more time to, "Lord, with Your help I'm about to do [this]. If it's the wrong thing for me to do, please throw a roadblock in my way very soon." With this three-step approach, you make a decision WITH God (not alone).

After you've gone through with the decision, don't forget to thank God for His help! -- DS

## Tough choices: make them FOR God

There are those tough choices that we face in life that are better made WITH God than WITHOUT God (i.e., praying for wisdom and guidance through the decision process). Then, there is a different type of choice that we face in life which involves the temptation to sin against God. This is not a matter of choosing between Option A and Option B (where neither option is sinful), but a matter of choosing between right and wrong, righteousness and sinfulness.

We know that Moses was faced with such a decision, for Scripture reveals that Moses "refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin" (Heb. 11:24-25). The next verse says that he made this choice because he (1) looked to Christ and (2) looked to the reward.

Satan is going to throw all sorts of "choices" (i.e., temptations) in our way on a daily basis. May we, like Moses, recognize sin for what it is and choose to live FOR God rather than self! -- DS

# Keep in Your Prayers

# **Pray for These PBL Members**

Joyce Barnhouse	recovering at home from her surgeries
Josie Dawson	recovering from mini-stroke (no visitors please)
Tasha Ellis	recovering from eye surgery
Annie Faison	recovering from eye surgery
Janet Hickerson	not doing well
Leigh Puckett	recovering from foot surgery
Cathy Seay	recovering from artery surgery on her leg
Norm Smedley	suffering with breathing problems

#### **Long-Term Health Issues**

Millie Ames	receiving specialized care
Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Janet Hickerson	suffering with back pain
Lennie Langley	Palms Edge, Hospice Care
Deidra Miley	dialysis treatments
Silas Moses	dialysis treatments
<b>Charles Norton</b>	dialysis treatments
Gene Puckett	dialysis treatments
Les Sawyer	recovering from radiation
Patricia Ventress	both kidneys removed

Our Shut-Ins: Vera Day Cora Lee Dennis Kay Fish Margie Fortenberry Helen Gardner Margaret Griffo Margie Hardin Loretta Holaday

Shelton Howell Gladys Jackson Jean McMasters Betty Matter Rosa Nash Leigh Puckett Ricky Smedley Margaret Wade

# **Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members**

Ed Campbell	Tasha Ellis' stepfather, preleukemia, multiple complications
Craig Clark	Chuck Clark's brother, terminal
James Cunningham	Jackie Price's father, recovering from stroke, nursing home
Perry King	Bettye King's father, under Hospice Care, liver cancer
Mason Lerro	Richard & Judy Lerro's great-grandson, chest surg. (6/30)
Terry West	Amy West's father, undergoing cancer treatments



# Church Family **Calendar of Events**

#### <u>Sunday, July 6</u>

• Renova Nursing Home Visit at 2:30 p.m.

#### Monday, July 7

 Monday Night Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

#### Tuesday, July 8

• **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.

#### Wednesday-Sunday, July 9-13

• Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women. Please pray for the young people attending this camp.

#### Sunday, July 13

- Leadership Training Camp Lessons presented by the young men and women. There will be a separate class for the ladies.
- Gift Card Explosion for the Blackmer Family at 5:00 p.m. in the Family Room. Help our missionary family to get settled and "feel back at home" by bringing a gift card (any amount) for Publix, Walmart, Target, Home Depot or Bed, Bath & Beyond.

# Palm Beach Lakes Palm Beach Lakes Adults

#### Monday, July 7

• Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Jennifer Goodale. Dinner will be provided. Bring drinks and desserts to share.

#### Saturday, July 12

 Young Adult Devo at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Nate & Cindy Nelson. Bring sides, salad, desserts or drinks to share.

#### Sunday-Saturday, July 20-26

• Jenkins Week at CFBC. Donations are needed to help with scholarships for campers and activities during the week. See Gary or Jacqui Jenkins for details.

#### Saturday, August 2

• Young Adult Area-Wide Devo at 6:00 p.m. at the Stuart congregation. See Ivan Villard for details.

#### Sunday, August 17

• Young Adult Meeting after evening worship in Adult 1.

#### Sunday, July 13 (cont.)

• Youth & Family Singing after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

#### Sunday, July 20

• Mount Dora Coin Can Return Deadline (Preferred Return Day). Please fill a coin can and return to the office.

#### Sunday-Saturday, July 20-26

 Jenkins Week at CFBC. Apply online at www.cfbiblecamp.org. Donations are needed to help with scholarships for campers and activities during the week. See Gary or Jacqui Jenkins for details.

#### <u>Sunday, August 3</u>

• Renova Nursing Home Visit at 2:30 p.m.

#### Sunday, August 10

- Promotion Sunday at 9:00 a.m. All adults and children will meet in the Auditorium for a special presentation.
- Youth & Family Singing after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.
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#### Wednesday-Sunday, July 9-13

• Leadership Training Camp for Young Men & Women. See Dan Jenkins or David Sproule for details.

#### Sunday, July 13

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- Youth & Family Singing after evening worship

#### Sunday, Saturday, July 20-26

 Jenkins Week at CFBC. Register online at www.cfbiblecamp.org. See Gary or Jacqui Jenkins for details.

#### Saturday, Wednesday, July 26-30

• Upward Bound at CFBC. Register online at www.cfbiblecamp.org

#### Saturday, August 2

 Jr. High Back-to-School Lunch & Prep. See David or Traci Sproule for details.

# **Equipping & Edifying Families**

# 10 Steps To Resolve Family Feuds



**1. Listen twice as much as you talk.** God gave us two ears and only one mouth for a reason. Listening says, "I respect you." Listening means you are not imposing your viewpoint on others. Listening reduces tension. Family communication is dead in the water without it.

**2.** Bring the parties together and create a covenant. If you can possibly sit down together and talk, then do so. Don't pretend there's no problem, and don't expect an instant compromise, but instead work out an agreement that you can sign in ink rather than carve out in blood. A covenant should:

- Declare the intention of reconciliation
- Outline expectations
- Define what is acceptable
- Always move at least a step or two forward
- Include a time to get back together

**3. Begin with a simple "Cessation of hostilities"!** Sometimes it's enough to promise to back down. Sometimes all anyone can do is to walk away. If that's all either of you can do, then that's a great start. The next time you meet you can agree to take another step forward. Reconciliation is seldom "all or nothing." Because, given that kind of choice, most people opt for "nothing."

**4. Remember the only person you can control is you.** Avoid catering to anyone's need to be "right" (including yours). The only person you can change or control is you. That means owning the responsibility to do the right thing—unilaterally if necessary. If the conflict is between two other family members, then tell both sides of the conflict the same thing, namely: "The only behavior you are responsible for is your own."

**5. Take the stance of a servant.** This is another opportunity for servant leadership, and it's a posture that teaches children and other family members by example. Serve the family member you're upset with, bring them a cup of hot tea, or a glass of cold lemonade. Set the trajectory toward love in action. Jesus put it this way, "Whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant" (Matt. 20:26).

**6. Turn it over to God.** Some things are beyond our capacity to fix. That doesn't have to be the end of hope. Prayer is always an option. Taking time to acknowledge our personal inadequacy and our need for divine help can tip the balance in favor or hope.

**7. Appoint an arbitrator.** If the people who are at each other's throats are your children or other family members, the arbitrator might be you. If you're embroiled in the conflict personally, ask everyone's favorite relative.

**8. Talk directly to the parties involved.** This is true when the conflict involves you, and when it's between other family members. Never act or advise based on second hand information.

**9.** Always be the first to apologize. Even if you're not in the only one wrong! Set the standard that says, "I value peace and I'm sometimes willing to sacrifice my need to be right for it." Being right is not always the most important in the great scheme of things.

**10.** Never take sides. When you observe a conflict, always be on the side of reconciliation. Taking sides ramps up defensiveness and promotes a win-lose scenario that quickly turns to lose-lose.

#### "...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)



Sunday, June 29

**LOCAL VISITORS:** Kevin Ray Allain; Mrs. Veronica Ashmeade; Mr. Jean Charles; Mrs. Cleopatra Hackshaw; Terri & Nikki Hahn; Evelyn Nazario; Miss Natasha Ortiz; Sictoria Phillips; Nilsa Rodriguez; Mike Staley; Christopher & Yolanda Stewart; Terry West; and Joe Woodfall.

**OUT OF TOWN VISITORS:** Mrs. Melissa Brown, Oakland, TN; Justin & Sharah Collier, Kendall & Reagan, Durham, NC; Miss Amanda Fetting, Boca Raton, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Dave Hoover, Timmy, & Emily, Frazeysburg, OH; Jim & Judy Howell, Tallahassee, FL; Stevie & Jennifer Lovelace, Burnsville, MS; Mrs. Heather Mayne & Katlyn, Cut Off, LA; Andrea Spradlin, Asuncion, Paraguay; and Mr. & Mrs. Michael Toomer, Valrico, FL.

Thank You

To Our Palm Beach Lakes Family,

Thanks so much for your shower of cards, calls, flowers, visits, concern, & prayers for our mama, Gladys Jackson. You have truly been uplifting to her and us.

> We love you dearly, The Jackson family



Darlene Smith has moved to Georgia. Kendra & Kirstin Voet placed membership at Jog Road. Mark Lester moved to Leesburg.



<u>Sunday (July 6<sup>th</sup>)</u> Derrick & Stahia Banks (Ann.) Jeff Goodale

<u>Monday (July 7<sup>th</sup>)</u> Jon & Jenny Jordan (Ann.) Ted & Laura Schuemann (Ann)

<u>Tuesday (July 8<sup>th</sup>)</u> Paul & Lisa Metzkes (Ann.) <u>Friday (July 11<sup>th</sup>)</u> Cheryl Floyd Karen Friesner

Wednesday (July 9<sup>th</sup>)

Thursday (July 10<sup>th</sup>)

Jessica Santana

Jimmy Burney

Mary Reeves

Sarah Smedley

#### Those to Serve

If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533. If you are scheduled to serve on <u>Sunday morning</u>, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at <u>9:50 a.m.</u> If you are scheduled to serve on <u>Sunday evening</u>, please meet at the front of the auditorium at <u>5:50 p.m.</u>

#### Sunday Morning, July 6

Lead Singing	Jerry Hopkins
Opening Prayer	Brandon Thomas
Scripture Reading	Gary Jenkins
Presiding at Table	Jerry Pittman
Serve at Table:	
Jordan Beasley	Austin Metzkes
Chuck Clark	David Payne
Paul Hensel	David Thorpe
Namdidie Ikon	Marty Williams
Alternates:	
Dan Fuller	Scott Studer
Closing Prayer	Jim Rogers

#### Sunday Evening, July 6

Sunday Evening, July 6
Lead Singing Stephen Beliech
Opening Prayer Matt Ellis
Scripture ReadingBobbo Lupo
Presiding at TableFreddie Gadson
Serve at Table:
Grant Fuller
Paul Metzkes
Darin Summerlot
Closing PrayerBill Ingram, Sr.
Wednesday Evening, July 9
Lead Singing Chad Brown
Extend Invitation Daniel Wagner
Family PrayerDan McLeod

#### **Our Record**

Attendance	<u>June 29</u>	<u>May Avg.</u>
Sun. Bible study	252	244
Sun. A.M. Worsh	ip 389	387
Sun. P.M. Worsh	ip 194	179
Wed. Bible study	v 219	194
Contribution	\$13,182	\$14,896
2014 Weekly Budget: \$13,670		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: +15,972		

Ushers for the week of July 6: Head Usher: Richard Watson, Novel Brown & Warren Porter



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#### **Service Schedule**

Sunday:	
Bible Classes	9:00 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.
Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	
Bible classes	7:00 p.m.

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