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Walking in Sunlight

*In the bright sunlight, ever rejoicing,
 Pressing my way to mansions above;
 Singing His praises, gladly I'm walking,
 Walking in sunlight, sunlight of love.*

*Heavenly sunlight, heavenly sunlight,
 Flooding my soul with glory divine!*

Singing class

**Sunday,
 October 19 at 5:00 p.m.**



By Dan Jenkins

Evicting Bad Tenants

Those who own rental property know how difficult it is to deal with bad tenants. What a contrast this is with renters who are always current with their monthly payments and often repair anything that is broken. However, there are those who are almost a daily nuisance to the owner of the property. They show no respect for anyone or anything. A major problem faced by those who have rental property is knowing when and how to evict them.

God owns property. David said, “The earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof” (Psa. 24:1). The writer of Hebrews said, “Every house is built by someone, but He who built all things is God” (Heb. 3:4). Those who own a house may think it is theirs, but they fail to know the true “Landlord.” It’s all His, including even the animals (Psa. 50:10-11).

God loves good tenants. When our God was preparing to “lease” the Promised Land to the Jews He had delivered from Egypt, He told them that if they were faithful they would be blessed above all the nations on the earth (Deut. 28). He only asked that they be good “tenants.”

God’s first tenants of Canaan did not honor Him. He did not arbitrarily take the Promised Land from the Canaanite nations there. They filled the land with idols and immorality,

and God took action. He said, “The nations are defiled...and the land vomits out its inhabitants” (Lev. 22:24-25). Obviously, they were not good tenants, and He evicted them.

God cast out the first tenants and warned the second tenants. Read His words to the Jews (the new tenants). “Do not defile yourselves with any of these things...lest the land vomit you out also when you defile it” (Lev. 18:24-28). Oh, the folly of people who think they can abuse the true Landlord and assume He will not respond!

Those who own a house may think it is theirs, but it belongs to the true Landlord

God owns America’s land also. “Righteousness exalts a nation” (Prov. 14:34), and when our forefathers arrived in this land, their goal was to form a nation which exalted doing right. Our nation was blessed and became the greatest nation on this earth. It was born proclaiming the Creator as the One who endows with inalienable rights. He owned this land and exalted a new nation who honored Him.

God owns America but will cast its tenants from off the land. There is no question that it will happen unless we change. He turns into hell all nations which forget Him (Psa. 9:17). It used to be different—we acknowledged the Creator; oaths were taken with a hand on His book; the Ten Commandments were part of school life; our coins proclaimed our faith. Now it is so different! God will cast us out as tenants. It is, and always has been, His nature. The only question is when!



By David Sproule

Wanted: Christian Husbands

Being a “Christian husband” is a tremendous responsibility. First of all, it emphasizes being a “Christian.” A Christian is one who has submitted to Christ, put on Christ and is seeking to emulate Christ. (The focus is no longer on self but on Christ!) Quite a responsibility! Second, it emphasizes being a “husband.” A husband is one who has committed to his wife, been joined by God to his wife and is now one with his wife. (The focus is no longer on self but on the wife!) Quite a responsibility! Christian husbands, take a few moments and reflect on the role that Christ has given to you as the husband.

A Christian husband is to leave father and mother and cleave to his wife (Gen. 2:24; Matt. 19:5). This is a new relationship that requires your utmost attention! You are no longer “the child” in the relationship (as with father and mother); you are “the man” in the relationship. Therefore, you need to be a man—a grown-up, responsible man—and not behave like a child!

A Christian husband is to be the head of his wife (Eph. 5:23). That does not mean that you’re the dictator or the all-knowing, never-wrong, don’t-question-me boss. Being the head brings responsibility—for the direction of your home (especially the spiritual direction). It brings accountability—for

the eternal dwelling place of those in your home. The place that Christ, His church and righteousness have in your home is squarely on your shoulders. You cannot fail to be the “head” spiritually, but then force your “headship” in other areas.

A Christian husband is to love, nourish, cherish, render affection to and please his wife (Eph. 5:23-33; 1 Cor. 7:2-5, 33). The focus of a Christian husband is NOT on himself (what he needs or what he wants). In marriage, the husband’s agape love for his wife seeks her needs and what’s best for her. It requires a complete transformation of mindset—from self-centered to her-centered. Agape love “does not seek its own” (1 Cor. 13:4-5).

A Christian husband is to provide for his wife (1 Tim. 5:8). You’re the man, you’re the head, you’re the leader—so take it seriously. Get a job and work. Work hard. Work doubly hard (you’re working for two people). Don’t be lazy (Prov. 13:4)! Provide for her!

A Christian husband is to honor his wife (1 Pet. 3:7). This starts when you “live with [her] in an understanding way.” Understand God’s will for you, God’s will for your wife and God’s will for your marriage. Then, respect God, respect His will and respect your wife, as your joint-heir of God’s promises.

Christian husbands submit themselves to Christ and commit themselves to their wives! We need more Christian husbands, who will take their God-given role seriously!

You’re the man, you’re the head, you’re the leader—so take it seriously!



By Josh Blackmer

Daniel's Culture War

We are alarmed at how quickly our culture has been rejecting Biblical principles. It is something that is seemingly increasing in speed and frequency, but what would you do if we lost it all? What would you do if we lost every right and every ability to call on the name of the Lord or to worship Him in any way? Let's look at a few young men that lost that, and more, and see what we can learn.

It was a dark day for Judah. The Babylonian Empire had taken control of the city of Jerusalem and was shipping off people to serve as slaves in far off lands. Among them were four young men – Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. These four young men were made eunuchs, had their names changed, were taught a new language and new philosophies of Babylon. Now the stage is set for a culture war.

An issue arose over food. Knowing the dietary laws of the Jews, the Babylonians still commanded them to eat from the king's table. These four young men, who had to endure all that happened to them, took a stand. "But Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile himself with the king's choice food or with the wine which he drank..." (Dan. 1:8). The key part of this passage is "Daniel made up his mind." In the NKJV it reads, "purposed in his heart." The idea is the same. They

drew a line, even though it was counter to popular culture, and thus began the culture war.

This idea, a purposed heart, characterizes Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah for the rest of the book of Daniel. Many of us remember the battle fought over worshiping the golden idol. Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to give you an answer concerning this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king. But even if He does not, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up" (Dan. 3:16-18). That is culture war. That is drawing a very distinct line.

So, what do we take from this? Popular culture and society could one day take it all away from us. I pray for my children and my children's children that it never happens. However, if it does, are we going to be ready to draw those kinds of lines? Are we making a distinction in our homes now between what is worldly and what is godly? Are we exemplifying Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah type courage in our homes and with our families now? We need to "purpose in our hearts" now, so that when we face the same culture war, we will be ready.

"Daniel purposed in his heart."

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Guard against ungodly influences

Take a moment and reflectively read the following character traits from Second Timothy 3. As you read them, answer the question, "Do you know any persons who have qualities like these?"

People who are "lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boast-ers, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to par-ents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despis-ers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lov-ers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, hav-ing a form of godliness but denying its pow-er" (2 Tim. 3:2-5).

Each of us have our "weak moments," when one of those words could be used to describe us, but the list is not "weak moments" but heart conditions and life traits. Do you know any persons whose very character could be described with one of these terms? The instructions to Timothy are clear: "And from such people turn away!" (3:5). We are influenced by the people with whom we associate (Prov. 27:17; 1 Cor. 15:33). May God help us to avoid ungodly influences! – DS



Take it for what it says

The Bible is the inspired, inerrant Word of God! The evidence that points to this conclusion is solid and abundant—its unity, its factual accuracy, its scientific foreknowledge, its predictive prophecy and fulfillment. It has been given and preserved by the God of heaven Himself!

Therefore, as finite creatures, how can we do anything else than just **take it for what it says!** When the Bible tells us how He created the world, we need to take it for what it says! When the Bible tells us how He made the wom-an for the man, we need to take it for what it says! When the Bible tells us how life begins at conception in the womb, we need to take it for what it says! When the Bible tells us how Jesus established only one church on this earth, we need to take it for what it says! When the Bible tells us how only those who obey His Word, without addi-tion or subtraction, will go to heaven, we need to take it for what it says!

If I do not take the Bible for what it says, what does that say about me? About God? – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

| | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Joy Cantrell | Palms West Hospital, being treated for infections |
| Hattie Daniels | recovering from hospitalization |
| Pearl El | continued health struggles, fluid around heart |
| Tasha Ellis | recovering from surgery on eye |
| Charles Fifield | recovering from surgery on eye |
| Kasandra Jones | suffering with severe back pain |
| Silas Moses | recovering at home from a fall |
| Leigh Puckett | home from the hospital, infection in her face |
| Linda Studer | undergoing chemo treatments |

Long-Term Health Issues

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Lillian Bankston | dialysis treatments |
| Janet Hickerson | suffering with back pain |
| Ruth Milton | chronic health problems |
| Silas Moses | dialysis treatments |
| Charles Norton | dialysis treatments |
| Gene Puckett | dialysis treatments |
| Norm Smedley | breathing problems |
| Patricia Ventress | both kidneys removed |



The family & friends of **Lennie Langley**, upon her passing last Sunday evening. A Memorial Service was held on Wednesday at PBL.

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

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|-----------------|----------------|
| Millie Ames | Shelton Howell |
| Vera Day | Jean McMasters |
| Cora Lee Dennis | Betty Matter |
| Kay Fish | Deidra Miley |
| Helen Gardner | Rosa Nash |
| Margaret Griffo | Leigh Puckett |
| Margie Hardin | Ricky Smedley |
| Loretta Holaday | Margaret Wade |

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

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|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Ed Campbell | Tasha Ellis' stepfather, preleukemia, undergoing chemo |
| Betty Hay | Mary Quinn's mother-in-law, hospitalized |
| Perry King | Bettye King's father, under Hospice Care, liver cancer |
| Mason Lerro | Richard & Judy Lerro's great-grandson, chest surgery |
| Peggy McKeal | Ruth Lipford's daughter, still battling cancer |
| Dorothy Macon | Cherylann Wineinger's grandma, Consulate Health Care |
| Mario Moss | Marcia Clough-Moss' husband, recovering from surgery |
| Eddie James Smith | Mary A. Jackson's cousin, pancreatic cancer |
| A'Gatha Spradlin | Troy Spradlin's mother, recovering from stroke, not well |
| Charles Thomas | Giselle Smith's father, CCU at West Palm Hospital |

Pray for Our Missionaries

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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Troy & Andrea Spradlin | Paraguay |
| Robert & Mary Martin | Pacific Islands |
| Scott & Rebecca Shanahan | Pacific Islands |
| Joey & Tammy Treat | Pacific Islands |
| Tamuka Arunashe | Zimbabwe |
| Nnanna Aforji | Nigeria |
| Apologetics Press | Montgomery, AL |
| Mauricio Yegros | Coral Springs, FL |



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 19

- ◆ **College Care Package Item Return Deadline.** See a list of suggested items on the Welcome Desk in the Lobby. Please only bring gift cards and small candy. See Skye Brown or Loni Fuller for more details.
- ◆ **Congregational Singing Class** at 5:00 p.m. (Led by Gary Friedly) in the Auditorium.

Monday, October 20

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

Tuesday, October 21

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

Wednesday, October 22

- ◆ **The Family/Youth Ministry and You.** Josh Blackmer will be teaching this series of lessons in the auditorium at 7:00 p.m. for the Jr. High, Sr. High & all adult classes. This is for the entire church family.

Saturday, October 25

- ◆ **Costume Party for 55+ hosted by the Jr. High Youth** at 3:00 p.m. in the Family Room. Wear your favorite sports apparel.

Sunday, October 26

- ◆ **PBL Family Photos Updated.** If you've never had your photo taken in the Family Room or if your photo needs to be updated, please have your photo taken **after morning services or before evening services** by Mike Erickson in the Family Room.

Monday, October 27

- ◆ **No Monday Night Bible Study.**

Saturday, November 1

- ◆ **Cornerstone Group 4 Get-Together** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Dirk & Elizabeth Summerlot.

Sunday, November 2

- ◆ **Daylight Saving Time Ends.** Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour.
- ◆ **Renova/North Lake Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.



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Young Adults

Sunday, October 19

- ◆ **Young Adult Meeting** after evening worship in Adult 1.

Saturday, October 25

- ◆ **Young Adult Costume Party** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Gary & Sue Shelt. Bring \$5 for pizza plus a dessert or drink to share.

Saturday, November 1

- ◆ **Young Adult Area-Wide Devo** at 6:00 p.m. hosted by the Jupiter-Tequesta congregation.

Monday, November 3

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Traci Sproule. See Traci Sproule or Cara Blackmer for more details.

Sunday, November 16

- ◆ **Young Adult Meeting** after evening worship in Adult 1.

Thursday, December 4

- ◆ **Ladies' Soup Supper** at 6:30 p.m. at the Sproule's.



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Youth

Saturday, October 25

- ◆ **Costume Party for 55+ hosted by the Jr. High Youth** at 3:00 p.m. in the Family Room. Jr. High Youth should arrive at 1:30 p.m. Wear your favorite sports apparel.

Sunday, October 26

- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship.
- ◆ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship at the home of Bob & Jennifer Higbee. See Bob or Jennifer Higbee for details.

Friday, October 31

- ◆ **Sr. High Costume Party & Lock-In** at 9:00 p.m. Bring \$10 and invite your friends. See Bob or Jennifer Higbee for more details.

Sunday, November 9

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

November 2014



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 ☆ Cornerstone Group 4 Get-Together ☆ Young Adult Area-Wide Devo |
| 2 ☆ Daylight Saving Time Ends ☆ Renova/North Lake Nursing Home Visit b Trish Clark b Isolyn Sinclair | 3 ☆ Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night | 4 b Chad Brown b Richard Lerro b Phil Porter | 5 ☆ No Midweek Services b Brent Leslie | 6 b Flo Aristy b Trudie Holland | 7 a Jim & Jo Ann Rogers | 8 b Kay Fish |
| 19th Annual South Florida Lectureship (6th-9th) | | | | | | |
| 9 ☆ Youth & Family Singing | 10 | 11 | 12 b Dee Catanzaro b Kim Cullom | 13 a Lance & Brenda Collier b Carolyn Preston | 14 | 15 ☆ Sr. High Mini-Golf b Lovella Rogers |
| 16 ☆ Jr. High Thanksgiving Visiting ☆ EDP Meeting ☆ Young Adult Meeting | 17 b Esther Saintil b Kelly Sproule | 18 a Silas & Sallie Moses b Diane Leslie b Natalie Reeves b Norman Smedley | 19 a Buzz & Kathy Nelson b David Thorpe | 20 b Freddie Gadson b Matthew Jones b Leonard Williams | 21 ☆ Sr. High Family Devo & Bonfire | 22 b Elizabeth Carter |
| 23 a Dick & Marcia Kelley | 24 b Ruth Lipford | 25 a Kevin & Leesa Schenk b Sue Hoelzer b Rowena Lynch b Kayanna Richardson | 26 b Julio Aristy, III b Ekemini Ikon b Orlando Lolo | 27 ☆ Thanksgiving Day a Brent & Andrea Leslie b Gary Friedly | 28 b Mike Damron | 29 b Jonathan Jordan |
| 30 ☆ 5 th Sunday Singing in the Lobby | | | | | | |

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



Sunday,
October 12

I want to thank my sisters and brothers for the calls, cards, and those who visited me at the time of my illness. May God bless all of us. Loretta James



Directory Changes

Michael Fox was baptized October 5.

LOCAL VISITORS: Debra A. Address; Jeff & Charlotte Blaylock; Jeanette Cheatham; Ms. Sharon Morrison; Nilsa Rodriguez; and Ms. Cecilia Tipton.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: David Barr, Greenwood, IN; Brenda Betts, Okeechobee, FL; Frank & Loretta Daniels, Lodi, CA; Mrs. Lynda Davis, Equality, AL; Joseph Dolan, New York, NY; Ms. Joyce Edmondson, St. Petersburg, FL; Ms. Marcia Farr, Stuart, FL; Mrs. Joyce Griffin, Brenda & Connor, Madison, AL; Scot Hellein, Sebring, FL; John Lewis & family, Lakeland, FL; Josh & Sam Lupo; Mrs. Anne Merrill, Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Mr. & Mrs. James Miller & Christy, Freeport, Bahamas; Josh & Michelle Stevenson, New Market, AL; Mrs. Lenis Villard & Nahum, Daytona Beach, FL; Sebastian Wagner, Mount Dora, FL; and Ron Wilkins, Pollock, LA.

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Sunday (October 19th)

Vera Day

Tuesday (October 21st) cont.

David Sproule
Leslie Williams

Monday (October 20th)

Gene & Leigh Puckett (Ann.)

Wednesday (October 22nd)

Richard & Judy Lerro (Ann.)
Owen & Deidra Miley (Ann.)

Tuesday (October 21st)

Sharon Feeney
Valerie Houghtaling
Janice Maloney
Sabrina Pietro

Thursday (October 23rd)

Millie Ames
Josephine Bass



"With my whole heart I have sought You; Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments!" (Psalm 119:10)

Those to Serve

If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533.

If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at 9:50 a.m.

If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at 5:50 p.m.

Sunday Morning, October 19

Lead Singing Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer Joe Holland
Scripture Reading..... Jerry Pittman
Presiding at Table Novel Brown
Serve at Table:
Henry Bass Adam Seal
Victor Colage Darin Summerlot
Charles Hayes Chris Thomas
Kenneth Long Marty Williams
Alternates:
Tim Cox Dan McLeod
Closing Prayer Glen Dawson

Sunday Evening, October 19

Lead Singing Bobbo Lupo
Opening Prayer Mike Ellis
Scripture Reading..... Joe Maloney
Presiding at Table..... Richard Lerro
Serve at Table:
John Kemp
Paul Metzkes
Michael Trujillo
Prayer..... Rick Hall

Wednesday Evening, October 22

Lead Singing Shea Brown
Invitation..... Stephen Beliech
Family Prayer John Hoelzer

Our Record

| Attendance | Oct. 12 | Sept. Avg. |
|---------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Sun. Bible study | 186 | 209 |
| Sun. A.M. Worship | 303 | 341 |
| Sun. P.M. Worship | 193 | 173 |
| Wed. Bible study | 252 | 199 |
| Contribution | \$13,808 | \$13,174 |
| 2014 Weekly Budget: \$13,670 | | |
| Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: +20,036 | | |

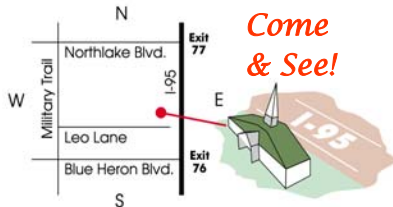
Ushers for the week of **Oct. 19**: Head Usher: Lance Collier; Cam Crofts & Taylor Reeves



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Come & See!

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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.

Front Cover: **Walter & Bonnie Arthur**

What Must I Do to Be Saved?

The Bible says...

- 1. Believe that Jesus is the Son of God**
"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved" (Acts 16:31).
- 2. Repent of your sinful ways**
"Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out" (Acts 3:19).
- 3. Confess your faith in Jesus**
"If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus...you will be saved" (Rom. 10:9).
- 4. Be immersed in water**
"He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:16).
- 5. Commit to a lifetime of faithful service**
"Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Rev. 2:10).



"All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence...And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him" (Col. 1:16-18; 3:17).