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May 1-2

with **LONNIE JONES**

A Stack of Supplies
for Mt. Dora





By Dan Jenkins

The Sabbath in the Garden of Eden?

There is no doubt what Moses told the Jews about the Sabbath. He said that God “. . . declared unto you His covenant, which He commanded you to perform, even ten commandments” and then affirmed, “The Lord our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. The Lord made not his covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day” (Deut. 4:13; 5:2-3). How much clearer could God be in saying that the ten commandment covenant which included the Sabbath was not made with the fathers like Abraham, Isaac and Jacob?

When confronted with these clear statements, some who have a predetermined agenda to bind the Sabbath go to Genesis 2:2-3. To go to this passage and interpret it as affirming that God gave the Sabbath to Adam and all his descendants does not settle the issue. This interpretation simply makes God contradict Himself. God cannot lie, and to say God teaches in Genesis that He gave the Sabbath to Adam makes God a liar, when He clearly says in Deuteronomy that He did **not** make the Sabbath covenant with anyone before He gave it at Mt. Sinai.

Then, what does Genesis 2:3 teach about the Sabbath? “And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and rested on the seventh day from all His work

which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.” Read the passage again. The verse does not affirm that He sanctified the seventh day **before** He rested. It does not affirm that He sanctified it **as** He was resting. He had completed His seventh day rest and **then** sanctified the day because He **had** rested. The sanctification of that day was **after** He rested. Deuteronomy clearly shows when He revealed for **the first time** about man keeping a rest day!

If the Sabbath was first given at Mt. Sinai, it was not given before then!

Recognize that Moses who wrote Genesis lived **after** two events. First, he lived after God rested, and he lived after God gave the Ten Commandments! His words in Genesis were written after God had done both of these events.

One other thing. Moses told the Jews at Mt. Sinai, “Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work” (Ex. 20:9-10). What did God tell Adam? “Cursed is the ground for your sake; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life” (Gen. 3:17). Look at the difference. Adam was to toil every day of his life. He was not given a rest day! The Jews at Mt. Sinai were given a rest day, but Adam never was promised one.

God cannot lie about the Sabbath!



By David Sproule

“Take Time to Be Holy”

One of the most meaningful and soul-stirring songs that we sing in worship is William Longstaff’s “Take Time to Be Holy” from 1874. The lyrics of that song are founded upon Scriptural principles that cultivate holiness in the life of the Christian. God, who called us, is holy, and He beckons us, “You also be holy in all your conduct” (1 Pet. 1:15-16). Consider carefully the words from this song that correlate so beautifully with the New Testament.

“Take time to be holy...Speak oft with thy Lord.” Holiness comes by spending time with the Lord in prayer (1 Thess. 5:17; Phil. 4:6-7; Col. 4:2).

“Take time to be holy...Abide in Him always, and feed on His word.” Holiness comes about when I study and abide in God’s Word and allow it to abide in me (John 15:1-7).

“Take time to be holy...Make friends of God’s children.” It is so much easier (and enjoyable) to be holy when we do it together as brethren in Christ (1 Cor. 12:12-27; 15:33).

“Take time to be holy...Help those who are weak.” True holiness requires that I look beyond myself and do good unto others (Matt. 7:12; Gal. 6:10; Rom. 15:1; 1 Thess. 5:14).

“Take time to be holy...Spend much time in secret

with Jesus alone...Like Him thou shalt be.” To be conformed to His image, I must spend time letting Him transform me through the mirror of His Word (Rom. 8:29; 2 Cor. 3:18).

“Take time to be holy...Let Him be thy Guide; and run not before Him.” God’s Word must truly be “a lamp to my feet and a light to my path,” so that I will not turn from the Lord in any direction (Psa. 119:105; Prov. 30:6; Deut. 4:2).

“Take time to be holy...In joy or in sorrow, still follow thy Lord.” Holiness looks beyond the circumstances of life and is devoted fully to the way of the Lord (Phil. 4:4-7; 1:20-21; Matt. 6:25-34).

“Take time to be holy...Be calm in thy soul.” Instead of trying to keep up, as “the world rushes on,” we need to learn to “be still” and trust the Lord (Psa. 46:10; Prov. 3:5-6; Phil. 4:6-7; Col. 3:15).

“Take time to be holy...Each thought and each motive beneath His control.” It is so critical, in our endeavor to live holy lives, to keep our thoughts and desires holy (2 Cor. 10:5; Phil. 4:8), for “as he thinks in his heart, so is he” (Prov. 23:7).

“Be holy, for I am holy” (1 Pet. 1:16). We must “not be conformed to this world” (Rom. 12:2), but we must “sanctify Christ as Lord” in our hearts, in everything that we say, want, think and do (1 Pet. 3:15; Col. 3:17).

Brothers and sisters, let’s take time to be holy!

We must “sanctify Christ as Lord” in our hearts, in everything...



By Josh Blackmer

“He has also prepared for Himself deadly weapons...”

“Arise, O LORD, confront him, bring him low; Deliver my soul from the wicked with Your sword” (Psa. 17:13).

“He has also prepared for Himself deadly weapons; He makes His arrows fiery shafts” (Psa. 7:12).

“The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold” (Psa. 18:2).

We may all have different ways of thinking about God. We have created a persona or an image of Him that we can relate to based on what we understand about God. We may not think of God the way David did. As a man of war, David saw God fighting for him against his enemies. His enemies were numerous and frequent. David was not a man that couldn't handle enemies. He was a man of war, valiant in fight, according to the Bible. You know about the famous fight with Goliath (1 Sam. 17:48-51). Maybe you know about his scrap with the lions and bears trying to take the sheep (1 Sam. 17:34-36). Do you know what people back then said about David? “Then one of the young men said, ‘Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite who is a skillful musician, a mighty man of valor, a warrior, one prudent in speech, and a

handsome man; and the LORD is with him” (1 Sam. 16:18). Moreover, Hushai said, “You know your father [David] and his men, that they are mighty men and they are fierce, like a bear robbed of her cubs in the field. And your father is an expert in warfare...” (2 Sam. 17:8). Even though he is an expert in war, he does not rely on this to save him. He relies on God. Repeatedly, the Psalms portray God and a source of refuge, protection and deliverance from the oppressor.

Are you allowing God, with His arsenal, to work on those things in your life?

How are you doing with your enemies? We may not have arch enemies or the type of enemies that are trying to kill us. We do have a lot of struggles or things that otherwise seemingly hinder our forward progress. Are you allowing God, with His arsenal, to work on those things in your life? Do you believe that He has the power to do something about it? Read this passage from Philippians and think of God as David saw Him. Think of the God the Psalms speak about. “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” (Psa. 4:6,7). It will be peaceful for you, it will not be so for your enemies and those struggles/anxieties in your life. It is little wonder that David could write this from Psalm 4:8, “In peace I will both lie down and sleep, For You alone, O LORD, make me to dwell in safety.”

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Are you beside yourself?

When Rhoda heard the apostle Peter knocking at the gate of Mary's house, she ran back inside the house “and announced that Peter stood before the gate” (Acts 12:14). Notice the very next statement, “But they said to her, ‘You are beside yourself!’” All she did was speak the verifiable truth and she was accused of being out of her mind. When the apostle Paul stood before Festus and Agrippa and preached the death and resurrection of Christ, “Festus said with a loud voice, ‘Paul, you are beside yourself!’” (Acts 26:24). All he was doing was speaking the verifiable truth about the gospel and he was accused of being out of his mind.

As Christians, most of us have been and all of us will one day be accused of being “beside ourselves” and crazy for believing in God, the Bible, Jesus, heaven, godly living, etc. Just for speaking and living the truth, people will say that we are out of our minds. May God help us to be like Rhoda, who “kept insisting that it was so” (Acts 12:15). May God help us to be like Paul, who kept right on “[speaking] the words of truth and reason” (Acts 26:25)! – DS



So great a salvation!

In writing to a group of Christians who were on the verge of turning from Christ and drifting away into disobedience, the writer of Hebrews urged his readers to not neglect “so great a salvation” (Heb. 2:1-4). Contemplate that for just a moment. What is “so great” about “salvation”?

Salvation is “so great” because it is given by a great God, purchased by a great Savior, paid for with a great price, saves from great sins, rescues from great dangers, guarantees great rewards, etc. What else can you think of? Salvation is “so great” because it is the result of great love, great grace, great mercy, great longsuffering, great compassion, great wisdom, great power, etc. What else comes to mind? Salvation is “so great” because it will save anyone, from anything, at anytime, at anyplace, when they will come to the Lord “according to His will.”

Think about the question: “How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?” Don't neglect the “so great a salvation” that is yours in Christ! There's nothing greater! – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Pat Brown recovering at home from outpatient surgery
Richard Haines recovering at home from knee surgery
Margie Hardin recovering at home from gallbladder surgery
Joe Holland continues to have severe pain in back & legs
Godfrey Pratt recovering at home from a fall

Long-Term Health Issues

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 dialysis treatments



Johnnie Green & Mary Jackson, upon the passing of their brother, Bobby Jackson, on Tuesday. The funeral will be at our building on Saturday, May 9 at 11:00 a.m.

Sarah Rodgers, upon the passing of **her father, Ozell Simmons**, last Sunday. The funeral will be on Saturday, May 9.

Our Shut-Ins:	Millie Ames	Helen Gardner	Loretta Holaday	Don & Betty Matter	Leigh Puckett
	Cora Lee Dennis	Margaret Griffo	Shelton Howell	Deidra Miley	Ricky Smedley
	Kay Fish	Margie Hardin	Daniel Johnson	Rosa Nash	Margaret Wade

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Jefferey Byrd Cheryl Floyd's brother, recovering from bypass surgery
Lyle Fjelsted Micky Affron's uncle, diagnosed with bone cancer
Joung Hutson Daniel Swayne's sister-in-law, stage 4 stomach cancer
Perrethia King Bettye King's sister, recovering from foot surgery
Brenda Lendsey Debora Lynch's sister, suffering with lymphoma
Mason Lerro Richard & Judy Lerro's great-grandson, successful surgery
Peggy McKeal Ruth Lipford's daughter, still battling cancer, chemo again
Rocky Meess Micky Affron's father, recovering from knee surgery
Thomas Moore Linda Coe's uncle, testing on spot found on his lung

Remember
Our Mission Works

Paraguay
Troy & Andrea Spradlin

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Scott & Rebecca Shanahan
Joey & Tammy Treat

Africa
Tamuka Arunashe
Nnanna Aforji

Montgomery, Alabama
Apologetics Press

Coral Springs, Florida
Mauricio Yegros



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday, May 3

- ♦ **Lonnie Jones Will Be Speaking Sunday Morning.** Jr. High, Sr. High & adult classes will meet in Auditorium 9:00 a.m.
- ♦ **Renova/North Lake Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.

Monday, May 4

- ♦ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 5

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

Thursday, May 7

- ♦ **Family Group 1 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of David & Skye Brown.

Saturday, May 9

- ♦ **EDP & Wives Dinner** at 6:00 p.m. on the church property.

Sunday, May 10

- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing.

Saturday, May 16

- ♦ **Fish Fry Fundraiser at CFBC** from 4:30-6:00 p.m. See the bulletin board for more details.

Sunday, May 17

- ♦ **Friends-and-Family Day.** Invite your friends to come with you to Bible class and worship.

Tuesday, May 19

- ♦ **Family Group 3 Meeting** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Victor & Sandy Colage.

Thursday, May 21

- ♦ **Family Group 2 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Chuck & Trish Clark.
- ♦ **Family Group 4 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Cherylann Wineinger.

Saturday, May 30

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. The Media Center will also be available for teachers to work on their lessons.



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Young Adults

Monday, May 4

- ♦ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Brittany Thompson.

Sunday, May 17

- ♦ **Young Adult Meeting** after evening worship in Adult 3.

Saturday, May 30

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All young adults are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations.

Monday, June 1

- ♦ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. Location TBD.

Saturday, June 6

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All young adults are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations.
- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. Location TBD.



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Youth

Sunday, May 10

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

Friday, May 15

- ♦ **Sr. High Spring Formal** at 6:30 p.m. at the National Croquet Center in West Palm Beach. Tickets are \$35 per person. Please RSVP to Josh Blackmer.

Saturday, May 16

- ♦ **Jr. High Family Picnic.** See David or Traci Sproule for details.

Sunday, May 24

- ♦ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship.

Saturday, May 30

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Those participating in the Sr. High Mission Trip are encouraged to help prepare decorations.

MAY:



See Souls Around Us

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, MAY 1-3

Evangelism Training for Youth

- ◆ Prepare our young people in the basics of personal evangelism
- ◆ Teach, equip and motivate to see souls and reach out to them

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Friends & Family Day

- ◆ Invite friends to come with you to Bible class and worship
- ◆ Regular classes that morning, plus catered lunch (if you pre-order)

"Behold...lift up your eyes and look at the fields" (John 4:35),

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



Sunday,
April 26

Dear PBL Family,

Thank you so much for the care package you sent me! As the semester is winding down and I am preparing to graduate FHU, I am blessed to receive such great love and support from my Christian family. The gifts are very appreciated. I look forward to seeing all of you again soon when I return to Florida. I hope all is well for everyone!

In Christian love,
Daniel Wagner

LOCAL VISITORS: David, Yurose and Joshua Baudin; Andrew Delaney; Mike Heitman; Milton Jones; Morris McDaniel; Sharon Morrison; Mrs. Alecia Smith; & Christopher & Yolanda Stewart.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Lori Armstrong, Jacksonville, FL; Steve & Vicky Belk, Leander, TX; Mr. & Mrs. Scott Carpenter, Magnolia, TX; Mrs. Lynda Davis, Equality, AL; Ms. Marcia Farrar, Palm City, FL; Mrs. Joyce Giffin, Madison, AL; Harold & Hope Gilmore, Decatur, AL; Ms. Sylvia Goldie, Davison, MI; Mr. Deltom Lequernaque, Stuart, FL; Nahum Villard, Daytona Beach, FL; and Mary Sue Young, Flint, MI.



Sunday (May 3rd)

Julio Aristy
Bill Ingram, Sr.

Monday (May 4th)

Dan Johnson

Tuesday (May 5th)

Taylor & Natalie Reeves (Ann.)
Willie Wilkins
Trina Wright

Wednesday (May 6th)

Rachel Fuller

Wednesday (May 6th) cont.

Johnnie Green
Nick Pietro
Marie Thorpe

Friday (May 8th)

Bernadette Dupérat
Jacqui Jenkins
Valerie MacDougal
Chuck Reeves, Jr.
Jackie Stout

Saturday (May 9th)

Leigh Puckett

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, May 3

Lead Singing Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer Tim Cox
Scripture Reading.....Rick Hall
Presiding at TableDavid Thorpe
Serve at Table:
Jordan Beasley Gary Seames
Gorman Ericksen Dirk Summerlot
Austin Metzkes Chris Thompson
Taylor Reeves Mike Trujillo
Alternates
Jerry Pittman Brad Shelt
Closing Prayer Mike Archer

Sunday Evening, May 3

Lead Singing Stephen Beliech
Opening PrayerShea Brown
Scripture Reading.....Dan Fuller
Presiding at Table..... Chuck Clark
Serve at Table
Bob Higbee
Tommy Pauldo
Clayton Trujillo
Closing Prayer Jim Davis

Wednesday Evening, May 6

Lead SingingShea Brown
Invitation..... Nate Nelson
Family PrayerVictor Colage

Our Record

Attendance	<u>Apr. 26</u>	<u>Mar. Avg.</u>
Sun. Bible study	202	212
Sun. A.M. Worship	330	363
Sun. P.M. Worship	171	211
Wed. Bible study	201	214
Contribution	\$13,439	\$14,151
2015 Weekly Budget: \$14,500		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: -3,225		

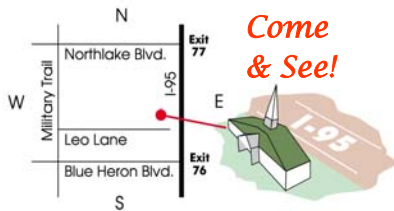
Ushers for the week of **May 3**: Head Usher: Kane Campbell; Ivan Villard, Jr. & L.H. Richardson



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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: Jr. High Guys: Daniel Lord, Ornans Pierre, Micah Trujillo,
Josiah Blackmer, Devon Eutsey

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PSALM 16:8

Upcoming Events

May 1-2

Evangelism Training for Youth with Lonnie Jones

May 17

Friends-and-Family Day

June 7

Promotion Sunday

June 21-24

Vacation Bible School

July 19-25

Jenkins' Week at Central Florida Bible Camp

September 11-13

Marriage Enrichment Seminar with Neal Pollard

October 16-18

Spiritual Enrichment Weekend