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Welcome to...



Sunday, May 17

9:00 a.m. Bible Classes for Adults

- *Genesis (Auditorium)*
- *Miracles of Jesus (Adult 1)*
- *Fundamentals of the Faith (Adult 2)*
- *Ephesians for Young Adults (Adult 3)*

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship

- *Sermon: "My Friend & His Family"*

11:30 a.m. Be Our Guest for Lunch

We're glad you're here!



By Dan Jenkins

Giving Godly Values to Our Children

The teen reaches that place in life when he/she begins making decisions (perhaps unknown to a parent) which involve right and wrong. How those decisions are made are based on the system of values that child has learned and embraced. It is imperative that we understand the place and source of values on which decisions are made.

Every teen has values. How does a teen decide what to do when making decisions? He first looks at the choices before him, checks each against his values and then acts based upon those values.

Some teens value instant gratification above all other matters. They assume that whatever feels right at the moment is what should be done. Nothing in the past or future should be considered. This value can be expressed in these words. "I have the right to be happy, so I define happiness as that which brings me joy at this moment, and this is what I will do." This value says that nothing in life is more important than myself. My "happiness" is all that matters!

Some teens value peer pressure and social acceptance above all other matters. The importance of being accepted by others is a powerful force. It is difficult to stand firm about matters when hardly anyone else has the values a

teen was taught. It is reflected in the dress, the language, the respect of authority, the honor given to teachers and parents, and in moral decisions about drinking and where to draw the line in sexual matters. Right or wrong, which might be considered at first, become secondary to being accepted by others.

Every teen has only two sources of values. The first psalm speaks of the counsel of the ungodly, the paths chosen by sinners and sharing the attitude of the scornful. The word scornful indicates those who mock, deride and treat sacred things with contempt. The other source is that which comes from godly individuals who abhor sin and have the highest regard for sacred matters. Parents, remember that if you fail to create this second category of values, the world will fill the heart and soul of your child with scorn and contempt.

Every child must have his own values. Values are far more than *rules* you give your child to obey. This works well when they are very young, but fails when they consider themselves as adults. Peter speaks of the *reason* for our hope. Teens create their own righteous values when they learn to honor and love God and to fear Him. Make sure that your child grows up realizing the *evidence* that God is and the *proof* that Jesus is His son. Teach them early the *reason* why Jesus is the Lord who loves us and who will judge us someday. These truths become the basis for values needed by every teen!

If you fail to give your child God's values, he/she will embrace the world's values!



By David Sproule

Take Out the Trash!

How often do you take out your trash? Once a week? Twice a week? Is there any task less exciting than hauling trash to the can and then to the street? While it is one of the least desired tasks you can do, think about what your home and life would be like if you never took out the trash. What would your home look like? Smell like? If you think that is bad, or if you really hate taking out the trash, imagine how horrible it would be if you reversed that process and brought the trash back in—haul it back from the street and bring it back in the house. How do you spell "d-i-s-g-u-s-t-i-n-g"?

Here is something for you to try the next time you take out the trash, and if it works for you, something for you to do every time you take out the trash. This little exercise could make a huge difference in how your life looks and smells. Each time you haul the trash out, let that be a trigger that reminds you to haul some other things to the street with it.

Do you have any anger? Maybe you're angry with your spouse about something he did (or didn't do) or something she said (or didn't say). Got anger? When you take out the trash, haul your anger out there with it and leave it there.

Do you have any bad attitudes? Maybe your boss is

pushing all your buttons, maybe your parents are being completely unfair, maybe life just isn't treating you right. Got any bad attitudes? When you take out the trash, haul your attitudes out there with it and leave them there.

Do you have any grudges or hurt feelings? Maybe someone forgot your special day, maybe someone you thought was your friend treated you like an enemy, maybe someone broke a promise, maybe someone left you out of an event or a conversation. Got any grudges or hurt feelings? When you take out the trash, haul your grudges and hurt feelings out there with it and leave them there.

Do you have any frustrations? Maybe the preacher got too personal in his lesson on Sunday, maybe the elders made a decision that you thought was way off base, maybe everything just seems to be working against you right now. Got any frustrations? When you take out the trash, haul your frustrations out there with it and leave them there.

Too often we let some things stay in our lives too long, and after stewing for a while, they begin to stink. How about the next time you take out the trash, haul some of these stinky things of life out there and leave them at the curb! Then, after you've dropped them off, don't go back out there to retrieve them. Leave them there with the trash and don't bring them back into the house. Take out the trash!

This little exercise could make a huge difference in how your life looks and smells.



By Josh Blackmer

“Hey Jude!”

When the song became very popular, there was a lot of speculation who Paul McCartney was writing about. John Lennon thought Paul was writing about him and his recent separation from his wife. Some thought it was about Paul’s failing relationship with his longtime girlfriend. A tabloid journalist in England thought it was about her. It was not until 20 years later that Jules Lennon, the son of John Lennon, learned that it was written for him to comfort him during the divorce of his parents. I am not sure why it took so long to let young Lennon know that the words of comfort were for him, but then again, not everything from the Beatles makes sense.

When Jude, the brother of James, wrote his short letter it was very clear who the audience was. He wrote, “Jude, a bond-servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, To those who are the called, beloved in God the Father, and kept for Jesus Christ” (Jude 1:1, NASB). He wrote it to the called, the beloved in God and those kept for Jesus Christ. These three things highlight some interesting things about the recipients of the letter and you.

The concept of being “called” has been misunderstood by some. Paul wrote that we have been called by the gospel (2 Thess. 2:14). In the context of Jude, the word actually

means the “invited.” If you compare that to the parable of the wedding feast in Matthew 22:1-14, it begins to become more clear. Jesus said, “Many are called [invited] but few are chosen” (v. 14).

We know that they were in a relationship with God because Jude speaks to them as “beloved of God.” This is the idea of being pleased with and being fond of someone and, in this case, being in a relationship with God. Jude said that we need to “keep yourselves in the love of God” (1:21). This is not the general love that He has for all men but rather the love He has for those that keep His commandments (1 John 5:2-3).

The idea of being “kept for Jesus” could be translated “being guarded by Jesus.” The American military has a term that describes this very well. They call it “overwatch.” Overwatch is a small group taking high ground or an observing position while a larger force is executing maneuvers or engaging the enemy. What overwatch can do is call in naval and air bombardments and alert of enemy positions and enemy troop movement.

So, Jude addresses this letter to those who have responded to the invitation, to those that love God and are loved by Him and are guarded under the overwatch of Jesus Christ. These three things definitely make it better. The question remains, have you responded to the invitation?

These three things make it better.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Thank God for grace!

The last verse in the Bible says, “The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen” (Rev. 22:21). Some readers might think that is a bit anticlimactic, since nearly every New Testament epistle begins and/or ends with a similar greeting. But, don’t let the abundance of emphasis on grace in the New Testament make you think it is something ordinary.

Without grace, we could not be saved. Without grace, we could not be freed from our sins. Without grace, we could not enter into the presence of God. Without grace, we could not pray and talk to God. Without grace, we could not offer our worship to God. Without grace, we could not give to God in any meaningful way. Without grace, we could not have the hope of heaven. Without grace, we could not live everyday with the joy of knowing, loving and serving our God.

How sweet are the words, “The grace of our Lord Jesus be with all!” Let us, with John, burst forth from our hearts with an emphatic, “Amen!” – DS



Stop what you’re saying!

In his very practical epistle to Christians, James provides real-to-life instructions for children of God to learn and practice in their everyday lives. Some of the applications have to do with one’s own personal relationship with God, and some of them have to do with our relationships with each other. On two occasions, he tells us something that we are not to do toward brethren.

First, “Do not speak evil of one another, brethren!” (4:11). How easy is this to do? Someone does us wrong and our first inclination is to tell someone else about it. Look at the second one, “Do not grumble against one another, brethren!” (5:9). Other words for “grumble” include “complain” and “groan” and “murmur.” Again, how easily do we fall into this when we feel like we’ve been wronged or slighted somehow? Interestingly, both passages mention “the Judge.”

Brethren, there are two actions here—Do not speak evil of or complain against one another! Don’t do either one! There are also, of necessity, two persons involved here—the speaker and the listener! Don’t be either one! – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Pat Brown	recovering from surgery
Jennifer Carver	recovering from recent surgery
Hattie Daniels	recovering at home from a fall
Richard Haines	continues to recover from knee surgery
Margie Hardin	recovering from gallbladder surgery
Joe Holland	continues to have pain in back & legs, improving
Jerry Hopkins	recovering at home from hospitalization
Godfrey Pratt	recovering at home from a fall
Chuck Reeves, Sr.	recovering from cataract surgery

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

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

Elaine Black	Jenny Jordan's mother, in JFK with heart problems
Richard Brown	David Brown's brother, recovering from back surgery
Peggy Faison	Annie Faison's daughter, dealing with respiratory issues
Sally Isom	Chuck Reeves, Sr.'s sister, in ICU and on life support
Brenda Lendsey	Debora Lynch's sister, suffering with lymphoma
Peggy McKeal	Ruth Lipford's daughter, still battling cancer, chemo again
Shelby Slone	Betty Sanders' sis-in-law, fell & has several broken bones

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 17

- ◆ **Friends-and-Family Day.** Invite your friends to come to Bible class, worship and to eat lunch with us!

Monday, May 18

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

Tuesday, May 19

- ◆ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.
- ◆ **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. See Nate or Cindy Nelson for more details.

Sunday, May 31

- ◆ **5th Sunday Singing in the Lobby** during evening assembly.

Thursday, June 4

- ◆ **Family Group 1 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Regina Mayne.

Saturday, June 6

- ◆ **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 be available for teachers to work on their lessons.
- ◆ **Widows & Widowers Luncheon** from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the home of Kane & Fran Campbell. Come and enjoy food, fun and fellowship. RSVP to Kane & Fran Campbell or Joan Holloway.

Sunday, June 7

- ◆ **Promotion Sunday** at 9:00 a.m. All adults and children will meet in the Auditorium for a special presentation.
- ◆ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship in the Family Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.



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Young Adults

Sunday, May 17

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

Monday, May 18

- ◆ **Monday Night Meat for YA Men** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of David Sproule. BYOM.

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. at the home of Sarah Collier.

Saturday, June 6

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon.
- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. Location TBD.

Saturday, June 13

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon.



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Youth

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.

Saturday, June 6

- ◆ **Jr. High Transition Saturday Family Event.** See David Sproule for details.
- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

Sunday, June 7

- ◆ **Promotion Sunday** at 9:00 a.m. All adults and children will meet in the Auditorium for a special presentation.
- ◆ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship in the Family Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.
- ◆ **Sr. High Family Devo** after evening worship at the home of Dan & Loni Fuller. All incoming freshmen are encouraged to attend.

God **ALWAYS** Has An Answer



It is easy to get discouraged when things go wrong, but we must not lose heart. God is at work in our world, even in the midst of pain and trial. The next time your little hut is burning to the ground, remember that it just may be a smoke signal to summon the grace of God. For any negative thing we say to ourselves, God has a positive answer for it:

We say: "It's impossible."

God says: "All things are possible" (Luke 18:27).

We say: "I'm too tired."

God says: "I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28).

We say: "I can't do it."

God says: "You can do all things" (Philippians 4:13).

We say: "I'm not able."

God says: "I am able" (2 Corinthians 9:8).

We say: "It's not worth it."

God says: "It will be worth it" (Romans 8:28).

We say: "Nobody really loves me."

God says: "I really love you" (John 3:16; 3:34).

We say: "I can't go on."

God says: "My grace is sufficient" (2 Corinthians 12:9; Psalm 91:15).

We say: "I can't figure things out."

God says: "I will direct your steps" (Proverbs 3:5-6).

We say: "I can't forgive myself."

God says: "I forgive you" (1 John 1:9; Romans 8:1).

We say: "I can't manage."

God says: "I will supply all your needs" (Philippians 4:19).

We say: "I'm afraid."

God says: "I have not given you a spirit of fear" (2 Timothy 1:7).

We say: "I'm always worried and frustrated."

God says: "Cast all your cares on ME" (1 Peter 5:7).

We say: "I don't have enough faith."

God says: "My Word will give you faith" (Romans 10:17).

We say: "I'm not smart enough."

God says: "I will give you wisdom" (1 Corinthians 1:30; James 1:1-5).

We say: "I feel all alone."

God says: "I will never leave you or forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5).

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



Sunday,
May 3

Steven Livergood was baptized on Thursday evening, May 14 after visiting Palm Beach Lakes for some time.

LOCAL VISITORS: David, Yurose & Joshah Baudin; Mr. Jean Charles; Ron Cullom; Ms. Ashley Erskine; Ms. Beulah Dorcas Francois; Tom Garrison; Mrs. Maxine Griggs; Mike & Melanie Heitman; Mr. Michelet Jean; Ron Jenkins; Milton Jones; Morris McDaniel; Mrs. Lavinia Ricketts & Kimberly; Jeffrey Thomas; Ralph Williams, Sr.; and Graciela Zambrano.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Olga Azemar, Flushing, NY; Wayne Boone, Davenport, FL; Ms. Melissa Brown, Collierville, TN; Ms. Yolande Chanoinie, Jacksonville, FL; Mrs. Lynda Davis, Equality, AL; Mrs. Kay Estes, Alachua, FL; Ms. Sylvia Goldie, Davison, MI; James H. Green, Jr., Duncanville, TX; Ms. Melanie Green, Irvine, TX; Undre & Inyam Griggs, St. John's, FL; Todd Hunt, Orlando FL; Miss Sandra Jacob, Jamaica, NY; James & Ginger Lee, Tuscaloosa, AL; Deltom Lequernaque, Stuart, FL; Mrs. Heather Mayne, Cut Off, LA; Daniel & Whitney Nicholas, Bentonville, AR; Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Standfield, Delhi, LA; Miss Valentina Standfield, Pontiac, MI; Mrs. Kay Williams, Tuscaloosa, AL; and Mary Sue Young, Flint, MI.

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Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

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| <u>Monday (May 18th)</u>
Josh & Cara Blackmer (Ann.)
Rick & Peggy Hall (Ann.)
Jerry & Lorena Pittman (Ann.)
Joan Holloway
Rick Price | <u>Friday (May 22nd)</u>
Willie & Mattie Cox (Ann.)
Phyiona Patterson
Nellie Batitsky |
| <u>Wednesday (May 20th)</u>
Jimmy & Helen Burney (Ann.)
Lovetta Harmon
Austin Reeves | <u>Saturday (May 23rd)</u>
John & Sue Hoelzer (Ann.)
Natasha Campbell
Tyler Williams |

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 17

- Lead Singing Gary Friedly
 Opening Prayer Cam Crotts
 Scripture Reading.....Chris Thomas
 Presiding at Table Brent Leslie
 Serve at Table:
 Henry Bass Dan McLeod
 Harrison Carter Nate Nelson
 Charles Hayes L.H. Richardson
 Bill Ingram, Jr. Marty Williams
 Alternates
 Dick Kelley Orlando Lolo
 Closing Prayer Bill Ingram, Sr.

Sunday Evening, May 17

- Lead SingingJerry Pittman
 Opening PrayerVictor Colage
 Scripture Reading..... Kevin Weeks
 Presiding at Table..... Johnny Davis
 Serve at Table
 Michael Fox
 Warren Porter
 Leonard Williams
 Closing PrayerDave Holaday
Wednesday Evening, May 20
 Lead Singing Adam Seal
 Invitation..... Chad Brown
 Family PrayerLawrence Richardson

Our Record

Attendance	<u>May 10</u>	<u>Apr. Avg.</u>
Sun. Bible study	212	216
Sun. A.M. Worship	363	370
Sun. P.M. Worship	169	178
Wed. Bible study	224	212
Contribution	\$13,793	\$14,362
2015 Weekly Budget: \$14,500		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: -1,585		

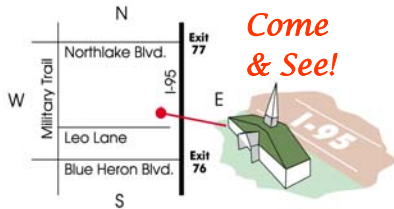
Ushers for the week of **May 17**: Head Usher: Kane Campbell; Novel Brown & Clayton Trujillo



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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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First-Century Christianity in the Twenty-First Century

Speaking where the Bible speaks

Silent where the Bible is silent

Calling Bible things by Bible names

Doing Bible things in Bible ways

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Upcoming Events

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

September 26

Men's Breakfast

October 11

Robert Martin Mission Report

October 16-18

Spiritual Enrichment Weekend