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Welcome New Members



Parker, Lynn & Cynthia

Group 1

Lynn Restored January 31

You Can Be JUST A CHRISTIAN

Gospel Meeting
with
Sam Jones

March 6-9





By Dan Jenkins

The Personal Touch

There are many changes happening in our land which make our lives so much easier than they were just a few years ago. Our grandparents would take hours to prepare meals (thank God for frozen dinners, prepared foods, microwaves, etc.) and often devoted at least a day to getting the washing done (so few remember wash tubs, wringer washing machines, clothes lines and starching and ironing clothes).

However, in the midst of all of the advances, we have lost something that made that life so much better than what we have today. *Tragically, we have lost the personal touch.* We tend to criticize our young people today who text and do not talk, sometimes texting to other people who are in the same room. It is possible that those of us who are older have forgotten the importance of the personal touch in the relationships we have with others.

People in Bible times understood the importance in being personally involved in the lives of those around them. There are at least fifteen “kissers” in the Bible and almost all of these kisses have nothing to do with marriage. There are many more times when the Bible talks about saints embracing the special people in their lives.

Jesus clearly understood the importance of personal

involvement in the lives of others. He talked personally with the woman at the well (John 4). He went and ate in the home of Simon the leper—what other Jew would consider eating at a leper’s house (Mark 14:3)! It is remarkable the language used to describe the time when little children were brought to Him—He touched them (Mark 10:13; Luke 8:15)!

So what does this have to do with our lives? It simply illustrates the importance of being personally, not remotely, involved in the lives of those around us. We all would much rather have a hug than a card randomly selected from a shelf. Children do not need sports trophies, they need the cheers of parents from the stands. Hurting wives do not need a box of chocolate, they need an apology and a hug from their husbands.

Brothers and sisters in Christ need personal attention from other Christians. There is a vast difference in email (even if includes an emoji), a message left on an answering machine and that of a personal visit at their homes or at the building—there is a reason the Bible talks about the holy kiss! We need to be like the Shepherd described by Isaiah, “He will gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those who are with young” (Isa. 40:11). God help us all to treat each other so tenderly. We all need to give and receive the personal touch.

Technology is great; tender personal touch is greater!

Remember that technology is great, but the personal touch is far greater!



By David Sproule

Seizing Opportunities to Lead

How much of an impact are you having on others through your life? Are you just coasting along on cruise control, or are you actively taking every occasion you can to positively influence people around you?

Harry S. Truman, the thirty-third President of the United States, once made the following statement. Pay close attention to the last part of this quote: “Men make history and not the other way around. In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better.” Think about that for a moment. Do you agree with it?

Some people might say, “Well, I’m not a leader, so this doesn’t apply to me,” but I would beg to differ with you. “Progress” is defined as “movement forward or toward a place; the process of improving or developing something over a period of time.” Do you have the power to influence “progress”? If you’re not sure about that, let me help you. The answer is, “Yes. God gave you that power!” Consider where that power is needed today.

Courageous leaders are needed in our marriages today to seize the opportunity to change things for the better. Will you be the spouse who steps up and helps your

marriage progress toward a healthier and stronger relationship that is closer to God than it ever has been? If not you, who?

Courageous leaders are needed in our families today to seize the opportunity to change things for the better. Will you be the father, the mother, the adult child, the teenage child who will step up and help your family to progress toward a more godly environment in the home and a closer walk with the Lord each and every day? If not you, who?

Courageous leaders are needed in our churches today to seize the opportunity to change things for the better. Will you be the elder who fosters those one-on-one relationships that are essential between shepherds and sheep? Will you be the preacher who stands for truth and holds up Jesus and His precious book? Will be the member who considers other members, in order to motivate them unto greater heights of love and good works? If not you, who?

Courageous leaders are needed in our communities today to seize the opportunity to change things for the better. In our schools, workplaces, civic organizations and public offices, will you be the Christian who steps up, when no one else will, to promote and fight for Biblical morality and godly values? If not you, who?

How are you using your God-given power to seize opportunities around you and influence lives for the better?

Courageous leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better!



By Josh Blackmer

Narrow Minded Jesus

Being narrow-minded is tantamount to being intolerant of another person's thoughts and opinions on a subject. Such an accusation will surely land you on the social outcast list. You would be publicly ridiculed in stocks of the city center. People would hurl all manner of insults and rotted vegetables at you. While the life of Jesus on earth represented the broadness of the love of God, He was very narrow-minded on the practice and practicality of Christianity.

Jesus has a very narrow view of authority. In the Sermon in the Mount, you hear repeatedly, "You have heard it said...but I say unto you..." (Matt. 5:21). It was clear from the reaction of the audience that Jesus taught them "as one having authority" (Matt. 7:28-29). Jesus said Himself, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth" (Matt. 28:18).

Jesus is narrow-minded about worship. When Jesus was tempted by Satan, He responded, "You shall worship the Lord your God and serve Him only" (Luke 4:6-8). At Jacob's well, when speaking with the Samaritan woman, Jesus had this to say about worship, "True worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must

worship in spirit and truth" (John 4:21-24). It was clear that Jesus had in mind that one could not simply worship in any way that "feels good" but in a way that responds to His truth. We must have the right object of worship, the right attitude of worship and the right authority of worship.

Jesus is narrow-minded about truth. During His time on earth, He taught against the traditions of man being elevated to authoritative and binding (Matt. 15:6-9). While praying to God, Jesus identified truth as the word of God (John 17:17). He also put a name on truth as He identified Himself as truth (John 14:6).

"Strive to enter through the narrow door"

Jesus is very narrow-minded of those that would follow Him. He said that once you have started there is no looking back (Luke 9:62). He said that if you love family, friends or people more than Him, then you are not "worthy of Me" (Matt. 10:37-38). Also, one must not even love self more than Christ. We are called to deny self and take up the cross (Matt. 16:24).

There are many other things that Jesus is narrow-minded or "one-minded" on, but these were written to cause you to see the exclusive nature of those that would seek to follow Christ. "And someone said to Him, 'Lord, are there just a few who are being saved?' And He said to them, 'Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able'" (Luke 13:23-24).

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Under construction

Road construction. It's one of our favorite things, isn't it? When visiting other cities, many times a local will say, "This stretch of highway has been under construction for as long as I can remember!" And then there's building construction. New apartments, homes and businesses are going up all over town. It seems wherever you go there is a perpetual state of construction.

Guess what? As a Christian, you are under construction...and it should be a perpetual state of construction. There should never be a time in your Christian walk when there is not growth taking place, with some kind of increase in faith and improvement in godliness.

We should be crying out to our Construction Foreman, "Increase my faith" (Luke 17:5). We need to set our hearts to "make straight paths for [our] feet" (Heb. 12:13). We need to devote ourselves to God's Word, "which is able to build [us] up" (Acts 20:32). So, have you got your work boots on? The blueprint for Christian living challenges us to greater heights! – DS



Temper, temper, temper

Temper, temper, temper. Do you have one? We all do, to one degree or another. How are you doing at "reigning it in"? The Lord's commands are clear: "Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath" (Jas. 1:19). "Do not hasten in your spirit to be angry" (Ecc. 7:9).

Controlling the temper is vital! "He who is slow to anger...is better than the mighty" (Prov. 16:32), "has great understanding" (14:29), "allays contention" (Prov. 15:18). "The discretion of a man makes him slow to anger, and his glory is to overlook a transgression" (Prov. 19:11).

One of the most reassuring truths to enjoy is that Scripture repeatedly tells us that God Himself is "slow to anger." As we strive to emulate Him, recognize that in those same verses we are told that He is "gracious and merciful" (Neh. 9:17; Psa. 103:8; 145:8; Joel 2:13; Jon. 4:2), "abundant in kindness" (Neh. 9:17), "full of compassion" (Psa. 145:8), "ready to pardon" (Neh. 9:17) and "relents from doing harm" (Joel 2:13; Jon. 4:2). That's my God! Is that me? – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Harold Armstrong	recovering at home from congestive heart failure
Gloria Boyd	recovering from surgery, doing better
Mary Brown	recovering from leg surgery, still in a lot of pain
Joseph Charles	recovering from surgery
Dianne Frye	experiencing severe pain
Patricia Hackshaw	recovering from surgery, in a lot of pain
Juanita Huser	recovering from broken upper arm
Bill Ingram, Sr.	recovering from carpal tunnel surgery
Joe Quigley	recovering at home from hospitalization
Emma Reeves	Chuck & Marisa's daughter, near synopal episode
Jo Ann Rogers	recovering at home from pneumonia

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Annie Faison	suffering with chronic pain
Janet Hickerson	chronic health problems
Ruth Milton	chronic health problems
Silas Moses	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Godfrey Pratt	suffering with back issues
Norm Smedley	breathing problems
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments



Michael Trujillo, upon the passing of his mother, **Bertha Trujillo**, last week.

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Cora Lee Dennis	Don & Betty Matter
Kay Fish	Deidra Miley
Helen Gardner	Leigh Puckett
Margie Hardin	Joe Quigley
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley
Shelton Howell	Margaret Wade

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Oswald Campbell	Natasha Campbell's father, radiation for stage four cancer
Thelma Findley	Maria Hackshaw's mother, recovering from surgery
Jim Fuller	Susan Reynolds' father, in the hospital
Eva Gibson	Ophelia Holmes' mother, not doing well after hip surgery
Oliver Hardin	Margie Hardin's husband, under Hospice Care
Carla Kimberland	Cindy Nelson's mother, testing on blockages in legs
Jim Leslie	Tom & Rose Martens' son, Good Sam after heart stent
Rochelle Lord	David Lord's mother, open heart surgery & a mini-stroke
Doug Ludolph	Cathy Seay's fiancé, recovering from heart bypass surgery
Beverly Michaelian	Lynne Jorgensen's mother, recovering from hip surgery

Pray for Our Missionaries

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

Monday, February 29

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

Tuesday, March 1

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

Wednesday, March 2

- ◆ **Prayer Meeting** to prepare for the Gospel Meeting Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet together in the auditorium after the devotional. Children in Grade 5 and under will have their regular classes.

Friday-Sunday, March 4-6

- ◆ **Men's Retreat at CFBC.** Cost is \$40. See the bulletin board for more details.

Sunday, March 6

- ◆ **Renova/North Lake Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.

Sunday-Wednesday, March 6-9

- ◆ **Gospel Meeting at Palm Beach Lakes.** Sam Jones will be speaking on "You Can Be Just a Christian."

Sunday-Wednesday, March 6-9

- ◆ **Gospel Meeting Schedule.**

<u>Sunday</u>	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship
	12:45 p.m.	Evening Worship
<u>Mon.-Wed.</u>	12:15 p.m.	Midday Bible Study
<u>Mon.-Wed.</u>	7:00 p.m.	Evening Bible Study

Sunday, March 13

- ◆ **Daylight Saving Time begins.** Don't forget to set your clocks forward an hour.
- ◆ **Single Ladies Luncheon** after morning worship. See Joan Holloway for details.
- ◆ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Tuesday, March 15

- ◆ **Family Group 3 Meeting** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Novel & Mary Brown.

Friday, March 18

- ◆ **Family Group 4 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Dirk & Elizabeth Summerlot. Please carpool.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ
Young Adults

Saturday, March 12

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Victor & Sandy Colage. Food will be provided; bring drinks.

Monday, March 14

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Keila McLeod.

Saturday March 19

- ◆ **Young Adult Cookout for Kids** at Ty Park in Miami from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. See Ivan Villard for details.

Sunday, March 20

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

Saturday, April 2

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Chuck & Trish Clark.

Monday, April 4

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Sarah Collier.



Palm Beach Lakes
Youth

Sunday, February 28

- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips.

Saturday, March 5

- ◆ **Young Families' Devo & Game Night** at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Rick & Melinda Price. All families with children in 5th grade & under are encouraged to attend. Sign up on the bulletin board to bring a dish to share.

Sunday, March 13

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

Friday-Sunday, March 18-20

- ◆ **Stand Out, Speak Up at CFBC** for girls in Grades 6-12. Cost is \$45 per person. See the bulletin board for more details.

Saturday, March 26

- ◆ **Egg Hunt for Grades 5 & Under** hosted by the Jr. High.

PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

Men's Worship Service Assignments - March, 2016

March 6 March 13 March 20 March 27

Morning Worship Service					
Song Leader	Gary Friedly	Bobbo Lupo	Gary Friedly	Jerry Hopkins	
Opening Prayer	Tim Cox	Richard Lerro	Justin Maloney	Mike Erickson	
Scripture Reading	Henry Bass	Jerry Hopkins	Chuck Clark	Eugene Williams	
Presiding at Table	Jeff Leslie	Morris McDaniel	Jerry Pittman	David Lord	
Serving at Table:	Jimmie Banks	Josue Charles	Mike Damron	Pete Brown	
	Doug Carrick	Victor Colage	Eddie Gooden	Jim Davis	
	Ted Friesner	Freddie Gadson	Namddie Ikon	Jeff Goodale	
	Ken Long	Brett Lau	Dan McLeod	Bobby Ingraham	
	Vincent Rogers	Jeremy Maloney	Taylor Reeves	Wallace Jones	
	Brad Shelt	Scott Studer	Dirk Summerlot	Scott Lewis	
	Daniel Swayne	Darin Summerlot	Micah Trujillo	Chuck Reeves, Sr.	
	Lawrence Williams	Richard Watson	Austin Williams	Nahum Villard	
Closing Prayer	Ivan Villard, Jr.	David Holaday	Chris Thomas	Brent Leslie	

Evening Worship Service **					
Song Leader	Gary Friedly	Stephen Beliech	Ken Tipton	Dan McLeod	
Opening Prayer	Gary Jenkins	David Brown	Chris Thompson	Charles Hayes	
Scripture Reading	Dan Fuller	Glen Dawson	Josh Blackmer	Tim Fry	
Presiding at Table	Phil Porter	Dick Kelley	Jim Rogers	Novel Brown	
Serving at Table:	John Kemp	Jacade Reynolds	Mike Fox	Tommy Pauldo	
	L.H. Richardson	Clayton Trujillo	Rick Price	Nick Pietro	
	Mike Trujillo	Marty Williams	Leonard Williams	Gary Seames	
Closing Prayer	Ken Tipton	Joe Maloney	Shea Brown	Rick Hall	

Alternates:					
	Bob Higbee	Johnny Davis	Les McQuinn	Stephen Beliech	
	Kevin Weeks	Bill Ingram, Jr.	David Thorpe	Orlando Lolo	

Technical Assignments					
<i>Morning:</i>	Computer	Shea Brown	Nate Nelson	Bob Higbee	Brad Shelt
	Audio	Buzz Nelson	Adam Seal	Ivan Villard, Jr.	David Brown
	Video	Cam Crotts	Dan McLeod	Scott Studer	Darin Summerlot
<i>Evening:</i>	Computer	David Sproule	Nate Nelson	Bob Higbee	Brad Shelt
	Audio	Buzz Nelson	Adam Seal	Ivan Villard, Jr.	David Brown
	Video	Cam Crotts	Dan McLeod	Scott Studer	Darin Summerlot

Ushers - Morning & Evening Services (Sunday & Wednesday)					
	Mar. 6 & 9	Mar. 13 & 16	Mar. 20 & 23	Mar. 27 & 30	
Head Usher	Lance Collier	—————→			
	Deltom Lequernaque	Kane Campbell	Jordan Beasley	Cam Crotts	
	Paul Metzkes	Paul Hensel	Gorman Ericksen	Daniel Wagner	

- Sunday Morning - Meet in classroom (Grade 7-8) at 9:45 A.M.
- Sunday Evening - Meet at front of auditorium before 5:50 P.M.
- Scripture Reader - Announce the pew Bible page number and read from the New King James translation.
- Please consider this opportunity to serve as special and dress accordingly.
- Please call 775-3533 (Mike Ellis), if you can not serve at the time indicated.

**** Notice: The evening service will be conducted after lunch on March 6th. ****

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



Directory Changes

Tracy Jamison moved back to Michigan.



Thank you for the many prayers and beautiful flowers you sent for us. They meant a great deal. Thank you for your kind love and thoughtfulness toward **Cherylann** during this time.

In Christian love,
Carol Wineinger



Sunday,
February 21

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Andy Anderson; Mr. Jean Charles; Terry & Regina Crews; Mrs. Susan Crosswhite; Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Dozier; Mr. & Mrs. Gary & Carol Gerber; Ms. Sylvia Goldie; Mrs. Jessie Gower-Winter; Miss Courtney Green; Rebecca Huffman; Ms. Claudette Labbe; Mr. & Mrs. Dennis & Sharon Mann; Mr. & Mrs. Brian Rayfield, Tanner, & Gibson; Mrs. Kathy Reitano; Miss Alex Romigh; Aaron Ross & Tonya Davis; Mr. & Mrs. Christopher & Yolanda Stewart.; and Mrs. Cecilia Tipton.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Ron Cox, Woodstock, GA; Mr. & Mrs. Frank Daniels, Lodi, CA; Miss Squadeina Davis, Pembroke Pines, FL; Mr. James Egner, Louisville, KY; Mrs. Linda Horrocks, Manchester, TN; Ms. Monica LeBlanc, Quebec, Canada; Mr. & Mrs. Don Mahaney Vienna, WV; Ms. Linda McNeese, Woodbury, TN; Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence & Pauline Montgomery, New Albany, IN; Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Pedigo, Woodbury, TN; Ms. Margaret Sue Simmons, Ashville, AL; and Ms. Darlene Smith, Valdosta, GA.

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Sunday (February 28th)

Juanita Huser
Shelton Howell

Friday (March 4th)

Glen Dawson

Tuesday (March 1st)

Willie Smith

Saturday (March 5th)

John Hoelzer

Wednesday (March 3rd)

Angela Walker

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, February 28

Lead SingingJerry Hopkins
Opening PrayerJustin Maloney
Scripture Reading..... Taylor Reeves
Presiding at TableRichard Watson
Serve at Table:
Pete Brown Chuck Reeves, Sr.
Mike Damron Jim Rogers
Tim Fry Chris Thompson
Bobby Ingraham Austin Williams
Alternates:
Lance Collier Jim Davis
Closing Prayer Henry Bass

Sunday Evening, February 28

Lead SingingJerry Pittman
Opening Prayer Morris McDaniel
Scripture Reading..... Jeff Leslie
Presiding at Table..... Richard Lerro
Serve at Table:
Jeff Goodale
Scott Lewis
Tommy Pauldo
Closing Prayer Josh Blackmer

Wednesday Evening, March 2

Lead Singing Robert Lupo
InvitationDavid Lord
Family Prayer Jerry Hopkins

Our Record

Attendance	<u>Feb.21</u>	<u>Jan. Av.</u>
Sun. Bible study	221	245
Sun. A.M. Worship	402	378
Sun. P.M. Worship	180	202
Wed. Bible study	211	225
Contribution	\$14,097	\$15,916
2016 Weekly Budget: \$14,660		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: +4,394		

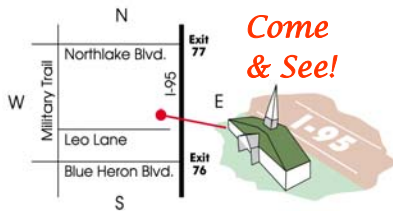
Ushers for the week of **Feb. 28**: Head Usher: Glen Dawson; Shea Brown & Dan McLeod



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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

March 6-9

Gospel Meeting with Sam Jones
Theme: "You Can Be Just a Christian"

April 17

Promotion Sunday

April 21

Ladies' Day with Traci Sproule
Theme: "Daughters of the King"

April 30

EDP & Wives Cookout

May 1

Troy Spradlin Mission Report

May 6-7

ET for Youth with Eric Lyons