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Welcome New Members



Have You Prayed Today?

Have you prayed for the church? Have you prayed for the elders? Have you prayed for the widows? Have you prayed for the sick? Have you prayed for the lost? Have you prayed for your children? Have you prayed for our country? Have you prayed for opportunities? Have you prayed for forgiveness? Have you prayed?

Words for the "Ugly, Dumb, Clumsy, Poor" People



Our world is so upside down. From the time a child enters school, he is confronted with the reality that if you are not cute, handsome or beautiful, you may not succeed. If you are not more intelligent than others, you might fail. If you are not wealthy, your chances of advancement may be quite

limited. If you are not athletic, you may not be popular and well known among other students.

Beauty, brains, money and athleticism seem to be such an exaggerated measure of the worth of a person. It becomes obvious early in life, but take a look at the world in our adult lives. Little has changed. However, the measuring rod showing a person's real worth is not found in these four things. The reason these have become the measure of a

person is because while man looks on the outward appearance, the Lord looks on the heart (1 Sam. 16:7).

The words of Paul show those who mean the most to God. "For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called" (1 Cor. 1:26). These are not the called simply because their fleshly values, which actually are worthless, are so important to them.

When Jesus came He sought to bring every man to

Himself. All men were invited, but not all responded to His invitation. Who did respond? Read these words carefully. "The common people heard Him gladly" (Mark 12:37). Who are those common people? Not the beautiful, the intellectuals, the wealthy or the athletes. All men are called, but the majority do not respond and so very few of those "mighty" in this world.

James, the Lord's brother, reminds us of this in his epistle. "Listen, my beloved brethren: Has not God chosen the

poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him" (Jas. 2:5)? The world is so upside down. We honor the "mighty" in our society when in reality God does just the opposite.

So how do you feel about yourself? Those ideas you learned early in life and which are so much part of adult life are just wrong. The Messianic

prophet proclaimed that when the Messiah came He would replace ashes with beauty (Isa. 61:3). Those the world sees as ugly become the beautiful bride of Christ. Those whom the world sees as ignorant have more understanding that their worldly teachers (Psa. 119:99). Those viewed as poor have a treasure that far surpasses all the worldly wealth (Matt. 16:26). Those who never excelled in any athletic event triumphantly receive a crown when they finish their race (2 Tim. 4:7-8).

Aren't you glad you see the world right side up!



God's Keys to True Happiness

Happiness. Everybody wants it. But it is so elusive. Well-meaning folks search for it in all sorts of places. Some seek it in material things. Some through substance abuse. Some through sexual escapades. Most through their own selfish ambitions.

By David Sproule

On the other hand, there are some people who believe there is no way to be truly happy. Ask

yourself, "Does God want me to be happy? Really? Truly happy?" Some are living under the delusion that God isn't interested in them enjoying life or being happy. Such could not be further from the truth.

There is a secret to happiness that only Christians know. Do you want to know the insider's scoop that God's people have discovered? True happiness is not conditioned upon the erratic circumstances of life. Rather, true happiness is determined by one's relationship with God and how that relationship works through the circumstances and people of life. Consider 1 Peter 3:8-12.

Peter addresses the situation when a Christian is served up "evil" and "reviling" from his worldly acquaintances (3:9). What is a Christian to do, and how does this have anything to do with happiness? In these situations, a Christian is to return "a blessing instead," in order that he "might inherit a blessing." God will give us something (i.e., "a blessing") that we don't deserve (making us "happy"), and therefore, we should treat others in a way (i.e., with "a blessing") that they don't deserve! As Christians, we desire "to love life and see good days" (3:10). We want to find the true happiness that God has in store for us on earth! Here's where it is.

True happiness comes when we refrain our tongue from evil! The easy thing to do when evil is spouted at us is to return in like manner! That will not result in true happiness!

True happiness comes when we refrain our There is a secret lips from speaking deceit! It may bring a twisted satisfaction to lead people down a path paved with dishonesty, but that will not result in true happiness!

> True happiness comes when we turn away from evil! We must test all things (1 Thess. 5:21), and then flee as far away from sin as we can! True happiness does not fraternize with sin!

True happiness comes when we do good! This is not addressing doing good in general, but doing good unto others (cf. Gal. 6:10). That's where we will find true happiness!

True happiness comes when we pursue true peace! Being in an ongoing relationship with the Prince of Peace and helping others to find His peace brings true happiness!

Are you happy? Truly happy? Do you want to have a blessing from God? Then, be a blessing to others!

to happiness that only Christians know!

The world is upside down, yet by faith only Christians see it right side up!



Victory and Peace Perfect Peace

Columbia rejoices as peace comes to the country this month. Unbeknownst to the majority of us, the government of Columbia and the Marxist-Leninist group known as FARC (Revolutionary Armed Forces of Columbia) have been in conflict for 52 years. During By Josh Blackmer that time, an estimated 260,000 people have

died as a result of bombings, land mines and attacks. This past week, after two years of secret communication and 4 years of open negotiations, the two parties reached a "full, final and definitive accord." A BBC reporter quoted FARC negotiator Rodrigo Granda, "There is no room for winners or losers when you achieve peace through negotiations... Colombia wins, death loses."

Death lost an even greater battle thousands of years ago in a place called Golgotha. This strategic

win by our Lord made all other wars pale in comparison to the amount of lives that were and are touched by this war. Paul wrote it this way, "'O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY? O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?' The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 15:55-57). We were doomed to a death that we had no power over, an end that was beyond our control to do anything about. Death was our victor. This point is addressed again in the contrast between Adam and Christ, "For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ. So then as through one transgression there resulted condemnation to all men, even so through one act of righteousness there resulted justification of life to all men" (Rom. 5:17-18).

All have the opportunity of victory over sin and a right relationship with God through the sacrifice of Christ and being

buried in the likeness of His sacrifice. "If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is master over Him. For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus. Therefore do

not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts, and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God" (Rom. 6:8-13).

In the peace that was attained by the love of God and the death of His Son, we have something that we would have never been able to attain on our own-victory over the death we deserved. We, the obedient, win and death loses.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Your prayers can be hindered

There is an interesting statement made to husbands in 1 Peter 3:7. They are admonished to "dwell with [the wife] with understanding, giving honor to the wife...that your prayers may not be hindered" (1 Pet. 3:7). What? Wait a minute! You mean that something we do or don't do can interrupt or block our prayers on their way to our Father? That's exactly what Peter is saying!

Husbands need to know that a right relationship with God requires a right relationship with their spouse. But, it is not just husbands. Wives need to know that a right relationship with God requires a right relationship with their spouse.

But, it not just husbands and wives. Every Christian needs to know that a right relationship with God requires a right relationship with our fellowman. Our own worship (Matt. 5:23-24), our own forgiveness (Matt. 6:14-15), our own access to God (1 Pet. 3:7), even our own eternity (Heb. 12:14) can be impacted by our relationships with others! God, help me to be who you would have me to be! - DS

A probe deep down into your heart

It is a fairly common procedure today to pass a probe into the heart to check for blockages, irregularities or other issues. But, long before this was ever a medical procedure, God was already performing these exams. But He uses different tools.

Shortly after Solomon became King of Israel, the Lord ap-

peared to him and said, "Ask! What shall I give you?" (1 Kgs. 3:5). Wow! What a question! Now there's a probe that God sent deep down into the heart of Solomon! What would God find? The results of the heart test would be known as soon as Solomon responded.

What if God asked you the same question? What if God offered to give you whatever you desired? How would you answer His guestion? The real test is whether we see life through our own eyes or through God's eyes. Are we more interested in fulfilling our own desires, or do we find greater pleasure in fulfilling God's desires? What would God's probe find in your heart? – DS



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Keep in Your Prayers

Pray for These PBL Members

Dee Catanzaro	completed radiation treatments for breast cancer
Billy Chancey	recovering at home from hospitalization
Linda Coe	awaiting results from medical tests
Mattie Cox	having tests run on her lungs and thyroid
Charles Hayes	hospitalized with back problems and an infection
Ruth Milton	undergoing medical testing
Silas Moses	recovering at home from hospitalization
Mary Reeves	chronic back pain, having simulator implanted in Sept.
Jo Ann Rogers	recovering at home from hospitalization
David Thorpe	recovering at home from heart defibrillator surgery

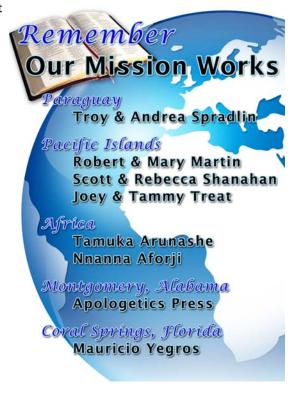
Solution Straig Clark upon the passing of his brother, Craig Clark, on Wednesday evening.

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
Norm Smedley	breathing problems
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Cora Lee Dennis	Don & Betty Matter
Helen Gardner	Deidra Miley
Margie Hardin	Godfrey Pratt
Loretta Holaday	Leigh Puckett
Shelton Howell	Ricky Smedley



Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

is extended to ...

Jim Allen	Lisa Metzkes' brother-in-law, recovering from knee surg.
Olivia Ellis	Mike & Tasha Ellis' daughter-in-law, pregnant, on bed rest
Tom Holaday	Dave Holaday's brother, ankle replacement surgery
Chaz Kelly	Brett Lau's uncle, treatments for thyroid cancer
Babs Lee	Bonnie Quigley's sister, hip replacement surgery (9/2)
Gail Livergood	Steven Livergood's mother, has a very aggressive cancer
James Mahlbacher	Tim Mahlbacher's father, having tests run on his heart
Clara Medina	Carolina Medina's sister, remains in the hospital
Rocky Meess	Micky Affron's father, recovering from a stroke
David Porter	Phil Porter's father, remains in the hospital, improving
Keisha Sanders	Kay Richardson's niece, 6 months pregnant and in labor
Delores Sims	Jimmie Banks' mother, breast cancer surgery (9/27)
Betty Story	Glen Dawson's sister, hospitalized, blood clots in lungs
Mariam Wagenknecht	Dick Kelley's sister, under Hospice Care

Church Family **Calendar of Events**

Monday, August 29

- Monday Night Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.
- Family Group 2 Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the home of David & Traci Sproule.

Tuesday, August 30

• Tuesday Morning Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 4

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

Thursday, September 8

• Family Group 1 Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Johnny & Betty Davis.

Sunday, September 11

- Joey Treat Mission Report at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High & all adult classes will meet in the Auditorium.
- Youth & Family Singing after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes

Thursday, September 15

• Family Group 4 Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jim & Jo Ann Rogers.

Saturday, September 17

 Widows & Widowers Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the home of Kane & Fran Campbell. RSVP to Kane & Fran Campbell or Joan Holloway.

Sunday, September 18

• EDP Meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 20

• Family Group 3 Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Lance & Brenda Collier. Bring drinks or something that goes with ice cream. Please do not bring ice cream.

Friday, September 23

- Strengthening Our Homes & Marriages Seminar with David Shannon.
 - 7:00 p.m. What Families Believe Shape Who They Are and What They Do
 - 7:45 p.m. They Don't Think Like Me: Understanding Your Spouse

Young Adults

Tuesday, August 30

• Meat Night for YA Men at 6:30 p.m. at the home of David Sproule.

Friday, September 9

• Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible.

Saturday, September 10

• Young Adult Devo at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Lynn & Cynthia Parker. See Shea Brown for details.

Monday, September 12

• Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Julie Trujillo. See Rachel Fuller for details.

Sunday, September 18

• Young Adult Meeting after evening worship in Adult 3.

Friday, September 30

Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible.



Palm Beach Lakes Youth

Sunday, August 28

- Sr. High Devo after evening worship at the home of David & Traci Sproule. Bring drinks and desserts.
- Jr. High Family Devo after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips.

Friday, September 9

• Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible.

Sunday, September 11

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

Thursday-Sunday, September 15-18

• **RUSH Weekend at FHU** for Sr. High Youth. Cost is \$45. Sign up on the bulletin board by August 28.

Saturday, September 17

• Jr. High Mini-Golf. See Sarah Collier or Ivan & Amber Villard for details.

PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

Men's Worship Service Assignments - September, 2016

September 4

September 11

September 18

September 25

Morning \	Norship Serv	ice				
Song Lead	der	Bobbo Lupo	Gary Friedly	Jerry Hopkins	Gary Friedly	
Opening F		Freddie Gadson	Gary Jenkins	Victor Colage	L.H. Richardson	
Scripture F	Reading	Deltom Lequernaque	Justin Maloney	Jim Davis	Dan Fuller	
Presiding	at Table	Scott Studer	Phil Porter	Eugene Williams	Jeff Goodale	
Serving at	Table:	Josue Charles	Jordan Beasley	Kane Campbell	Chuck Clark	
		Kirk Crews	Josiah Blackmer	Marvin Dozier	Harrison Crotts	
		Gorman Ericksen	Cam Crotts	Wallace Jones	Errol Gower-Winter	
		Richard Lerro	Eddie Gooden	Paul Metzkes	Namdidie Ikon	
		Carmen Ruckmen	Scott Lewis	Lynn Parker	Ken Long	
		Brad Shelt	Jacade Reynolds	Jim Rogers	Rick Price	
		Chris Thompson	Shaun Tyson	Rick Tibetts	Taylor Reeves	
		Austin Williams	Lawrence Williams	Nahum Villard	Mike Trujillo	
Closing Pr	ayer	Jeff Leslie	Tom Martens	Tim Cox	Henry Bereather	
Evening V	Vorship Servi	Ce .				
Song Lead	-	Stephen Beliech	Jerry Pittman	Dan McLeod	Ken Tipton	
Opening F		Jimmie Banks	Bob Higbee	Dirk Summerlot	Nate Nelson	
Scripture F	-	Gary Friedly	Kevin Weeks	Stephen Beliech	David Lord	
Presiding	0	Jerry Pittman	Glen Dawson	Daniel Swayne	Ivan Villard, Jr.	
Serving at		Mike Ellis	Harrison Carter	Morris McDaniel	Shea Brown	
		Ed Gager	Dick Kelley	Chuck Reeves, Sr.	Jeremy Maloney	
		Tommy Pauldo	Clayton Trujillo	Leonard Williams	Marty Williams	
Closing Pr	aver	Mike Erickson	Josh Blackmer	Micah Trujillo	Mike Archer	
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Alternates	s:				.	
		Lance Collier	David Brown	Henry Bass	Novel Brown	
		Darin Summerlot	Bobbo Lupo	Johnny Davis	Tim Fry	
Technical	Assignment	S				
Morning:	Computer	Shea Brown	Nate Nelson	Bob Higbee	Brad Shelt	
	Audio	Buzz Nelson	Kirk Crews	Ivan Villard, Jr.	David Brown	
	Video	Cam Crotts	Dan McLeod	Scott Studer	Darin Summerlot	
Evening:	Computer	David Sproule	Nate Nelson	Bob Higbee	Brad Shelt	
	Audio	Buzz Nelson	Kirk Crews	Ivan Villard, Jr.	David Brown	
	Video	Cam Crotts	Dan McLeod	Scott Studer	Darin Summerlot	
Ushers - I	Morning & Fy	ening Services (Sunda	av & Wednesdav)			
Ushers - Morning & Evening Services (Sunday & Wednesday) Sept. 4 & 7 Sept. 11 & 14 Sept. 18 & 21 Sept. 25 & 28						
Head Usher TBD						
		Jon Jordan, Jr.	Bobby Ingraham	Mike Damron	Paul Hensel	

• 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.

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



Sunday, August 21

LOCAL VISITORS: Mrs. Marie Yolette Achille; Ms. Gail Archer; Ms. Lori Armstrong; Miss Rose Sterline Jean Baptiste; Wayne Boone; Mr. Jean Charles; Miss Carmen Dussard; Tom Garrison; Miss Jamie Granino; Ms. Rashana Green; Mrs. Maxine Griggs; Ms. Rebecca Huffman; John Loftis; Ms. Janie Murphy; Miss Kelly Rabbitt; Ms. Claudia Reynolds; Aaron Ross; Ms. Margaret Sue Simmons; and Ms. Marcia Walker.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mrs. Lorraine Allen, Vero Beach, FL; Ms. Lucy Bond, Pensacola, FL; Ms. Susan Crosswhite, Delray Beach, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Royce Harbin, Springfield, TN; Derek Hood, Abilene, TX; Ms. Melody Lewis, Riverview, FL; Miss Sabrina Lolo; Mrs. Sharon Mann, Delray Beach, FL; Jaap, Marcell, Adrienne, & Joshua Laurens, Port St. Lucie, FL; and Ms. Dorothy Noeman, Kingston, Jamaica.



<u>Sunday (Aug. 28th)</u> Doris Friedly

Monday (Aug. 29th) Jordan Beasley

<u>Tuesday (Aug. 30th)</u> Mary Brown Simon Tyson

Wednesday (Aug. 31st) Dan & Luann McLeod (Ann.) Nick & Sabrina Pietro (Ann.) Wednesday (Aug. 31st) cont. Cherylann Wineinger

<u>Friday (Sept. 2nd)</u> David & Jennifer Jaress (Ann.) Johnny Davis Owen Miley Nahum Villard

Saturday (Sept. 3rd) Rick & Sherrie Tibbetts (Ann.)

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>9:45 a.m.</u> If you are scheduled to serve on <u>Sunday evening</u>, please meet at the front of the auditorium at <u>5:45 p.m.</u>

Sunday Morning, August 28

Strengthening Our

Homes &

Friday, Sept. 23 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Marriages

for the Good of the Church

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Lead Singing	Gary Friedly			
Opening Prayer	Dan McLeod			
Scripture Reading	Jim Rogers			
Presiding at Table Morris McDaniel				
Serve at Table:				
Doug Carrick	David Lord			
Jim Davis	Chuck Reeves, Sr.			
Eddie Gooden	Vincent Rogers			
Brett Lau	Nahum Villard			
Alternates:				
Tim Fry	Richard Watson			
Closing PrayerDavid Thorpe				

Sunday Evening, August 28

David Shannon

South Florida

Strong Leaders for Strong Churches

Saturday, Sept. 24

8:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

with David Shannon (Mt. Juliet, TN)

Men's Fellowship

Sunday Evening, Aug	ust 20
Lead Singing	Ken Tipton
Opening Prayer	Rick Hall
Scripture Reading	Kane Campbell
Presiding at Table	Shea Brown
Harrison Carter	
Mike Trujillo	
Leonard Williams	
Closing Prayer	Gary Seames
Wednesday Evening, Au	ugust 31
Lead Singing	
Invitation	Glenn Dawson
Family Prayer	Jeff Leslie

Our Record

Attendance	<u>Aug. 21</u>	July Avg.		
Sun. Bible Study	270	245		
Sun. A.M. Worship	362	385		
Sun. P.M. Worship	197	168		
Wed. Bible Study	192	197		
Contribution \$1	13,581	\$14,302		
2016 Weekly Budget: \$14,660				
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: +24,922				

Ushers for week of Aug. 28 Head Usher: Tim Cox; Jeff Leslie & Ivan Villard



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