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New Bible Classes

JULY 30 THRU OCTOBER 4

SUNDAY MORNINGS at 9:00 A.M.

<i>Adults: The Parables of Jesus (Part 1)</i>	Richard Watson (Family Room-Auditorium)
<i>Sr. High: Old Testament: Poetry</i>	Darin Summerlot
<i>Jr. High: Letters to Churches</i>	Bobbo Lupo

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS at 7:00 P.M.

<i>Adults: Saints, the Savior & Lost Souls</i>	Dan Jenkins & David Sproule (Family Room-Auditorium)
<i>Sr. High: Game Plan</i>	Phil Porter
<i>Jr. High: Bible Basics</i>	Taylor Reeves

***IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT ADULT CLASSES:**

Beginning on July 30, there will be one adult class in the Family Room, until the repair work is completed in the auditorium. When the work is completed, additional adult classes will be added on Sundays and Wednesdays.

Let us "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (2 Pet. 3:18)!



By Dan Jenkins

The Comfort of God

Who has not in their lifetime had those dark and trying periods when hope was almost gone? What congregation has not experienced anxiety as turmoil developed between brethren? Evidently, the church at Rome was dealing with all kinds of problems—there were false teachers seeking to Judaize the Gentiles by demanding that they must be circumcised to enter heaven. There was also strife between brothers where the stronger brothers had little compassion for those who were weaker.

How did God address such turmoil? When Paul gets to the fifteen chapter of Romans he utters this prayer. “May the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like minded toward one another...that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ” (15:5-6). How did Paul see that turmoil coming to an end? He turned to God—the One who gives both comfort and patient endurance.

This is where true comfort is found. Paul described God as the God of all comfort, and then said that He “...comforts us in all our troubles (2 Cor. 1:5-6). Pay special attention to that three letter word in this passage. God is not just the One who sometimes comforts us in certain situations—He is the God of *all* comfort in *all* our trials.

God is not the One who sometimes comforts us in some of our trials

How does God give us comfort? Look again at Romans chapter fifteen. It is in verse five where God is described as the God of comfort and patience. Look at verse four. “For whatsoever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.”

To whom do we turn for comfort? It is to God. To where do we turn? It is the Scriptures the God of comfort has given us. You have experienced this in those dark times when you walked through deep valleys, like the valley of the shadow of death. Your soul found relief at such times, and you sang the song given by David. “Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me” (Psa. 23:3). You sang the psalm and the words from the God of all comfort lifted your soul.

It is not just in those Old Testament passages where comfort is found. When those in Thessalonica were concerned about those brethren who had died, the God of comfort gave His word to them and then added, “Wherefore comfort one another with these words” (1 Thess. 4:18).

So the next time clouds arise and darkness prevails, pick up your Bible. Read the comforting words from the God of all comfort. Meditate on what He says to you, and these words of comfort will bring hope in the midst of the deepest despair.



By David Sproule

How’s My Driving?

Have you seen those signs on the backs of commercial trucks and vans? They say something like, “How’s My Driving?” And there is a phone number to call and a truck/van number to report about “their driving.”

Why are these signs on the backs of the trucks and vans? The reason is that these trucks and vans represent the company that is plastered all over the sides and back of the vehicle. More specifically, the driver of the truck/van, whoever he is, is a representative of that company and their product. And the company knows that a bad experience on the road with one of their trucks (i.e., one of their drivers) is a bad experience with that company itself. So, whether it’s a restaurant (like McDonald’s) or a store (like Publix or Kroger) or a food product (like Coke or Doritos), there is an immediate connection made between how the truck (i.e., driver) is behaving on the road and whether an individual may want to have anything to do with that company.

They are deciding what they want to do with Christ, based upon you.

Are you a Christian? If you are, you may not realize that you have a sign on you that says, “How’s My Living?” There are people who are watching you—how you live, how you talk, how you behave, how you treat others, etc. And, just as people make a connection between the guy driving the Coke truck and the Coca-Cola company itself, people are making a connection between you (as a Christian) and the One that you are representing with that name—CHRIST! They are deciding what they think about Christ, based upon you and what they see in you. They are deciding what (if anything) they want to do with Christ, based upon you and what they see in your life.

Consider carefully this well-known verse. “Let your light so shine before men” (that’s like the truck driving down the road), “that they may see your good works” (that’s like everyone seeing how the driver is driving and what is advertised on the side of the truck) “and glorify your Father in heaven” (that’s like the connection that people make between the truck, the company and themselves) (Matt. 5:16).

So, how’s your “driving”? What does your “driving” say about the One that you represent—Christ? If there was a phone number for people to call God, what would they say about you? Of course, we’re not talking about actual driving but about actual living and the eternal impact it has on others.



By Josh Blackmer

Second Mile Saints

“Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two” (Matt. 5:41). The Persians did this before the Romans. It was the practice of compelling someone into service. It was common place for Roman soldiers to ask the Jewish people to carry their gear, which is estimated to have weighed 60 lbs., to the next marker. Jesus uses the disdain that people had for this as an example of going above and beyond what is asked. Don’t go one mile, go two.

A second mile saint is one that does more than what is asked. Jesus mentioned the sentiment of His time, “We are unworthy slaves; we have done only that which we ought to have done” (Luke 17:10). Does your service stop at Sunday and being a “good person”? Being a Christian is so much more than worship. Many feel it imperative to assemble once on the Sunday. Many come because they feel compelled to. Worship rendered out of obligation is not as sweet as that rendered out of love.

God wants second mile saints to be willing. The kind that never considers the cost of service too high and no sacrifice too great. We see this exemplified in the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37). The man from Samaria went above and beyond what was expected for the one who had

fallen among robbers on the Jericho road. We limit our opportunities to serve by limiting our response just to what is expected. Second milers are motivated by the needs of others and God’s grace.

“But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. Whoever hits you on the cheek, offer him the other also; and whoever takes away your coat, do not withhold your shirt from him either. Give to everyone who asks of you, and whoever takes away what is yours, do not demand it back. Treat others the same way you want them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners in order to receive back the same amount. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men” (Luke 6:27-35).

What more could be said? We are clearly asked to be second mile saints. The bar has been set high. Will you rise to the challenge to go above and beyond, to go the second mile?

Second milers are motivated by the needs of others and God’s Grace.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

“He’s not the same man he used to be!”

Over time, most people change. Some for the better. Some for the worse. As an indication of this, sometimes a statement will be made about another person—“Oh, well, he’s not the same man he used to be!” That could be a negative statement (referring to a person’s failure), but let’s focus on the positive. When someone becomes a Christian, “He’s not the same man he used to be!” When a Christian gives himself to Bible study, fervent prayer and serving others, it won’t be long until someone says, “He’s not the same man he used to be!”

Question: Are you the man/woman you used to be? Are you in the same place (spiritually) as you were 5 years ago? 10 years ago? Or even 2 years ago? The transforming power of the Word of God (2 Cor. 3:18) is not merely a one-time thing (to transform us from an unbeliever to a believer) but it is continual (present tense) metamorphosis that molds us more and more into the “image” of Jesus! Are you the same as you used to be? If you spend personal time with Jesus in His Word every day, you won’t be! – DS



No! It couldn’t be an answer to prayer!

In Acts 12, Herod Agrippa I (the father of Herod Agrippa II, who was “almost” persuaded to become a Christian in Acts 26:28) “laid violent hands” on some members of the church, “killed James the brother of John,” and “arrested” Peter and “put him in prison” (12:1-3). While Peter was “kept in prison,” “constant” (NKJV) and “earnest” (ESV) “prayer for him was being made fervently by the church to God” (12:5, NASB). When an angel of the Lord freed him from prison, he went to “where many were gathered together praying” for him (12:12). But, when a girl named Rhoda told them that Peter was there, they said to her, “You are beside yourself!” (12:15). When they finally opened the door and saw Peter, “they were astonished” (12:16). Essentially, they could not believe that for which they had been praying had become a reality.

How confident are you when you pray that God IS hearing you and that God IS answering your prayer? Do you ever stare an answer to prayer “in the face” with disbelief? Read 1 John 5:14-15. Circle the word “confidence” and the word “know” twice. Do you believe it? – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Mike Archer	severe pain in legs, awaiting course of treatment
Bonnie Arthur	recovering from a fall, doing a little better
Patricia Hackshaw	now at home, recovering from surgery
Jeannie Hamilton	recovering at home from a fractured hip
Mary A. Jackson	recovering at home from hospitalization
Judie Jenkins	recovering from foot surgery, improving
Betty McQuinn	Jupiter Medical Center Pavilion for rehab, has cancer
Silas Moses	Rehab Center of the Palm Beaches (room 401-A)
Joyce Parker	dealing with multiple health issues
Cathy Seay	Rehab Center of the Palm Beaches (room 201)
Julie Williams	undergoing medical tests

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Silas Moses	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Norm Smedley	breathing problems
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

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



Connye Plouffe upon the passing of her twin sister, **Bonnye Plouffe**, last Thursday night.

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Debra Dagostino	David Lord's sister, cancerous tumor on her kidney
Chrissie Dimas	Carol Hardman's daughter, recovering from major surgery
Thelma Findley	Maria Hackshaw's mother, hospitalized with fluid on brain
Pat Pittman	Jerry Pittman's brother, under Hospice Care, broken hip
Amy Wombough	Micky Affron's daughter, now home from the hospital
Jane Woodruff	Jackie Stout's sister, stage 4 pancreatic cancer

Remember
Our Mission Works

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Wayne & Kristi Parker
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, July 30

- ♦ **New Bible Classes Begin.** All children meet in their normal classrooms. All adults meet in the Family Room.
- ♦ **Mount Dora Coin Cans** will be available in the Lobby. Please return them to the office by Sunday, October 1.

Monday, July 31

- ♦ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in Adult 3.

Tuesday, August 1

- ♦ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in Adult 3.

Wednesday-Saturday, August 2-5

- ♦ **Haverhill Road Lectures** each night at 7:00 p.m. See the bulletin board for more details.

Sunday, August 6

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

Thursday, August 10

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

Sunday, August 13

- ♦ **Back-to-School Ice Cream Social** after evening worship in the Family Room.

Sunday, August 20

- ♦ **Baby Shower for Nate & Cindy Nelson** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at Amazon and Target. *It's a boy!*

Tuesday, August 22

- ♦ **Family Group 2 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Nate & Cindy Nelson.

Saturday, August 26

- ♦ **PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting** at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Room. All ladies are welcome. See Maria Hackshaw for more details.

Sunday, August 27

- ♦ **Wedding Shower for Eli Dye & Kristen Fuller** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at Target, Wal-Mart and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ
Young Adults

Friday, August 4

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Kirk & Mendy Crews. Fajitas will be provided. Please bring an appetizer or dessert.

Monday, August 7

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

Friday, August 11

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

Saturday, August 19

- ♦ **Young Adult Service Project.** Meet at the building at 8:30 a.m. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Friday, September 8

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



Palm Beach Lakes
Youth

Friday, August 11

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

Saturday, August 12

- ♦ **Jr. High Game Night.** See Sarah Collier or Ivan & Amber Villard for details.

Sunday, August 27

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

Friday, September 8

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

Sunday, September 10

- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room.

PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

Men's Worship Service Assignments - August, 2017

August 6

August 13

August 20

August 27

Morning Worship Service					
Song Leader	Jerry Hopkins	Bobbo Lupo	Gary Friedly	Jerry Hopkins	
Opening Prayer	Charles Hayes	David Thorpe	Deltom Lequernaque	Tim Fry	
Scripture Reading	Jim Davis	Bill Ingram, Jr.	Joe Maloney	Richard Watson	
Presiding at Table	Eugene Williams	David Brown	Jerry Pittman	Novel Brown	
Serving at Table:	Doug Carrick	Josiah Blackmer	Henry Bass	Jordan Beasley	
	Glen Dawson	Marvin Dozier	Mike Damron	Victor Colage	
	Namdidie Ikon	Andres Fernandez	Gorman Erickson	Josue Charles	
	Ken Long	Heath Johnson	Brett Lau	Ed Gager	
	Austin Metzkes	Wallace Jones	Rick Price	Nate Nelson	
	Vincent Rogers	Orlando Lolo	Micah Trujillo	Chuck Reeves, Sr.	
	Mike Trujillo	Dirk Summerlot	Shaun Tyson	L.H. Richardson	
	Ivan Villard, Jr.	Austin Williams	Lawrence Williams	Marty Williams	
Closing Prayer	Chad Brown	Kevin Weeks	Henry Williams	Dick Kelley	

Evening Worship Service					
Song Leader	Jerry Pittman	John Loftis	Dan McLeod	Jerry Pittman	
Opening Prayer	Mike Erickson	Freddie Gadson	Cam Crotts	Harrison Crotts	
Scripture Reading	Scott Studer	Lynn Parker	Jimmie Banks	Richard Lerro	
Presiding at Table	Chuck Clark	David Lord	Rick Hall	Dan McLeod	
Serving at Table:	Lance Collier	Scott Lewis	Tim Mahlbacher	Bobbo Lupo	
	Clayton Trujillo	Gary Seames	Darin Summerlot	Nick Pietro	
	Leonard Williams	Chris Thompson	Simon Tyson	Carmen Ruckman	
Closing Prayer	Jim Rogers	Gary Jenkins	Kirk Crews	Mike Archer	

Alternates:					
	Jeff Goodale	Eddie Gooden	Brent Leslie	Dan Fuller	
	Paul Metzkes	Phil Porter	Errol Gower-Winter	John Loftis	

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

Ushers - Morning & Evening Services (Sunday & Wednesday)					
	August 6 & 9	August 13 & 16	August 20 & 23	August 27 & 30	
Head Usher	Tim Cox →				
	Jimmie Banks	Stephen Beliech	Jeff Leslie	Morris McDaniel	
	Taylor Reeves	Bob Higbee	Nahum Villard	Kevin Weeks	

- 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
July 23

LOCAL VISITORS: Jim & Cindy Beard; Ms. Edna Francois; Mrs. Maxine Griggs; Miranda McKelton; Manoella Mendieta; Ms. Lizzie Rozier; Pierre & Michalea Smith; and Mrs. Cordella Washington.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Walt & Hazel Arthur, Nashville, TN; Terry & Sherri Cheshier, Duncanville, TX; Mrs. Yvonne Clark, Alana & Tahlia; Chattanooga, TN; Roberto & Mariela Escobar, Naples, FL; Jim & Judy Howell, Tallahassee, FL; Ronnica Jenkins, Brooklyn, NY; Adria Johnson & Kyra Yates, Ft. Worth, TX; Stacy Johnson, Ft. Worth, TX; Mr. & Mrs. Tom & Patty Kos, Pittsburgh, PA; Ed & Barbara Lutsky, Arnold, MO; Savanna McQueen Nassau, Bahamas; Mr. & Mrs. Michael & Quinia Morning, Port St. Lucie, FL; Reginald & Ursula Moses & family, Orlando, FL; Mr. & Mrs. David & Cathy Payne & David, II, Oneida, TN; and Christy & Kate Pierson, Greenbrier, TN.

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Sunday (July 30th)

Victor Colage
Kyle Sink

Thursday (Aug. 3rd) cont.

Seth Watson
Henry Williams

Monday (July 31st)

Janet Hickerson

Friday (Aug. 4th)

Sharon Reitz

Thursday (Aug. 3rd)

Rick & Betsy Donahue (Ann.)
Stephen Beliech
Allison Roman

Saturday (Aug. 5th)

Roy & Charlene Knowles (Ann.)
Betty McQuinn
Julie Trujillo



Thank you to everyone for your cards, prayers and thoughts of encouragement for my birthday and since my fall.

In Christian love, Bonnie Arthur



Directory Changes

Jeff & Sharon Feeny placed membership at the Jupiter-Tequesta congregation.

Lauren Fuller moved to Savannah, TN.

Jacade & Susan Reynolds are moving to AL this week.

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, July 30

Lead Singing Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer Jerry Hopkins
Scripture Reading Joe Maloney
Presiding at Table Kirk Crews
Serve at Table:
Jordan Beasley Brent Leslie
Tim Cox Rick Price
Marvin Dozier Scott Studer
Errol Gower-Winter Lawrence Williams
Alternates
Novel Brown Bob Higbee
Closing Prayer Rick Hall

Ushers for the week of July 30:

Head Usher: Chris Thompson
Cam Crofts L.H. Richardson

Sunday Evening, July 30

Lead Singing Robert Lupo
Scripture/Prayer Austin Williams
Scripture/Prayer Tyler Williams
Scripture/Prayer Simon Tyson
Presiding at Table Austin Williams
Kinney Dozier Tyler Williams
Daniel Lord
Scripture/Prayer Simon Tyson
Sermon Harrison Crofts
Sermon Clayton Trujillo
Scripture/Closing Prayer Daniel Lord

Wednesday Evening, August 2

Lead Singing Ivan Villard
Invitation Clayton Trujillo
Family Prayer Nate Nelson

Our Record

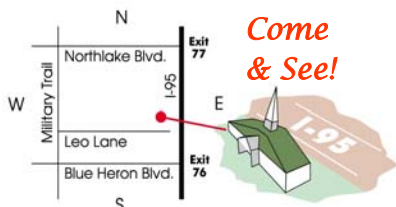
Attendance	July 23	June Avg.
Sun. Bible Study	181	256
Sun. A.M. Worship	335	368
Sun. P.M. Worship	117	183
Wed. Bible Study	144	211
Contribution	\$10,773	\$15,111
2017 Weekly Budget: \$15,065		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: -5,277		



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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.

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