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- Lance Collier..... 793-2718
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*Thank you,
Joe!*



Faithful Elder at Palm Beach Lakes

November 14, 1976 — April 14, 2019

For more than 42 years, Joe Holland served as a loving and devoted elder of this congregation! Palm Beach Lakes owes a tremendous debt of gratitude to this man for the selfless way that he gave of himself in service to the Lord’s church!

In the announcement of his resignation, the elders made the following observations: “Joe’s love for the truth and for the Lord’s church has always been paramount in his life. When he retired from IBM in 1989, he began working full-time for the church. What a blessing that has been for this congregation! His tremendous Bible knowledge, his love for each PBL member, his concern for the lost and his devotion to speaking where the Bible speaks made him the kind of strong and compassionate elder that we all want to be. Joe will be missed in the eldership!”

Thank you, Joe and Marian! We love you!



By Dan Jenkins

What Are You Planning to Wear Today?

An adage which has been around for years is, “Clothes makes the man.” The idea behind this is that when a man wears the proper clothes, these clothes removed any blemishes which he might have. When wearing the proper clothing he is far more likely to be received and accepted by society. Consider the follow “items” of clothing which God urges us to wear so that when others look at our lights they will glorify our God even more.

Clothed with Salvation

When Solomon dedicated the temple to God, he extolled the greatness of God and then turned his attention to those priests who came before Him. “Let your priests, O Lord God be clothed with salvation.” The work of the priest was to come before God to seek God’s favor for His people.

Sometimes those priests who stood before God on behalf of others were extremely vile. Remember how the sons of Eli did not have time to offer a troubled soul’s sacrifice—they were spending their time fornicating with women at the door of the tabernacle (1 Sam. 2:22). Solomon, in his wisdom saw that such men should not come before God, so he begged God that those who served in the temple he was dedicating might be holy—clothed with the salvation from God. Consider

how this impacts every Christian, for each of us is a priest to God. When we come before Him may we be men and women with salvation, with hearts made pure by our Father. Each of us needs to be clothed with salvation.

Clothed with Gladness

The closing chapters of Isaiah prophesy about the coming the church. He describes the heart of those who are part of that kingdom. “I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He has clothed me with the garments of righteousness...” (Isa. 61:10). David also describes that joy. “Let your priests be clothed with righteousness, and let your saints shout for joy” (Psa. 132:9).

Those who have been made holy by the blood of Jesus and stand in garments of righteousness have every reason to have hearts filled with joy!

Clothed with Humility

Peter adds one other aspect to the “clothes which make a Christian” when he says, “Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility” (1 Pet. 5:5). We have not been redeemed so others may serve us, but so we may serve them. When we humble ourselves and get self out of the way, others will not see us, they will see Jesus. Clothes make a man, but truly clothes make a Christian!

Clothes may sometimes make a man, but truly clothes make a Christian!



By David Sproule

Joe Holland: A Great Teacher, Mentor and Friend

The announcement last Sunday of Joe Holland’s resignation from the eldership brings mixed emotions (and lots of fond memories). Unfortunately, due to the decline in Joe’s health, he decided a few weeks ago that it was time for him to resign. After 42 years, it was not an easy decision for him to make or the church to hear. We have been truly blessed!

Having grown up at Palm Beach Lakes as a child, I have very early memories of Joe Holland. He was appointed as an elder when I was very young, so he has always been “one of my elders.” My earliest memories are of a great tenor voice singing behind my family in worship and of him fill-in preaching when Bill Hatcher was out of town. Later, I remember Joe making announcements in worship and the all-time classic request that involved the “white cards” and the “blue cards.” (For some reason I don’t remember Joe making the announcements much after that.) As a teenager, I fondly remember Joe teaching our Bible class. That’s when I came to appreciate “Overhead Joe.” He never taught a class or spoke publicly without his overhead projector, transparencies, and vis-à-vis pens.

When I began working for the church in 1994, Joe Holland took on a whole new role to me. Because he worked

full-time for the church, he and I interacted quite a bit. His history of preaching in his younger years (pre-IBM) created a special relationship between him and this preacher. In many ways, he became a mentor. I remember personal advice that he gave me that upset me at the time, but later I realized how spot-on he was. His devotion to THE truth (and his great knowledge of it) inspired me and motivated me to study more. He has always pushed me to greater heights.

As the years have passed, Joe became an even greater teacher to me and a treasured mentor. But eventually he has become a dear friend. He epitomizes Proverbs 17:17, “A friend loves at all times,” particularly when my “faithful friend” has told me what I needed to hear (Prov. 27:6). Joe has proven to me that there is nothing that he will not sacrifice for the good of the church and the advancement of the cause of Christ. He has shown me, through our friendship, how to be a friend of God (Jas. 2:23).

Thank you, Joe, for your lifetime dedication to the Lord and to the work of the church! Thank you for leading by example (1 Pet. 5:3)! Thank you for living out your faith in front of me (and everyone), in such a way for me/us to imitate (Heb. 13:7)! Thank you for standing for the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth! Thank you for caring for souls in and out of the church! Thank you for being “my elder”!

Thank you for living out your faith in front of me!



By Josh Blackmer

The Gates of Hell Shall Not Prevail Against Her

Many mourned as they stood outside the Notre Dame Cathedral and watched it burn. This structure with its national and historical significance has stood for 850 years. During that time, it has found a place in the heart of the French people. Before the cost could even be evaluated, the French President vowed that it will be rebuilt. Several wealthy Paris families have already pledged 320 million dollars towards its restoration. The importance of this structure is evident.

This concern for a religious structure gave me reason to think. Would we be as concerned as the French people at the burning of a national treasure if we thought that the Lord’s church was in danger? It must first be stated that the church as a whole will never have a victor over it. “The gates of Hades will not overpower it” (Matt. 16:18). However, a local congregation of the Lord’s church can have destructive forces come in “like savage wolves” (Acts 20:29-30). We need to see the importance of Christ’s church.

The church is a divine institution founded by Christ (Matt. 16:18). Jesus is the head of it (Col 1:18). It is directed and governed by God. It is the spiritual body of Christ (Eph. 1:22-23; Rom. 12: 4-5; 1 Cor. 12:12-31). It is the body of people

who believe in the Lord, have repented, have been scripturally baptized into Christ, and thereby been added to His Church (Acts 2:37-47; Rom. 6: 3-5; 1 Cor. 12:13; Gal. 3:27). The church is divine by reason of purchase (Acts 20:28; Titus 2:14; 1 Cor. 6:19-20). The church was founded on Christ and the gospel. Christ promised the church that was planned before the world began (Luke 24: 46-48; Acts 1:3-4, 8; Eph. 3:8-11). The gospel produces the church (Luke 8:11; Acts 2: 21-36). The church is the household of God (1 Tim. 3:15). God is the Father (Eph. 4:6). We are His children (1 John 3: 1-2). We are heirs of God, our Father, when we are born into the family (Rom. 8:15-17; John 3:5). The church is the Kingdom of God and heaven. Christ is King (Col. 1:13). We are fellow citizens (Eph. 2:19). The church is the Bride of Christ. He is the Head and Savior (Eph. 5: 23-32).

The church Jesus built is not what many believe it to be. It is not a man-made institution. It is not a sect or denomination (1 Cor 1:10-13; 3:16-17). It is not one among many that a person chooses to join. It is not a social club that we go to for the activities and programs (Rom. 14:17). We must see to it that we don’t bring into the precious church any of these ideas. We must protect it from division (1 Cor. 12:25). We must not introduce any false teaching (Acts 20:30) We should behave ourselves in such a way as not to be that spark that would ignite so much turmoil in the Lord’s church.

The glorious church that the Lord built will stand forever.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

Take heed how you hear

Mark and Luke record a statement of Jesus after He told the Parable of the Sower. Luke records that Jesus said, “Take heed how you hear” (8:18). Mark records that Jesus said, “Take heed what you hear” (4:24). In the context, Jesus is emphasizing the importance of measuring carefully what one hears, whether that be Scriptural matters or worldly matters. We must be critical listeners, intent on paying discerning attention to what is being said.

Jesus’ words have application to so many aspects of our lives. Sometimes we hear a bit of information but we don’t “take heed what we hear.” Sometimes we believe everything we’re told and we don’t “take heed how we hear.” It is essential that we learn to ask ourselves some questions: “Is this true? Am I sure? Is there something that maybe I’m not being told? Is this something that I actually need to hear? Why is this person telling me this? Should I be listening to this person? What makes them a credible source?” Friend, take heed how you hear! – DS



Your reflection

When you look in the mirror today, whose reflection do you see? May I suggest to you that it is not someone else’s reflection in that mirror, although that’s what we sometimes “see.” Too often we look at our reflection and try to compare ourselves to others. But that is not realistic, not wise (2 Cor. 10:12) and not healthy.

May I suggest to you that it is not your old self in the reflection in that mirror, although that’s what we sometimes “see.” We sometimes focus on past mistakes, shortfalls and problems (or even compare ourselves now to some personal greatness and achievements in the past). But that, too, is not realistic, not wise and not healthy (Phil. 3:13).

So, whose reflection do you see in the mirror today? Rather than “see” what is not there (i.e., someone else or your past self), “see” where you are today in your relationship with Christ. That’s all that matters! Do you “see” Christ in you (Gal. 2:20; Col. 1:27)? What do you need to change, in your reflection, to look more like Jesus (2 Cor. 3:18)? That’s all that matters! – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Bonnie Arthur	fell and injured her shoulder, in a lot of pain
Adrienne Banks	undergoing medical testing
Jimmie Banks	undergoing medical testing
Julie Fontaine	undergoing medical testing
Terri Hahn	recovering at home
Jerry Hopkins	recovering at home from pacemaker surgery
Lynne Jorgensen	undergoing medical testing
Winifred Patterson	recovering from a procedure to remove a cyst
Lorena Pittman	recovering from cataract surgery on her other eye
Mary Reeves	dealing with severe hip pain
Kay Richardson	undergoing testing on her heart
Betty Sanders	completed the infusions for her infection
Dorothy Savage	dealing with multiple health issues
Jackie Stout	awaiting results from medical tests
Linda Studer	undergoing monthly chemo treatments
Sadie Tennant	receiving injections in her back to relieve pain
Ralph Williams	having eye surgery on May 9

Long-Term Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Joe Holland	chronic health issues
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Hattie Daniels	Don & Betty Matter
Sandra Daniels	Deidra Miley
Josie Dawson	Harriet Morris
Annie Faison	Godfrey Pratt
Margie Hardin	Leigh Puckett
Janet Hickerson	Ricky Smedley
Loretta Holaday	



Mike Ellis, upon the passing of his mother, Evelyn Ellis, last week.

Joyce Parker, upon the passing of her sister, Diane Colby, on Monday.

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Mikki Dean	Hollie Crotts' sister, pregnant and on bed rest
Tim Deem	Allison Roman's brother, port inserted for an infection
Kay Estes	Cheryl & Chuck Milton's sister, knee surgery on April 25
Joan Humphrey	Connie Plouffe's sister, recovering from a fall
Beverly Michaelian	Lynne Jorgensen's mother, recovering from a fall
Ben Smith	Mary Brown's brother, in Rehab Ctr of the Palm Beaches
Ulysses Smith	Mary Brown's brother, now on dialysis
Oliver Symonette	Gorgeous Morgan's father, recovering from hip surgery

Remember Our Mission Works

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Wayne & Kristi Parker
Joey & Tammy Treat

Africa
Tamuka Arunashe
Nnanna Aforji

Montgomery, Alabama
Apologetics Press

Coral Springs, Florida
Mauricio Yegros

Bahamas
Tavaro & Shameika Hanna



Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 21

- ◆ **House-to-House/Heart-to-Heart Labeling** after evening worship in the Family Room. Everyone is encouraged to stay and help out.

Monday, April 22

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

Tuesday, April 23

- ◆ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.
- ◆ **Family Groups 1 & 2 Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Richard & Debi Watson.

Friday-Sunday, April 26-28

- ◆ **Father/Son Retreat at CFBC.** This year's theme is "Forging Closer Relationships." Cost is \$40. Josh Blackmer is the retreat coordinator. Register online.

Sunday, April 28

- ◆ **Wedding Shower for Michael Menendez & Astrid Arevalo** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at Amazon, Wal-Mart and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Saturday, May 4

- ◆ **Power Up! A Recharge for Christian Men** from 10:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. All men are encouraged to come for 15-minute power lessons, fellowship and lunch.

Sunday, May 5

- ◆ **Mount Dora Supply & Coin Can Deadline.** A supply list can be found on the Welcome Desk. They can also use gift cards to Sam's Club, Wal-Mart or Publix.
- ◆ **Renova/North Lake Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.

Friday, May 10

- ◆ **Family Group 4 Meeting** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Andy & Letha Anderson.

Sunday, May 12

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

Saturday, May 18

- ◆ **Fish Fry & Work Day at CFBC** from 8:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. RSVP online (www.cfbiblecamp.org).

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ **Young Adults**

Tuesday, May 7

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Luann McLeod. See Keila McLeod or Cindy Nelson for details.

Friday, May 10

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 7:00 p.m. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Friday, May 17

- ◆ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Rachel, Julie or Brittany for details.

Saturday, May 18

- ◆ **Young Adult Escape Room Night.** See Ivan Villard for details.

Saturday, May 25

- ◆ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.



Palm Beach Lakes **Youth**

Saturday, April 27

- ◆ **Youth Rally hosted by West Broward** for the Jr. High & Sr. High. Cost is \$20 per person. Sign up on the bulletin board. See Josh Blackmer for more details.

Sunday, April 28

- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips.
- ◆ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship at the home of Dan & Loni Fuller.

Sunday, May 12

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

Friday, May 17

- ◆ **Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout** at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Rachel, Julie or Brittany for details.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 a Charles & Rhona Hayes	2	3 b Julio Aristy b Bill Ingram, Sr.	4 ☆ Power Up! A Recharge for Christian Men b Dan Johnson
5 ☆ Mount Dora Coin Can & Supply Deadline ☆ Renova/North Lake Nursing Home Visit a Taylor & Natalie Reeves b Willie Wilkins b Trina Wright	6 b Rachel Fuller b Johnnie Green b Nicholas Pietro b Marie Thorpe	7 ☆ Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night	8 b Jacqui Jenkins b Alice Nelson b Chuck Reeves, Jr. b Jackie Stout	9 b Carole Graff b Leigh Puckett	10 ☆ Family Group 4 Meeting ☆ Young Adult Devo	11
12 ☆ Youth & Family Singing b Brianna Solis	13 b June Pack	14 b Mattie Cox b Carolyn Cullom b Judy Lerro	15 b Pete Brown	16	17 ☆ Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout	18 ☆ Young Adult Escape Room Night ☆ Fish Fry & Work Day at CFBC a Josh & Cara Blackmer a Rick & Peggy Hall a Jerry & Lorena Pittman b Joan Holloway b Rick Price
19 ☆ A Day of Prayer for CFBC	20 b Lovetta Harmon b Austin Reeves	21 b Jenisa Kenty	22 a Willie & Mattie Cox a Phylona Patterson b Karly Stone	23 a John & Sue Hoelzer b Natasha Campbell b Tyler Williams	24 a Nathaniel & Cindy Nelson	25 ☆ Jr. High Family Picnic Transition Event ☆ VBS Work Day
26 ☆ Jr. High Family Devo ☆ Sr. High Devo a Lawrence & Julie Williams b Gloria Boyd b Helen Chapman b Bob Higbee	27 a Bob & Sandi Hanna	28 b Margie Hardin b Gorgeous Morgan b Peggy Simpkins	29 b Grace Judge	30 b Dianna Halenda b Jené Williams	31 a Gary & Angie Seames	

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



Sunday,
April 14

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Jim & Wynona Bowman; Ms. Carmen Dussard; Ms. Marcia Farrar; Icilda Warmington Gates; Miss Maxine Griggs; Ms. Lizzie Rozier; and Mr. Quinntel Smith & Trelini Harper.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Terry & Sherri Cheshier, Duncanville, TX; Mr. Matt Ellis, Hendersonville, TN; Mr. & Mrs. Richard & Han Hamlen, Valdosta, GA; Mr. & Mrs. Jim & Judy Howell, Tallahassee, FL; Mr. Scott Kelly, Jacob, & Colton, Tamarac, FL; and Mr. Ted Okolichany, Lakeland, FL.

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

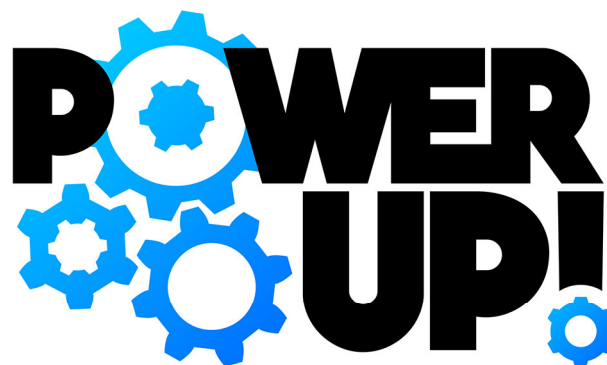
Sunday (April 21st)
David & Casey Bound (Ann.)
Kay Richardson

Friday (April 26th)
Helen Burney
Rich Hall
Ivan Villard, Jr.

Monday (April 22nd)
Steward & Rowena Lynch (Ann.)
Jeremy Maloney
Amber Villard

Saturday (April 27th)
Jordan & Marsha Beasley (Ann.)
Jessica Gibbins

Thursday (April 25th)
Bethany Bertram



A Recharge for Christian Men

Hosted By
Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ

Saturday, May 4, 2019
10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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, April 21

Lead Singing Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer John Hoelzer
Scripture Reading..... Errol Gower-Winter
Presiding at Table..... Morris McDaniel
Serve at Table:
Ed Buonadonna Orlando Lolo
Max Fonrose Chad Morgan
Gary Jenkins Nahum Villard
Richard Lerro Marty Williams
Alternates:
Bill Ingram, Jr. Kenneth Long
Closing Prayer Dan Fuller

Sunday Evening, April 21

Lead Singing Jerry Pittman
Opening Prayer Ivan Villard, Jr.
Scripture Reading..... Harrison Crotts
Presiding at Table..... Robert Lupo
Eddie Gooden
Deltom Lequernaqué
Darin Summerlot
Closing Prayer Daniel Lord
Wednesday Evening, April 24
Lead Singing Josiah Blackmer
Invitation..... Taylor Reeves
Family Prayer John Hoelzer

Our Record

Attendance	Apr. 14	Mar. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	208	239
Sun. A.M. Worship	341	374
Sun. P.M. Worship	143	195
Wed. Bible Study	168	185
Contribution	\$16,377	\$15,066
2019 Weekly Budget: \$15,190		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$1,083		

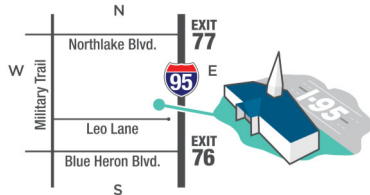
Ushers for this week: Chris Thompson (Head Usher); Chuck Reeves Sr. & Rick Price
Safety Team for this week: Rick Hall & Daniel Swayne



Palm Beach Lakes CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Speaking where the Bible speaks, Silent where the Bible is silent.



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

What Must I Do to Be Saved?

The Bible says...

1. Believe that Jesus is the Son of God

“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved” (Acts 16:31).

2. Repent of your sinful ways

“Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out” (Acts 3:19).

3. Confess your faith in Jesus

“If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus...you will be saved” (Rom. 10:9).

4. Be immersed in water

“He who believes and is baptized will be saved” (Mark 16:16).

5. Commit to a lifetime of faithful service

“Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life” (Rev. 2:10).