Elders

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Dan Fuller	685-4454
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Phil Porter	575-4782
Richard Watson	307-2608

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David Sproule	301-2230
Josh Blackmer	319-1418
Robert Lupo	315-1411

Deacons

David Brown	972-7608
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Victor Colage	719-1490
Lance Collier	985-4407
Kirk Crews	339-9283
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This Week's Reading:
Romans 14 1 Corinthians 2



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A Strong and Faithful Congregation...

Seeks Lost Souls

Ron Brackett (Central Florida Bible Camp, Eustis, FL)

Teaches Sound Doctrine

Kevin Cain (Katy church of Christ, Katy, TX)

Dreams Together of Heaven

Dan Jenkins (Palm Beach Lakes)

Loves One Another Fervently

Al Washington (World Video Bible School, Austin, TX)

Follows Strong. Faithful Leaders

Bill Boyd (Rockliff church of Christ, McMinnville, TN)



By Dan Jenkins

A One-Hundred-Year-Old Torch

We owe a debt

to those who

have gone be-

a greater debt...

PBL so special

over all these

years?

As you read the Bible, you will find so many references to your life being compared to running a race. We are told to run with patience the race that is before us, always keeping our eyes on Jesus (Heb. 12:1). The next verse then points us to Jesus and the way He lived His life.

Paul so often compares life to a race. He told Timothy that "...if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules" (2 Tim. 2:5)—we must get on the track and stay in our lanes! He urged the Corinthians to run the race in such a way that we may obtain the prize. He then contrasted the rewards received in the Grecian fore, but we owe games with the one we will receive. "They do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown" (1 Cor. 9:24-26). They received a crown made of olive branches, but we receive the crown of eternal life and righteousness.

Every four years we watch as modern athletes compete for Olympic medals. One of the most exciting races is where teams run relay races by passing the baton from runner to runner. The race is often decided by which team is most successful in passing that baton. If they drop it, they do not stop running but pause long enough to pick it up and then resume the race. Many who watch the races find this one to be the most exciting one.

We use a similar phrase in our culture. In the ancient Greek races, there was a lighted torch passed from one runner to the next. In our day it metaphorically refers to transferring one's job, knowledge and responsibilities to others when one retires. If you are a Christian, it can refer to you in your spiritual life of service and insuring that when your life ends the work will still be done.

> The design of Christianity is for those who are taught to teach others and to teach them to teach others. Paul taught Timothy the gospel and then urged him to take that which he had learned and pass the "torch of truth" to them. "The things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to

teach others also" (2 Tim. 2:2). The torch was passed from Paul to Timothy to faithful men then to others. There is a sense in which we now have that same torch!

Palm Beach Lakes began a century ago, and we celebrate our 100th anniversary. We owe a debt to all those who over the past ten decades have faithfully served the Lord. The torch is now in our hands. We owe a debt to those who have gone before, but we owe an even greater debt to those in the future. God help us to faithfully pass the torch to others!



By David Sproule

Thank God for Palm Beach Lakes!

The Palm Beach Lakes congregation began in the home of sister Lena B. Eades on Okeechobee Road in 1923 and is celebrating its 100th anniversary this weekend. In some ways, 100 years is a long time, and in other ways, it's not that long. What has characterized this congregation over these years? It is

often stated by those who have been part of this church, "Palm Beach Lakes is a special place." Why is that? What has made PBL so special over all these years? What has made

Five men will be speaking on Sunday and focusing their lessons on the theme, "A Strong and Faithful Congregation." Their five topics will focus on Biblical qualities that God expects His church to have. Perhaps it is these five qualities that have made Palm Beach Lakes what it is today. "A Strong and Faithful

Congregation...(1) Seeks Lost Souls, (2) Teaches Sound Doctrine, (3) Dreams Together of Heaven, (4) Loves One Another Fervently, and (5) Follows Strong, Faithful Leaders." May God ensure that these things always characterize this church!

But one cannot think of the specialness of Palm Beach Lakes without thinking of the PEOPLE. We teach our children that the church is not a building but the people. While this congregation has worshiped in four different buildings in its 100 years, it is the people that have made the impact! We ought to thank God for its elders (23 men have served), its deacons (96 men have served), its evangelists (31 men have served in various capacities), its Bible class teachers, its secretaries, its servants, its elderly, its youth, its widows, its cardwriters, its pray-ers, its greeters, its home-openers, its warmhuggers, its hand-shakers, its worship-leaders, its encouragers, etc., etc. You can't think of how special Palm Beach Lakes has been without thinking of the people!

> However, one can make all of these lists of what has made Palm Beach Lakes so special and miss THE very reason that Palm Beach Lakes is what it is! What has made Palm Beach Lakes "Palm Beach Lakes"? THE answer is JESUS CHRIST! Thank God for JESUS CHRIST! It is HIS church! Not ours! He is the One who built it (Matt. 16:18-19) and the One who purchased it with His own blood (Acts 20:28)! We

just have the awesome privilege to be a part of it! The church is HIS! Its increase is HIS! Its work is HIS! Its worship is HIS! Its purpose is HIS! Its people are HIS! Its leaders are HIS! Its message is HIS! Its efforts are HIS! Its reward is HIS!

Thank God for the Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ! Thank God that those five qualities have permeated this church for 100 years! Thank God that the dearest people on earth have been part of this church! And most importantly, thank God for Jesus Christ and for HIS precious church!



By Robert Lupo

Faith or Arrogance?

When I was growing up, there was a Lay's Potato Chips ad campaign that ran several times. It had an extremely catchy slogan: "Betcha can't eat just one!" As a child, I would think, "Duh! Of course, I could!" However, every time I found a Lay's Original bag in my lunch, I never seemed to find the will-

power to give it a try.

We tend to overestimate our ability to resist temptation, don't we? Especially when we are sitting in a pew. It is easy to say, "Amen!" to whatever challenge the preacher gives us. As he warns the congregation to abstain from a particular sin, we imagine ourselves overcoming such a temptation without any trouble at all. However, how often do we find ourselves lacking willpower when we are confronted with temptation?

In Daniel chapter one, Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego demonstrate the self-control to which we should all aspire. During the Babylonian captivity, they were chosen to be the personal servants of King Nebuchadnezzar. To prepare them for this service, the king commanded that they eat the king's delicacies and drink the king's wine. However, Daniel recognized that eating the king's food would violate God's law. So, he and his three brethren refused the king's

meals and asked for a substitute (Dan 1:8).

Now, Daniel's request was not that simple. This meal was part of their preparation to serve the king. If the chief eunuch gave them something else to eat and it hurt their appearance, the king could execute him (v. 10). Their defiance was a matter of life and death—not only for themselves, but also for this eunuch!

We tend to overestimate our ability to resist temptation, don't we? Daniel and the others were facing tremendous temptation. If they would along with the program, not only would they be free of danger, but they would be eating and drinking the best meal in all of Babylon. How easy would it be for them to just keep quiet and eat? But that's not what they did.

How were they able to resist so easily? Verse 8 tells us, "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself..." He made a cove-

nant with himself to remain faithful. Daniel was prepared for whatever temptation would come his way because he already made his mind up.

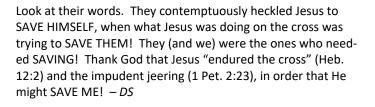
It is easy for us to nod our heads and imagine the great faith we might muster when met with temptations we've never known. But we will fail if we haven't made the preparations necessary to face them. Is our faith a self-gratifying show of arrogance, or do we take temptations seriously and purpose in our hearts to remain faithful like Daniel?

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

They got the "saving" backwards

The word "impudent" means "marked by contemptuous or cocky boldness or disregard of others; rude and not showing respect, especially toward someone who is in a more important position." Is there a more apt word to describe the behavior of those surrounding Jesus' cross?

Look at the impudence in Luke 23:35-39. The rulers "sneered, saying, 'He saved others; let Him SAVE HIMSELF.'" The "soldiers also mocked Him...saying, 'If You are the King of the Jews, SAVE YOURSELF.'" "One of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, 'If You are the Christ, SAVE YOURSELF and us.'"



Don't listen to the crowd

How critically important it is to be an objective listener! Too often today people just believe what they hear without evaluating what they hear. We must examine the evidence! We must not let what "everyone is saying" become "the truth"! We must search out the truth!



In Luke 23, the crowd was making false accusations against Christ (23:1-5), and they were shouting, "Away with this Man...Crucify Him!" (23:18-21). Pilate repeatedly asked, "What evil has He done?" But no reasonable explanation was given. So, Pilate announced three times, "I find no fault in this Man" (23:14-

22). Later that same day, while the crowds around the cross were mocking Jesus, one thief examined the evidence and concluded, "This man has done nothing wrong" (23:41).

Pilate was an objective listener and drew the proper conclusion, but then he made the wrong decision. The thief was also an objective listener and drew the proper conclusion, and he made the right decision. What will you do? It starts with being an objective listener, then drawing only conclusions demanded by the evidence! -DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Judy Carmack having severe pain in her hip and needs replacement

Eva Fulton had to get stitches in a cut finger

Trudie Holland in Luxe Rehab (room 141), hip replacement surgery

Dan Johnson Gardens Medical Center (room 305)

Dick Kelley dealing with some health issues

Carolyn Kemp now in rehab, recovering from car accident

Gwen Lyons cataract surgery on July 25

Don Seay recovering at home from hospitalization

Willie Smith dealing with some health issues

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Myrick Bassie

Louie Bone

Betty Davis' brother, recovering from a broken hip

Marcia Clough-Moss' brother, in the hospital

Jonathan Jenkins

Dan & Judie Jenkins' son, in the hospital in Melbourne

Marty Williams' brother, in the hospital, heart condition

Delores Sims

Jimmie Banks' mother, cancer in her lymph nodes now

Ongoing Health Issues

Lillian Bankston dialysis treatments

Judy Carmack multiple health issues

Robin Landen multiple health issues

John Loftis back pain, weakness

Joel Ramirez dialysis treatments

Sherri Richmond multiple health issues

Henry Williams dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames Inell Ingram
Josie Dawson Daniel Johnson
Zula Garrett Betty Matter
Terri Hahn Joyce Parker
Margie Hardin Leigh Puckett
Loretta Holaday Maurine Reed
Joan Holloway Ricky Smedley



Church Family **Calendar of Events**

Saturday-Sunday, July 1-2

 PBL's 100th Anniversary Homecoming. Guest speakers include: Bill Boyd, Ron Brackett, Kevin Cain, Dan Jenkins and Al Washington.

9:00 a.m. Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship
11:30 a.m. Potluck Lunch
1:00 p.m. Evening Worship

*We are having a Potluck Luncheon on Sunday after morning worship. Bring lots of food to share.

Monday, July 3

 No Monday Night Bible Study. Class will resume after the parking lot construction has been completed.

Tuesday, July 4

 No Tuesday Morning Bible Study. Class will resume after the parking lot construction has been completed.

Friday, July 7

 Family Group 4 Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Jim Rogers. Please bring a potluck dish. This is for all PBL members and families who live south of Southern Blvd.

Sunday, July 9

- Leadership Training Course at 5:00 p.m. in Adult 1-2.
 All members are welcome to attend this class.
- His Kids Class will not meet again until October.

Saturday, July 15

 PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Room. See Maria Hackshaw for more details.

Sunday-Saturday, July 16-22

 Forever Camp (formerly Jenkins/Blackmer Week) at CFBC for Age 10-Grade 12. Campers must register online at www.cfbiblecamp.org by July 8. Counselors and staff volunteers are needed. Donations are also needed to help with scholarships for campers and activities during the week. See Josh Blackmer for more details.

Sunday, July 30

- Wayne Parker Mission Report at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High and all adults will meet in the Auditorium.
- Wedding Shower for Jimmie Banks & Cherylann Wineinger at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at Amazon. See Casey Bound for more details.



Saturday, July 8

 Young Adult Devo at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Ivan & Amber Villard. See Ivan Villard for details.

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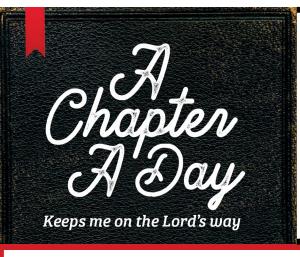
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Sunday, August 6

 Back-to-School Ice Cream Social after evening worship in the Family Room. Bring ice cream, toppings and drinks to share.

Sunday, August 20

 Youth & Family Singing after evening worship in the Family Room.



READING THROUGH THE

New Testament

IN A YEAR

For the Month of July

July 1	Day of Reflection	July 17	1 Corinthians 9
□ July 2	Romans 14	July 18	1 Corinthians 10
□ July 3	Romans 15	July 19	1 Corinthians 11
□ July 4	Romans 16	□ July 20	1 Corinthians 12
□ July 5	1 Corinthians 1	July 21	Mark Your Bible
□ July 6	1 Corinthians 2	July 22	Day of Reflection
□ July 7	Mark Your Bible	July 23	1 Corinthians 13
□ July 8	Day of Reflection	□ July 24	1 Corinthians 14
□ July 9	1 Corinthians 3	□ July 25	1 Corinthians 15
□ July 10	1 Corinthians 4	July 26	1 Corinthians 16
□ July 11	1 Corinthians 5	July 27	2 Corinthians 1
□ July 12	1 Corinthians 6	July 28	Mark Your Bible
□ July 13	1 Corinthians 7	□ July 29	Day of Reflection
□ July 14	Mark Your Bible	July 30	2 Corinthians 2
□ July 15	Day of Reflection	□ July 31	2 Corinthians 3
□ July 16	1 Corinthians 8		

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







Sunday, June 25

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. Marvens Belizaire; Mr. & Mrs. Paul & Sonia Davidson; Mr. Jeff Dorvain; Mrs. Melanie Heitman; Miss Halle Johnson; Mr. Don McClintock; Mrs. Liz Otero; and Mr. & Mrs. Arpit & Swati Samson.

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Walt & Hazel Arthur, Nashville, TN; Mr. Bill Cline, Tallahassee, FL; Ms. Dorcas Francois, St. Croix, US Virgin Islands; Mr. Andrew Jenkins, Melbourne, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Keith & Susan Joy, Vero Beach, FL; Mrs. Lisa Lewis, Humboldt, TN; Mr. & Mrs. Jon & Kristen Reames, Franklin, TN; and Mr. & Mrs. Chuck & Mary Reeves, Jackson,



We rejoice with Ryan Smedberg who was baptized on Saturday, June 24.





Sunday, July 2nd Richard & Debi Watson (Ann.) Misty Hayes

Monday, July 3rd Bethany Leslie Julie Watson

Wednesday, July 5th

Rachel Byerly Debora Lynch Jim Rogers

Wednesday, July 5th (cont.)

Amy West

Thursday, July 6th

Derrick & Stahia Banks (Ann.)

Jeff Goodale

Friday, July 7th

Ted & Laura Schuemann (Ann.)

Saturday, July 8th

Paul & Lisa Metzkes (Ann.)

Those to Serve

If you are unable to serve, please contact the Service Coordinator for the week or Rick Hall at 827-4269. 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 <u>Sunday evening</u>, please meet at the front of the auditorium at <u>5:50 p.m.</u>

Sunday Morning, July 2

SingingVarious Men Opening PrayerRon Brackett Scripture Reading.....Novel Brown Singing Lord's Supper.....Richard Watson Contribution Singing Sermon Singing Closing Prayer Dirk Summerlot

Serve at Table:

Lance Collier Jack Holoman Michael Erickson Jim Rogers James Green Joseph Snyder **Graysen Hayes** Cristian Suarez **Hunter Hinton** Marty Williams

Sunday Evening, July 2

SingingVarious Men Opening Prayer.....Johnny Davis Scripture Reading David Payne Singing Lord's Supper...... Jeff Leslie Contribution Singing Sermon Singing Closing Prayer.....Jerry Hopkins Serve at Table: Trey Higbee Joe Maloney

Audio this week: Buzz Nelson Computer this week: Daniel Lord Video this week: Todd Juckett

Service Coordinator: Ushers for this week: Rick Hall & Islay Rodriguez **Bob Higbee** Safety Team for this week: Lawrence Williams

Wednesday Evening, July 5

Singing	Van Villard
Invitation	Willie Smith
Family Prayer	Tim Fry

Our Record

Attendance	<u>June 25</u>	May Avg
Sun. Bible Study	179	190
Sun. AM Worshi	p 260	290
Sun. PM Worshi	p 119	120
Wed. Bible Study	y 125	125
Contribution	\$15,884	\$16,106

2023 Weekly Budget: \$16,450 Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$11,264



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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. Worship6:00 p.m. Wednesday:

Bible classes 7:00 p.m.

Front Cover: First Elders Ordained at Palm Beach Lakes (April 12, 1964): Jean McMasters, Hayward Milton, Alvin Witt & Don Spurlock



6 Attitudes For Our Week

What kind of attitude do you put on toward others each day? There are several that could be easy to put on, such as angry outbursts in traffic when on the way to work or an impatient attitude in the grocery store. There are so many ways we can feel within our hearts, and even outwardly treat others, if we are not careful. What attitudes does the

Bible say we need to create within ourselves and show towards others?

A Spirit of Humility

We must remain humble (Col. 3:12) and esteem others higher than ourselves (Phil. 2:3). We must remember that we are not better or more important than others. As God has asked us, may we treat others with humility even when it is not easy!

A Spirit of Kindness

The Bible calls us to treat others with kindness (Eph. 4:32). This can be especially difficult when others have no desire to do the same. However, we must still take this instruction seriously and be kind, even if we feel someone does not deserve it!

A Spirit of Trustworthiness

Colossians 3:9 implores us to always tell the truth and

to be someone that others can trust. May we always be someone that others know does not spread lies and can be confided in or handed a task without hesitation.

A Spirit of Obedience

Jesus tells us that if we truly love Him, we will keep His commandments (John 14:15). To obtain the promises He has given, we must listen to what He asks us to do and not

> what we desire for ourselves. Others will see this, and it can certainly influence them in various ways. It may inspire them to do the same, or maybe build up the trust others have in you as they see your obedi-

A Spirit of Commitment

Even when times get tough, may we always press on and do the work that Christ asks of us. Paul shows us how to put on this attitude several times and shows us why (2 Tim. 1:12). He has confidence in Christ and his labor is not in vain. We can have that same confidence! May we stay committed to Christ and to the work in His church!

A Spirit of Focus

We must keep the focus on Christ (Heb. 12:1-2), pressing on towards the goal of heaven and not losing sight of it. There are many distractions in life that will try to turn us away, but may we never forget what lies ahead in eternity!

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