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Do all the good you can
In all the ways you can
In all the places you can
At all the times you can
To all the people you can
As long as you can.
-John Wesley

Praise be to God the Father and to His Son Jesus Christ.



Time

He has made everything appropriate in its time. He has also set eternity in their heart...

Ecclesiastes 3:11a

"Do not worry then, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear for clothing?' For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

Matthew 6:31-34

A few months ago, I saw the back and inside of an antique clock. The mechanism that enabled the clock to keep time was so intricate and ingenious. The moving parts each synchronized with the others, working together to keep time. Throughout history, we have continually made instruments with varying and greater complexity to keep time and keep us aware of the time. Today, we use complex electronic devices that fit in our hands to keep and tell us the time, meaning our phones. Yes, we have come a long way

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in our technology and instrumentation which allows us to know the time of day. We try to use our time, manage our time, schedule our time, and make the most of our time. Time moves quickly. Seasons change, years move forward, and life is measured and used day by day. We each get 24 hours. We do not get more, and we do not get less. Yes, we do different things with the time. We sleep, eat, go to school, work, spend time with family, or work on hobbies. Yet, it still remains true. We each are given 24 hours a day. So, how do we use our time most effectively, wisely?

Let me give you a simple answer. Pursue Jesus. Seek to know Jesus. Know and do His Word. Pray and follow His leading through His Word for the day. Let Jesus direct your steps. When you work, live, move, and do anything, make it your heart's desire to love Him, to worship Him, and to serve Him. (Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Mark 12:30; John 4:23). Jesus will lead you to rest and run, not at the world's pace, but at the pace that God has set for our lives. He will lead us to use our minutes, hours, days, weeks, months, and years, to make an eternal difference. Jesus can do much more with my time, when it is in His hands, than when I try to manage my time and make it work, using my own feeble human hands. He does the eternal and enables us to not become distracted and disheartened by the temporary. Time is always well spent, when it is spent with Jesus and He is Lord of our time.

Blessings! Pastor Tim





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Mark Sechler

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"If my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." -2 Chronicles 7:14

#### Serving this month

**ACOLYTES** Flint and Reed Breegle

> **GREETERS** OFFERING TEAM

October 5

Dave & Linda Henry Dave & Linda Henry and family

October 12

Steve & Connie Pletcher Steve & Connie Pletcher and friends

October 19

Pete Sanner family Pete Sanner family

October 26

Todd & Tracy Pritts Todd & Tracy Pritts and family

> If you are unable to acolyte, greet or usher on your Sunday, please find a replacement. Thank you.

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

October 5	Psalm 119:65-72	Dave Henry
October 12	Psalm 119:81-88	Connie Pletcher
October 19	Psalm 119:97-104	Tristan Pritts
October 26	Psalm 119:113-120	Mark Temple

#### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

October 5	Psalm 119:73-80	Linda Henry
October 12	Psalm 119: 89-96	Forrest Stark
October 19	Psalm 119: 105-112	Faith Millin
October 26	Psalm 119: 121-128	Rene Temple

If you are unable to read on your Sunday, please find a replacement. Thank you.

# Meeting needs The Bible emphasizes the importance of giving to people in need. In Matthew 6:1-4, Jesus describes the proper attitude for giving. Directions: Starting at the \*B and going counterclockwise, write every other letter on the lines below. Continue until you've completed Matthew 6:3, NIV.



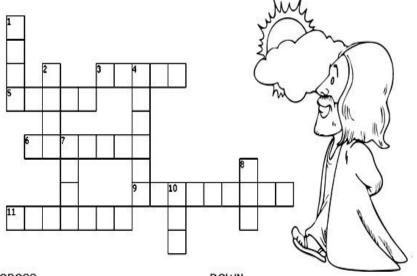
Answer: "But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing." Matthew 6:3, NIV

# 7 Important Ways

- 1. Pray for Fruit in His Daily Life
- 2. Pray for His Family
- 3. Pray for Wisdom and Revelation
- 4. Pray for His Love to Abound
- 5. Pray for Refreshment and Strength
- 6. Pray for Deliverance from Temptation
- 7. Pray for Power And Boldness in Preaching the Word

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### Got Jesus?



#### ACROSS

- 3. The organ in the body that pumps the blood
- 5. To make letters and words with a pen or pencil
- To accept as true, genuine, or real
- Evidence given by witness in court
- 11. Something that continues forever

#### DOWN

- 1. To understand something
- 2. The period from birth to death
- 4. To receive something willingly, such as a gift
- Someone who doesn't tell the truth
- 8. The creator and ruler of the universe
- 10. A male child

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Make these practical gifts to share blessings with homeless people and others in need.

#### What you need:

- Gallon-size zippered baggies
- Clothing (socks, mittens, scarves, rain ponchos)
- Travel-size toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, sunscreen, lip balm, lotion, tissues, bandages)
- Snacks
- Water bottles
- · Paper
- · Pencil

#### What you do:

- Pack baggies with supplies listed above (and more, if desired).
- Write encouraging notes (including Bible verses), and add them to the baggies.
- Keep the gifts in your car, and give them to people who are homeless or asking for help.



#### Agape has begun - Oct. 1st!

All children ages 5 through 6th grade are welcome to join us every Wednesday at Wesley Chapel from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Please come and join in on the fun! Contact Mark or Angie Millin for more information.

#### How well do you know the Bible?

In response to Jesus, Zacchaeus vowed to repay people he had defrauded; by how much did he promise to do so?



- A. In full
- B. Twice the amount he had stolen
- C. Threefold
- D. Fourfold

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Answer: D (See Luke 19:8)

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To all who helped to make the food and served it: You made the end of the day so special with the good food and fellowship. Thank you so much.

~ The Roy Pletcher family

Pastor & Church family,

Thank you so much for all the prayers, thoughts and gift baskets. You do not know how much we love you and appreciate you. Please continue with the prayers until we can get Ray back in tip-top condition and walking straight again.

~ Thanks again, Ray & Debby Ankeny

I would like to thank everyone for your thoughts, prayers, cards, phone calls and visits over the last year. Your thoughtfulness was very much appreciated.

~ Gerald Dumbauld

Wesley Chapel Church family,

On behalf of our family, we want to sincerely thank you for the love, prayers and support you have given us throughout these past two challenging years. Your kindness has carried us through both joyful and painful times. We are deeply grateful for all the love and support given to both mom & dad. Being part of such a caring church family is truly a blessing. We are reminded every day that faith is not just lived our in words, but in actions, and your actions have been a living example of Christ's love.

~ With gratitude & love, Vicki Merchant & Luke Ohler

Dear prayer warriors & angels of my Wesley Chapel church family, Thank you all so kindly for the very yummy basket of goodies my family and I enjoyed so very much. That was so kind and thoughtful of you all. Thanks most of all for your continued prayers. You all keep them coming and I feel them each and every day and when I run into one of you angels it just radiates and gives me such strength. Thank you for keeping me in this fight!

~ Love, Kristi Burkett

#### Hidden opposites

Self-help author Karen Salmansohn writes:

"You gotta look for the good in the bad, the happy in your sad, the gain in your pain, and what makes you grateful, not hateful."

As Resurrection people, we do "look for the good in the bad" — the life God raises out of death, the hope Christ offers beyond despair. But even faithful Christians can't expect to always find happy in the sad. Neither is our highest purpose in self-help, but in other-help — serving others as Jesus did.

Earthly happiness is temporary and circumstantial, but we find joy amid pain as the Holy Spirit reassures us that God is greater than this broken world. And practicing gratefulness is surely uplifting — for ourselves and others.

~Taken from Newsletter CD, WordContent, October 2015





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Thank you for supporting the work of One Mission Society!

Recently, the OMS Hungary team led an English camp in Letenye, Hungary, where children played games, sang songs, practiced English, and most importantly, heard about Jesus. For some, it was the first time they'd ever heard of Him. Because of generous support like yours, these Hungarian children were introduced to the life-changing love of Jesus. Thank you for supporting OMS, which makes ministries like this possible!



Gratefully, Jeff Edwards, OMS President

#### Christian Symbol: Oak



Oak trees are common in Israel, and, according to tradition, Jesus' cross may have been made of oak. In the Old Testament, oaks often symbolize strength and longevity. In Hebrew, the words for oak and providence are related, and some important biblical events take place near, or are marked by, oak trees; for example, "The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre ..." (Genesis 18:1, NRSV).

~Taken from Newsletter CD, WordContent, October 2015



Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party will be held in November. A date is currently being planned so stay tuned. Everyone will be invited to stop by and pack as many boxes as you have time for.

Come for an hour, come for the day, come help pray over the boxes and celebrate the children that we are packing boxes for! Can't attend the packing party? We are still in need of items to create quality packed shoeboxes. We are in need of hairbrushes, coloring books, toys, games, and jump ropes. Stuffed animals or deflated balls (with pump included) are always a great WOW purchase to place into the shoeboxes! Thank you to everyone that has been donating items and helping with creating quality items to place in the shoeboxes. If you don't have time to shop but would like to help, please see Mindy Singo about making monetary donations or building a shoebox online. Shoeboxes are now available for pickup in the fellowship hall and will need returned to the church no later than November 16th.

# OCTOBER IS HARVEST HOME MONTH



October is Harvest Home Month. You have the opportunity to share your blessings of food and supplies to those who are less fortunate. A table will be set up in the narthex the entire month of October to collect your donations. Commercially canned foods and food products may be placed on the table in the hallway. Donations of fresh produce should be brought the last week of the month to prevent spoilage. All donations will be given to the Rockwood Food Pantry. Your generous donations and participation will be much appreciated. Please contact Luella Pletcher with any questions.

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Over a year ago, I had a family friend who is a member of the Berlin Brethren Church ask me if I would be interested in serving on a mission trip with their youth group because she felt led to present me with the same opportunity.



I believe the Lord was presenting me with this opportunity for many reasons. Our mission trip was going to be to Esquipulas, Nicaragua. We began preparing for our trip with monthly meetings, where we did various things in preparation for our services. We each prepared a testimony for the trip to share with the church during our week. For myself, this was powerful to listen to how Jesus came into everyone's lives and made such an impact. We all felt led to share our story. Our service projects for the week consisted of VBS, fixing the church, and food distribution. My favorite part of the trip was getting to meet all of the people in Nicaragua and being able to create a relationship with them that will last a lifetime. My most impactful moment of the trip was the closing ceremony. They celebrated us and our impact on them by performing a closing ceremony that left me speechless. Not only did we impact their lives, but they impacted mine in ways I cannot begin to describe. Jesus is working through all of us to touch each other and to spread his word and it can happen in countless ways. We didn't even speak the same languages and were able to communicate through Him. It is amazing.

We did have what we called our fun day during our trip. On this day we went volcano boarding. We climbed an active volcano which took about an hour and a half to get to the top. During our hike to the top, the volcano next to us erupted twice. We suited up in full gear from head to toe, and they give us a sled to slide down the volcano. It took me like 26 seconds to get to the bottom on the sled. There were a few cuts and bruises, and one of us even got thrown off the board, but it was a great time and a once in a lifetime opportunity. It was enjoyed by the entire mission team who got really close during this entire adventure, from start to finish. ~Written by Seth Kimmel

Right: The entire Praying Pelicans Mission Team



Lord is able to forgive us if we repent. God gave us Jesus to die for us, and His blood washes us white as snow. Jesus died and was resurrected so the comforter (the Holy Spirit) could come to guide us through this world.

It is time, as Christ's followers, to open ourselves to the Holy Spirit to guide us through the journey here on earth. It is time to align ourselves with Jesus' teachings. When you're in a situation ask yourself before you act, "What would Jesus do?"

We need to pray more often, reject ungodliness, be bold to let actions show what we believe to this world. Be intentional with your faith. Study God's Word. Which version of the Bible should I read? The one you'll study and just not leave on a table or in a bookcase.

Be an active Christ follower. Be hungry to express your faith. Especially in your actions (behaviors). As you express your faith, your trust in our Lord will increase.

At the end of the New Testament, John (who wrote Revelation) weeps because it seemed that no one was worthy to open the scrolls. Then one of the elders said there is one, "The Lion of the tribe of Judah", the root of David (the Christ, Lamb, Jesus.) Please take time to read Revelation 5:4-6.

~ Written by a fellow sister in Christ

Please join us as we honor our Pastor Tim Monteith and his family for Pastor Appreciation Month. Worship service time on Sunday, October 26th will be at 10:30 a.m. A catered meal will be provided in the fellowship hall following the worship service. Please note, there



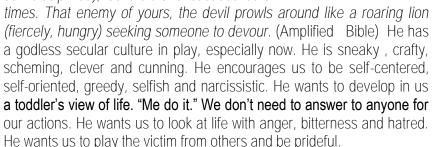
will be no Sunday school this day. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex. While there is no charge for the meal, donations will be accepted. For additional information please see Todd Pritts.

#### Which Lion will you align yourself with here on earth?

There is Satan the fallen archangel or Jesus Christ the lamb, the King of the tribe of Judah. We live with tension of these two lions circling the world. The role of the evil one is personal, trying to lead to our persecutions and destruction through our sins. Our Lord wants the best for us, for now and throughout eternity.

#### Let's look at the characteristics of the Devil:

1 Peter 5:8 - Be sober (well balanced and self disciplined), be alert and cautious at all



Now lets look at "Lion of the tribe of Judah." (The lamb Christ) He is an AWESOME Lord. He is the author and creator of our lives. He wants the best for our lives. Our God sent His Son to experience everything that can happen to us on earth. Sorrow, unfulfillment, doubt, rejection, great misunderstanding among friends, betrayal, etc. We can look at our situations from the Lord's perspective, responding with forgiveness, humility, mercy, peace and sincerity. He wants us to be balanced, honest and genuine. He gives us peace that surpasses all human understanding. It says in John 14:27, Peace I leave with you. My (perfect) peace I give to you; not as the world gives to you...

John 10:10, The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it overflows. (Amplified Bible)

The Lion of the tribe of Judah is able to forgive us when we sin. Our

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Above: Location of mission trip.



Above: Mission team assists a local family





Left photos: Seth Kimmel helps with building and food distribution.



Left: The Praying Pelican Missions Team try their hand at volcano boarding.



Left: Some of the mission team present to Wesley Chapel





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