

# The McLish Avenue Messenger

This is the message we have heard from Him... God is Light (1 John 1:5).

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*This New Testament passage quotes an Old Testament passage. Where is the Old Testament passage found?*

*“You will not allow Your Holy One to see corruption.”*

Acts 13:35 (NKJV)

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*Schedule of Services*

*Sunday*

Bible Study ..... 9:30 am

Worship ..... 10:30 am

Worship ..... 6:00 pm

*Wednesday*

Bible Study ..... 7:00 pm

Part one

## The Simple Gospel

H. Leo Boles

No book written by man has so many simple words as the New Testament. There is an air of simplicity about the biographies of Jesus which, like the breezes from the Galilean hills, blows upon our sophisticated minds. The gospel has not been recorded in philosophical phraseology, scientific terms, complicated sentences, or the dialects of angels; but it has been expressed in the simplest terms so that children can understand.

Man has muddied the stream of divine thought by theological and ecclesiastical terms and phrases until it is much more difficult to understand the doctrines of men than the simple teachings of the New Testament. The gospel of Jesus contains the truths of God's will so plain and clear that the untrained minds of innocent children can catch and follow them.

Teachers often confuse by their explanation, when, if they would just let the New Testament speak, the simplicity of thought would be gained. While on earth, Jesus replaced the traditions of men with respect to the law by his simple teachings. The instructions given to Christians as to how to live the Christian life can be understood. No one has a just complaint to make against the requirements of the New Testament toward a simple life.

The Gospel Was Understood When It Was First Heard

The proof of the simplicity of the gospel is seen in the record of

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the conversions. When the multitude came together on the day of Pentecost and heard the miraculous manifestations of the apostles speaking in tongues, they were astonished and accused the apostles of being drunken. Peter stood up with the eleven and gave a simple explanation of what had occurred.

He calmly pointed to the prophecy of Joel and recited that prophecy to the people. He then called attention to what they had observed. In a simple way, he pointed out the facts and showed

that what they were observing was a fulfillment of the prophecy of Joel. With that out of the way, he then proceeded to unfold to them the claims of Jesus of Nazareth, and by the quotation from David showed that (they) should have expected just what had transpired. Since the prophecies were fulfilled in Jesus, he must be what he claimed to be—the Son of God, the promised Messiah. Step by step, argument and conclusion closely following each other, Peter convinced many that Jesus was the Saviour of the world.

*Continued next week ...*

**Children's homes West-view** will be back **July 19th** and is requesting: 100% juice, canned fruit, sweetened cereal, baked beans, Tang/Kool-aid, olive and vegetable oils, sliced jalapenos, evaporated milk, Eagle Brand milk, tabasco/Louisiana hot sauces, Clorox wipes, liquid Cascade, foil, toilet paper and paper towels.



## Great Chapters Study Series



Continuing through the summer months, we will have a study on Wednesday nights on great Bible chapters. If you would like to study the chapter ahead

of time, they are included in our calendar on the back page.

**Order forms** for the 2010 t-shirt are on the table in the foyer. Cost per shirt is \$11.50. Orders are due today.

**Debate** Kevin has agreed to debate on the issue of using the first day of the week as a day of worship in Ontario, Canada. He will be gone the week of the 23rd as the debate will be August 25-26th. If you can help with the costs of this trip, please let Kevin know.

**Need a ride to services?** If you need the van to pick you up for services, please see **Steve Mann, Scott Saner**, or one of the elders.

**Request forms** are available on the table in the foyer if you would like a copy of any of the lessons from our recent meeting or any Sunday worship service.



Tammy Gravelle is collecting labels for the children's home. Both soup labels and Duncan Hines labels can be redeemed by them for equipment and supplies.



Remember  
Our Sick

Betty Higgins has another appointment regarding her back pain scheduled on August 6th in OKC. Ben's dad, **Rex Bailey**, had shoulder surgery last week. Ruth Parker asks for prayers on behalf of two friends who have fallen: **Dorothy Beavers** crushed her elbow & it can't be repaired at her age (92); **Mrs. McDow** is recovering from the fall, but was given medicine in the ER to which she was allergic. Lucy Hagen reports that **Beth Shelton** is still in ICU, but that **Freda Knapp** is much improved. Cecil Hargrove's great-nephew, **Adam Hargrove**, is in the military hospital in Spokane, Washington undergoing testing. They think he might have cancer of the spleen. Please continue to remember: **Nancy McClanahan** • **Ben Love** • **Kathleen Clifton**, Kathie's 85 year-old mother • **Christie Bailey** • **Louise Harris's mother** • **Nita Padgett** • **Sue Mann** • Glenda Vinson's sister **Nelda Grant** • Joyce Gilliam's sister, **Flo Brown** • **Jean Cary** • Ruth Parker's friend **Mary Jo Marley** • **John Parton**, Norma Perkins' grandson • **Dorothea Phillips** • **Carla Evans** • **Gracie Smith** • **Jamie Feroli** • **Mary Ann Ashley** • **Bessie Childress** • **Ruth Minyard** • **Patti Culpepper** • **Jerry & Glenda Vinson** • **Murray Goforth** • **Deborah Thomas' mother** • **Pat Ballard's mother** • **Madeline Minyard** • and those shut in/nursing home members.

**Today** at noon we will gather for a fellowship meal. If you are visiting with us, we would love to have you as our guest. There is always an abundance of food and we'd like to get you know you better!



OBI will have their mobile unit here after morning services on July 18th. Scott Saner will contact those that have donated in the past or expressed an interest to set up donation times. Whole blood and 2 unit donations are being planned.

**Ice cream social** After evening services on Sunday, July 18th, everyone is encouraged to join in an ice cream social. Please bring a freezer of your favorite ice cream or a dessert.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### July

- 2 Camdyn Pearson
- 9 Dana Meece  
Kayla Walker
- 10 Braden Willingham
- 11 Melba Culbreth
- 12 Lonnie Harris  
Lori Patrick  
Gail Stewart
- 14 Nancy Bugbee
- 16 David & Linda Johnson '65
- 17 Virgie Burchfield  
David Johnson
- 18 Ethan Aldridge  
Collin Aldridge
- 19 Cody Murray  
Colten Brinkley
- 20 Bobby "Trey" Austin  
Sue Creecy
- 21 Barton Pettit
- 24 Doug & Rhenea Aldridge  
Steve & Toni Mann '87
- 26 Thomas Matlock
- 27 Keyla Scaggs
- 29 James & Dana Meece '72
- 30 Colin Saner

### August

- 2 Alyssa Pearson  
Kevin & Chelsea Pendergrass '08  
Kathie Clifton
- 3 W.O. & Gloria Clark '62
- 4 Paul Giles
- 6 Shelly Hicks

# Kevin's schedule

Aug 23-28 Ontario, Canada



## Today

noon Fellowship meal

## July 5

Congregation offices closed

## July 7

7:00 pm Great Bible Chapters - Rom 8, Ronnie Byrd

## July 14

7:00 pm Great Bible Chapters - Ps 23, FA Shellenberger

## July 15

6:00 pm 39 & Over meet

## July 18

12:00 pm Blood Drive at building  
7:00 pm Ice Cream Social

# God's Plan for Man

Hear Romans 10:17 • Believe John 8:24

Repent Luke 13:3 • Confess Romans 10:10

Be Baptized Mark 16:16 • Be Faithful Revelation 2:10

## Those to Serve Today

Announcements.....	Ronnie Byrd		
Lord's Table	Scott Saner	Todd Hicks	Jerry Beavers
	Kenneth Parker	Doug Aldridge	Bobby Wallace
Song Leader.....	Randy Scott	PM Opening Prayer.....	Alex Vinson
AM Scripture .....	Steve Mann	PM Closing Prayer.....	Todd Hicks
AM Opening Prayer .....	James Gravelle	PM Lord's Supper.....	Scott Saner
AM Closing Prayer .....	John Johnson		
Greeters July 4 & 7 .....	Cecil Hargrove, Ron, Peggy & Daniel Jones		



## Broadcast Schedule

July 11 Philippians Lesson #3-All Things Loss for Christ

Psalm 16:10  
*Scripture from front page:*

## Elders

**Charles Aldridge**  
710 15th NW  
223-4602

**Vernon Castleman**  
3533 Dogwood Road  
223-0983

**James Meece**  
909 Davis  
223-7637

## Deacons

**Fred Bellomy**  
223-3240

**Martin Dotson**  
226-6450

**James Gravelle**  
223-7911

**Todd Hicks**  
504-2829

**Ron Jones**  
223-7268

**Steve Mann**  
223-7246

**Scott Saner**  
465-5785

**Jerry Vinson**  
223-3865