

# 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?

“For Moses truly said to the fathers, ‘The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear in all things, whatever He says to you.’”

Acts 3:22 (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 three

## Can We Really Live For Jesus?

Johnny Ramsey

**The Power of a Life of Purity:** Christianity demands our very best because it is demonstrated by purity of life. The basic, fundamental values of the religion of Christ can best be seen in His life: "One that hath been in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin...Him who knew no sin he made (to be) sin on our behalf; that we might become the righteousness of God in him" (Heb 4:15; 2 Cor 5:21). It was said of Jesus, "He went about doing good" (Acts 10:38). So do His followers, because Christ "suffered for you, leaving you an example, that ye should follow his steps" (1 Pet 2:21).

The same values seen in the life of Jesus are seen in the dedicated demeanor of His fervent disciples. Too many times the world receives a faulty impression of the way of the cross because of our failure to portray the ethics of godliness. In Paul's letter to the Philippians, we learn anew of the intense value and power of a life that magnifies Christ and shares the message of the Redeemer with others (Phil 1:20,21). Oh, what demands the gospel places upon devotees of the Savior! There is an enthralling stanza of a seldom-used gospel song that ought to ring in the ears of every Christian: Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me, All His wonderful passion and purity, May His spirit divine, All my being refine, Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me.

**The Power Of A Living Hope:** Christianity is great because it brings hope, optimism and joy into the daily walk of children of the heavenly Father. Trusting in the Creator (Prov 3:5), instead of earth's vain trinkets, gives us the enrichment that only the hope of heaven can bequeath to us. Hope includes faith, but it also is assurance. We have that because of the resurrection of Jesus: "God...begat us again unto a

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# Really Live For Jesus

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living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" (1 Pet 1:3).

Christians never look back to a life of sin, but ever press on to the beautiful home of the soul. As parents, we choose early in life to etch indelibly into the mural and fabric of our children's lives that we, "Look for the city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God...look for a better country,

that is, a heavenly" (Heb 11:10, 16).

A careful man I ought to be,  
A little fellow follows me.  
I do not dare to go astray,  
For fear he'll go the self-same way.

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## Children's homes

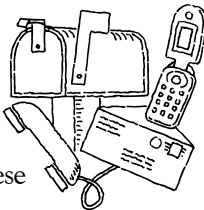
Hope Harbor was thrilled to pick up the donated items last week. Westview will be back in July and is requesting: 100% juice, canned fruit, sweetened cereal, baked beans, Tang/Kool-aid, olive and vegetable oils, sliced jalapenos, evaporated milk, Eagle Brand milk, tabasco/Louisiana hot sauces, Clorox wipes, liquid Cascade, foil, toilet paper and paper towels.



**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.

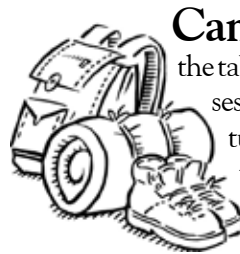
## Directory update

Nancy Parker's home phone number is 580.224.0202 and her cellphone number is 405.343.2408. Please update your directory with these new numbers.



**Pantry** Teachers, please encourage your Bible students to bring one pantry item each week. This will help each student develop a giving spirit.

**The Gospel of Christ** The website continues to be a source of information for many who are searching on the internet. If you have a friend or relative in another congregation, please jot down their name and phone number and give it to Kevin. He'd like to use these contacts to help open doors for him to speak about *The Gospel of Christ*.



**Camp forms** are available on the table in the foyer for Floyd Johnson's session at Pettijohn Springs. Please turn in your registration form into the office by **May 16th**. The elders will pay the registration for our youth to attend.

**Media** Tammy keeps the center display rack at the back of the auditorium filled with a selection of *The Gospel of Christ* CDs and DVDs. If there is something that is not out that you'd like copies of, order forms are in the tract rack on the right side.

**Assistance** It would be greatly appreciated if everyone could check the pew around where they sit after each service to see if there are items that need to be thrown away.



### Remember Our Sick

**Sue Mann** goes back to St Anthony's tomorrow to being another round of chemo. Both **Christie Bailey** and **Betty Higgins** had back treatments at the end of last week. **John Parton**, **Norma Perkins'** grandson, has been moved to a nursing facility in Stillwater. Please continue to remember: **Freda Knapp • Dorothea Phillips • Kevin Pendergrass • Jean Cary • Carla Evans • Ginger Waller's father • Dora Hector • Esther Godwin • Ben Tomlinson • Brenda Anderson • Gracie Smith • Jamie Feroli • Mary Ann Ashley • Bessie Childress • Ruth Minyard • Patti Culpepper • Jerry & Glenda Vinson • Murray Goforth • Deborah Thomas' mother • Dorthea Phillips • Pat Ballard's mother • Madeline Minyard •** and those shut in/nursing home members.

**Response** Wednesday night **Kevin Lewis** responded to the invitation. He confessed that he has had problems with anger and wanted to repent from sins that accompanied. He also asked for forgiveness from any he has offended. Please keep bro **Kevin** in your prayers and take the opportunities to encourage that are presented to you.

**Youth activities** If you have a young person living in your home, you have the opportunity to sign up for one month's activities. The sign-up sheet is at the back of the auditorium. Please pick a date and decide what activity you want to organize. Once you have decided on the activity, other parents can assist in getting it pulled together!



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



## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### May

- 8 Arlene Castleman  
Bo & Huberta Fore '51
- 11 Bo Fore
- 14 Helen Walker  
Claire Castleman  
Floyd Johnson
- 16 Rhenea Aldridge
- 18 Ben Bailey
- 19 Edith Hobbs
- 21 Gerald Beavers
- 22 Jason & Leah Smith '04
- 23 Alex Vinson  
Brooke Murray  
Larry Waller
- 26 Chock & Mary Aldridge

### June

- 1 Colton Feroli  
Earl & Sue Mann '56
- 2 Olga Stinson
- 4 Zachary Bugbee
- 5 Lonnie & Louise Harris '93
- 6 Deborah & Billy Williams '87
- 7 Joseph & Betty Tipton '68  
Nathan Bailey
- 11 Robbie Boutte
- 12 Terry & Melissa Waller
- 13 Clarine Wainscott  
Beverly Sadler  
Deborah Willaims
- 14 Patti Culpepper  
David Aldridge
- 19 Ben & Christie Bailey '99
- 22 Hannah Bailey

# Great Chapters

## Study Series



Beginning in June and going through the summer months, we will have a study on Wednesday nights on great Bible chapters.

### 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.



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.

## 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

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## Those to Serve Today

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Announcements.....	Jerry Beavers		
Lord's Table.....	Ronnie Byrd	Scott Saner	James Meece
	John Johnson	Bo Fore	Cecil Hargrove
Song Leader.....	Chock Aldridge	PM Opening Prayer.....	Ronnie Byrd
AM Scripture.....	Colin Saner	PM Closing Prayer.....	Lovel Hughes
AM Opening Prayer.....	Vernon Castleman	PM Lord's Supper.....	Scott Saner
AM Closing Prayer.....	Harold Dillard		
Greeters May 9 & 12.....	Chock & Mary Aldridge, Tom Matlock		

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### Elders

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223-4602

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

**James Meece**  
909 Davis  
223-7637

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### Deacons

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**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

## Kevin's schedule

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### May 12

7:00 pm David Johnson gives devotional

### May 16

Camp registrations due in office

### May 19

7:00 pm Scott Saner gives devotional

### May 20

6:00 pm 39 & Over meet

### May 26

7:00 pm Ben Bailey gives devotional



### June 2

7:00 pm Great Bible Chapters - Acts 2, Ben Bailey

### June 6

noon Fellowship meal  
Floyd Johnson camp session begins

### June 9

7:00 pm Great Bible Chapters - 2 Cor 5, James Gravelle

Deuteronomy 18:15  
*Scripture from front page:*