

Send the Fire Truck!

In a small eastern Kentucky town, the local police chief also served as part of the Volunteer Fire Department. His job was to answer the phone and in the event of a fire was to ring the fire bell to summons all the volunteer firemen in the county. One Saturday morning, the phone rang and the chief answered, Fire department. Out of the ear phone came the terrified voice of a woman yelling, Hurry, send the fire truck!, but immediately hang up the phone. The chief sat there stunned. Send it where? In a very few minutes, the phone rang again, and the chief again answered, Fire department. Once more, in hysterical cries, the voice on the other end of the phone cried, Hurry! Hurry!, send the fire truck, and again immediately hung up the phone. The chief was even more perturbed. He ran out into the street and surveyed the scene for a full 360 degrees, looking for smoke. No smoke. Where was the fire? Whose house was going up in flames? Were there children who were in danger? All these things flitted through his mind. He heard the phone rang again, and on the way back to the station office, he devised a way to keep the lady on the phone long enough to find where to send the fire truck. He grabbed the phone, and yelled, Where's the fire? The voice on the other end returned the yell by saying, In the kitchen! and promptly hung up the phone once more. So much of what is called religion is a lot like this humorous situation. Insufficient information leaves people insufficiently informed and the lack of information promotes nothing but insufficient confusion. Only the full truth of God satisfies every situation in life. ADAPTED

We are so glad you are here today and hope you are enjoying your break from school. We are saddened to report that the Lads to Leaders Convention this year has been cancelled. We know you worked very hard this year and were so impressed that 28 of you were participating. Alison and I look forward to celebrating your accomplishments with our church family soon in recognition of your hard work. Please pray for those who are affected by the corona virus, and pray for our church family during this time. Stay well and may the Lord bless and keep your family in good health.

"Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows." Matthew 10:31

Doug

Monday Night For The Master and All Bible Classes and worship services HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE BECAUSE OF THE CONORAVIRUS OUTBREAK

A teacher was having trouble teaching arithmetic to Little Johnny. So she said, "If you reached into your right pocket and found a nickel, and you reached into your left pocket and found another one, what would you have?"

"Somebody else's pants," said Little Johnny.

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sun: 9:30 AM Class
10:30 AM Worship
6:00 PM Evening
Wed: 7:00 PM

"It's Like A Tall Glass Of Water"

I'm so grateful for the chance God has given us to gather together and get our minds focused on Him each Lord's Day. We all have busy schedules and we all tend to lose our focus on God, but it's amazing what a few hours of Bible study, singing, praying and fellowship can do. It helps get us through the next week. It helps encourage me to be a better person and a better Bible student. I've heard it said that Sundays are like a tall glass of water after a long day out in the sun. It's refreshing, re-energizing, and rejuvenating. I urge you, brethren, if you ever feel like you just can't possibly go on any longer, if you can't seem to keep control of what's going on around you, if life just seems to never give you a break, remember that the Lord will provide your strength and refuge! "The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to Him in song" (Psa 28:7). The Lord is where we find joy. It's the Lord where we can find the strength to press on through whatever the world may throw at us. And what better place to get that strength than with the brethren at worship service? David wrote, "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go into the house of the Lord'" (Psa 122:1). We understand that Gatorade, Powerade, Vitamin Water, etc., all help us re-energize after a long, hard workout. Then why don't we let the Lord re-energize us after a long, hard week of being in the world? There is no better place to be on Sundays and Wednesdays than at worship, worshipping with the saints. Not because we have to, but because we get to approach God in song, in prayer, in study, and we get to give Him our worries and cares. The Lord's day is the best day of the week! When someone asks you "How's Your Day Going?", every day do better when I worship God on the Lord's Day.

DAN

**Coronavirus still dominates.
All services are being suspended
in accordance with Government
and CDC guidelines for the next
two weeks.**



From Dan's desk:

Because of the Coronavirus, the Dogwood Trails were cancelled this year. Along with other events all over our nation. In order for us to follow government medical guidelines, all normal, routine services and activities have been cancelled until further notice. Hopefully in two weeks we will be able to resume normal activities and worship services. We are making an attempt to do what we can to help curb the threat of infections in anyone. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. The Mayor, STEVE PRESLEY spoke last Sunday in the activity building at the luncheon. His words were informative and several asked questions. We really appreciate him coming to worship and for the luncheon. Our thanks to Pam Galloway, Beth Freeman, Charles McCullough and others who helped. The meal was great. Thanks also to Doug Rader for setting up the tables last Saturday night. It was a wonderful day, even though we didn't have as many as usual. We were down in attendance last Sunday as we anticipated. Things will level off soon. We will be back to normal soon. Let's continue to pray for those who have been ill with this dreaded illness and do what we can to prevent additional occurrences. We know that this is frightening for all. Let's continue to pray to our Father in heaven who is much bigger than any malady or virus that might come down the pike. We thank you for being present. We believe that it is import to worship our Lord God. We hope you will do that in your own home. Jesus said, "Where two or more gathered in my name there will I be also." Matt. 18:20 If for some reason that we can be of help to you, please call on us. We love you all and pray for you and your family. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

CECIL STANALAND continues to improve following his recent hospitalization.

AMANDA LANE had a stress test this last Wednesday in Tyler.

WILLETTE RASURE is better but has been moved to Tru-Care nursing facility.

DAVID CARDER is improving following his recent hospitalization

Prayer list available in the foyer

SERMON STREAMING LIVE ON FACEBOOK

You can watch and listen to the sermon by Dan Sunday morning at 10:30 A.M. on the church's Facebook.

MONEY TREE

A money Tree was given to Andrew and Caitlyn Petty at the luncheon last Sunday. They were recently married and almost \$400. was contributed. We are happy for them.

"Is Your Worship Based On Impulse?"

When men backslide from God, Paul said they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed for ever (Rom. 1:25). The creation of images and idols is known as idolatry condemned severely in scripture (1 John 5:21). Christians worship God alone (Matt. 4:10; John 4:23-24). Because the Bible has the only true information about God, the way Christians worship must be dictated by the truth of God's word. That worship is not the result of inward impulse, but conformity to what God himself has allowed in his word. But still there is an inward urge to worship. When trouble strikes, the urge to turn to God is natural. It is wrong to limit to troublesome times. Jeremiah rebuked the idolatrous Jews as those who, say to a stock, Thou art my father; and to a stone, Thou hast brought me forth: for they have turned their back unto me, and not their face; *but in the time of their trouble* they will say, Arise, and save us (Jer. 2:27). Whether it be idolatry or infidelity, it satisfies only in tranquil and prosperous times. No sooner does trouble come, than the deep conviction of the existence of a God, which is the witness for Him in our heart, resumes its authority, and man prays. Christians also have an impulse to worship when their hearts are filled with joy. The Psalmist expressed it thus: Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God my exceeding joy . . . (Psa. 43:4). Today we assemble to offer to God the praise of worship so justly due to him. Whether it is from the burden of hurt we feel or the joy experienced, let us benefit from the greatest privilege ever offered to God's people, an opportunity to worship and honor our God. DAN