

THE BULLETIN

THIS WEEK:

Sunday:

Bible Study & Worship

Tuesday:

Ladies Night Out

Wednesday:

Bible Study

Saturday:

Pre-Teen Devo – 4 to 6

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 15th:

Teen Devo

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE:

Month of May

Announcements:

Luther Honey

Singing:

a.m. – Mark Nortz

p.m. – Luther Honey

Wed. – Luther Honey

Prayer:

Doug Myers

Bible Reading:

Preaching:

Doug Frazier

Lord's Supper:

Dick Tudor

Greg Green

Tim Stanley

Jon Lydon

May

Prepare communion

Angie Stokes

4th Sunday Fellowship:

Beverly Mikell

Kim Mikell

Pam Myers

The following article is taken from a publication of the church of Christ at Creekwood in Mobile, Alabama

The Love of a Mother

Solomon Rosenberg, his wife, his 2 sons, and his mother and father were arrested and placed in a Nazi concentration camp during the Holocaust of WWII. It was a labor camp and the rules were simple: "As long as you can do your work, you are permitted to live. When you become too weak to do your work, then you will be exterminated."

Rosenberg watched his mother and father being marched off to their deaths when they became too weak to work. He knew that his youngest son, David, would be next because David had always been a frail child.

Every evening when Rosenberg came back into the barracks after his hours of labor, he would search for the faces of his family. When he found them, they would huddle together, embrace one another, and thank God for another day of life.

One day Rosenberg came back, but he didn't see those familiar faces. He finally discovered his oldest son, Joshua, in a corner, huddled, weeping, and praying. He said, "Josh, tell me it's not true." Joshua turned and said, "It is true, Poppa. Today David was not strong enough to do his work, so they came for him."

"But WHERE is your mother?" asked Mr. Rosenberg.

"Oh Poppa," he exclaimed. "When they came for David, he was afraid and he was crying. Momma said, **'There is nothing to be afraid of, David,'** and then she took his hand and went with him."

* Melvin M. Newland, in "A Mother's Love," www.sermoncentral.com, reported to be a true story.

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There are few things as strong as the love of a mother for her children – a love so strong that it would choose to give up life so her child can be comforted.

The love of Mrs. Rosenberg pictures the sacrificial love Jesus has for US.

In order to take away OUR fear of death, He went before us (Hebrews 2:14-15).

He met death "head on" – in fact, He died for us so that we might have the forgiveness of sins and the hope of eternal life (Ephesians 1:7; 1 Thessalonians 5:10). Jesus was buried but emerged from the grave victorious, so that WE might have hope in the Resurrection. "O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory? Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 15:55, 57).

The victory belongs to THOSE who submit their lives to Christ: [believing](#) in Him (Acts 16:30-31), turning from sin in [repentance](#) (Acts 17:30-31), [confessing](#) Him before men (Romans 10:9-10), and being [baptized](#) (immersed) for the forgiveness of our sins (Acts 2:38). Victory will continue to be enjoyed by those who continue to follow Jesus faithfully for the rest of their lives (1 John 1:7).

"As one whom his mother comforts, So I will comfort you," says the Lord (Isaiah 66:13).

Will YOU "take His hand" in trusting obedience?

[David A. Sargent](#), Minister

A VIRTUOUS WOMAN: Proverbs 31:10-31

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies.

The heart of her husband does safely trust in her, so that he will have no need of spoil.

She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

She seeks wool, and flax, and works willingly with her hands.

She is like the merchants' ships; she brings her food from afar.

She rises also while it is yet night, and gives meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens.

She considers a field, and buys it: with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.

She girds her loins with strength, and strengthens her arms.

She perceives that her merchandise is good: her candle goes not out by night.

She lays her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.

She stretches out her hand to the poor; yea, she reaches forth her hands to the needy.

She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet.

She makes herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple.

Her husband is known in the gates, when he sits among the elders of the land.

She makes fine linen, and sells it; and delivers girdles unto the merchant.

Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.

She opens her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.

She looks well to the ways of her household, and eats not the bread of idleness.

Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her.

Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excels them all.

Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that fears the LORD, she shall be praised.

Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

Commentary by Adam Clark

And let her own works praise her in the gates. Let what she has done be spoken of for a memorial of her; let her bright example be held forth in the most public places. Let it be set before the eyes of every female, particularly of every wife, and especially of every mother; and let them learn from this exemplar, what men have a right to expect in their wives, the mistresses of their families, and the mothers of their children. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEACHER NEEDED: We are in need of a teacher for the 3rd/4th grade class on Sunday mornings. We are also in need of a teacher for the teenage class on Sunday mornings. Anyone willing to step in and help, please let Dwight know.

TRAVELERS: Mary Ellen Swain is still traveling. Jonathan Thompson is getting prepared to travel to South Carolina. Patty and Luther and Jon Lydon are in Mt. Doro today. Several are traveling this holiday weekend. Please pray for those traveling.

HIGH SPRINGS CHURCH OF CHRIST: Several of our members attended the fun day at Florida Bible Camp that was sponsored by the High Springs church of Christ.

SICK AND/OR INJURED:

- Jean Gause continues to be in a lot of pain. Please continue to pray that the doctors can find some kind of relief for her.
- Continue to remember Rhonda Howe, Kim Land (Connie Cauthen's sister-in-law), Bob Earnhart (Blu's uncle), Jean Gause, Larry Pahman's father, Patty Earnhart, Cathryn Scruggs, Mike Elledge, Randy Adams, Shirley Rogers, Carl Lee, Sherrelle Kendrick, Randy Howe's mother, Linda Martin, Tommy Mikell, Ann Ewing, Diane Jones, Terry Dickerson (nephew of Ruth Gufford), Betty Hitchcock, Shirley Kirby, Carolyn Canady (Rhonda's Mom), James Harrison, Edward Brown.

Please keep these loved ones in your prayers. Many of those who have chronic conditions suffer from day to day. Those that are confined need not only our prayers but visits, calls, cards or letters.

LADIES NIGHT OUT: Our monthly LNO will be May 10th at 7:00PM. We will be meeting at Conestoga's in Alachua.

PRE-TEEN DEVOTIONAL: The next pre-teen devotional will be on Saturday, May 14th at the Pahman's from 4-6. They are having hotdogs. Bring drinks, chips, etc. Bring a bathing suit if you want to swim. The lesson will be about self control. Bring your bible.

DISASTER ASSISTANCE TUSCALOOSA UPDATE:

Hi Everyone

This week was a very busy week. We have been here 8 day and have handed out 15,296 meals many, many loads of food, water and other supplies. Don has signed up 140 people for bible studies and has conducted 29 so far. Tomorrow a lot is going on her at the church. Hopefully the power will get turned on, lot and grounds around the church will be cleaned. If there is time two 30 ft tents will be setup to replace the awnings we are using now. Also a refrigerated truck will be here to store food until ready to cook.

Many church members, local and out of town volunteers have been working many hours. If you would like to come and help just let us know.

We still need your help to assist our neighbors here in Tuscaloosa, AL. You can donate online at: www.disasterassistancecoc.com or make check payable to and mail to:

Disaster Assistance, 402 Center Way St., Lake Jackson, TX 77566

You can follow our work and see what your donations are doing. Daily updates and many new photos are on the blog. You can link to the blog from the web site.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, ..." Matt. 25:35
"But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?" 1 John 3:17.

Please keep everyone here in your prayers
Mike

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Meeting Times:
Sunday Morning
Bible Study: 9:30
Worship: 10:30

Sunday Evening
Worship: 5:30

Mid-Week Bible Study
Wednesday 6:30

“A Faithful Mother’s Responsibility”

- A. No one rises to a high plane of moral accomplishment than a godly mother.
 - B. She selflessly sacrifices as a mother.
 - C. It requires dedication, commitment, compassion and patience.
1. A mother is to be faithful in her responsibilities as a child of God.
 - a. She is to be faithful in her _____.
 - b. A child is truly blessed to have a mother who cares about their soul.
 - c. One goal of a mother is to _____ their children.
 - d. A mother is to set the right example for her children.
 - e. She is to be a faithful _____.
 2. A mother is to be faithful in her responsibilities as a mother.
 - a. A mother has the responsibility to make sure her children are well taken care of.
 - b. Jochebed risked her own life to save her sons.
 - c. A mother has the responsibility to teach her children the things concerning God.
 - d. In II Timothy we see two faithful Christian women influencing young Timothy to become a faithful Christian.
 - e. In the Old Testament people were constantly teaching their children the things concerning God.
 - f. A good mother is a good _____ model to her children.

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