



Life Lines

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Church of Christ Visitor

There is a principle taught repeatedly throughout the Bible about how we should treat others. Simply stated, it is that we should: (1) put ourselves in the place of those around us, (2) ask ourselves how we would want to be treated, and (3) treat them in that way. Before the exodus, the Jews had been strangers in Egypt. As they left the land of bondage and headed for the Promised Land, God spoke of the strangers who would soon live among them. "You shall not oppress a stranger, for you know the heart of a stranger, because you were strangers in the land of Egypt" (Ex. 23:9). Because they had once been strangers, they had "the heart of a stranger" and were able to know how to treat others.

In view of the many visitors who come our way, we need to put ourselves in the place of visitors. Having the "heart of a visitor" we must treat others as

we would have them treat us (Matt. 7:12).

If I were a visitor, I would want to be welcomed from the time I got out of my car. Every week, greet every person you see as you walk toward the building. If you do not know them, introduce yourself, and let them know you are so glad they have chosen to come to visit.

If I were a visitor, I would want to be welcomed from the time I entered the foyer. There is that awkward moment when anyone enters a new building and is overwhelmed by the fact that so many "belong" in the foyer and are so happy to see each other, while the visitor has no sense of belonging. Every week, but especially next week, have the "heart of a visitor" and make them feel comfortable and sense they are in a place of warm Christian friends.

If I were a visitor, I would want to be welcomed from the time I entered the auditorium. Those

Christians, who demand their "end pew seats" and force visitors to climb over them to sit, send a silent message to visitors. Those Christians who readily move and give up their seats also send a silent message. Jesus rebuked those who "love the chief seats in the synagogue," and many Christians fail to listen to Him.

If I were a visitor, I would want to be welcomed and greeted before and after worship. Letting visitors know with friendly words and warm smiles we are glad they have come is so important. Before spending time visiting with each other, we must spend time with those we do not know. This is a vital part of having the "heart of a visitor."

Great opportunities surround us. God help us to do all we can to touch the lives of those who enter our services. How we treat them can make an eternal difference!

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAllister

If you have been in my house, you know of my cup, or coffee mug, collection. I don't have room for many more. As the verse says, "my cup runneth over." Well, my space has run over.

One cup I especially like was from my grandson, Matthew. He bought it when they were at NASA, Kennedy Space Center, at Cape Kennedy, Florida. As you would think, it says, "I need my space."

Occasionally, we all need our space. Maybe not as much as God created in the universe, but we need some space. We each need some quiet time, some time to study, to think, to pray or to read. It can give us some peace of mind.

When we get too busy with the cares of this life, like the holidays we just went through, we can get clogged down. When we don't have time to relax it can cause health problems for us. Also, we know that workaholics have destroyed families. To much relaxation can ruin families too.

"The hardest thing to learn in life is which bridge to cross and which to burn." – Lawrence J. Peters

Life doesn't come with instructions or a road map. We learn a lot from others and from our own experiences. That is, if we listen and learn from these. Many of us are head strong and have to learn the hard way, or never learn at all. Learning the hard way can't be all bad. It is bad when we make the same mistakes over and over.

All of us need our space. Take advantage when you get this space. Don't feel inadequate. Use it for your best quiet time. Don't use it to worry or to fret. God created our bodies to require rest. We must take advantage of it, use your space wisely.

Remember Our Sick

Nubbin Boley – hospitalized for chest pain and scheduled for angiogram.

Susie Boley – needs our prayers.

Nancy Callanan – (Pat's sister surgery scheduled for Feb. 19th at MD Anderson

Johnny Estes – broke his ankle after having the knee surgery. Rehab at Stella Manor for 2 weeks.

Marion Helton – possible knee surgery after cardiology appt on Jan. 20th

Bob Lee – still in hospital at St. Mary's

Cyndie Loper –gallbladder surgery scheduled for Feb 10th

Lauren Reynolds – (Walt Davis family) 10 years old, had a heart transplant but may need another one.

Merrell Shoptaw – back surgery February 2nd

Bryan Simoneaux – (Sonia Williams' brother) having retina surgery Jan 29th, very serious.

Michael Tindall – needs prayers.

Donna Walters – cataract surgery Feb 11th

Earl Whitted – Knee surgery January 20th

Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Dover Area: Bob Lee

Billie Nichols

Legacy Heights:

Bonnie Vinson

Juanita Whitted

Russellville Nsg & Rehab:

Joe Miller

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Carl Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Nubbin Susie Boley, Donna Chambers, Troy Rachel Curtis, Leota Hickey, Ronnie Leavell, Rose Lee, Daniel Loper, Bea McDaniel, Liliya McDaniel, Linda McDaniel, Connie Myers, Becky Miller, Julie Moss, Linda Turner, Jon Vance, Joan Vance, Joyce Walters, and Patsy Wisbrock.

Military: Pray for our service men and women

Expectant Mothers:

Rachael Robinson

Laticia Rainwater

Jessica Walters

Andrea Henson

START OVER

When you've trusted Jesus and walked his way
When you've felt his hand lead you day by day
But your steps now take you another way,
start over.

When you've made your plans and they've gone
awry
When you've tried your best and there's no
more try
When you've failed yourself and you don't
know why,
start over.

When you've told your friends what you plan to
do
When you've trusted them and they didn't
come through
And now you're all alone and it's up to you,
start over.

When you've failed your kids and they're
grown and gone
When you've done your best but it's turned
out wrong
And now your grandchildren have come along,
start over.

When you've prayed to God so you'll know his
will
When you've prayed and prayed and you don't
know still
When you want to stop cause you've had your
fill,
start over.

When you think you're finished and want to
quit
When you've bottomed out in life's deepest pit
When you've tried and tried to get out of it,
start over.

When the year has been long and successes
few
When December comes and you're feeling blue
God gives a January just for you,
start over.

Starting over means "Victories Won"
Starting over means "A Race Well Run"
Starting over means "The Lords' Will Done"
We need not just sit there ... START OVER.

EVENTS

Ladies' Devo

February 19th, 2015

Hostess:

Pat McAlister

@ Fellowship Hall

Men's Business

Meeting

February 9th

@ 7:00 pm

CHRISTEENS

February 20-22

More information coming!

See Brett Hottinger

Watch your thoughts

For they become your words.

Watch your words

For they become your actions.

Watch your actions

For they become your habits.

Watch your habits

For they become your

character.

Watch your character

For it becomes your destiny.

*(Submitted by Charlene Clark & the
Ladies Class)*

*We would like to offer our deepest
sympathy and prayers to the*

family and friends of

Valentina Penno

who passed away January 13th

*The family requests memorials be
made to:*

Christian Relief Fund

P.O. Box 19670

Amarillo, Texas 79114-1670

Mark Your Calendars

Dover Church of Christ

Children's Church

Every Sunday

11:15 - 12:00 Noon

Ages 4 thru 8

Bible Stories and
Activities

Ages 1 thru 3

Nursery Class

*SAVE THE DATE
APRIL 25, 2015
FOR LADIES' DAY!*



2015 Theme For

Lads-to-Leaders

"ONE"

Convention is April 3-5
in Memphis.

Scriptures will be from

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

&

Colossians

For more information

Contact Chris Moss

February Birthdays

- 04 Lewis Lambert
- 08 Mary McAlister
- 09 Juanita Whitted
- 11 Keri Letson
Kristen Nordin
- 12 Tommy Oakes
- 15 Zachary Shelton
- 16 Rachel Curtis
- 17 Larry Mahan
- 19 Carolyn Bennett
- 20 Kaci Rood
- 21 Julie Moss
Ethan Collins
David Robinson
- 22 Eugene Davis
Lealah Robinson
- 23 Pat McAlister
- 24 Earl Kennedy
- 25 Bobbie Robbins
Angela Widner
- 27 Caleb Chance
- 28 Theresa Motley

In Search of the Lord's Way

The Search Program
can now be accessed
any time on their website

@

www.searchtv.org

Mack Lyon

or

Phil Sanders

weekly lesson can be

heard and seen on

LR KASN TV 38

Sunday @ 7:30 a.m.

THOSE TO SERVE

February 1st, 2015

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

Chris Moss
Chris Loper

Communion

Podium: Allen Veasman
Serve: Charles Davis
Chris Besterfeldt
Dan Cloud
Donny Forehand

Scripture Reading

Drew Walters

Sunday P.M.

Prayers

Earl Stamps
Dan Cloud

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.

Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.

****Young Men****

Prepare Table for Communion

Lads & Leaderettes

Communion to Shut-Ins

Charles Davis

Greeters

The Elders

Wednesday Night Services

@

6:30 p.m.

Meeting Times

Sunday Morning Bible Classes

9:45 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship

10:45 A.M.

Sunday Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

Ladies Tuesday Bible Class

10:00 A.M.

Wednesday Bible Classes

6:30 P.M.

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Donny Forehand
Brent Hottinger
Chris Loper
Rex McDaniel
Chris Moss
Michael Robbins

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