



Life Lines

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In a few days September 11, 2008 is coming up and America will once again be remembering the horror that transpired eight years ago. Perhaps the wounds of that infamous day no longer are fresh, but the hurt and loss are still there.

Time does grind on, but time abruptly stopped and hung in midair on 9-11-01.

The events of that fateful day defined how we tell time in our modern world. Things now are cataloged into pre-9-11 and post-9-11 folders.

Still, the heartbeat of America must have enough heart to realize the world is filled with extremists, filled with ideology that percolates with the blackest rage against the West. America must stand strong in this war of wills or else risk becoming so much chum in a sea of sharks.

When you press your head to the pillow tonight, pray that God's strong hand will keep America's heart thumping and mind focused.

Indeed, we Americans frequently are distracted by trivial pursuits, which can be a fatal flaw when we all need to be on sentry duty.

Compounding matters, we have to find a way to free ourselves from the quicksand of Iraq while not losing our footing in a global ideological confrontation.

If we don't, well, there could be additional dastardly dates seared into our memories.

From Zeke Blog: "In the harsh light of 9-11"

As someone who lives in the shadow of downtown Manhattan, and witnessed 9-11, it is not only a day to remember those who risked their lives to try to save others, but to remember everyone who was murdered that day when the Towers fell and when planes crashed.

They were just all innocent people who were at work, or flying for pleasure.

Comment by Nancy

You both are correct.

9-11 changed our lives in many ways, and each of us have been personally affected and view it in different ways. We were united as a country, regardless of diversity issues. We learned that we are not as safe as we thought we were, just because we didn't see anything happen on "our soil." We learned that being a good neighbor can mean just praying for someone you've never met but who needs your prayers just the same. We learned strength, humility and vulnerability in one day. We learned about mortality and helplessness. We learned that people will help others that they don't know just to help them. It's just the right thing to do. We learned heroism.

We learned to grieve as a nation, for those who were lost, and those that were left behind. We grieve for our lost innocence, and the fact that the world as we know it had changed. Our eyes opened on that day and we can never shut them again. Our legacy is how we reacted

to 9-11.

And yes, today is a day to honor heroes. ALL the heroes, those who lost their lives. All the heroes who continue to be fireman, police officers, military . . . ANYONE who gives of themselves to make a difference to others. My husband is a volunteer firefighter – and has been for 20 years. I've had cold meals, ruined plans, sleepless nights; but I know he makes a difference, and I can be proud of that. I also know people who are quiet heroes - those who check on a neighbor who lives alone, those who shovel someone else's sidewalk just to be nice . . . those who smile at strangers. It only takes something little.

So today we need to grieve and honor and remember.

Life is too short to argue the reason for a specific day – it affects every one personally in a different way. Do what is in your heart and take it for what it means to you. And carry that throughout everyday, not just today. Our lives may have changed in a day, but our remembrance does not have to be limited to that day.

Comment by DP

God Bless the memories of those who perished that day.

Comment by DOT

**God Bless America!
ZEKE**

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

Am I really an example to others? Do others actually pay attention to me? Do my friends and associates watch what I do? Do they pattern their life by some of the things I do?

"My friends have made the story of my life." Helen Keller

The devil would say that no one pays any attention to me! It doesn't matter if I slip once in a while. No one is looking. Who really cares if I miss a worship service once or twice? There are plenty of others there, so who will miss me? Besides, what do I really get out of it?

We get out of the service exactly what we put into it. To begin with, we are putting God first in our lives. It will inspire us, and we will inspire others. We form a good habit; we keep good company; we stay away from the devil. The worship service will lighten our sorrows, lift our burdens and build us up. Most importantly, we will be obeying the Lord's command. These are just a few.

So, how important is it for me to attend worship? Paul tells us not to cause anyone to stumble. He says, *"For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved. Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ."* (I Corinthians 10:31; 11-1)

What we say and do does influence our friends and family. Before we say or do something, we should ask ourselves, what would Jesus do?

Will my example lead others to Christ or away from Him?

**"The Bible is like bread from home.
It fills my hungry need.
Partaking of it I have found
My life, my Lord, indeed."**

Remember Our Sick

Bob Bennett – Chemo treatments.

Frank Clark – diagnosed with cancer, hospice.

Eugene Cox – Bob/Rose Lee's son-in-law, serious complications, hospitalized, Critical Care, St. Frances, Cape Girardeau, MO.

Hoyt Ensey – serious health issues.

Paul Griffin – Hospice

Garrett Hogan – age 7 months, Children's Hospital, brain damage.

Joanna & Jim Gurest – friends of Chris Sheeran. Joanna had open-heart surgery Tuesday, August 26th. They need your prayers.

Eddie Holloway – recovering from back surgery.

Jim Lackey – is back, he has been approved for the program at Houston Cancer Center.

Cleon Johnson – Paul Helton's mother, back in UAMS, condition deteriorating.

Gary Nicholson – Shirlee Chadwick's son, recovering, still in a lot of pain.

Rodney Pfeifer – Chemo and radiation treatments to start soon.

Shut-ins - need prayers and visits:

Dover Area: **Evelyn Burton
Robert Lee**

Russellville Nursing & Rehab Center:
**Evelyn Driver
Melba Hodges**

Stella Manor:

**Louise Killer
Mae Vanzandt**

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Yvonne Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Carolyn Bennett, Bill Boley, Lloyd Boley, Lois Boley, Wm./Susie Boley, Jamie/Mary Ann Churchill, Troy/ Rachel Curtis, Jeff Davis, Pauline Dale, Barbara Dawson, Charles Ensey, Sarah Ensey, Carol Graham, Virginia Grant, Sue Griffin, Pat Holloway, Ruby Gene Johnson, Dorothy King, Rose Lee, Linda Melton, Julie Moss, Don Sheeran, Reedie Smith, Tanya Smith and Judy Will.

Special Children: Zeke Church, Tiffany Knight, Elysia Lee, Keith Martin and Noah Williams.

Our Military: Cole Wetzell, D. J. Bandy and Travis Coe.

Jesus Loves Me!

In Loving Memory of **Cooper Robert Turner Chance** born: August 15, 2008, at rest August 15, 2008, Russellville, Arkansas.

Baby Cooper

So beautiful, so perfect

Your skin so soft

A face like an angel

So sweet and innocent

Ten fingers

Ten toes

Little baby sweet gums

And lips like cherries

A new life in heaven.

By: Kelley Chance (Mother)

The church family has been saddened by the loss of little Cooper Chance. Our hearts and prayers go out to B.J., Kelley and Connor. We have no answers as to why the little sweet baby was not allowed to live. We do know that he is now in God's care, and there can be no better place than that.

Jesus said, *"Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. . . then He took the children into His arms and placed His hands on their heads and blessed them."* (Mark 10:15-16) Jesus loves the little children. God loves the little children.

We pray for peace for all this family. He was such a perfect, precious, little baby.

Words always seem inadequate but maybe what David said after he lost his child will help. *"David replied, 'I fasted and wept while the child was alive, for I said, 'Perhaps the Lord will be gracious to me and let the child live. But why should I fast when he is dead? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him one day, but he cannot return to me.'"* (II Samuel 12:22-23)

Little Cooper is in good care. God will care for him until one day, when they can go to him!

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Events

Dover Church of Christ Children's Church

Every Sunday
11:15 - 12:00 Noon
Ages 4 thru 8
Bible Story and
Activities
Ages 1 thru 3
Nursery Class

Dover's Lawn Mowing Schedule

Saturday, September 20th.
Chris Moss & Kevin Nordin

Dover Men's Monthly Business Meeting

September 8, 7 PM
Dover Church of Christ

Dover Church of Christ
In Home Youth Devo
Cancelled For September

Dover Ladies Night
September 18th, 7PM
Hostess: Charlene Clark
Fellowship Hall,
Dover Church of Christ

Mark Your Calendars

Area Wide Youth Devo
3rd Sunday,
September 21st,
5:30 PM
River Valley Church of
Christ
1005 Interstate Rd., Clarksville

2008 – 2009

Lads to Leaders
Leaderettes

Overall Theme:

*“... All that You command
us we will do,
and wherever You send us we
will go.”*

(Joshua 1:16)

Lads to Leaders
and Leaderettes

Will meet/: First & Third
Sundays, 4PM

Boys: GUARD (Guys
Understanding Authority and
Real Discipleship

Girls: GIFTS (Girls In
Fellowship and Team Study

A Study of the Book of
Revelation

September 14th thru 17th
Presented by: Joe Jones
Clarksville Church of Christ
2211 W. Main
For more info: 4797543360

September Birthdays

02 Rhonda Creel
05 Leota Hickey
06 Deidre Luker
07 Ian Roberts
09 Joyce Helton
Connie Myers
16 Susan Straight
17 Danielle Stepanovich
Mellissa Williams
20 Jannie Myers
21 Dimitrois Tsigourlas
Michaela Walker
22 Nathan Killer
23 Rylie Boley
24 Wayne Strickland
Alan Walker
Gary Williams
25 Joshua Besterfeldt
26 Justin Vaughn
28 Yvonne Adkisson
Janie Beck
Donna Walters

If we missed your birthday, *please*
let us know so it won't happen
again.

WINGS

(Women In God's Service)

Thursdays, (Starting
September 25)

From 9 AM – 11:30 AM
Study: “Conversation Peace –
The Power of Transformed
Speech”

By: Mary Kassian
(workbook/video study)

THOSE TO SERVE

September 7, 2008

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

William Boley
Larry Mahan

Communion

Podium: Alan Boatright
Serve: Donny Forehand
Drew Walters
Chris Moss
Dennis Whiteside

Scripture Reading

Allen Veasman

Sunday P.M. Prayers

Tommy Oakes
Steve Pennington

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.
Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.
“Singing Night”

Prepare Table for Communion

Marion & Joyce Helton

Communion to Shut-Ins

Jim Killer
Earl Whitted

Greeters

Allen & Marilyn Veasman

Wednesday Night Devotional

September 10, 2008

Sid Womack

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
7:00 P.M.

Minister: Micah Williams
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Or Cell: 479-264-9244

Elders:

William Boley 858-7131
Jim Killer 331-2802
Allen Veasman 331-2156
Sid Womack 967-2367

Deacons:

Chris Besterfeldt
Donny Forehand
Brent Hottinger
Chris Loper
Rex McDaniel
Joe Miller
Chris Moss

Nursery Attendants:

Sunday Class: JoAnn Killer
Sunday Church: Pat McAlister
Kaeli Miller

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