

# Remember Our Sick

Theresa Motley – Is still at UAMS. Her vitals are good, but still having trouble with her breathing. She still needs our continued prayers.

Billy Walters – Is home now. Has an appointment this week with a hematologist about the blood clots.

Marilyn Veasman – To have hip replacement surgery April 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Legacy Heights:

- Bonnie Vinson – Room #34
- Juanita Whitted – Room #62
- Norma Tate Jones – Room #44

### Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Carl Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Carolyn Bennett, Sandra Boatright, Joyce Briscoe, Nina Cain, Cheryl Cathers, Donna Chambers, Jamie Churchill, Karen Coombs, Rachel Curtis, Eugene Davis, Johnny Estes, Yolanda Greenway, Leota Hickey, Francis Kennedy, Rose Lee, Letson family, Daniel Loper, Jan Loveless, Becky Miller, Kaeli Miller, Kim Miller, Julie Moss, Jannie Myers, Glen/Paulette Oakes, John Presley, Melinda Robbins, Tanya Smith, Matt Stepanovich, Michael Tindall, Joan Vance, Jon Vance, Justin Vaughn, Kem Walker, Joyce Walters, Earl Whitted, and Patsy Wisbrock.

**Expectant Mothers: Kaci Rood – It’s a Boy**  
**Jessica Walters – It’s a Girl**  
**Lacey Walters**

**Military: Pray for our service men and women**  
 Eric Richardson

<u>MEETING TIMES</u>	
<b>Sunday Morning Bible Classes</b> 9:45 A.M.	<b>Elders:</b> Allen Veasman 857-2791
<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> 10:45 A.M.	Sid Womack 967-2367
<b>Sunday Evening Worship</b> 6:00 P.M.	Chris Loper 331-3313
<b>Ladies’ Tuesday Bible Class</b> 10:00 A.M.	Brent Hottinger 264-5696
<b>Men’s Tuesday Bible Class</b> 10: A.M.	Michael Robbins 264-9668
<b>Wednesday Bible Classes</b> 6:30 P.M.	<b>Deacons:</b> Chris Besterfeldt
<b>Minister: Micah Williams</b>	Donny Forehand
<b>Church Office: 479-331-3428</b>	Rex McDaniel
<b>Office Hours: M-F 9:00a-1:00p</b>	Chris Moss
<b>Micah Cell: 479-264-9244</b>	Justin Vaughn
<b>Secretary Cell: 479-747-0908</b>	Blake Walters
	Brett Walters

### *March 17th, 2019*

Sunday A.M.  
 Announcer: Randall Walters  
 Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw  
 Prayers  
 Chris Loper  
 Dan Cloud  
 Communion  
 Podium: Brent Hottinger  
 Serve: Chris Besterfeldt  
 Chase Chance  
 Chris Moss  
 Corey Hottinger  
 Scripture Reading  
 Shawn Price  
 Shut-Ins  
 Donny Forehand

Sunday P.M.  
 Prayers  
 Donny Forehand  
 Earl Stamps

### *March 24th, 2019*

Sunday A.M.  
 Announcer: Randall Walters  
 Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw  
 Prayers  
 Gary Williams  
 Justin Vaughn  
 Communion  
 Podium: Brent Hottinger  
 Serve: Dan Cloud  
 Donny Forehand  
 Earl Stamps  
 Kevin Nordin  
 Scripture Reading  
 Rick Hollis  
 Shut-Ins  
 Chris Moss

Sunday P.M.  
 Prayers  
 Marion Helton  
 Merrell Shoptaw



# Life Lines

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## Finding A Purpose for Human Existence

When God made man and woman, he told them to be fruitful and multiply, rule over the fish, the birds and every living creature (**Genesis 1:28**). “God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it” (**Genesis 2:15**). After Adam and Eve sinned, they were banished from the garden and the ground was cursed. “By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground...for dust you are and to dust you will return” (**Genesis 3:19**).

So, what is our lot in life? Is it simply to live, work, populate, and die? In Ecclesiastes, King Solomon (the wisest man: **1 Kings 4:29-34**) searches for meaning in life. He says in **Ecclesiastes 3:12, 13**: “I know that there is nothing better for men than to be happy and do good while they live. That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil – this is the gift of God.” In **Ecclesiastes 12:13** he says, “Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the duty of mankind.” I highly recommend reading and pondering all of Ecclesiastes.

Solomon was King David’s son and a believer in God. His conclusion to revere and obey God is different from that of a non-believer. If we do not believe in God, certainly we do not

believe in life after death. Paul says, "If the dead are not raised, 'Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die'" (1Corinthians 15:32). Without God, our purpose for existing changes dramatically. If our only happiness and fulfillment is in this brief span of time on Earth, why should we not get, consume, and do all we can for our immediate benefit and satisfaction? There really is no other meaning.

As the Apostle Paul says in 1Corinthians 15:17, 19: "And if Christ has not been raised [meaning no life after death], your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied." We believe God exists and he created us in his spiritual image (Genesis 1:26) with an eternal soul. He did this so that we will revere him and seek him (Ecclesiastes 3:11, 14; Jeremiah 29:11-13). We believe that the purpose for human existence is to seek God and be reconciled to him through his son, Jesus and to live following his teachings and commands. We find joy, peace, love, and fulfillment in doing so, and we have the hope of eternity with God when our human existence ends (read 1 Corinthians 15). This belief fills our lives with purpose and hope.

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We love because He [God] first loved us. — [1 John 4:19](#)

It's all very simple. God is love. He is love's origin, example, and architect. I love because he loved me first. I know how to love because he has demonstrated it. I can love because he made me in his likeness and to share his character. He is the fountain, the motivation, and the pinnacle of love. I love because he does, first, last, and always.

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## *Upcoming Events:*

*Ladies' Night has been changed to March 28th at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Hosted by Diane Walters #1 and Mary Ann Cloud.*

**Don't forget the Clean Up Day at the church building, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

Teacher's Workshop will be March 31<sup>st</sup> after morning service. Everyone who attended the first meeting and those who may be interested in coming, please attend. We will be working on curriculum objectives.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

*17<sup>th</sup> Annual Ladies' Day will be April 27<sup>th</sup>  
Guest Speaker: Chelli Lee Guthrie of Wharton, TX, formerly of Dover*

### **Cleaning Church Building**

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Mary Ann Cloud**

**March 30<sup>th</sup>  
CLEAN UP DAY**

### **Lawn Care**

**March 30<sup>th</sup>  
Rick Hollis &  
Doug Gross**

**April 6<sup>th</sup>  
Corey Hottinger &  
Chase Chance**

**Schedule is posted on board in side foyer.**

**RUSS BUS  
Items needed:  
Little Debbies**

*Ladies' Day  
at Robinson & Center  
Church of Christ  
in Conway, AR  
April 6<sup>th</sup>  
9:00-11:30 am*

*If you are interested in going, contact Charlene Clark*

## **March Birthdays**

*02 Kelly Williams  
Dakota Whitted  
Reese Lovell*

*03 Rick Hollis  
Colton Williams*

*08 Jan Loveless*

*09 Doug Gross*

*13 Matthew Moss*

*21 Cindy O'Donnell*

*25 Ethan Letson*

*26 Lakyn Barkley  
Dustin Davis*

*27 Shelby Pierce*

*28 Kaeli Miller  
Elizabeth Robbins  
Lacey Cates*

*29 Sandra Walker*

*30 Caleb Whitted  
Joan Hudson*

*Conway County  
Ladies' Day*

*Hosted by: Harding  
Street Church of Christ  
April 13<sup>th</sup>  
At 8:30 a.m.*