

Writing it on our hearts...(Hebrews 8:10)

Cut out the verse for the week & post it somewhere you will see it often. Read it. "Write it". Live it.

"And He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf."

- 2 Corinthians 5:15^{NASB}

Serving Today

Greeters: Garrett and Lindsey Jackson
(Next Week: Ryan Y. and Tracy E.)

Announcements and Opening Prayer:
Randy Jackson

Song Leader: Rod Jackson

Lead Communion: Richard Carroz

Assist: Mac Milam
Bryan Spencer
Tony Carter

Scripture Reading: Jim Cunningham (*2 Kings 4:1-7*)

Speaker: Aaron Baker

Closing Prayer: Allen Hedge
(Sunday pm: Garrett Jackson)

Serving Wednesday

Announcements & Prayer: Randy Jackson

Song Leader: Rod Jackson

Devotional: Brandon Jackson

Attendance Last Week

AM Worship: 43

PM Worship: 22

Contribution: \$1358

Wednesday: 29

Our Meeting Times

SUNDAY

Bible Study - 9:00am

Morning Worship - 10:00am

Evening Worship - 5:00pm

(1st Sunday of the month - 1:00pm)

WEDNESDAY

Dinner served at 6:00pm

Bible Study 7:00-8:00pm

★ Happy Birthday in February to... ★

4th - Jim Cunningham
13th - Jerry Johnson
28th - Mac Milam

Happy Anniversary in February to...

15th - Richard and Kathleen
18th - Randy and Sherra

Welcome TO THE CHURCH OF CHRIST



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Loving the Lord with all our heart...(Mark 12:30)

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Saying, "I'm Sorry"

*"Our ability to hurt each other is enormous, but nowhere is it more powerful than in families, so nowhere are apologies more frequently needed — and resisted."**

How hard is it to admit you were wrong? While travelling last weekend I used the men's restroom and dried my hands with a powerful electric air dryer. You know the kind – the ones that are so strong that if your engine were to die in your car, you could strap that dryer to the top of your car, connect it to your battery and still reach speeds on the highway of mach 1.

Anyway, because the machine was so loud I didn't hear a man come up behind me. He was using the hand dryer next to me but had set his carry-on bag down directly behind me on the floor. My hands dried first (amazingly with my skin not blown off my bones) and I took a step back to walk out the door. As I stepped back, I tripped over the man's luggage and nearly fell to the floor. Fortunately, I caught myself.

Immediately the man next to me apologized profusely. I felt it was an unwise decision for that man to place the luggage where I would trip over it, but it was an honest mistake. The man diffused the situation and any anger I might have had by immediately apologizing for what happened.

Now, imagine how I would have felt if that same man would not have apologized at all? How would I have felt if he had even laughed at me falling to the floor? If he had not apologized, it would have shown contempt for me and my safety. The point: see how easy it is to diffuse a situation by saying, "I'm sorry"?

Husbands, be willing to say, "I'm sorry" to your spouse when you are wrong. Wives, be quick to say, "I'm sorry" when you have made a mistake. Parents, be able to admit when you overreact at your children,

Don't forget to silence your phone during worship!

and then say, "I'm sorry". Above all, let us always remember that we must say, "I'm sorry" to God. We show our sorrow for our sins by believing in Jesus, obeying His command to be baptized, thus showing we really are "sorry" for our sin. Then, we continue to live faithful lives, dedicated to Him showing our love, care, and concern for our Lord and Savior (cf John 8:24; Rom 6:3, 4, 17; Rev 2:10).

This week, be willing to say, "I'm sorry". Whether it is to your kids, coworkers, your spouse or to God. Don't show contempt for those around you. Go ahead, say you're sorry.

* Tannen, Deborah. *I Only Say This Because I Love You*. Random House Digital, Inc. May, 2002.

Turning Point Women and Children's Shelter Needs: Toilet Paper & Paper Towels

"Be devoted to prayer..." (Romans 12:12)

- * Kim Johnson's dad, **Marvin Hedden**, had a heart attack sometime last week and had to undergo 4 bypass surgery on Friday. He is now in recovery. Please keep Marvin and the family in your prayers. Jerry and Kim are there with them this weekend. Encouragement cards can be sent to Marvin Hedden at:
- * Please keep **Mike and Cindi Thompson and their family** in your prayers as Mike's grandmother passed away last weekend. Also, they received word that Mike's aunt who lives in Kansas City, passed away this past week. Please pray for the Thompson family as they deal with these two sorrowful events. Cards can be sent to the Thompsons at:
- * **Tracy Ehlmann** had some tests done this week and is dealing with pain from them. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- * Please keep **Clyde Pruiett**, in your prayers this week. Clyde is the father of Janet Colvett (Sherra's stepmother) and he is having lung problems. He is seeing a pulmonologist and waiting on test results.
- * Bonnie Irvin is asking for us to pray for several of her family members who are suffering with health problems right now. Her sister-in-law, **Nadine Hansel** has been having back pain, heart problems and emphysema. Nadine's brother, **Carson Crocker** is suffering with cancer. Her niece, **Brenda Spurlock** has been having severe kidney problems. Also, her other niece, **Pam Sunbear** is suffering with multiple health problems at this time. Please pray for all of their health struggles.
- * **Much to be thankful for!**...Allen Hedge received the results from his cat scan on Thursday. The CT scan looks good and the oncologist doesn't need to see him again until next January. Praise God for this great news!

Please continue to pray for: Larry Morrow (traveling for work), Tracy Ehlmann, Kay Shepard (health), Harold Fitzjerrell (Alzheimers), Carl Wright (health), Brandon Holst (recovering from surgery), Kim Vogelsang (health), Caleb Sams (cancer), Judy Wicker (pain), Stacy Hagar and her Mom and Grandparents, Brandon and Kat Jackson and Garrett Jackson (work changes), Elias and Kristi Roque (Hispanic ministry in Memphis), Greg Haney (cancer)

"I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. Let my meditation be pleasing to Him; As for me, I shall be glad in the Lord." - Psalm 104:33-34

Take Note!

- * **Men's Prayer Devotional at Denny's in LSL. Friday mornings at 6:30am. Start your morning off right!**
- * **Women's Bible Study at the building is weekly on Monday at 7:00pm. Grow your faith as we journey through an Overview of the Old Testament.**
- * **The new Church Directory is ready! Pick up your copy in Aaron's office (1 per family). If you don't see your pretty picture - then you aren't in there. See Brandon or Chris to find out why. Either they don't have your "information" or are still lacking your picture. It's never too late to add one more page!**
- * **There will be a Men's Meeting and a Women's Meeting today after the potluck meal.**
- * **The next area-wide singing will be February 22nd at Collinsville.**
- * **Ladies, mark your calendar - February 22nd & 23rd is Ladies Retreat! Sign up in the foyer.**
- * **March 1st & 2nd - Youth Rally in Dexter, MO. See Randy Jackson if you would like to go. Word on the street is that it is going to be a great time - incredible singing, an engaging speaker, and the chance to eat some fabulous BBQ! "Youth" is a relative term and age is just a number! Everyone is welcome. Don't miss out!**
- * **"In Search of the Lord's Way" - TV Channel 46**
- * **MAKE PLANS NOW! We will be hosting a Gospel Meeting March 17 (Sun) thru March 20th (Wed). The topic is: BURNED. Want to know more? We'll see you there!**

The church, too often, is like a football game - 80 fans in the stands desperately in need of exercise, watching 22 guys on the field who are desperately in need of rest.

Are you in need of some exercise?

Potluck Meal Today!

Visitors - you are welcome to join us as our honored guests.

For updates or additions to the announcements or prayer list, contact Cindy Baker --- aaronandcindy@yahoo.com