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Worship & Bible Study: SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:15 AM Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line: 931-729-9846



Míke's Minute

Let this be recorded for future generations, so that a people not yet born will praise the Lord.

Psalm 102:18

Joni Tada relates that when she was a little girl, her father, an artist, would often be at his home easel, mixing oils and painting on his big canvases. While he painted, she sat nearby on the floor, working just as hard as he was with her crayons and coloring book.

Many a time, he would set his brushes aside, reach down, and lift her up onto his lap. Then he would curl her little hand around one of his brushes, enfolding it with his bigger, stronger and more capable hand. Ever so gently, he would guide her hand and the brush, dipping it into the palette and mixing the burnt umbers and raw sienna's. Then he would stroke the wet, shiny paint onto the canvas in front of them.

The little girl watched in amazement as, together, they made something beautiful.

Little did the father know at the time that he was giving his daughter passion and skill that would bring great fulfillment to her life.

Today, Joni, is a quadriplegic. A car accident paralyzed her in her teenage years. Yet, she is still painting. How? With the paintbrush in her mouth.

Much of her earnings as a painter are channeled into ministry to help others.

Joni's ability as a painter and her compassion and heart for service are all reflections of a loving, tender father.

Legacy is not just what you accomplish. It is also what others accomplish because of you. Be willing to grow fruit on someone else's tree. Only eternity will reveal what others will accomplish because of your investment in them.

In Christian Love,







Harry Totty & Yvonna Caillouet were at church Sunday morning after being out for illness.

If you would like to help purchase **Christmas gifts** for a needy child, Mike Batts will be in the library after church Sunday to hand out the names of the children. Thank you for your generosity—we will be able to spend \$150.00 for each child.

Congratulations to **Mabry James**, granddaughter of **Billy & Peggy McCoy** on winning her division of the local Merry Christmas pageant on Saturday. Congratulations to **Lily Knight & Sherry Dunn** also for placing 1st runner up in their division of that same pageant.

A money tree is being made for Cade & Emily Wilson who were recently married. If you would like to donate, please see Amber Kelley or Teresa Craft by November 29th.

Any lady interested in **secret pals** for 2024 (even if you are not currently participating), please see Sheila Brady by November 29th.

Men's Prayer Breakfast is every Tuesday morning at 6:00 am in the basement.

If you have a **prayer request**, please use a blue card, and drop it in the wooden box in either foyer.

If you enjoy **quilting**, several ladies meet each Thursday @ 9:00 am in the basement to make quilts.



Sympathy to the family of **Louise Jones**, sister-inlaw of **Joyce Boyd**. Visitation is this Sunday, November 19th, from 12 to 2pm at the funeral home; graveside service will be at 2:30 at Memory Gardens.

Sympathy to the family of **Stephen Dotson**. Visitation and funeral were on Tuesday.

- For every minute you remain angry, you give up sixty seconds of peace of mind. Ralph Waldo Emerson
- Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding.
 Albert Einstein



<u>Members:</u> Sharon Rochelle, Woody Woodruff, Joyce Boyd, Jennifer Beasley, Aletha Martin, Steve Baker, June Prince, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Woody Woodruff, Floy Cochran, Janey Gilbert, John Fly, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: Jean Greer, Victoria Ann Kelley, Becky Gatewood, Ann Spencer (rehab, Jimmie Jenkins, Stephanie Pitman, Jenny Teet, Steve Cantrell, Angela Tayes & Carmela Brown, Carolyn Nash, Oscar Sullivan, John West, Lou Gann, Aaron Barnett, Angelica Essary, James Stoltz, little Marcella (18 month old-AFM), Billie Joe Jordan, James Coates, Laura DeLong, Linda Goad, June Adams, Grayson Gunter, Larry Roder, Kim Bailey, Billie Joe Qualls, Roy Harris, Colton Thompson, Ila Fave Jenkins, Claude Teet, Glenda Teet, Anthony Stacks, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Harrison, Scott Rushton, Colene Beasley, Becky Carroll, Brenda Smith, Rachel Watts, William McClearan, Bryan Williams, Judy Hinson, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler, Rebecca Mears, Kelley Wilson, Doris Elam, Donna Gaspard, Kathy Swinford Coleman & William Dale Nash.

<u>Life Care:</u> Naomi Bailey (hospice), Gary Yates, Wilma Green, Francis Qualls, Hester Moss

Olive Branch Senior Living, Dickson: Martha Page

<u>The Bridge at Columbia:</u> Hattie Mayberry, Daisy Beard

NHC Healthcare Columbia: Lou Dickens



My therapist told me the way to achieve true inner peace is to finish what I start. So far today, I have finished 2 bags of M&M's and a chocolate cake. I feel better already.

Dave Barry



Nov 19 - 3rd-5th Devo, during evening service at FH **Nov 21 -** Middle/HS Devo, 6:30-8:30 at FH



Center Fielders News

"Vital Knowledge"

The word "know" appears in the Bible about 1,500 times, in forms such as know, knew, known, knoweth, and knowing. Evidently there are some things that we really should know. We do not need a special education to know what the Lord wants us to know for in Matthew 11:25 Jesus said, "I praise you Father, Lord of Heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned and revealed them to little children.

In many Bible scriptures, God promised that a certain thing would happen, and then He would add, "And they shall know that I am the Lord." A perfect example is found in Exodus 6:7, "I will take you as my own people and I will be your God; then you will know that I am the Lord your God." It is very important that we personally know the Lord as our God. If we really do know Him in this way, we will love Him with all our heart, soul, strength and mind. This is an intimate love where we can come to Him saying, "Abba Father." We trust Him and we take Him at His Word because we know our Heavenly Father cannot lie!

In 1 John 2:3 we read, "We know that we have come to know Him if we obey His commands." Knowing God today does not mean that we are sure to go to Heaven when we die, because the Bible tells us of people who fell away from the Lord. Continuing to know God on a daily basis is required of us. We live by His grace, because we cannot trust our own ability to do what is right.

Obey God and watch Him work,

Rodney

 May your days be many and your troubles be few. May all God's blessings descend upon you. May peace be within you. May your heart be strong. May you find what you're seeking wherever you roam.

Irish Blessing

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF November 12, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP 211
CONTRIBUTION: \$6313
2023 WEEKLY BUDGET \$5104

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Josh Copley
Scripture Reading: Keith Harvill
Scripture: Romans 12:1-2
Preside Lord's Supper: Ken Copley

Left: Phillip Coates
Tony McCoy
Dwight England
Roy McCoy
Nathan Carroll

Announcements: Darin Cochran **Closing Prayer:** Buddy Chandler

Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Wright **Scripture Reading:** Boyce Cannon

Scripture: Mark 4:26-29 Song Leader: Ronny Pitman Opening Prayer: Adam Jude

Lord's Supper: Gary Wright, Edwin Wright

Closing Prayer: Kenneth Jett

Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Basford Song Leader: Damon McCoy Opening Prayer: Roy McCoy

Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855

Therefore I urge you, brethren,

by the mercies of God, to present your bodies

a living and holy sacrifice,
 acceptable to God,
 which is your spiritual service of worship.
 And do not be conformed to this world.

but be transformed

by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:1-2



Facebook is not showing a notification as often that our live stream has started. Please go to the Fairfield church of Christ - Field Family page and vou will see the live service when it begins.

ALLOWING OTHERS TO DESTROY YOUR DREAMS...

Have you allowed others to discourage you from pursuing your dream? Business professors Gary Hamel and C.K. Prahalad write about an experiment conducted on a group of monkeys. To begin with, four monkeys were placed in a room with a tall pole in the center. At the top of this pole was a bunch of bananas. As you would expect, one of the monkeys started up the pole, but just as he reached the bananas he was blasted with a torrent of cold water. Squealing, he hurried back down the pole. As each monkey made a similar attempt, each one was drenched with cold water. It was not long before the monkeys gave up on their attempts to reach the bananas.

Researchers then removed one of the monkeys from the room and replaced him with a new monkey. As soon as the new monkey began to climb the pole the other three monkeys grabbed him and pulled him down. Every time he attempted to climb the pole, the other monkeys stopped him and soon he gave up on his attempt to climb the pole.

The researchers replaced the original monkeys one by one with new ones, and each time a new monkey was brought in, he would be dragged down by the other monkeys before he could reach the bananas. In time, only monkeys who had never received a cold shower were in the room, but none of them would attempt to climb the pole. They had prevented each other from climbing, but not a one of them knew why.

Have you quit dreaming? Do you know why?

Author Kenneth Hilderbrand puts it this way: The poorest of all men is not the one without a nickel to his name. He is the fellow without a dream. He is like a great ship made for the mighty ocean but trying to navigate in a millpond. He has no far port to reach, no lifting horizon, no precious cargo to carry. His hours are absorbed in routine and petty tyrannies. Small wonder if he gets dissatisfied, quarrelsome and fed up. One of life's greatest tragedies is a person with a ten-by-twelve capacity and two-by-four soul.

Selected





One of my North Georgia nephews, Rufe, age 9, captured a moth for a pet. After much haranguing from his mother, she relented and told him he could keep it.

She asked, "What are you going to name him?"

Rufe, a religious child, replied, "I am going to name him after one of the apostles, "Mothew."





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