



Life Lines

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MY LINES

Micah Williams

NO ROOM FOR JESUS

By Bobby Dockery

There was “no room” in the inn and, so, the Savior of the world was born in a stable! The words “no room” seem almost to have a prophecy of what our Lord’s life would be like in this world. Men and women have always had trouble finding room for the Son of God! Even today, Christ is still being excluded – He still finds Himself on the outside. The innkeeper mentality is not dead. Consider some ways in which there is “no room” for Jesus:

1. No Room In Politics, Government and Business. Christ has been largely banished from the halls of government. The policies of our government are not framed so as to reflect the teachings of Christ. In our country the principle of the “separation” of church and state has been distorted to mean the total isolation of Christianity from the process of government. Nor is there any evidence of the influence of Christ in the boardrooms of our giant corporations! There is “no room” for Jesus in public life.

- 2. No Room In The Schoolhouse.** Christ has been barred from the classroom. It is permissible to speak of Hitler or Napoleon or Stalin or other figures of history who have bathed the world in blood but it is not permitted to speak of the Prince of Peace! The ACLU has repeatedly filed suit to keep Jesus out of the school Christmas pageant. In their view Karl Marx or Charles Darwin should be made welcome in our classrooms, but not Jesus Christ!
- 3. No Room In Many Churches.** Modern religion is often embarrassed by Christ and His teachings. Liberal churches deny the virgin birth, the resurrection, or the divinity of Christ and feel no loyalty to His standards of morals and ethics. Many churches are more interested in social issues than they are in the atonement.
- 4. No Room In The Lives Of Many Who Claim To Follow Him.** Often there is little evidence of the compassion, mercy, love and morality of Christ in the lives of His would-be followers. Christ should be

more visible in our lives! *“I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself up for me.”* (Galatians 2:20) Many call themselves Christians but can’t make room in their lives for regular worship attendance, generous giving, Bible study, prayer and Christian service!

We live in a world which has veered frighteningly out of control. We are so advanced technologically and scientifically and yet our world is full of loneliness, heartbreak and sin! Is there any wonder . . . ? We have left Christ out of things! Life will always be empty and off course as long as we refuse to make room for Christ.

The poet said:

*No room for Him,
We grieve that it was so,
And then we go,
Busy upon our way,
With no more courtesy than they
Who turned our Lord away!*

*The Seeker
Fayetteville, AR*

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

NEW VERSION OF AN OLD FAVORITE

A preacher once stated, "I always noticed that it was the adults who chose the children's hymn, 'Jesus Loves Me' during a hymn sing, and it was the adults who sang the loudest because I could see they knew it the best."

Here is a new version just for us who have white hair, or no hair. For us over 40 (or even those almost there) and all you others . . . check out this newest version of "Jesus Loves Me".

JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me, this I know,
Though my hair is white as snow.
Though my sight is growing dim,
Still He bids me trust in Him.

CHORUS; YES JESUS LOVES ME;
YES JESUS LOVES ME, FOR THE
BIBLE TELLS ME SO.

Though my steps are oh, so slow,
With my hand in His I'll go.
On through life, let come what may,
He'll be there to lead the way.

(CHORUS)

Though I am no longer young,
I have much which He's begun.
Let me serve Christ with a smile,
Go with others the extra mile.

(CHORUS)

When my work on earth is done,
And life's victories have been won.
He will take me home above,
Then I'll understand His love.

(CHORUS)

I love Jesus, does He know?
Have I ever told Him so?
Jesus loves to hear me say,
That I love Him everyday.

Author Unknown

Remember Our Sick

Mary McAlister - to have stint surgery, Monday, January 16th, AR Heart Hospital, Little Rock.

John Myers - scheduled for more treatments.

Kaitlyn Schwartz - the chances of Kaitlyn being completely cured from this cancer is pretty much 0%. With the way this tumor keeps growing back and the chemo is not working, the decision has been made to stop treatments and just keep her comfortable. Pray much for this family and child.

Mildred Sutherland - Teresa Parker's mother, having replacement knee surgery January 5th.

Emma Sue Williams - Micah Williams' grandmother, tumor on kidney. Tumor removed January 10th, no treatments necessary.

Shut-ins: Needs prayers and visits.
Dover Area:

Bernice Brown
Evelyn Burton
Mae Vanzandt

Russellville Nursing and Rehab Center:

Thelma Hatcher
Esther Sparks

Stella Manor:

Louise Killer

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Susie Boley, Tom Cloud, Jamie Churchill, Wanda Damouth, Jeff Davis, Virginia Grant, Sue Griffin, Brian Holloway, Ray King, Robert and Rose Lee, Debbie Link, Bill and Mary McAlister, John, Jannie Myers, Joe Miller, Nolan Passmore, Teresa Phillips, Gene Smith, Tanya Smith, Pauline Whorton and Valentina.

Expectant Mothers: Shelley Parker Culwell.

Special Children: Emmy May, Zachary Shelton, Gabriel Ross Finlayson, Keith Martin and Noah Williams.

Military: Jon Allen, Darus Brown, Greg Davis, Johnny Ragsdale and Cole Wetzel.

FROM A thru Z

A lthough things are not perfect
B ecause of trial or pain
C ontinue in thanksgiving
D o not begin to blame
E ven when times are hard
Fierce winds are bound to blow
G od is forever able
H old on to what you know
I magine life without His love
J oy would cease to be
K eep thanking Him for all the
T hings
L ove imparts to thee
M ove out of "Camp Com-plaining"
N o weapon that is known
O n earth can yield the power
P raise can be done
Q uit looking at the future
R edeem the time at hand
S tart every day with worship
T o "thank" is a command
U ntil we see Him coming
V ictorious in the sky
W e'll run the race with grat-itude
X alting God most high
Y es, there'll be good times and yes,
some will be bad, but
Z ion waits in glory . . . where none are
ever sad!

Author Unknown

*"Let us come before His presence
with thanksgiving; let us shout
joyfully to Him with psalms, for
the Lord is the great God."
(Psalms 95:2,3a)*

Events

Dover Church of Christ Children's Church

Every Sunday

11:15 - 12:00 Noon

Ages 2 to 8

Story for January:
"Noah's Ark."

Memory Verse:
"I have set my rainbow
in the clouds."
(Genesis 9:13a)

AREA WIDE YOUTH DEVO

Sunday Evening 5:00 to
7:00 PM
January 22nd

C.C.S.C. ATU

Praise and Worship
Fellowship
Door Prizes
Dinner Provided

Speaker: Neil
Reynolds
(New Apprentice)

Mark Your Calendars

TEACHERS' APPRECIATION BANQUET

January 28th,
5:30 PM
C.C.S.C., ATU

Desserts only:
See Sign-up Sheet

For more information:
See Shirly Chadwick

5th Sunday

January 29th
7:00 PM
Dover Church
Of Christ
Evening Potluck

Youth Group Devotional

First Sunday in February

February 5th,
After Sunday Evening
Services
Hostess: Joan Vance

January Birthdays

- 01 Alexis Boley
Billy Walters
- 02 Sandra Mooney
Marilyn Veasman
- 07 Chris Moss
- 08 Micah Williams
- 13 Doug Wilson
- 16 Carrie Clark
- 20 JoAnn Killer
Teresa Parker
Patsy Wisbrock
- 21 Bennie Lou Meadows
- 26 Klaus Mullins
- 27 Bill McAlister

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

Men's Business Meeting

Monday,
February 6, 7:00 PM
Dover Church of Christ

Men's Devo

Thursday,
February 9th, 7:00 PM
Hosted by Jim Killer

THOSE TO SERVE

January 22, 2006

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

John Myers
Lawrence Boley

Communion

Podium: Earl Whitted
Serve: Donny Forehand
Earl Kennedy
Gary Williams
James Chadwick

Scripture Reading

Marion Helton

Sunday P.M.

Prayers

Merrell Shoptaw
Randall Walters

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.

Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.

Micah Williams

Prepare Table for Communion

James and Shirlye Chadwick

Communion to Shut-Ins

Chris Loper
Chris Ramirez

Greeters

James and Shirlye Chadwick

Wednesday Night Devotional

January 25, 2005

Chris Moss

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.

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Jim Killer 331-2802
Allen Veasman 331-2156
Sid Womack 967-2367

Deacons:

Donny Forehand
Brent Hottinger
Chris Loper
Rex McDaniel
Joe Miller

Nursery Attendants:

Sunday Class: Charlene Clark
Patsy Wisbrock

Sunday Service: Marilyn Veasman

Wednesday Class: Carin Chance

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