



Life Lines

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YOU ARE SO BLESSED!

If you woke up this morning with more health than illness, you are more blessed than the million who won't survive the week.

If you have never experienced the danger of battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture or the pangs of starvation, you are ahead of 20 million people around the world.

If you attend a church meeting without fear or harassment, you are more blessed than almost three billion people in the world.

If you have food in your refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof over your head and a place to sleep, you are richer than 75% of this world.

If you have money in the bank, in your wallet and spare change in a dish someplace, you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy.

If your parents are still married and alive, you are very rare, especially in the United States.

If you hold up your head with a smile on your face and are truly thankful, you are blessed because the majority can, but most do not.

If you can hold someone's hand, hug them or even touch them on the shoulder, you are blessed because you can offer God's healing touch.

If you can read this message, you are more blessed than over two billion people in the world that cannot read anything at all.

You are blessed in ways you may never even know.

If you are feeling blessed, repay the blessings bestowed unto you and do something for others.

A blessing cannot be kept. If it stops with you, then the blessing will disappear. The blessing will only keep working if it is continuously passed around. If you are a recipient of a blessing, keep the blessing working by being the source of a blessing to other people.

Take into account that great love and great achievements involve great risk.

When you lose, don't lose the lesson.

Follow the three - R's: respect for self, respect for others, responsibility for all your actions.

Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a wonderful stroke of luck.

Learn the rules so you know how to break them properly.

Don't let a little dispute injure a great relationship.

When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.

Spend some time alone every day. Open your arms to change, but don't give up your values.

Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.

Live a good honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll be able to enjoy it a second time.

A loving atmosphere in your home is the foundation for your life.

In disagreements with loved ones, deal only with the current situation. Don't bring up the past.

Share your knowledge. It is a way to achieve immortality.

Be gentle with the earth.

Once a year go some place you've never been before..

Remember the best relationship is one in which your love for each other exceeds your need for each other.

Judge your success by what you had to give up in order to get it.

Approach love and cooking with reckless abandon.

*Sent in by Sid Womack, Elder
Dover Church of Christ, Dover, Arkansas*

*Sent in by B. J. Sheeran,
St. Louis, Missouri*

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

A gray-haired old lady, long a member of her community and church, shook hands with the minister after the service one Sunday morning. "That was a wonderful sermon," she told him, "just wonderful. Everything you said applies to someone I know."

Have you been guilty of this? Maybe not saying it, but thinking it. When Brother Micah preaches about some sin, we think to ourselves, "That is just like old so and so!" Maybe we wouldn't do this, but we would have trouble admitting that we could possibly be guilty of what he is preaching about. It is hard for us to see our own guilt.

Many of the sins mentioned in the Scriptures we would not think of committing. We are not murderers or thieves or some of the others that we think are so terrible. Read the sins mentioned in Mark 7:21-23 or Galatians 5:19-21. Or what about the liars mentioned in I Timothy 1:10? Are we sometimes like the Pharisees? Those sins are not about us, they refer to the lowly sinners. Then read a little further. What about the busy-bodies in II Thessalonians 3:11? Is that a little closer to home? Does that make us a little more humble?

Then there are the sins of omission. I seem to fall in that category a lot. There are many don't do's, but there are many do's. We can't pick the ones we like to do and leave the others.

When Brother Micah is preaching about something we should do or not do, we need to apply it to ourselves. He isn't talking to everyone else. He is talking to us! We need to get the plank out of our eye before we try to get the speck out of our brother's eye.

Remember Our Sick

Amie Barkley – appointment, Tues., 27th in Denver, CO.

Tommy Causey - critically ill.

Mary Ann Churchill – doing better, medications regulated.

Nancy Cummins – Becky & Joe Miller's friend, diagnosed with cancer. Sees surgeon next week.

Troy Curtis – came home, January 20th.

Melvin Davis – had surgery, Jan 19, it went well, St. Vincent's, LR.

Hoyt Ensey – in St. Mary's, serious.

Cale Kirtley – 2 months, recovering from stomach surgery blockage. Grandson of Vickie Cox & Great-grandson of Billie Nichols.

Eugene Qualls – hospitalized, surgery on crushed leg from a fall

Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Dover Area: **Evelyn Burton**
Robert Lee

Russellville Nursing & Rehab Center:

Joyce Austin
Evelyn Driver
Lorene McNutt
Gertrude Burgess
Louise Killer

Stella Manor:

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Yvonne Adkisson, Bob/Carolyn Bennett, Bill Boley, Lloyd Boley, Lois Boley, Susie Boley, Rachel Curtis, Jeff Davis, Pauline Dale, Barbara Dawson, Charles Ensey, Sarah Ensey, Carol Graham, Sue Griffin, Pat Holloway, Dorothy King, Rose Lee, Linda Melton, Helen Moore, Julie Moss, BJ/Don Sheeran, Reedie Smith, Tanya Smith, Juanita Townsend, and Judy Will.

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

Our Military: D. J. Bandy, Travis Coe and Byron Lee.

**No Area Wide Devo
For the Month of February
CHRISTeans Instead.**

**H 4 H (A Hunger for
Healing), Dover Church of
Christ every Tuesday, 6PM
thru March 31st.**

Solomon's Advice

From Truth in Love
Eastside Church of Christ
Scottsdale, Arizona

Solomon was a man upon which God bestowed "a wise and understanding heart." With his wisdom and insight Solomon wrote the book of Ecclesiastes. In it he describes the parameters of man's existence. He clearly pursues the purpose of life and concludes that life without God is vanity and a "grasping for the wind."

After surveying all of man's pursuits in life – pursuits which he had enacted upon his own life – Solomon summarized that life on earth is for service to God. He said, I have done it all, seen it all, acquired it all and this is my conclusions: "**Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.**" (Ecclesiastes 12:13) The word duty is not in the Hebrew language and this is literally rendered. "This is man's all." In other words, you and I are on this planet for one reason – to fear God and keep His commandments. This is the reason for our existence.

Many in our world are out of touch with this core purpose of life. The liberal posture neutralizes and defuses the fundamental reason for being. It focuses on the human instead of God. It fails to place God and humble submission to Him as our ultimate goal and instead encourages people to focus on themselves. They fashion God as a loveable grandfather figure who places no demands on anyone and simply wants people to relax, enjoy self gratification, and worship Him in a way that makes sense to you as an individual while omitting obedience.

Only when we get back to Solomon's clear advice to life's purpose can we change the erosion of life's quality. Herein lies our purpose and goal. Fear God and keep His commandments my friend – it is life!

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

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)

CHRISTeens 2009

February 20-22
West Side Church of Christ
Russellville, Arkansas

Dover Men's Meeting
Scheduled for
Mon., February 2nd, 7PM
Dover Church of Christ

Mark Your Calendars

The song leading, songs
of praise and scripture
reading will continue
every Sunday, 5 PM, for
Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes.

No Dover Church in
home Youth Devos
for February or
March for 2009.

Dover Men's Devo
Thursday, 7 PM
February 12th
Host: William Boley

Dover Ladies Night
Thursday, 7 PM
February 19, 2009.
Hostess: Pat McAlister

DOVER LADIES' DAY!

April 25, 2009
Dover Church of Christ
Dover, Arkansas
Continental Breakfast and
Registration 9:00 AM
Program 9:30 AM
Lunch: 12:00 Noon
Theme: "Today's Moments
become . . .
Tomorrow's Treasured
Memories . . .

February Birthdays

- 03 Mildred Turner
Jon David Vance
- 08 Mary McAlister
- 09 Juanita Whitted
- 11 Kristen Nordin
- 12 Shawn Bates
Tommy Oakes
Emily Straight
- 15 Zackary Shelton
- 16 Rachel Curtis
- 19 Carolyn Bennett
Tyler Mullins
- 20 Kaci Statler
- 21 Julie Moss
- 22 Eugene Davis
Keri Letson
Troy Meadows
- 23 Pat McAlister
Linda Vance Phillips
- 24 Earl Kennedy
- 27 Caleb Chance
- 28 Theresa Motley

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

"In Search of the Lord's Way"

Now 24/7

The Search Program
can now be accessed
any time on website:

www.searchtv.org

Mack Lyon's weekly
lesson can be heard
and seen on
KARK, Channel 4
Sunday, 7:30 AM

THOSE TO SERVE

February 01, 2009

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

Earl Whitted
Earl Stamps

Communion

Podium: Jim Killer
Serve: Alan Boatright
Allen Veasman
Blake Walters
Brent Hottinger

Scripture Reading

Drew Walters

Sunday P.M. Prayers

Donny Forehand
Chris Moss

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.

Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.

“Singing Night”

Prepare Table for Communion

Allen & Marilyn Veasman

Communion to Shut-Ins

Allen Veasman

Greeters

The Killers

Wednesday Night Devotional January 28, 2009

Donny Forehand

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

6:30 P.M.

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

Deacons:

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

Nursery Attendants:

Sunday Class: JoAnn Killer

Sunday Church: Pat McAlister
Kaeli Miller

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