



Life Lines

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Bid Mud Puddles And Yellow Dandelions

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When I look at a patch of dandelions,
I see a bunch of weeds that are going
to take over my yard.
My kids see flowers for Mom and
blowing white fluff you can wish on.

When I look at an old drunk and he
smiles at me,
I see a smelly, dirty person who
probably wants money and I look
away.
My kids see someone smiling at them
and they smile back.

When I hear music I love, I know I
can't carry a tune and don't have much
rhythm, so I sit self-consciously and
listen.
My kids feel the beat and move to it.
They sing out the words.
If they don't know them, they make up
their own.

When I feel wind on my face,
I brace myself against it.
I feel it messing up my hair and
pulling me back when I walk.
My kids close their eyes, spread their
arms and fly with it, until they fall to
the ground laughing.

When I pray, I say thee and thou and
grant me this, give me that.
My kids say, "Hi God! Thanks for my
toys and my friends. Please keep the
bad dreams away tonight. Sorry, I

don't want to go to heaven yet. I
would miss Mommy and Daddy."

When I see a mud puddle I step around
it.
I see muddy shoes and dirty carpets.
My kids sit in it.
They see dams to build, rivers to cross,
and worms to play with.
I wonder if we are given kids to teach
or to learn from?
No wonder God loves the little
children!

Enjoy the little things in life,
For one day you may look back and
realize they were the big things.

I wish you Big Mud Puddles and
Sunny Yellow Dandelions!!!

"Life is not measured by the number of
breaths we take but by the moments
that take our breath away."

Life's a journey, enjoy the ride.

*Sent in by: Beverly Myers
Dover, Arkansas*

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*He paid a debt He did not owe,
I owed a debt I could not pay.
I needed someone to wash my sins away.
And now I sing a brand new song:
Amazing Grace.*

*Christ Jesus paid the debt
that I could never pay.*

*By Raymond Elliott (edited)
Church of Christ, Poplar Bluff, MO*

Where Do Mistakes Go When You Rub Them Out?

The title of this article was the caption
under a picture in a comic strip. The scene
depicts a young girl sitting at her desk with
a pencil in hand. She had made a mistake
in the spelling of a word and had erased it.
At this point she asked her teacher,
"Where do mistakes go when you rub
them out?"

(That is a very good question to be
considered.)

As I read the cartoon, my thoughts
turned to the mistakes we all make in life.

Some mistakes are not sinful, but all our
sins are mistakes. Sin is a transgression of
God's law; sin is unrighteousness; sin is a
failure to comply with the commands of
God. (I John 3:4; 5:17; James 4:17) Sin is
universal in scope: "***There is none
righteous, no, not one . . . for all have
sinned and fall short of the glory of God.***"
(Romans 3:10, 23) When a person
complies with the terms of pardon
presented by Jesus Christ, forgiveness of
sins can be obtained. "***In Him we have
redemption through His blood, the
forgiveness of sins, according to the
riches of His grace.***" (Ephesians 1:7)

When sin appears as a debt, an unfilled
obligation, then pardon is described as a
cancellation. "***I, even I, am He who blots
out your transgressions for My own sake;
And I will not remember your sins.***"
(Isaiah 43:25) "***Repent therefore and be
converted, that your sins may be blotted
out.***" (Acts 3:19) Jesus cancelled our debt
of sin on Calvary when He shed His
atoning blood for us. The first stanza and
chorus of the hymn, "***He Paid a Debt He
Did Not Owe,***" greatly emphasizes this
truth: - **continued column 2, same page -**

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

We read of Abraham's call to leave his country in Genesis 12.

Now the Lord had said to Abram: *"Get out of your country, from your family and from your father's house, to a land that I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse those that curse you; and in you all the families of the earth will be blessed."* (Verses 1-3 NKJV)

Abraham's faith was great. We know he obeyed God without question. We read of this great faith in Hebrews 11:8-12. The writer tells us that Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. He went, not knowing where he was going. He went to a foreign country on the promises from the Lord. We also read of his righteousness in other Scriptures.

Would we have faith like Abraham to go to a country we know nothing about; leaving our family and friends? In our present situation we have something Abraham did not have. Our circumstances are quite different, in that we have internet, television and books to tell us all about the various countries of our world today. He had no such thing. He was going, sight unseen, on his faith in God. He has been mentioned and remembered throughout history by his actions of faith.

Regardless of his righteousness and faith, he still was human. His faith seemed to waiver some when he had to leave Canaan because of famine. In Egypt, he lied about Sarah being his wife. They pretended she was his sister because he feared for his life. Was his faith too weak at that time for him to think God would protect him?

Don't we do the same? Sometimes our faith is like a yo-yo; it goes up and down. It's hard, like Abraham, to have a constant faith. We have to work on it every day.

Conway County Ladies Day 2010
Saturday, March 20th, 9AM/1PM
Harding Street Church of Christ
906 Harding St.
Morrilton, Arkansas

Remember Our Sick

Alec Barkley – appt. with Pulmonologist April 9th, in Denver.

Bob Bennett – home with hospice.

Danny Brown – cancer

Janette Litch – battling cancer.

Mick O'Donnell – home, on antibiotics.

Margaret (Marty) Robbins – cancer

Mary Stamps – biopsy scheduled for Wednesday, March 10th.

W.T. Williams - heart attack, home recovering. Needs a lot of prayers.

Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Dover Area: Evelyn Burton
Bob Lee

Russellville Nursing & Rehab Center:

Joyce Austin
Helen Brown
Alma Burris
Lorene McNutt

Stella Manor: Louise Killer
Janice Brashear

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Yvonne Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Carolyn Bennett, Susie Boley, Troy/Rachel Curtis, Jeff Davis, Melvin Davis, Pauline Dale, Barbara Dawson, David/Mary Franke, Larry/Rhonda Freeman, Carol Graham, Sue Griffin, Joe Kline, Rose Lee, Mario Litch, Daniel Loper, Cindy Martin, Linda Melton, Julie Moss, Jeff Myers, Don/BJ Sheeran, Christine Sheeran, Gary/Dorene Shinn, Reedie Smith, Tanya Smith, Juanita Townsend, Judy Will and /Sue Williams.

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

Expectant Mothers: Kelley Chance, Andrea Henson.

Our Military: prayers for D. J. Bandy, Jr., Travis Coe, Byron Lee, April Morgan, Billy Joe Ralston and others serving our nation.

Sympathy and Prayers for the family of **Tim Hardgraves** of Dover who passed away recently.

Tomorrow, Today And Yesterday

"Cogito, ergo sum" – "I think, therefore I am" is perhaps the most famous statement in philosophy. Rene Descartes wrote these words in his *Discourse on Method*, as he explained that since he knew he was able to think, he could know that he could exist. He continued to reason from this point that God exists.

Louis XIV had a different philosophy: "L'Etat c'est Moi" – "I am the state." It is not surprising that he would come to this conclusion, in view of the fact that he reigned as king over France for seventy-two years. His absolute monarchy set a pattern followed in several other European countries. No doubt this pattern of tyrannical behavior led to the bloody French Revolution of 1789.

Anna B. Weaver penned a philosophy for all of us, however, with her words, "Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so." In her 1860 hymn we find words of comfort and strength. This is a favorite with children, but all of us can benefit from the words.

Even if you missed every doctrinal point in the New Testament, surely you could not miss this one. ***"For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."*** (Romans 5:6-8)

"And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name." (John 20:30-31)

"Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven's gate to open wide; He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in, Yes Jesus loves me; Yes Jesus loves me; Yes Jesus loves me; The Bible tells me so."

By Bob Prichard
Oxford, Alabama
House to House/Heart to Heart

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

Leaders & Leaderettes

Will Meet Every Sunday,
4PM,
Dover Church of Christ
Song Leading, Bible Bowl
Practice & Bible Reading.

2010 Lads to Leaders & Leaderettes Convention

April 2nd Thru 4th
Theme: "Faith is the Victory
"

Bible Bowl: Hebrews
Pearls: Standing on the
Promises

Dover's Young People's Get-together

Saturday, March 20th,
Lee/Andrea Henson's

Dover Ladies Devo

4th Thursday,
March 25th, 6:30 PM
Hostess: Diane Walters
(Billy)

Lads to Leaderettes Planning Meeting, Sunday, March 21st

Following morning services.
Bring your own lunch.

Mark Your Calendars

Dover Ladies' CCSC Luncheon
Wednesday, April 7th
Provide Lunch for 150 students
(more or less)

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt
Of the Dover Church of Christ
will be held at Camp Caudle
Saturday, April 3rd,
From 2-4 PM

We need lots of candy-filled
plastic eggs, the goal is 1200.
We need individually small
wrapped candies to fill the
plastic eggs – please start early
so we can realize our goal.
For more info: See Kim Miller

DOVER LADIES' DAY!!! Saturday, April 24th

Theme: "Ahhh...Spring!
A time to Grow."
Speaker: Kim Reynolds
Wilson
Plumerville, Arkansas
(More information to follow.)

In May The Dover Church of
Christ will recognize our 2010
Graduates; this is our list so far:

Dover High School

Blake Forehand
Josh Pennington
Drew Walters
Atkins
Shelby Statler
Hector
Lane Smith
College

Chris Ramirez
Bobbie Robbins
Tristan Stamps
Michael Williams

If there are others *Please* let
Shirlie Chadwick know.

Congratulations! Robert &
Rose Lee celebrated their 50th
Wedding Anniversary March
19th, 2010.

March Birthdays

- 02 Kelly McDonald
- 03 Keaton Creel
Rick Hollis
- 05 Austin Myers
- 07 Sarah Ensey
Harold Turner
Colton Williams
- 09 Jim Clark
- 10 Janette Litch
- 12 Carl Lawley
- 13 Matthew Moss
- 17 Jim Killer
- 21 William Boley
- 22 Hallie Miller
Alan Herron
- 25 Ethan Letson
- 26 Mike Creel
- 27 Wilma Johnson
Gary Shinn
Shelby Statler
- 28 Kaeli Miller
Elizabeth Robbins

If we missed your birth-
day, *Please* let us know
so it won't happen again.

Hector Church of Christ To Hold Grand Opening

March 7th thru April 11th
366 Oak Street
Hector, Arkansas
Randy Gray, Minister

Several ministers from this
area will be the speakers.
Speakers on Sunday 2 PM
and 7:30 PM Monday thru
Wednesday evenings.

THOSE TO SERVE

March 21, 2010

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

Allen Veasman
William Boley

Communion

Podium: Alan Boatright
Serve: Gary Williams
Jim Killer
Kevin Nordin
Lane Smith

Scripture Reading

Rick Hollis

Sunday P.M. Prayers

Steve Pennington
Sid Womack

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.
Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.
Micah Williams

Prepare Table for Communion

Charlene Clark

Communion to Shut-Ins

Alan Boatright

Greeters

The Elders

Wednesday Night Devotional March 24, 2010

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

6:30 P.M.

Minister: Micah Williams

Church Office: 479-331-3428

Or Cell: 479-264-9244

Elders:

William Boley 858-7131
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: Karen Smith
Sunday Church: Pat McAlister
Kaeli Miller

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