



# Life Lines

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## Forgiving One Another

(Randall Caselman, Bella Vista, AR)  
Seeker, Fayetteville

**Forgiveness:** It is such a difficult task for us. When family, friends, a brother, even enemies hurt us, it's hard to forgive. But it must be done for two reasons: For them and for us!

1. **Forgive Quickly.** In the matter of forgiveness, time is the great enemy. Time allows us to rehearse the hurt, coax and fan the flame into a roaring inferno. Time allows us to plan revenge. It increases the pain. The first thing we know, the event is completely out of proportion.

2. **Forgive Repeatedly:** Peter asked Jesus "How often do I forgive?" The answer was not *seven times, but seventy times seven.* Forgiveness is not based on numbers, but upon a heart condition. Aren't you glad that God does not forgive by numbers? If He did most of us would have already exercised our allotment.

Perhaps we are never more like God than when we forgive repeatedly.

3. **Forgive Completely.**

When God forgives it is as if it never happened. Our sins are blotted out, made invisible, removed as far as the east is from the west, remembered no more and made white as wool. This is how complete *our* forgiveness ought to be. Sin separates. Sin separates us from God, and sin separates us from one another. But sins forgiven completely reconcile us to God and to one another. **Forgive completely!**

Today, determine *something* you can do and will do to demonstrate your complete forgiveness to those you've forgiven. No, we probably don't feel like doing this, but why not allow obedience to God be our motive for action rather than our own emotions. After all, this is what Christianity is all about, isn't it? And while you are at it, ask yourself what you can do to express your gratitude to God for the forgiveness He extends to us . . .

## LOVE

Is very patient  
Is kind  
Is never jealous  
Is never envious  
Is never boastful  
Is never proud  
Is never haughty  
Is never selfish  
Is never rude  
Does not demand  
its own way  
Is not irritable or touchy  
Does not hold grudges  
Will hardly even notice  
when others do it wrong  
Is never glad about injustice  
Rejoices whenever truth  
wins out  
Is loyal no matter  
what the cost  
Will always believe  
Will always expect the best  
Will always defend  
Goes on forever.  
**Paul the Apostle**  
  
(Condensed from  
Corinthians 13:4-8)

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**Prayers and Sympathy** for the family and many friends of **Curtis Lee Tindall** who passed away Friday, March 26, 2010. Memorial Service Monday, March 29, 2010, Dover Church of Christ, Dover, Arkansas.

## Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

When we think of trickery we think of the devil. We understand that he is not straightforward with us. He was not truthful with Eve when he told her she would surely **not** die. He is not truthful today when he makes sin so appealing.

We don't call someone a friend who tries to misguide us or one who is dishonest with us. We want them to be candid, not deceptive, in what they tell us. We want to, and expect to, be able to trust our friends. An enemy is one we have to watch, not a friend.

The Pharisees tried to trick Jesus. They plotted against Him, trying to get Him to say something against Caesar, so they could have Him arrested.

*"So they watched Him, and sent spies who pretended to be righteous, that they might seize on His words, in order to deliver Him to the power and authority of the governor. Then they asked Him saying, 'Teacher, we know that You say and teach rightly, and You do not show personal favoritism, but teach the way of God in truth; Is it lawful for us to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But He perceived their craftiness and said to them, 'Why do you test Me? Show Me a denarius. Whose image and inscription does it have?' They answered and said, 'Caesar's.'*

*"And He said to them. 'Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's.'" (Luke 20:20-25)*

They were crafty. They began by saying that He taught the way of God in truth. They didn't believe what they said about Him or they would have known He could see right through them. Their intent was to trick Him. They were using the way of Satan.

We should be careful of those whose intent is to misguide us. We must not let peer-pressure lead us in the wrong way.

If it feels wrong, it usually is.

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**Campaign for Christ**  
**5th & Greenwich Church of Christ**  
**April 7 thru 11, 2010**

## Remember Our Sick

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

**Bob Bennett** – home with hospice.

**Danny Brown** – cancer

**Shirley Chadwick** - knee surgery May 4th

**Robert/Vickie Cox** – serious health problems.

**Don Letterton** – Billie Nichols' nephew, cancer, hospice.

**Janette Litch** – battling cancer.

**Beverly Myers** – back problems, appointment April 8th.

**Billie Nichols** – knee surgery not scheduled, sees doctor April 9th.

**Margaret (Marty) Robbins** – cancer

**Mary Stamps** – cancer, surgery Thursday, April 1st, St. Mary's.

### 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, Carol Graham, Sue Griffin, Joe Kline, Rose Lee, Mario Litch, Daniel Loper, Cindy Martin, Linda Melton, Julie Moss, Don/BJ Sheeran, Christine Sheeran, Gary/Dorene Shinn, Reedie Smith, Tanya Smith, Juanita Townsend, Judy Will and W. T. & 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.

## The Shoebox

A man and woman had been married for more than 60 years. They had shared everything. They had talked about everything. They had kept no secrets from each other except the little elderly woman had a shoebox in the top of her closet that she had cautioned her husband never to open or ask her about.

During all these years, he had never thought about the box.

One day the little old lady became very sick and the doctor told her she would not recover.

In trying to sort out their affairs, the little elderly man took down the shoebox and took it to his wife's bedside.

She agreed that it was time that he should know what was in the box.

When he opened it, he found two crocheted dolls and a stack of money totaling \$95,000.00.

He asked her about the contents.

"When we were married," she said, "my grandmother told me the secret to a happy marriage was to never argue. She told me that if I ever got angry with you, I should just keep quiet and crochet a doll."

The little old man was so moved; he had to fight back tears.

Only two precious dolls were in the box. She had only been angry with him two times in all those years of living and loving. He almost burst with happiness.

"Honey," he said, "that explains the dolls, but what about all of this money? Where did it come from?"

"Oh," she said, "that's the money I made from selling the dolls."

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**F – Fully**

**R – Rely**

**O – On**

**G – God**

*Home Touch*

## 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

### DOVER LADIES' DAY!!!

Saturday, April 24th

9:00 AM – Noon

Continental Breakfast  
& Potluck Luncheon

Theme: "Ahhh...Spring!  
A time to Grow."

Speaker: Kim Reynolds  
Wilson

Plumerville, Arkansas

For more info:

phone 479-331-3428 or

E-mail [staff@dovercoc.org](mailto:staff@dovercoc.org)

Please join us for  
fellowship, skits, food and  
to enjoy the speaker.

### Mack Lyon Is Coming

(In Person)

The church of Christ at Higdon  
Hiway 16, 1 mi W of the  
Narrows

April 11 thru April 14, 7 PM  
ARE YOU COMING?

## Mark Your Calendars

### Lads/Leaderettes Recognition

Sunday, PM, April 11th  
Fellowship Hall  
Potluck

For more info: Sid Womack

### HiWay Clean-up Youth

Sunday, April 18th  
Bring Your Lunch  
(Following Morning Services)  
Change clothes & do the Clean-up

In May The Dover Church of  
Christ will recognize our 2010  
Graduates Sunday, May 23, 6 PM

This is our list so far:

### Dover High School

Blake Forehand  
Josh Pennington  
Jamie D. Stone  
Drew Walters

### Atkins

Shelby Statler  
Hector  
Lane Smith

### College

Chris Ramirez  
Bobbie Robbins  
Tristan Stamps  
Michael Williams

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

### "Evangelistically Speaking Lectureship"

April 16 – 18

Mars Hill congregation  
In Vilonia

## APRIL Birthdays

02 Iva Lay  
06 Andrea Henson  
09 Skylar Creel  
Suzy Pennington  
12 Beverly Myers  
14 Danielle Smith  
15 Loredana Qualls  
16 Zach Pennington  
17 Lane Smith  
18 Gicala Lee  
19 Earlene Davis  
20 Earl Stamps  
21 Mario Litch  
22 Curtis Rackley  
Brett Walters  
23 Rusty Parker  
27 Sharon Rackley  
29 Kati Pennington

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

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### "In Search of the Lord's Way"

The Search Program  
can now be accessed  
any time on website  
[www.searchtv.org](http://www.searchtv.org)

Or

Mack Lyon  
Phil Sanders  
Weekly Lesson can  
be heard and seen on  
KARK, Channel 4  
Sunday, 7:30 AM

# THOSE TO SERVE

*April 11, 2010*

**Sunday A.M.**

**Announcer:** Randall Walters  
**Song Leader:** Merrell Shoptaw

## Prayers

Jim Killer  
James Chadwick

## Communion

**Podium:** Allen Veasman  
**Serve:** William Boley  
Alan Boatright  
Blake Walters  
Brett Walters

## Scripture Reading

Earl Whitted

**Sunday P.M.**

## Prayers

Gary Williams  
Earl Whitted

# SPEAKER

**Sunday A.M.**

Micah Williams

**Sunday P.M.**

Micah Williams

## Prepare Table for Communion

Leota Hickey

## Communion to Shut-Ins

Brent Hottinger

## Greeters

The Elders

**Wednesday Night**

**Devotional**

**April 14, 2010**

Earl Whitted

## 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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