



Life Lines

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MY LINES

Micah William

America the Beautiful?

The following is a poem written by Judge Roy Moore from Alabama. Judge Moore was sued by the ACLU for displaying the Ten Commandments in his courtroom foyer. He has been stripped of his judgeship and now they are trying to strip his right to practice law in Alabama.

The judge's poem sums it up quite well.

America the Beautiful,
Or so you used to be.
Land of the Pilgrims' pride;
I'm glad they'll never see.

Babies piled in dumpsters,
Abortion on demand,
Oh, sweet land of Liberty;
Your house is on the sand.

Our children wander aimlessly,
Poisoned by cocaine,
Choosing to indulge their lusts,
When God has said abstain.

From sea to shinning sea,
Our Nation turns away
From the teaching of God's love
And a need to always pray.

We've voted in a government
That's rotting at the core,
Appointing Godless Judges
Who throw reason out the door.

Too soft to place a killer
In a well deserved tomb,
But brave enough to kill a baby
Before he leaves the womb.

You think that God's not angry,
That our land's a moral slum?
How much longer will He wait
Before His judgment comes?

How are we to face our God,
From Whom we cannot hide?
What then is left for us to do,
But stem this evil tide?

If we who are His children,
Will humbly turn and pray;
See His holy face
And mend our way:

Then God will hear from Heaven
And forgive us of our sins,
He'll heal our sickly land
And those who live within.

But, America the Beautiful,
If you don't – then you will see,
A sad but Holy God
Withdraw His hand from thee.

By: Judge Roy Moore
**Pray for your country
and its leaders!!**

FOR TEENS

“Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth, before the difficult days come, and the years draw near when you say, ‘I have no pleasure in them.’” (Ecclesiastes 12:1)

Teens – teenage – what a great time of life. You will be a teen-ager only once in your lifetime. Build your memories; but build good ones. You will be glad if you never do anything as a teen that you will be sorry for later.

And about this thing called “PEER PRESSURE”. We all experience it, regardless of age. But for teens, there seems to be a double amount.

That Peer Pressure

- **Submit to pressure from peers and move down to their level.**
- **Speak up for your own beliefs and you invite them to your level.**
- **If you move with the crowd, you will get no farther than the crowd.**
- **When 40 million people believe in a dumb idea, it is still a dumb idea.**
- **Simply swimming with the tide gets you nowhere.**
- **So if you believe in something that is good, honest and right – stand up for it.**
- **Maybe your peers will get smart and drift your way.**

*Wall Street Journal
Submitted by: Carroll Sites
Higdon, Arkansas*

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

This was on a marquee in town a few weeks ago. "Just be yourself – everybody else is already taken." I like this, not many words, but it says a whole lot.

Some people spend most of their life pretending to be something more than they are. They don't have the confidence to believe in themselves and what they are. It's easier to put up a front. The problem with this many times, for some reason, they let down their front. The "cat is out of the bag," so to speak. Their masquerade is exposed.

It is really easier to just be yourself. There is no role to fill. You are actually more truthful. This is certainly a plus. Besides, it is hard to be something you aren't. Pretending is hard work, very stressful. It is dangerous. It can get you into big trouble.

We learn to pretend at a very young age. As little boys and girls we like to make believe. Little girls like to dress up as their mothers. Little boys like to pretend they are firemen, policemen, construction workers and others. These games usually end when we mature. Problems begin when we don't grow out of this make believe.

Have you ever pretended to know what someone was talking about but didn't have a clue? We can find our selves in all kinds of situations like this. The outcome is that we will most likely be found out. Then comes the embarrassment.

Some forms of pretending are sinful. They are actually against our laws. You have con-artists. You have those who do counterfeit. Then you have those who are haughty, proud and snobbish. We know what the Scriptures say about these.

Pretending won't work with God. He knows exactly who we are, what we think and where we're going. It didn't work with Jeroboam's wife and it won't work with us.

So, be yourself, everybody else is already taken!

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Remember Our Sick

Lawrence Boley – still having heart problems and blockage. Doctors are considering a diagnostic procedure

Charles Hickey – in intense pain, hoping for a better diagnoses and pain management.

Pat Holloway – serious health problems.

Shut-ins: Need 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:

Walter and Thelma Arcynski, J. D. Bates, Lloyd Boley, Susie Boley, Gail Brewer, Dora Dean Cloud, Tom Collier, Jeff Davis, Hoyt Ensey, Barbara Forehand, Clifton Gamble, Grady Gregory, Vickie Gregory, Sue Griffin, Hiroko Hatcher, Chris Henderson, Alice Hollis, Brian Holloway, Ray King, Robert and Rose Lee, Bill and Mary McAlister, Troy and Bennie Lou Meadows, John and Jannie Myers, Joe Miller, Teresa Phillips, Reddie Smith, Tanya Smith, Mildred Sutherland, Juanita Whitted, Sue Pauline Whorton, Valentina, and Elsie Youngerman.

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

Military: Jon Allen, Darus Brown, Greg Davis, Johnny Ragsdale, Cole Wetzell and Rudy Will.

Continued from Ladies Lines, Column One

"No man, for any considerable time, can wear one face to himself and another to the multitude without finally getting bewildered as to which may be true."

Nathaniel Hawthorne

CLAY BALLS

A man was exploring caves by the seashore. In one of the caves he found a canvas bag with a bunch of hardened clay balls. It was like someone had rolled clay balls and left them out in the sun to bake.

They didn't look like much, but they intrigued the man, so he took the bag out of the cave with him. As he strolled along the beach, he would throw a clay ball out into the ocean as far as he could.

He thought little about it, until he dropped one of the clay balls and it cracked open. Inside was a beautiful, precious stone!

Excited, the man started breaking open the remaining clay balls. Each contained a similar treasure. He found thousands of dollars worth of jewels in the 20 or so clay balls he had left. Then it struck him.

He had been on the beach a long time. He had thrown maybe 50 or 60 of the clay balls with their hidden treasure into the ocean, he could have taken home tens of thousands, but he had just thrown it away!

It's like that with people. We look at someone, maybe even ourselves, and we see the external clay vessel. It doesn't look like much from the outside. It isn't always beautiful or sparkling, so we discount it.

We see that person as less important than someone more beautiful or stylish or well known or wealthy. But we have not taken the time to find the treasure hidden inside that person.

There is a treasure in each and every one of us. If we take the time to get to know that person, and if we ask God to show us that person the way He sees them, then the clay begins to peel away and the brilliant gem begins to shine forth.

May we not come to the end of our lives and find that we have thrown away a fortune in friendships because the people in our world were hidden in bits of clay. May we see the people as God sees them.

Author Unknown

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

CAMP CAUDLE

June 12 thru June 16
Day Camp

Director: Tami Robinson
Grades 4 thru 6
Registration Sunday 2 - 4

CAMP CAUDLE

Wanted!

Camp Cooks for Junior
Week, June 25th.

If you can serve please call
Greg Sublett 501-658-8849

In SEARCH of the
Lord's Way
Little Rock's KARK-TV 4
(Sunday 8 AM)

Mark Your Calendars

Ladies' Night

Thursday, June 15, 7PM

Hostess: Marilyn
Veasman

SCRAPBOOKING

Dover Church of Christ
June 22nd
9:30 AM until ?

Dover Church of Christ

Lawn Schedule

June 17 Steve Pennington
Donny Forehand

Announcement:

Please bring empty
printer's ink cartridges for
the Care Center and place
in the container in the side
foyer of the Dover Church
of Christ.

Reminder:

Southern Christian Home
truck will be here to pick-
up groceries and supplies
June 22nd!

June Birthdays

- 01 Sandra Boatright
- 02 Chase Chance
- 03 Allen Veasman
- 04 Michelle Helton
- 05 Eugene Qualls
- 07 Bob Bennett
Victoria Mitchell
- 10 Leanna Mullins
- 11 Joe Miller
- 12 Ashlee Wilson
- 14 Kenna Rae Jackson
- 15 Jacqueline Helton
- 21 Caitlyn Straight
- 22 Nina June Qualls
- 25 Ashley Anderson
Pat Holloway
Iris Lawley
- 28 Tanya Smith
Joyce Walters

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

Dover Church of Christ's
Singles Breakfast
Every Saturday, 9:00 AM
Bayou Cafe

GOSPEL MEETING!

June 11th thru 15th

Mill Creek

Church of Christ

Speakers: Bruce Grice, Dan
Lightfoot, Sid Womack, Harold
Turner and Richard Kirkland.

THOSE TO SERVE

June 11, 2006

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

Marion Helton
Lawrence Boley

Communion

Podium: Donny Forehand
Serve: Sid Womack
Robert Bird
Chris Moss
Chris Besterfeldt

Scripture Reading

Allen Veasman

Sunday P.M. Prayers

Merrell Shoptaw
Randall Walters

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.

Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.

Micah Williams

Prepare Table for Communion

Chris and Amanda Besterfeldt

Communion to Shut-Ins

Troy Curtis
William Boley

Greeters

Robert and Juanita Bird

Wednesday Night Devotional

June 14, 2006

Dennis Whiteside

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.

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
Joe Miller

Nursery Attendants:

Sunday Class: Patsy Wisbrock
Wednesday Class: Marilyn Veasman

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