



Life Lines

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A Message in Song Titles

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Because **this is My Father's World**, I will **Praise Him, Praise Him** for all He has done for me. **Love Lifted Me** from the depths of sin there **At the Cross**. Because of this, I can go **Anywhere with Jesus**, for I know He will be there because **I'm in the Gloryland Way!** Life is so much **Sweeter as the Years Go By**, for I know that in **Paradise Valley, There's a Land That is Fairer than Day**, a place **Where the Soul Never Dies**; moreover, I know that **This World Is Not My Home**, so when I **Kneel at the Cross** in prayer I can truly say, my **God, How Great Thou Art!**

When I think of His **Amazing Grace**, and what He has done for me, I know that **Our God, He is Alive!** For all these reasons, someday **My God and I** will live together with all those who have gone on before me, in the beautiful **Ivory Palaces** that God has prepared for me. Yes, it was **On a Hill Far Away** that our blessed Lord, the **Rock of Ages**, gave His life that I might have **Victory in Jesus**. Because of these **Precious Memories** of His life and His death on the cross, **I'm Living By Faith** and I will always give **Glory to His Name** as I sing that wonderful old song, **Whispering Hope**.

What a song of praise will be outpoured **When He Comes in Glory By and By**. Yes, some day **I'll Fly Away** to my home on high; **Just Beyond the Rolling River** of death I

Will Meet You at the River of life with the redeemed of all ages. But while here on earth, **I will Sing of My Redeemer** until I reach the land, where **In Heaven They're Singing** a wonderful song, a theme that shall never grow old. Because of His loving grace I now can sing **It Is Well with My Soul**; and I can also sing **All Will Be Well Just Over in the Gloryland**. So **Meet Me There**.

The grandest of all great days will be **When All of God's Singers Get Home**, and they'll dwell in **The Summerland of Bliss** with our Lord for an endless eternity, and there experience **No Tears in Heaven**, yea **No Disappointments in Heaven**. **How Beautiful Heaven Must Be**. There **He Keeps Me Singing**.

Friends, because **Swiftly We're Turning** life's daily pages, **Prepare to Meet Thy God**. **Trust and Obey, Sing and Be Happy, Pray All the Time, Sing to me of Heaven**, and **Ring Out the Message**.

Proclaim **O What a Savior!** And ponder two important questions: **Do You Know My Jesus**, and **What Will You Do with Jesus?**

Live that others too will say **O I Want to See Him**, and look upon His face. There to sing forever of His saving grace; On the streets of glory let me lift my voice; Cares all past, home at last, ever to rejoice.

*From Glad Tidings/Good Things
Jacksonville Church of Christ
Jacksonville, Alabama*

Your Blessings Overwhelm Us, Lord

By Clay Harrison

Your blessings overwhelm us, Lord;
Your creation gives us life.
Your passion gives hope and freedom
To cope with pain and strife.
Your word is everlasting, Lord;
Your promises are true,
Your angels guard and guide us
In things we say and do.
You light the path before us, Lord;
You light the stars at night.
You send us rain and sunshine
And give the eagle flight.
You decorate the seasons, Lord,
Each one a work of art,
And cover the earth with flowers
That cheer and warm the heart.
You hear our prayers and answer, Lord
In ways we do not know.
Your blessings overwhelm us, Lord,
Until we overflow!

From Home Touch

Sympathy and Prayers for the family and friends of **JoAnn Kilburn** who passed away Sunday, December 6, 2009 in Dover, Arkansas.

Life is short – they say it takes a minute to find a special person, an hour to appreciate them, a day to love them, but then an entire lifetime to forget them.

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

During the time of the Babylonian captivity, some of the people were going to Egypt even though God had warned them that they would die there. They should go to Babylon, stay there for seventy years, then, He would return them to Jerusalem. Many did not believe the warning given to them by Jeremiah. They were afraid of King Nebuchadnezzar. They did not realize that the Lord was working through this Babylonian King.

In God's warning to Egypt, He says, *"Do not fear, O Jacob my servant, for I am with you," declares the Lord. "Though I completely destroy all the nations among which I scatter you, I will not completely destroy you. I will discipline you but only with justice; I will not let you go entirely unpunished."* (Jeremiah 46:28 NIV)

The Lord hands the people over to King Nebuchadnezzar and his officers. Later, however, Egypt will be inhabited again.

God told the people that He will discipline them, but only with justice. He will punish them, but only through His justice, which is fair and impartial. We will be judged by this same fair and impartial justice.

Justice in our courts is usually determined by a jury of twelve of our peers. They actually have no insight except what they hear from witnesses and from their own opinions. Most jurors probably try to be fair and impartial but we can't be sure. Some people are prejudiced and some have biased opinions. These jurors come from every walk of life, some good, and some bad. Some are treated fairly, some are not.

However, the judgment all of us will have on that great Day will be fair. Not only can God see all we do, He knows the intent of our heart. There will be no guess work. We won't be able to say that we were judged unfairly. We won't be able to say that we were framed by someone else. He will "discipline us, but only with His justice."

Remember Our Sick

Tim Hardgraves - in UAMS, serious condition, an accident Tue., Nov. 10th.

Rose Lee - first eye surgery went well. Second eye surgery, December 9th.

Janette Litch - battling cancer.

Jeff Myers - severe nerve damage left leg. Seeing a spine surgeon Dec. 9th.

Joyce Poynter - cancer, hospice.

Zackary Shelton - was at church Sunday.

Kelsey Sims - suffering from Myasthenia Gravis, an autoimmune disease.

Reedie Smith - Marilyn Veasman's mother, serious health problems, home

Janice Waldo - sister to Rachel Curtis, home recovering.

Earl Whitted - was at church Sunday.

Shut-ins - need prayers and visits:

Dover Area: Evelyn Burton
Robert Lee

Russellville Nursing & Rehab Center:
Joyce Austin
Helen Brown
Lorene McNutt

Stella Manor: Louise Killer
Janice Brashear

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Yvonne Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Iris Bates, Bob/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, Mario Litch, Daniel Loper, Cindy Martin, Linda Melton, Carla Mitchell, Julie Moss, BJ/Don Sheeran, Christine Sheeran, Gary/Dorene Shinn, Tanya Smith, Juanita Townsend and Judy Will.

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

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

"Jingle Bells"

The Story behind "Jingle Bells"

Jingle Bells was written in the 1850's by Bostonian James Pierpont. It alluded to the annual sleigh races on the mile-long stretch between the squares in Medford and Malden, towns near Boston.

The song was published in 1857. Some music historians say that Pierpont originally wrote it as a Thanksgiving song for a children's church program. Others contend that "Jingle Bells" was quite racy for its time, noting the references to speed racing and courting verses, such as "go it while you're young." This made it unacceptable for church use.

Pierpont, the son of a minister, was considered something of a rogue.

He died in 1893 before his song became a hit. In 1902, the Hayden Quartet, a barbershop group, recorded it and helped spread its popularity.

Be the Best

Jane McWhorter, From Now I can Fly!

If you can't be the pine on the top of the hill,

Be a scrub in the valley - but be
The best little scrub by the side of the rill;

Be a bush if you can't be the tree.

If you can't be a bush, be a bit of grass,
And some highway happier make.
If you can't be a "muskie," then just be a bass,
But the liveliest bass in the lake.

We can't all be captains, some have to be the crew,

There's something for all of us here;
There's work to be done, and we've all got to do
Our part in the way that's sincere.

If you can't be a highway, then just be a trail;

If you can't be the sun, be a star;
It isn't by size that you win or you fail;
Be the best of whatever you are.

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

GIFTS (Only)
Dover Church of Christ
Will Meet Every first
And Third Sunday
Sunday, 4PM

Children's Christmas Party
Plans to be announced.

Visitation
Christmas Baskets
December 19th
See Amanda Besterfeldt
for details

New Year's Eve Party
December 31, 2009
For more info see:
Diane Walters and
Kim Miller

Mark Your Calendars

Dover Ladies Night
Thursday, 6:00 PM
December 17th
Hostesses': Leota Hickey
Mary Stamps

Please Note! The Change
in plans: this will be at
Leota Hickey's Home
Bring an exchange gift for
the Santa Game.
(No GAG Gifts)
Also bring items for the
Women's Shelter.
It's a Potluck!

Matter of Note: the
contribution for Camp Caudle,
Sunday, November 29, 2009,
was \$2,358.00. The Board
wishes to express their
appreciation of your
generosity.

The Life Lines Staff
wishes everyone and
their families a safe
and happy holiday.

*Joan Vance appreciates
those that have continued
to help with the Life Lines!
Thanks Again!*

December Birthdays

01 LeighAnne Forehand
Rhonda Horton
06 Presley Williams
08 Suzanne Helton
14 Presten Nordin
16 Athel Hill
Billie Nichols
21 Jamie Churchill
Dorene Shinn
22 Alaynna Williams
23 Jamie Statler
24 Cara Williams
25 Amanda Besterfeldt
26 Addie Beck
Rachel Myers

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

Please note: the last
Printing of the 2009
Life Lines Bulletin will
be December 20th.

The Tuesday Morning
Ladies' Class will not
meet December 22nd
and December 29th.

*Merry Christmas
And
Happy New Year!*

THOSE TO SERVE

December 20, 2009

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

Jim Killer
Earl Stamps

Communion

Podium: William Boley
Serve: Chris Besterfeldt
Chris Loper
Chris Moss
Donny Forehand

Scripture Reading

Allen Veasman

Sunday P.M.

Prayers

Gary Williams
Joe Miller

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.

Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.

Micah Williams

Prepare Table for Communion

Billy and Diane Walters

Communion to Shut-Ins

Jim Killer

Greeters

The Elders

Wednesday Night

Devotional

December 23, 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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