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VISIT US SOON!

Sunday:

Bible Study..... 9:30 A.M.
Morning Worship.... 10:30 A.M.
Afternoon Worship.... 1:30 P.M.

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

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Do Good

Hate evil.

Cling to what is good.

Devote yourself to brotherly love.

Honor one another.

Be joyful.

Share with those in need.

Practice hospitality.

Rejoice with those who rejoice.

Mourn with those who mourn.

Avoid pride.

Do what is right.

Live at peace with one another.

Seek not revenge.

Do not be overcome by evil.

Overcome evil with good.

Romans 12:9-21

Do Something

Cecil May, Jr.

[*Editor's Note: Our sympathy is extended to brother May in the recent passing of his beloved wife, Winnie.*]

I went out for baseball in junior high. I have never been much of an athlete, but I decided to try it. I was playing one of the infield positions and a ground ball came my way. I fielded it right on the edge of the outfield. There were runners on base going to the next bases. I thought about throwing to first base. Then I thought maybe I had a better chance of getting the base runner. I could not decide; so I hesitated. As I looked back and forth holding the ball, everybody was safe on what should have been an easy out, possibly even a double play. The coach came running out toward where I was and angrily said, "Look, Cecil, do something, even if it's wrong!"

Coach was not really saying it was all right to do the wrong thing. He was recognizing, however, that doing nothing is always wrong. Do something and at least you might be right.

A preacher organized for his congregation what he called a "quitting meeting," urging every member of his church to renounce some sin they had been guilty of and to promise to quit it. Some promised to quit gossiping, some to quit drinking. The response was quite varied. Then one older gentleman arose and said, "I ain't been doing nothing, and I aim to quit it!" That is something a great many people ought to quit.

There is only one way to be saved. Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6 ESV). There are, however, many ways to be lost, many sinful lifestyles one may choose to follow. It is, after all, a "wide gate" that leads to destruction (Matthew 7:13). One of the easiest ways to be lost is just to do nothing. Jesus says, "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven" (v. 21), and "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?" (Luke 6:46). The Bible also says, "So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin" (James 4:17).

Christianity is too often defined by what Christians do not do, and certainly there are sinful things, even questionable things, from which Christians ought to abstain. However, we need to be better known for what we do than for what we do not do: showing compassion to the unfortunate, feeding

the hungry, helping the widow and the orphan, caring for the sick and loving everyone.

Most of us recognize two categories of sin: sins of commission and sins of omission. However, when confessing sins, it seems most often that we acknowledge sins of commission. Confessing opportunities for good where we passed by on the other side without rendering needed aid seems to be rarer. How many visits to hurting, lonely church members did we fail to make? How many opportunities to say a word for Jesus to someone who needs to know Him did we miss? We recognize specific violations of morality as sin, but our greater problem may be that of not doing what we ought to do.

Significant and controversial issues come under discussion at specific times and places. What they are varies from time to time and from place to place. Preachers or teachers are labeled "sound" or "unsound," depending on their views regarding the particular issues being argued where they are. It sometimes seems that, as long as they were "correct" on those specific issues (that is, as long as they agreed with "those who seemed to be somewhat" – Galatians 2:6 KJV), they were "sound" and well-received and used, even if they were seriously lacking in some areas of morality or ministry. It is certainly important to be correct about vital biblical issues, but neither correct worship nor correct doctrinal understandings excuse immorality or failure to do to others as we would want them to do to us.

The lawyer to whom Jesus told the parable of the good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37) was right about everything Jesus asked him. He correctly summed up the law as "Love God and love your neighbor." He got the point of the parable, answering, "He that showed mercy to him," to the question, "Who proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" In both cases Jesus emphasized to him, "Do this and you will live," and "You go and do likewise."

To all of us, God says, "Do something!"

(from *Gospel Advocate*, July 2016)

LORD'S TABLE

PRESIDE:	Raymond Pipkin	Dennis Woods
ASSIST:	Sean Ellis	Caleb Hull
	Gene Kuehn	Daniel Manning
	Billy Rodgers	R J Tracy

PRAYERS

A.M. OPENING:	Jonathan Beard
A.M. CLOSING:	Randy Elliott
P.M. OPENING:	Jason White
P.M. CLOSING:	Lewis Elliott

If you are unable to lead prayer or serve at the Lord's table, please contact Cedric Huff or Paul Connell.

RECORD, WEEK of July 24, 2016

BIBLE STUDY:	215
A.M. WORSHIP:	300
P.M. WORSHIP:	190

OUR SICK

Virginia Ditto, Kirby Pines Rehab.

Corinne Elkins, Christian Care Center, 6500 Kirby Gate Blvd, Memphis, TN 38119

Garland Elkins, Christian Care Center, 6500 Kirby Gate Blvd, Memphis, TN 38119, room 206.

Velton Trimm, Baptist Hospital Memphis, room 5428.

ILL AT HOME: Evan Manning & Josh Nichols.

HOMEBOUND

Bessie Berry	Albert & Ruth House
Virginia Ditto	Clarine Justice
Bertha Draughon	Ryan McCullar
Hazel Eskew	Helen Palazola
Tommy & Nell Herndon	Jerry & Betty Robbins
Anita Hopper	

OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

Margie Holliday in the passing of her sister, Mary Henderson. The funeral will be in St. Louis, Missouri.

MSOP student, Douglas Tibbits, in the passing of his father, Archie Tibbits. Archie was also the grandfather of MSOP student, Brandon Tibbits.

A memorial service for Terri Sanders, daughter of Nancy Price, will be conducted Saturday, August 6 at 1:00 in the Cates Chapel Hall. The family will receive visitors beginning at 12:30.



KIRBY PINES Retirement Community worship service each fourth Sunday 8:00-8:45 a.m., conducted by Forest Hill. Our next service will be Sunday, August 28.

LEGACY ESTATES worship service each Sunday afternoon 3:00 p.m. conducted by Forest Hill.

INFORMATION LINE: 531-8849

REQUESTED PRAYERS: Margie Holliday and Sabrena Sowell.

REQUESTED PRAYERS & PLACED MEMBERSHIP: Gerald, Vickie, Gerald Jr., & Christian Brown. 5412 Lake Village Dr. Memphis, TN 38125, 901-755-1127.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

Dear Forest Hill family,

Thank you for all your visits, food, cards and mostly prayers during my mother's illness and passing. The warm welcome at Forest Hill made Mom look forward to church service and ladies Bible class. Thank you again from me and my brothers.

In Christ Alone,

Suzanne Jones (daughter of Carolyn Jones)

Dear Forest Hill,

Thank you for the cards, hugs, calls, food and most of all the prayers during Terri's illness and death. I have a wonderful church family. We love you all.

In Christian love,

Nancy Price and the Sanders family

HEARTS & HANDS

TEAM "D" (Randy Elliott) will meet Sunday, July 31 after the morning service in the fellowship hall for a covered dish dinner.

TEAM "F" (John Connell) will receive assignments the week of July 31.

TEAM "A" (Paul Connell) will receive assignments the week of August 7.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY EVENING SUMMER SERIES June 22-August 10, "New Testament Worship" in the auditorium for ages 7th grade-adult. Wednesday, July 27 "Preaching and Worship" taught by Bobby Liddell.

ICE CREAM SUPPER following Bible Study, Wednesday, July 27. If you cannot bring a bucket of homemade ice cream, please bring a favorite dessert.

REMEMBER to Check Your Box!

Last week's solution:

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night showeth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Psalm 19:1-3

CORNERSTONE

Unscramble the letters in each word below to reveal the passage of scripture.

BERRMEME WON YTH TCRROEA NI EHT YSDA FO YTH
HYUTO, EWLIIH EHT VLIE YSDA OMEC TON, RON EHT AYSRE
WRDA GNIH, EWNH UTOH TSLHA YSA, I VHEA ON USRPLEEA
NI ETMH;

Solution next week

NORTH SIDE GREETERS

Warren and Lisa Davenport (Front)
Allan and Christine Hart (Side)

August 2016

Coordinating Elder: Harold Mangrum

SOUTH SIDE GREETERS

(Front) Dan and Cindy Dawson
(Side) John and Jessica Manning

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 <i>Annette Cates</i> <i>Houston Welch</i>	5 <i>Lanell Bowers</i> <i>Mike Callahan</i>	6 <i>Rebecca Nichols</i> <i>Colson Albritton</i>
7 <i>Annette McAlister</i> <i>Haritha Gootam</i>	8 <i>Nell Herndon</i>	9	10	11 <i>Doris Jean Cole</i> <i>Jerry Ellis</i>	12	13
14 <i>Haston Handley</i> <i>Becky Sowell</i>	15	16 <i>Carolyn Hayes</i> <i>Dorothy Trimm</i> <i>Mary Alice Bergstrom</i>	17 MSOP Fall term begins <i>Corinne Elkins</i>	18 <i>Irwin Thomas</i> <i>Patsy DeShields</i>	19 <i>Garland Elkins</i>	20 <i>Jonathan Beavers</i> <i>Greg Mangrum</i>
21	22 <i>Steve Allmond</i>	23 <i>Velton Trimm</i>	24	25 <i>Carolyn Richardson</i>	26 <i>Jim Brown</i> <i>Dorothy Mosher</i>	27
28 Kirby Pines <i>Cedric Huff</i>	29 <i>Paul Connell</i> <i>Annabeth Esene</i> <i>Lewis Elliott</i>	30 <i>Cindy Dawson</i>	31			

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