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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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The Bible Palace

[Editor's note: This bulletin is filled with various and sundry items that are some of my favorites and I pray you will find them beneficial as you begin the new year. The following was supposedly written by the early 20th century preacher, Billy Sunday. It was a favorite of our former MSOP director, Roy Hearn.]

With the Holy Spirit as my Guide, I entered this Wonderful Temple called the Bible. I entered the portico of Genesis, walked down through the Old Testament Art Gallery, where pictures of Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Joseph, Isaac, Jacob, and Daniel hung upon the wall. I passed into the music room of Psalms, where the Spirit swept the keyboard of nature and brought forth a dirge-like wail of the weeping prophet Jeremiah to the grand impassioned strain of Isaiah, until it seemed that every reed and pipe in God's great organ of nature responded to the tuneful harp of David, the sweet singer of Israel.

I entered into the beautiful chapel of Ecclesiastes, where the Preacher's voice was heard, and into the conservatory room of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley's sweet-scented spices filled and perfumed my life. I entered the business office of Proverbs, then into the observatory room of the Prophets, where I saw telescopes of various sizes, some pointed to far-off events, but all concentrated upon the Bright and Morning Star which was to rise above the moon-lit hills of Judea for our Salvation.

I entered the audience room of the King of Kings and caught a vision of His glory from Matthew, Mark, Luke and John; passing on into the Acts of the Apostles, where the Holy Spirit was doing His work in forming the Infant Church. Then into the correspondence room, where sat Paul, Peter, James, John, and Jude penning the letters. I stepped into the throne room of Revelation where all towered in glittering peaks, and I got a vision of the King sitting upon His throne in all His glory and I cried:

All Hail the power of Jesus name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!

The Difference

I got up early one morning
And rushed into the day;
I had so much to accomplish
That I didn't have time to pray.

Problems just tumbling about me
And heavier came each task;
"Why doesn't God help me," I wondered
He answered, "But you didn't ask."

I wanted to see joy and beauty -
But the day toiled on, gray and bleak;
I wondered why God didn't show me,
He said, "But you didn't seek."

I tried to come into God's presence,
I used all my keys at the lock,
God gently and lovingly chided;
"My child, you didn't knock."

I woke up early this morning
And paused before entering the day;
I had so much to accomplish
That I had to take time to pray.

CRITICISM KILLS...

MOTIVATION

ENTHUSIASM

CONFIDENCE

JOY

DREAMS

HOPE

SPIRIT

MAY YOU HAVE

Enough happiness to keep you sweet,
Enough trials to keep you strong,
Enough sorrow to keep you human,
Enough hope to keep you happy;

Enough failure to keep you humble,
Enough success to keep you eager
Enough friends to give you comfort,
Enough wealth to meet your needs;

Enough enthusiasm to look forward,
Enough faith to banish depression,
Enough determination to make
Each day better than yesterday.

*Look inward and be depressed
Look outward and be distressed
Look to Jesus and be at rest*

In Modern America..

If it feels good, do it
If you don't want it, divorce it
If you don't like it, kill it
If you can't handle it drug it

*Flatter me and I will not believe you.
Criticize me and I may not like you.
Ignore me and I may not forgive you.
Encourage me and I will never forget you.
William Arthur Ward*

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

RECORD, WEEK of December 31, 2017

BIBLE STUDY:	200
A.M. WORSHIP:	290
P.M. WORSHIP:	220
CONTRIBUTON:	\$16,796.00

OUR SICK

Jim Crowe is scheduled for surgery Tuesday, January 9.

ILL AT HOME: Marsha Beliew (recovering from surgery), Jerry Bouchillon, Sherry Brown, and Walt Safronoff.

HOMEBOUND

Bessie Berry	Anita Hopper
Ann Castleman	Albert & Ruth House
Virginia Ditto	Clarine Justice
Hazel Eskew	Helen Palazola
Tommy & Nell Herndon	Jerry & Betty Robbins

OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO the family of Joe Baxter who passed away Sunday, January 31. Visitation will be at the Forest Hill building Thursday at 11 a.m. The funeral service will follow at noon. Interment will be at Southwoods Memorial Park.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR BOX!

HEARTS AND HANDS

TEAM "C" (DANNY BRADDOCK) will receive assignment cards the week of January 7.

TEAM "D" (RANDY ELLIOTT) will receive assignment cards the week of January 14.

UPCOMING EVENTS

LADIES AND MEN'S CLASSES meet each Tuesday at 10:00. Classes will resume January 9. The men will begin a new study entitled *Renewing Your Spiritual Life: A Study of Deuteronomy*. The ladies will continue studying *Successful Christian Living in Today's World*.

59TH ANNIVERSARY AND HOMECOMING Forest Hill Church of Christ, Sunday, January 14. A fellowship meal will follow morning service. Zones 5 and 6 will be responsible for set up and clean up.

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, January 22.

MONEY MANAGEMENT COURSE begins Tuesday, January 30. Details forthcoming.

NEW MEN'S CLASS

Barry Grider will begin a leadership training class for men, beginning Sunday, January 7 at 9:30. We will be studying *Down Front and Ready* by Gary Colley. Class will meet in Room 201 of the Education Building.



Last week's solution:

For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time. 1 Timothy 2:5-6

CORNERSTONE

Scryptogram: Each letter in the passage is replaced with another.

AMGBSWM MYMAEBAM. DAPQ FSZLBIZ WMPTSUO. SU
 MYMAQZLSUO OSYM ZLPUVT JBA ZLST ST ZLM FSNN BJ
 OBC SU WLASTZ MTIT WBUWMAUSUO QBI.

G=J Solution next week. D=P

One Solitary Life

He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in still another village, where He worked in a carpenter shop until He was 30. Then for three years He was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never had a family or owned a house. He didn't go to college. He never traveled more than 200 miles from the place he was born. He did none of the things one usually associated with greatness. He had no credentials but Himself. He was only 33 when public opinion turned against Him. His friends deserted Him. He was turned over to His enemies and went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. When He was dying, His executioners gambled for his clothing, the only property He had...on earth. When He was dead, He was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend. Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today He is the central figure of the human race, the leader of mankind's progress. All the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the parliaments that ever sat, all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man on earth as much as that One Solitary Life. Do You Know Who He Is?

James Allan Francis in "The Real Jesus and Other Sermons"

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