

Remember in Prayer

KATHY GULLEDGE (BETH COX'S SISTER): Cancer. She has surgery (this week) to determine her prognosis. **LOUISE ASHE:** Recovering from a recent fall. **IRENE CLEMENTS:** Various health issues. **TROY (IRENE CLEMENTS' GRANDSON):** Severe pain from kidney stones. **JIM CRAWFORD:** Recovering from recent surgery to remove a spinal tumor. **SCOTTY COOPER:** Suffering from pneumonia. **TERRY TRUETT:** Undergoing chemo & stem cell replacement. **TREVE WOOD:** Ongoing health issues. **SHIRLEY MAXSON:** Ongoing cancer treatment.

Serving Today

Announcements this Month **Lee Myers**
Song Leader Erik Myers
Opening Prayer Tom Johnson
Leading on Lord's Table Ron Cox
Serving on Lord's Table Eric Cox & Jason Hicks
Scripture Reading Adam Henson (**1 Corinthians 6.18-20**)
Closing Prayer Jason Mull

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Sunday, April 15th, 2018

Welcome to Woodland!

We hope each one goes away feeling uplifted from our service as we worship in spirit and in truth. If you have questions or would like a private Bible study, please see one of our elders or our preacher.

Sunday Classes: 9:30a

AM Worship: 10:30a - **PM Worship:** 6:00p

Wednesday Classes: 7:00p

Today's Lessons

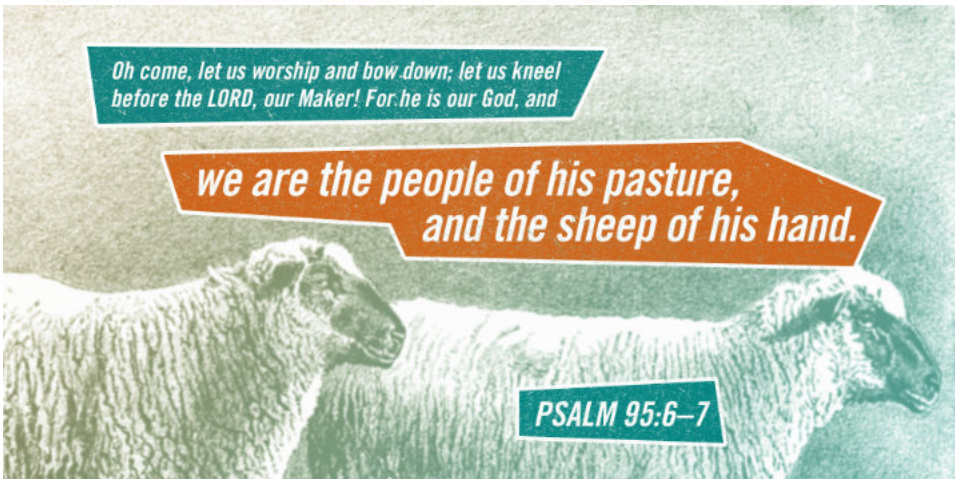
AM: "It's Not Your Body!"
(1 Corinthians 6.19-20)

PM: "The Persistent Widow"
("Parables of Jesus" Series)

*Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel
before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and*

*we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.*

PSALM 95:6-7



Dealing With Spiritual Burnout

By Timothy Gunnels (via Start2Finish.org)

In our neck of the woods this winter we have had some unusually cold weather. Thanks to the generosity of some friends, we have had an ample supply of firewood for our fireplace. Everyone in our household of eight has looked to me to build a fire on those cold days and then keep it burning into the night. Since I work from home, I can tend to it several times throughout the day. I have been reminded of two important things about getting a fire started and keeping it going and I believe they can help us to prevent spiritual burnout.

First, a fire needs oxygen to burn and keep burning. The first thing I do before starting a new fire in the fireplace is to remove all the leftover ashes and make sure there is plenty of room for the air to circulate. When I assemble the kindling and logs for the fire, I make sure there is ample space for oxygen to be present. If there is no room for oxygen, then there is no flame. Even if I manage to get a flame started, it won't keep burning if there is no room for air, or if the ashes get too deep.

If we are to be spiritually healthy people who maintain our fire for God, then we must have space in our lives. Practicing simplicity in our calendars and with our possessions can help us create and maintain the space needed for the fire to ignite and keep burning. If we don't practice solitude with God on a regular basis, keep from over-committing ourselves to unimportant things, and curtail our attachment to worldly possessions, then we will surely experience burnout. Jesus modeled this behavior by both working and resting, engaging and withdrawing, and going about his time on earth free of attachment to possessions (*Mark 6:30-32, Luke 9:58*).

Second, a fire needs more fuel to keep burning. In the case of a gas grill, there needs to be gas in the tank. In the case of a wood burning fireplace or campfire, there needs to be more wood to keep feeding the fire. When we clean up our schedules and clean out our closets, we need to fill them back up with disciplines and practices that refuel us spiritually. If we are to be spiritually healthy people, we need to add the proper fuel to our fire to keep the flame of our spirit burning. Spiritual practices like solitude, fellowship, and worship with other believers, meditating on Scripture and spending time in prayer all help add fuel to our spiritual fires (*Hebrews 10:25, Psalm 1:2-3, Philippians 4:4-7*).

So, does your life need more oxygen or more fuel to keep your relationship with the Lord healthy? Do you need to create more space in your life to have healthier relationships with family, friends, and neighbors? Do you need to initiate or engage in healthy spiritual practices to reignite your life in the Lord? I would encourage you to prayerfully consider these things, and begin by asking God to help you see what you need to do to stay close to Him and be the light He has called you to be in this dark world.

What's Happening @ Woodland?

THE WOODLAND ELDER-ON-CALL FOR APRIL IS LEE MYERS. If you have a matter for the eldership please direct it to the elder-on-call as the primary point of contact.



MYSTERY DINNER - APRIL 21ST @ 6 PM: The Weavers & Hicks will host a mystery dinner in the fellowship room. Do you have what it takes to overcome the challenge? Sign-up in the lobby if you plan to attend.

FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL: On Sunday, April 29th we will host a fellowship meal following AM worship. The church will provide chicken, BBQ pork and baked beans. We ask that our members to bring sides & desserts.

ANNUAL CLEAN-UP (HALF) DAY AT THE BUILDING: It's Spring and time to tidy up some odds and ends around our facility! Towards the end of May, we will host a clean-up day. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Date & time to be announced.

SAVE THE DATE - GRILLING & GAMES ON SATURDAY, JUNE 23RD: More info to come towards the end of May.

SECRET SISTER THEME FOR APRIL: The theme for this month is jewelry, hair accessories, lip gloss, Chapstick, or nail polish. Please remember your Secret Sister in April.

COMMUNITY TABLE ITEM FOR APRIL: We are collecting canned fruit & fruit cocktail. Thanks in advance for your help.

Current Bible Classes



Below is a summary of our current adult Bible classes. We invite you to attend and participate in the class that interests you the most.

Studies in Poetical Books

Sunday AM auditorium class. Led by Ken Nicholson, Lee Myers, and Del Reid. Exploring various topical studies from the poetical books of the Bible. From the Gospel Advocate Foundations Bible Study Guide for Spring 2018.

How We Got The Bible

Sunday AM class meeting in the fellowship room. Led by Ken Hicks. A look at the origin and development of the canon of Scripture & the differences in Bible translations.

Reality of the Resurrection

Wednesday PM class meeting in the auditorium. Led by Ken Hicks. An examination of the importance & arguments for Jesus' resurrection.