BETTA VIEW HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST

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October 16, 2016

Today:

"Love One Another"

<u>Tonight:</u> PM Worship at Oxford Lake Pavilion 8—4pm to 6pm

<u>Tuesday:</u> GEMS Meeting—10am

<u>Tuesday:</u> Ladies Night Out—6pm Fellowship Hall

Contact Elder for October – Bill Brewer 256-225-8835

Order of Worship Call To Worship

BETTAVIEW

Prayer - Frank Thomas Song Leader: Joel Fetner

Song #122: The Love Of God (1,3) Song #786: Precious Lord, Take My Hand (1,2) Song #432: How Shall The Young Secure Their Hearts (1,2,3)

Communion & Offering

Song #992: Can You Count The Stars? (1,2,3) Song #870: Beyond This Land Of Parting (1,3) Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour

> Scripture Reading: Zachary Briley John 15:9-12

> > Message: John Ross

Song #935: Sinners Jesus Will Receive (1,4)

Announcements
Song #755: God Be With You (1)

Prayer - Duane Stephens

"Be Still And Know That I Am God; I Will Be Exalted Among The Nations, I Will Be Exalted In The Earth"

Keep Praying!



I think sometimes that I don't understand anything about prayer. I pray quite a bit, mind you. It's just that I don't understand a lot about it. Sometimes I pray for good things, and they are denied. Other times I pray for myself or others to be spared bad things that still happen.

How does prayer work? How do I know what to pray for? How about you? Do you ever wonder about such things? Maybe at least part of our problem is in praying for wrong things. If that is the case, then I certainly begin to see how praying could be confusing. When we are wrong-headed in what we ask, we can hardly blame God for failing to answer. Let me try to make sense of what I am struggling to say.

Peter and John were called before the religious authorities of Jerusalem in the earliest days of Christianity. They were ordered to stop preaching about Jesus in the city. In fact, they were threatened that bad things would come down on them if they didn't stop. Duly warned, they were released. When the two men got back with their friends, they reported everything that had happened. Then they prayed. *"Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness"* (Acts 4:29). My fear is that I would have prayed for something different! Maybe I would have requested divine protection from them. Maybe I would have asked for a different direction for my ministry?

But they prayed neither for protection nor a new assignment. They prayed for boldness to say what Jesus had told them to say.

Maybe you and I shouldn't pray for more things; instead, let's pray for the ability to appreciate what we have, manage it wisely, and use it generously. Maybe we should pray less about annoyances and pray instead for patience to realize that God's grace is sufficient, no matter what. Maybe we even should pray less about good health and success; we might pray rather to be content, dignified, and courageous in coping with our lot in life.

It's certainly within God's will to pray for daily bread and deliverance from trials. The Lord's Prayer models as much for us. But even Jesus prayed for things in Gethsemane that He qualified with "not My will but Yours be done."

Sometimes God's will is better served by one of His people bearing a cross with courage than by having the problem vanish. That's why we seek to surrender to His will over our own. That's why we accept the mystery inherent in His will.

Maybe I should worry less about understanding the nature of prayer and simply pray.

Upcoming Events



October 18: GEMS Meeting—10am October 18: Ladies' Night Out- 6pm October 23: Cullman church of Songfest with Keith Lancaster. The van will leave Betta View at 3pm. **October 26:** Singing Night & Birthday / Anniversary Celebration October 29: Fall Festival - 2pm to 4pm October 30: Men's General Business Meeting— 8:30am in Room 182 October 30: Fifth Sunday contribution to the building fund. October 30: Deadline to sign up and pay for the Casting Crowns concert in Birmingham. **October 30:** Elders / Deacons Meeting—6pm **November 5:** Daylight Savings Time Ends (set clock back one hour before you go to bed) November 6: Pot Luck Lunch and our Veteran's Appreciation Day—No 5pm service November 15: GEMS Meeting—10am November 22: Mid Week Bible Study on Tuesday due to Thanksgiving Holiday November 25: Casting Crowns concert in Birmingham.

This Week's Back-Pack Food Items

-Oatmeal Variety Packs



-Cereal

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 10/16—JC Smith
- 10/17—M/M James Farmer
- 10/18—Greg Hill
- 10/20—Melba Green, Jerry Mitchell
- 10/21—Garry Banks, M/M Junior Tillson
- 10/22—M/M Duane Stephens
- 10/23—Carolyn Elston

Remember in Prayer. .



Our Sick...

Dorothy Phillips is having heart issues and having tests run to determine the problem. (7 Cobblestone Drive, Anniston 36207) **Carlotta Behel** fell last Wednesday and hit her head. No broken bones but had to have a few stitches in her head. (1209 Conger Road, Anniston 36201)

Maggie Freeman is having some health issues and dealing with some pain. (1107 Montvue Road, Anniston 36207)

Kesley Williams is having problems with seizures again. She had doctor's appointments last week to try to determine best treatments. (Faulkner University, 5345 Atlanta Hwy, Montgomery 36109)

Michele Williams had an episode with a seizure last Wednesday. (48371 AL Hwy 21, Munford 36268)

Juanita Wallace got a good report from the doctor last week. The cancer is shrinking and she will not have to undergo chemo treatments at this time. She will have a follow up appointment in 3 months. She wants to thank everyone for your prayers and support. (67 Del Rey Place, Oxford 36203)

Angie Lindsey has been in the hospital but is now home. (513 County Line Road, Oxford 36203)

Friends & Family...

Allen Hanvey (father of Brooke Leonard) is recovering from a procedure done at UAB last Monday to see if doctors can determine what is causing the paralysis in his arm. (630 Windover Road, Florence 35630)

Sam Creech (cousin of **Jake Leonard**) has two large masses on her breast. She underwent a biopsy this past Friday.

Angels Are Rejoicing...

Tanner Cobb was baptized into Christ last Sunday morning. Please keep Tanner in your prayers as he begins his walk with our Lord. (1717 Jenifer Road, Munford 36268)

Sympathy...

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of **Quintez Hunter**. His grandmother is, **Deborah Ingram** (friend of Miriam James) and are members at Oxford church of Christ. Please keep this family, as well as the youth group at Oxford, in your prayers as they deal with this very tragic loss. (cards can be sent to his grandmother, Deborah Ingram at 2010 McKleroy Avenue, Anniston 36201)

Those Privileged to Serve:

October 2016

Song Leaders:

16th – Joel Fetner 23rd – Rusty Stephens 30th – Shane Champion

AM: **Opening Prayer**

16th: Frank Thomas23rd: Britt Parker30th: Frank Tant

Closing Prayer

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Duane Stephens

Avery Pressley

Bobby Lackey

PM: <u>Opening Prayer</u> 16th: Jeff Tims 23rd: James Farmer 30th: Brian Forbus

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Those to Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding: Marty Livingston **Assisting**: Jerry Wilson, Ted Haynes, Calvin Phillips, Jamie Burgess, Harold Colley, Keith Timmons, Keith Yarbrough, Norman Morrison

<u>Ushers</u>:

David Austin, Kevin Briley, Landon Watts, Geoff Williams, Eddie Jennings, Mike Tims

Little Lambs:

16th: Shannon & Piper Smith 23rd: Rachel Tant & Tiffany Strickland 30th: Lindsey Webb & Abbie Watts

Greeters:

West Entrance: Virginia Brewer & Eleanor Eaton East Entrance: Donna & Phil Waits Main Foyer: Robin Houston, Frank & Gloria Thomas, Kayla Yarbrough, Anna Livingston

Security Duty:

16th: Jeff Tims & Kevin Briley 23rd: Jay Painter & Russell Johnston 30th: Avery Pressley & Tyler Johnston

Prepare Communion: Dianne Ross Secure Building: Marty Livingston Youth Activity Host: Contact Elder: Bill Brewer

If you are unable to serve please contact **Brian Forbus** @ 256-831-2471.

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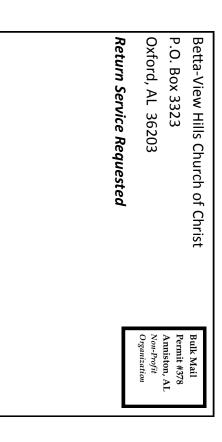
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Pattern - "Love One Another!"

Why do so many Christians have such a hard time doing it?

1. The way we've been <u>conditioned</u>.

Jesus said, "Love one another as I <u>have loved</u> <u>you</u> ..." <u>NOT</u> love one another as they <u>love you</u> <u>back</u>."

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