

WELCOME VISITORS

MESSENGER FOR CHRIST



BRUNSWICK CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Time to Talk about Time
By Bob Prichard

The presence of Jesus in the gathering of His people is the sweetest blessing we enjoy when we meet. We pray that you will find peace, comfort, and power for living today.

A visitor's card is provided in the book rack, to give us a record of your visit.

SUNDAY		ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY	
Bible Study	10:00 AM	Morning Worship	58
Worship	11:00 AM	Evening Worship	
Evening	6:00 PM	Wednesday	16
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	6:30 PM	Contribution	887.00
Fellowship Meal (Every 1 st Sunday)	12:30 PM		
Men's Meeting	5:00 PM		
Last Sunday of every month)			

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TO OUR FRIENDS:

R.M. Cornelius identifies the "Seven Stages of Man" as:

- * 6 weeks: all systems go!
- * 6 years: all systems no!
- * 16 years: all systems know!
- * 26 years: all systems glow!
- * 36 years: all systems owe!
- * 56 years: all systems status quo!
- * 76 years: all systems slow!

I don't know about you, but it shocks me to see that I'm already firmly entrenched in the fifth stage - all systems owe! Where has all the time gone? Surely Job knew what he was talking about: "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle" (Job 7:6).

The most precious commodity we have today is not silver or gold, but time. John Randolph reminds us, "Time is at once the most valuable and the most perishable of all possessions." When we squander it on things that don't matter, we are so foolish. Paul warns us, "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is." (Ephesians 5:15-17)

When we look around us, we can see that the days we are living in are truly evil, with sin rampant in our world. Ralph Waldo Emerson once said that, "this time, like all times, is a very good one, if we but know what to do with it." To use our time wisely, we need a heavenly perspective: "If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God." (Colossians 3:1-3)

What will you do with time? I find Henry Thoreau's observation thoughtful: "As if you could kill time without injuring eternity." Will we "injure eternity"? We are each given twenty-four precious hours daily. How will we use them? Whatever age we find ourselves in, whether 16 or 76, we must serve God faithfully.

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“...The Churches of Christ salute you.” Romans 16:16

BEST POEM IN THE WORLD

I was shocked, confused, bewildered as I entered Heaven's door, not by the beauty of it all, nor the lights or its decor.

But it was the folks in heaven who made me sputter and gasp--The thieves, the liars, the sinners, the alcoholics and the trash.

There stood the kid from seventh grade who swiped my lunch money twice, next to him was my old neighbor who never said anything nice.

Bob who I always thought was rotting in hell, was sitting pretty on cloud nine, looking incredibly well.

I nudged Jesus, 'What's the deal? I would love to hear your take. How'd all these sinners get up here? God must've made a mistake.

'An why is everyone so quiet, So somber - give me a clue.

'Hush, child,' he said, 'They're all in shock. No one thought they'd be seeing you.'
Judge not!!

Author unknown

God's Plan for Man
Hear God's Word
 Heb. 11:6; Rom. 10:17
Believe in Jesus
 Jn. 8:24
Repent of Sins
 Lk. 13:3; 2 Cor. 7:10
Confess Jesus' Name
 Mt. 10:32-33; Rom. 10:9-10; Mt. 16:15-16
Be Baptized
 Mk. 16:15-16; Mt. 28:18-19; Acts 2:38, 41;
 Acts 22:16; Rom. 6:3-4
Live Faithful until Death
 Mt. 10:22; Rev. 2:10

The Bible study topic for Wednesday night: A
 Chronological Study of the Life of Jesus
 Bible study starts at 6:30 PM.



Whiteville Church of Christ
Ladies Day

Saturday, September 14th
9:00 am
Speaker: Linda Smith Fox
Topic: Mount Up!

Check the bulletin board for details.

Opportunities to Serve

Welcome	Today Leslie Bell	08/18/13 John Bowling
Song Leader	Dick Phillips	Willie Gore
Opening Prayer	Willie Gore	Dick Phillips
Communion	*John Bowling Leslie Bell Ed Williams	*Don Lockey Bill Bartlow Lynn Means
Scripture Reading	John Lloyd	Leslie Bell
Speaker	Rick Massey	Rick Massey
Closing Prayer	Albert Sturdivant	Charlie Gamble
Evening	John Bowling	John Lloyd
Nursery	Carolyn Bowling	Lelia Gore/Hannah Garner

The Nursery will be open to receive children following the Communion.

Please remember to pray for the sick, lonely, and especially anyone outside Christ.

HEALTH
Nancy Spencer

TRAVELING
Williams Family Libby Hobbs
Crew Family

GENERAL
Mrs. Outlaw Agape Organization
Frances Stevenson Russell Bellamy
Greg Lacey Homeless on Oak Island

The complete prayer list is on the bulletin board.

The Mommy Test

A mother and her four year old daughter were out walking. The girl picked up something off the ground and started to put it in her mouth. The mother immediately told her, “Don’t put that in your mouth. It’s been on the ground and it’s dirty. It has all kinds of germs on it. It can make you very sick.” The girl was impressed and amazed. “Mommy, how do you know all that stuff?”

The mother said, “It’s all on the mommy test. You have to know this stuff or you don’t get to be a mommy.”

After thinking about it for quite a while, the little girl said, “Oh, now I get it. If you flunk the mommy test you’ll have to be the daddy?”

"A cheerful heart is good medicine..." Prov 17:22