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Notes From The Preacher's Desk....

Although I'm sure our students are well aware of this, Spring Break is upon us! Most schools are out this upcoming week, including my program at HST. With Spring Break comes dreams of warmer weather, flowers blooming, pleasant temps. But, as you all know, March is a time of the year when it could be 70* of it could be 30.* It is truly a time of transition, a process coming out of the Winter and into Spring. Sometimes that process is straightforward, sometimes that process is up, down, and unpredictable. I think transition, growth in churches, personal spiritual growth is a lot like the month of March. As much as we desire it to be straight-forward, the actual path is winding, up and down, and sometimes quite difficult. Peter tells us growth is a requirement for the followers of Christ (2nd Peter 3:18). But growth into what? Not to grow into things that carry us away (vs 17) but growth *"into the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."* Maintain all growth into Christ, the true vine (John 15:1ff) -Matt

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Bible Classes 9:00 a.m.
AM Worship Svc. 10:00 a.m.
PM Worship Svc. 5:00 p.m.*
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
(Attended Nursery at all svcs.)

*No 5:00 p.m. service on the third Sunday of the month

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A Glimpse Into the Future

The rapidity with which changes have taken place over the past several years leaves us longing for some sort of glimpse into the future. What will the financial markets look like in six months? What will be the political landscape a year from today? And, what about the spiritual and moral climate in our society? What new challenges will we face in the year ahead. The best we can offer are educated guesses based on the past. We simply do not know about tomorrow (Mt. 6:34). But, while we cannot know the future, at least to the extent that our anxiety-driven curiosity requires, we can know the God who holds the future in His hands.

In previous ages, God spoke “to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways...” (Heb. 1:1). Fulfilled prophecy is a major component of the body of evidence that supports the inspiration of the Bible. Detailed descriptions of people and events written hundreds of years before their fulfillment leaves us with the indelible impression that the Lord has, indeed, spoken through His servants, the prophets.

Yet, there have always been those who falsely claim to speak in the name of the Lord. Perhaps, for this reason, Moses hypothetically posed the question: “How will we know the word which the Lord has not spoken?” (Dt. 18:21). Answering his own question, Moses says, “When a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the thing does not come about or come true, that is the thing which the Lord has not spoken. The prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him” (vs. 22).

How often are modern-day prognosticators given a free pass by their adherents even when it becomes clearly evident that their predictions have altogether missed the mark? Because they were inspired by the Holy Spirit, God’s prophets were always 100% accurate in their predictions. By contrast, today’s false prophet, in spite of using the same taken-out-of-context passages year after year, cannot get their teaching to line up with actual events with any degree of reliability or specificity. Should they not be held accountable for their false predictions? (1 Jn. 4:1).

Glen Elliott
Greenbrier church of Christ
Greenbrier, AR
Bulletin Digest

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OUR PRAYER LIST

Woodland Hills Members:

Ron Barker, David Dement, Paige Essary (Heart ablation), Sharon Estes, Lisa Greer, Judy Hill, Eleanor Holland, Rebecca Karr (recovering but more foot surgery to come), Kerwin May (upcoming surgery March 22) Pat Patchell (recovering from surgery), Carol Spellings, Louise VanSickel, Keith Williams (recovering from Surgery)

In Assisted/Senior Living or Homebound:

Stan Adams, Clemmie Allison, Wilma Barfield (Ava Maria), Janet Brown, Jackie Greene, Pat King, Robert King (Harbor Chase), Elaine Martin, Raymond McClendon, Mary Ann Morrison, Osby & Martha Riley, Clara Shipman, Linda Thompson, Mary Ann Watson

Family and Friends:

Jim Adams & Bob Adams (Brothers of Tom Adams), Kris Alexander (Sister of Julie Grantham), Jean Britt, McClendon Cox (Father of Kenny Cox), Eleanor Daugherty (Mother of Betty Barker), Phyllis Gilbreath (Sister of Judy Brown), Van Jones, Kevin Knight, Debbie Knight, Jim Hinton (Brother of Ron Hinton), Phil Hubbert (Cousin of Jim Hubbert), Van Jones, Archie, Adina, Melvin McFerrin and Russell May (Father/Niece/Friend/Uncle of Kerwin May), Kesha Owsley (Friend of Daphne Jenkins), Randy Pinckley (Brother of Robi and Rhonda), Misty Pinckley, Pat Slate, David South, Pat Thomas, Floyd Williamson

TO SERVE THIS WEEK March 5th

Welcome & Announcements::

Ken Robison

Opening Prayer:

Tom Adams

Closing Prayer:

Jacob Maynard

Serve Communion:

John Waddell, Lon Maynard,

Bob Karr, Bill Seward

AM Nursery: **Page Essary/Nedra Robison**

5 PM Service

Opening Prayer: **John Waddell**

Closing Prayer: **Dan Amar**

:PM Nursery: **Lynn Allison Tretiakov**

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY!

MARCH 12th



Time to
Spring Ahead

AREA-WIDE SERVICES TONIGHT!

The Area-Wide Worship Service will be tonight at the Germantown Church of Christ. Services will begin at 5:00 pm. And end no later than 6:15. There will be a nursery provided for infants and toddlers provided by qualified and caring ladies from the Germantown and Midtown churches. Our guest speaker will be Marrisus Ellis from Shelbyville, TN and song service will be led by Jesse Eaton from Vienna, WV.

LADIES DAY

Our Ladies Day is quickly approaching. March 25th is the date. Isabelle Williamson will be our guest speaker on the theme: *Seeking God in the Storms.* Be sure to preregister on our Facebook or on our website:

www.woodlandhillschurch.com.



WE NEED YOU

Our Vacation Bible School dates have been set for June 11-14. and the theme this year will be “Miracles of Jesus.” We need a lot of help this year and we are asking for extra help. Yes, we still need all the traditional jobs covered, but we have fewer hands to prepare for this big undertaking. Setting up all the props is a big chore and we would appreciate you helping us! We have an excellent VBS (much more elaborate than most churches have trying to recreate the atmosphere of Bible times!) but it takes lots of work and preparation. If we are to continue to have the same excellent program, we need your help!

THANK YOU

Thanks to Mike and Renee for hosting the Friday night singing at their home on the 24th of February. A joyous time was had by all. These in home singings are wonderful opportunities to mix and mingle and get to know one another better as well as enjoy a night of singing hymns, and eating delicious food!

Power For Today

*We will soon be putting out the
April, May & June issues.*

*Be sure to look for the
two articles that are included
from our own Judy Kilmer!
We are proud of you Judy!*

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