

The Ripley Reminder



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Service Times

Sunday Bible Study..... 9:30 AM

Sunday Morning 10:20 AM

Sunday Evening..... 5:00 PM

Wednesday Evening..... 7:00 PM

MINISTERS

Dr. Donnie DeBord

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Tucker Shappley

ELDERS

David Cook

Michael Harrison

Mark Martindale

DEACONS

Ronald Chapman

Rob Elliott

Shane Green

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LET'S TAKE A MINUTE. . .

THE PATHS OF LIFE

"Show me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths. Lead me in thy truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; on You I wait all the day." (Psalm 25:4-5)

Life on this earth is sometimes referred to as a "journey," which implies a way, a road, or a path. All of us have made either a short trip or an extended journey across the country or across the ocean. Some travels are short and easy while others are extended in time, distance and expense.

The "path of life" is a spiritual journey which can, at times, become discouraging and difficult! Robert Frost once referred to situations which seem "Too much like a difficult path through the deep, dark woods!"

But there is hope for the Christian. Jesus warns that the road – the path – that leads to eternal life is narrow and only a few will find it. (Matt. 7:14) But various scriptures assure us that our path can be made level and straight – a path of peace and understanding. It is the path toward salvation and immortality The Psalmist reminds us that Gods word is ". . . a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our pathway." (ref. 119:105)

Let us join him in the prayer: "Show me Thy ways, O Lord, teach me Thy paths."

My minute's up!

James A. Horton

LET’S TAKE A MINUTE:

BUILD YOUR HOPES ON THINGS ETERNAL

“Fear thou not, for I am with thee be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee: yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness,”

Isa.41:10

The title of this article is taken from the song written by Mary Jane Wilson (1857-1913), who was born on a farm near Cleveland, IN. At age 4, she suffered a spinal disease which rendered her an invalid, confined to a wheelchair and to bed. Having developed a love for music and poetry, Mary Jane authored 2,200 poems – many of which ended up in hymns which have been sung in churches over the intervening years.

One of the more popular of these is Hold to God’s Unchanging Hand.

Stanza 1 – TIME IS FILLED WITH SWIFT TRANSITION

Life is brief. James said, “. . .it is but a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away.” (Jas. 13-14) Change is a major characteristic of life.

Stanza 2 - NAUGHT OF EARTH UNMOVED CAN STAND

Nothing on earth will last forever. “The heavens shall pass away with a great noise and the elements shall melt with fervent heat. (2 Pet. 3:10)

Stanza 3 - BUILD YOUR HOPES ON THINGS ETERNAL

“And these all died in faith...and confessed they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.” (Heb. 11:13)

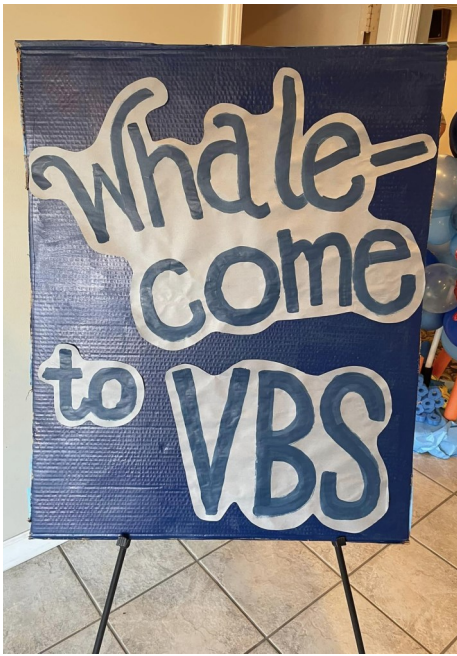
Stanza 4 – HOLD TO GOD’S UNCHANGING HAND

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear. . .(Ps. 46:1-2)

The people of God have been supremely blessed by those who have the ability to match words to music and emotions to produce hymns which have deeply affected our lives as we together sing such meaningful songs in worship!

My minute’s up!

James A. Horton



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Mike Bennett had knee surgery this week. Pray for a successful procedure and a speedy recovery..
- Ann Akins is home recovering from treatments. Please pray for her at this time.
- Pray for Curtis McCollum as he recovers.

Please keep these in your thoughts and prayers:

Ann Akins, Peggy Wallis, Johnnie Jumper, James Nunnally, Lindsay Garrison,
Pattie Box, Brenda Koon, Carol Smith, Ali Rae Barkley, Cora Chills, Austin Wentz,
Lori Chapman, Jan Rooker, Trey Smith, Lenox Kennamore, Clem Edge, Don Smith,
Billy Hugh McBryde, Carol Porterfield,
Phil Young, Heather McSwain, Harriet Willis
Diversicare: Terri Barkley C-9, Cindy Holly D-8

NEWS & NOTES

- Thank you to everyone who had a part in making our 2024 VBS a success.
- Chapman church of Christ will have their VBS June 23-26 Monday—Wednesday 6:00-7:30.
- Gloster Street Church of Christ will have VBS June 24-28 from 9:00—11:00 am.
- Danville Church of Christ will have their 22nd Annual Gospel Singing June 28th from 7:00-8:30 PM. They are located in Biggersville. Directions are on the flyer in the foyer.
- Leslie Caviness and Kat Mann will be nursery attendants this Sunday.

Worship Service June 23, 2024

Welcome.....	David Cook
Song Leader	Caleb James
Opening Prayer AM.....	Nathan Roberson
Read Scripture.....	Anderson Thompson
Lord’ Supper AM.....	Sonny Meeks
Assisting at the Lord’s Table AM.....	Shane Green, Robert Elliott, Mike Hudson, Ronald Chapman, Clay Crawford, Dean Caviness
Closing Prayer AM	Frank Campbell
Opening Prayer PM.....	Cooper Pounders
Lord’s Supper PM.....	Jerry Green
Closing Prayer PM.....	Mike Bennett