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The Power of One Righteous Person

How much the wicked owe to the righteous! For the sake of God's people, blessings have been given to the utterly undeserving, and judgments have been averted from those who otherwise would have perished. What a difference one righteous person can make! Consider these real-life cases:

Laban recognized the Lord had blessed him with many flocks because of Jacob (Gen. 30:27).

Potiphar prospered because of Joseph who was charged with managing his household and all that he owned (Gen. 39:5).

God would have forgiven the sin of Jerusalem if one honest, truth-seeking person had been found (Jer. 5:1).

God rescued all who were traveling to Rome by ship with Paul because of Paul (Acts 27:24)

Speaking of the wicked citizens of Sodom and Gomorrah, F.B. Meyer wrote, "Ungodly men little realize how much they owe to the presence of the children of God in their midst. Long ere now had the floods of deserved wrath swept them all away; but judgment has been restrained, because God could not do anything while the righteous were found amongst them. The impatient servants have often asked if they should not gather out the tares; but the answer of the righteous Lord has ever been: 'Nay, lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up the wheat also with them.' Ah, how little the world realizes the debt it owes to its saints, the salt to stay its corruption, the light to arrest the re-institution of the reign of chaos and night!"

Have you considered the influence you can have upon the people around you? Have you thought of the kind of power God has given to you, the light of the world and the salt of the earth? You can have a powerful influence upon those around you.

So, assert yourself, Christian! Influence the world around you! Wherever you are--- in the classroom, in the council meeting, at the doctor's office, at the PTA meeting, with a neighbor, in the grocery store, at the adult center, on the playground, in the coffee shop---stand up and be counted! Let your voice be heard and your way of life seen! Although only one righteous person, you can make a difference! Kerry W Holton

We would like all of our Guests to join our members in filling out an attendance card so that we might have a record of your visit.

There are two things that we would like to explain to you about our worship service. Our singing is *acappella* or *without accompaniment*. Although instruments of music were used by the Jews in the Old Testament, they are conspicuously absent in the church of the New Testament. We are told to, "Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord." (Ephesians 5:19)

We partake of the *Lord's supper* or *Communion* every Sunday as the early church did (Acts 21:7). The partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine is a weekly memorial that reminds us of what our Savior did for us. (I Cor. 11:23-26)

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

HEAR (Luke 11: 28)

But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

BELIEVE (Mark 16: 16)

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned."

REPENT (Acts 2: 38)

Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit"

CONFESS (Matthew 10: 32)

"Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven."

BE BAPTIZED (Acts 22: 16)

"And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord."

WELCOME VISITORS:

We are so glad you decided to be here today! It is always such a blessing to be able to meet you and be encouraged by your presence. Thank you for coming our way.

FOR THE CHILDREN:

Children's Worship Bulletins are available at the back for ages 3-6 and ages 7-12.

Attended Nursery for infants through age two. Parents may leave their children in the nursery before the worship service begins.

A Training Room for parents to use anytime during the worship service is also provided across the hall from the attended nursery.

For Your Convenience:

Hearing aid devices are available and may be received from the attendant in the sound room at the rear of the auditorium.



Prayer List

- ❖ **Carmie Green** will see a surgeon on Jan 11th.
- ❖ **Betty Burton** is having vision problems due to her diabetes condition.
- ❖ **Dave Marcum** is home and recovering from surgery.
- ❖ **Herman Klahn** has been released from the hospital. His heart rhythm is doing better.
- ❖ **Dwain Chambers** is scheduled for another surgery on Monday, the 8th of January.
- ❖ **Marvin McElwain** has been moved to the Royal Care Nursing Home, Room 121B in Avon Park and would appreciate visitors. He sends his love to us.
- ❖ **Kathryn Taylor** has been moved to Kenilworth Rehabilitation, Room 107, and would appreciate visits.
- ❖ **Pray for Winter Members** as they begin to return.
- ❖ **Helen Piety, Don and Elizabeth Ware** our shut-ins.

EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

- ❖ **Bob Loush**, friend of Bob Maire, has cancer and requests prayer.
- ❖ **Cindy LaForte**, sister of Mary Welsh, has had her chemo treatments changed because of difficulties with the drugs.
- ❖ **Leonard Anderson**, brother of Wayne is in VA Hospital with lung problems.
- ❖ **Ken Joines** is home from the hospital after his knee surgery and is going to therapy during the week.
- ❖ **Glenda Friend**, sister of Carol Johnson, is at home.
- ❖ Glen and Joanne Wooters' son, **Carolyn Shook**, cousin of Betty Parker, shows some improvement, **Sherry (Johnson) Brown**, ex daughter-in-law of Harry and Carol Johnson, **Carol Underwood**, a neighbor of Chuck and Mary Jo are all currently undergoing treatment for cancer.
- ❖ **Rita Bridges**, sister of Linda Bridges, has bone cancer.
- ❖ **Gurney Tucker**, brother-in-law of Carl Adkins, is in the hospital recovering from surgery.
- ❖ **Wayne Adkins**, brother of Carl Adkins, is improving following a heart attack.

MISSION EFFORTS

- ❖ **Anil Tejpaal and family and Javeed Ally** in Guyana.
- ❖ **Vovo Shoot and family and Dema Galook and family** in Chernovtsy.
- ❖ **F. H & Becky Gates** in Brazil

Keep waiting ON HIM
Keep working WITH HIM
Keep watching FOR HIM!

Our Record: December 31, 2006

Bible Study	107
Sunday AM Worship	163
Sunday PM Worship	109
Contribution	\$3290
Wednesday Bible Study	109
Building Fund	\$525
Ukraine Building Fund	\$1110
F.H. Gates	\$450
Special Mission – Guyana	\$40
World Bible Translation (Ladies Class)	\$0
Clothing Room/Pantry 01/04	41

Upcoming Birthdays



Leon Tubbs	01/08
Lydia Tubbs	01/09
Sue Morris	01/14
Carolyn Thomas	01/15
Nathan Ramer	01/15
David Parson	01/18
Delbert Mason	01/20

Upcoming Anniversary

Don & Laura Ware	01/09
Bob & Janis Lynch	01/09

Visitors for December 31, 2006

Jim & Thelma Sheets
 Chuck, Missy & Emily Jabas
 Chris, Tina Chaston & Erica Watkins
 Tammy Coney & Sons
 Amanda & Clay Leonard

Breaking the Barriers

Dr. Robert Laurnet conducted a study of 400 randomly selected high school students and asked them to list the 10 most frequent reasons for young people leaving the church. They are as follows:

1. Lack of opportunity for church involvement.
2. Negative media influence.
3. Poor relationships with parents.
4. Low self-esteem.
5. Poor relationship with youth minister
6. Negative peer influence.
7. Parents too authoritative.
8. The need for "space" away from parents
9. Negative concept of religion.
10. Lack of family harmony.

Dr. Laurent, as a result of this study, came up with the following statement; "Young people today will continue to leave the church unless parents and the church pull together and work at eliminating barriers to the faith of their teens." Adapted by Miles Mayo

Preaching Schedule

1/7 Allen Barber AM & PM

1/14 Frank Parker AM
Singing Night PM



Ladies Class Schedule



Jan. 9th teacher Laura Ware, topic *Purpose Giving*. Following the class there will be a short meeting concerning the upcoming Ladies Day. January birthdays will be celebrated with a lunch.

Clothing Room

On Thursday, 9-11am, is when the clothing room is open for the community. We can always use more help. If you have any furniture or household items to donate for use in this ministry, please let Betty Abrams or Harry Johnson know.



Searching For Truth

A new supply of copies of World Video Bible School DVD *Searching for Truth* has come in and copies are available on the tables in the back. The elders encourage everyone to use these DVD's and share them with friends, family, and those in the community.



Communion Sign-up

The sign up sheet for 2007 for communion preparation is on the bulletin board in the foyer. *Your help is needed. January and February are the only months with a volunteer listed.*



CEO

The CEO will meet on Friday, January 12th at 5:30pm at the Caddyshack Restaurant in Sebring. All are invited to attend.

Social

On January 20th will be our first fellowship of 2007. It will be a birthday party for everyone for the year. More details will be given later. Keep this date reserved and join us in a good time of fellowship. Group 1 will be in charge.

From the Elders

The elders continue to search for a new evangelist. If you are aware of a candidate you would recommend, either ask the candidate to send us a resume by email to the church or Olin, or provide the candidate's name and contact information to Olin. It would be helpful to provide some background information and why you recommend the candidate. Ken Joines may return after he recuperates from his surgery to assist us on an interim basis. Local brethren will be asked to fill the pulpit in the meantime.



Canned vegetables & fruits of all kinds
Canned Meats
Chicken Noodle and Vegetable Soup
Spaghetti and Sauce
Chili & crackers; Stew
Syrup
Chicken & Dumplings
Canned White and Sweet Potatoes
Rice
Baby Food & Baby Cereal
Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
Bar Soap
Deodorant
Individual Small Boxed Cereal

Local Blood Drive to be held at the Publix parking lot in Lake Placid on January 20, 2007, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Organized by local Boy Scout Travis Gibson, who is working on his Eagle Project. Come give the Gift of Life and support your community.

Thank You,
Travis Gibson
465-6449

Sympathy

Mae Dorst, mother of Patty Massey, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 31st. Our condolences to her and the family. She has gone to attend the funeral.

Harry Johnson's cousin passed away last week. He was able to go to the funeral in Nashville, TN and has returned.

SHEPHERDS

Harry Johnson.....655-3386
(Evangelism/Membership
Directory/Membership
Fellowship Clothing Room)

Dave Marcum385-8899
(Treasurer/ Administration)

Olin Shinholser.....382-1060
(Worship Services/ Education)

Paul Talbert.....385-3756
(Building & Grounds/
Benevolence/ Membership
Services)

DEACONS

Bill Benton453-6002
(Treasurer/Visitation)

Chris Fowler386-4661
(Youth Director/ Services
Director/ Substitute Teacher
Assignments/Sound Room)

Roger Gurganus453-3939
(Building & Grounds
Maintenance (Outside)/
Transportation/ Communion)

Tracey Stalter471-9736
(Building Maintenance (Inside)/
Membership Directory/ Pews)

BJ Thomas385-7270
(Building Maintenance (Outside)/
Benevolence, Clothing Room)

Don Ware.....382-0194
(Special Mission Efforts/
Timothy Class)

**Is your place a
small place?
Tend it with care---
He set you there.
Is your place a
large place?
Guard it with care---
He set you there.
Whate'er your place
it is
Not yours alone,
but His
Who set you there.**

SCHEDULED TO SERVE		ORDER OF SERVICE FOR MORNING WORSHIP												
<p style="text-align: center;">THIS SUNDAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prepare Communion: Betty Parker</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Greeters: Ron Horton Robert Underwood Bill Sweeton Helen Underwood</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pick Up Cards: Austin Ritenour & Victor Oregon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pick Up Communion Cups: Nathan Ramer & Joshua Fowler</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sound Room: BJ Thomas</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Secure Building This Week: BJ Thomas</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Announcements: Olin Shinholser</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Song Leader: Jim Morris</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Opening Prayer: Robert Underwood</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lord's Supper: Preside: Tracey Stalter</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Serve:</p> <p>1. Roger Gurganus 4. Chuck Miller 2. Dale Spung 5. Nicholas Stalter 3. Leon Tubbs 6. Delbert Mason</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Closing Prayer: Robert Capps</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday Evening</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Song Leader: Edison Green</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Opening Prayer: Ben Shepard</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lord's Supper: Tracey Stalter</td> <td>Closing Prayer: John Roberts</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday Evening</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Song Leader: James Ware</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Invitation: BJ Thomas</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">Closing Prayer: Cliff Blain</p>	Song Leader: Edison Green	Opening Prayer: Ben Shepard	Lord's Supper: Tracey Stalter	Closing Prayer: John Roberts	Song Leader: James Ware	Invitation: BJ Thomas	<p style="text-align: center;">NEXT SUNDAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prepare Communion: Betty Parker</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Greeters: Ron Horton Allen Barber Bill Sweeton Marie Barber</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pick Up Cards: Forest Ritenour & Nicholas Stalter</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pick Up Communion Cups: Hayden Parker & Austin Ritenour</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sound Room: Tracey Stalter</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Secure Building Next Week: Tracey Stalter</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Announcements: BJ Thomas</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Song Leader: Paul Talbert</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Opening Prayer: Billy Nix</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lord's Supper: Preside: Allen Barber</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Serve:</p> <p>1. Bill Cole 4. Robert Capps 2. Henry Hargrove 5. Telles Oregon 3. Bob Lynch 6. Don Yost</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Closing Prayer: Robert Adams</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday Evening</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Song Leader: Singing Night</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Opening Prayer: Don Ware</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lord's Supper: Allen Barber</td> <td>Closing Prayer: Tracey Stalter</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday Evening</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Song Leader: Mike Tubbs</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Invitation: Olin Shinholser</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">Closing Prayer: Chuck Miller</p>	Song Leader: Singing Night	Opening Prayer: Don Ware	Lord's Supper: Allen Barber	Closing Prayer: Tracey Stalter	Song Leader: Mike Tubbs	Invitation: Olin Shinholser	<p>Announcements: Olin Shinholser</p> <p>Song: 39 Awesome Power</p> <p>Song: 89 Be Exalted, O God</p> <p>Opening Prayer: R. Underwood</p> <p>Song: 185 Jesus Thy Name I Love</p> <p>Communion Song: 117 God Is the Fountain Offering</p> <p>Song: 679 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus Lesson: Allen Barber</p> <p>Invitation Song: 417 Where He Leads Song: 694 Servant Song</p> <p>Closing Prayer: Robert Capps</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Reminder</p> <p>If for some reason you find that you cannot serve as scheduled in the monthly assignment schedule, please call Chris Fowler as soon as possible so that a substitute can be selected.</p> <p>Those serving are asked to be here at least 10 minutes before the service starts.</p> <p>Those who participate Sunday morning are asked to wear appropriate dress attire, preferably, though not required, a dress shirt and tie. At other services casual sport shirt and slacks are acceptable; no T-shirts or shorts should be worn while serving the congregation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thank you for your cooperation.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">FREE BIBLE STUDY BY MAIL</p> <p>If you would like to receive a series of Bible Study Lessons, send this request to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sebring Parkway Church of Christ 3800 Sebring Parkway Sebring, FL 33870</p> <p>Name _____ Address _____ _____</p> <p>Age Range: <input type="checkbox"/> 0 - 10 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 11 - 17 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 18 - 50 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 51 - ?? yrs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MEET WITH US</p> <p>Sunday Bible Study.....9:00 AM Sunday AM Worship.....10:00 AM Sunday PM Service.....6:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study....7:00 PM</p> <p>Website: http://www.sebringcoc.com</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Email: sebringparkway@sebringcoc.com</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Office Hours: 9am-2pm M-F</p>	<p style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">Children of all ages have one thing in common. They close their ears to advice and open their eyes to example. What are they learning from you?</p>												

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