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Use That Tongue

An ancient philosopher, Epictetus, said, "Nature has given to men one tongue, but two ears, that we may hear from others twice as much as we speak."

Shakespeare had one of his characters on **Hamlet** say, "Give every man thy ear, but few thy voice."

Countless other men have left us with the same warning, and with James they exhort,

"So then, my brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:" (James 1:19).

But, it's so hard to listen when I have so much to say---I've just got to talk! OKAY, TALK! Let the other man listen. Use that tongue.

Use that tongue for **PRAYER**. Without ceasing pray for the sick. Pray about personal problems and special temptations. Pray for people who need salvation. Pray for brethren who are weak and wayward. Use that tongue and **PRAY**.

Use that tongue to **PRAISE GOD**. In the assembly sing and mean it. When you are happy sing praise. And in every endeavor public or private give praise and thanks for His goodness. Use that tongue to confess and acknowledge God before men.

Use that tongue to **exhort and encourage one another**. We all need help. We all need support in times of trial and weakness. When one is suffering from personal failure and disgrace, disease or injury, sorrow and sadness, or marital or family problems---use that tongue to help, to build up, to remind him of God's care and concern. On the other hand when one excels or accomplishes let us rejoice with him and use that tongue to pass on the compliment we know he deserves.

Use that tongue to **teach lost sinners the gospel**. "As the life of a flower, as a breath or a sign, so the years that we live as a dream hasten by." How many people do we talk to every day that don't know the good news of the gospel? Use that tongue to bring them to Christ.

"A word fitly spoken is life apples of gold in pictures of silver."
(Proverbs 23:11).

Use that tongue!

Jim Martin

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.

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."

Preaching Schedule



5/7 AM: Gordon Smith
PM: Timothy Class
5/14 AM: Carl Martin
PM: Singing

Placing Membership

Sterling and Rebecca Allen have placed membership with us. Their address is: 3823 Rodeo Dr., Sebring, FL 33875

Reception for Graduates

There will be a reception to honor our graduating senior Alexis DuVall, on Sunday, May 7th. Bring finger foods.



Ladies Class Schedule



May 9th 10:00 Lesson by Karin Heath
May 16th 10:00 (May birthdays will be celebrated this Tuesday)
May 23rd 10:00
June 13th 10:00 (June birthdays will be celebrated this Tuesday)
July 11th 10:00 (July birthdays will be celebrated this Tuesday)
August 8th 10:00 (August birthdays will be celebrated this Tuesday)

In September, the ladies class will resume the normal weekly schedule.

Vacation Bible School



Vacation Bible School (ages 1 to 5th grade) will be June 11th - 13th (Sunday PM - Tuesday). Sunday night will be at 6:00 pm and Monday and Tuesday will be at 7:00 pm. Steven Mickholtzick, son-in-law of Olin and Brenda, will be here from the University City church of Christ in Gainesville, to lead V.B.S. More details to come later.

Baptism

Jamie Kuyawa was baptized into Christ on Saturday, April 29, 2006. Welcome him to the congregation.

From the Elders

The elders are actively continuing the search to hire a new pulpit minister. We have previously posted a notice on four Christian university web sites. We anticipate an ad in the May edition of the Gospel Advocate. We have had thirty plus responses to date. We continue to screen and correspond with applicants on an almost daily basis. It is a time consuming process to review the materials submitted, listen to /or view cds, audio and videotapes.

Communion Sign-up

No one has signed up to prepare the communion for worship services for the months of, **September, October, November and December**. If you are interested, the sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Searching For Truth



There are still a lot of copies of World Video Bible School DVD *Searching for Truth*. These copies are located on the tables in the foyer of the main building and at the exits in the fellowship/classroom building. The elders encourage everyone to take these DVD's and share them with friends, family, and those in the community.

Daddy Didn't Care

A little girl mashed her finger in the door of her dad's study while he was burdened down with an important piece of business. Being so preoccupied with his work, he paid little attention to her crying, except to take notice of the fact it was disturbing his concentration. He took time only to call to his wife, "You'd better come and see about **your** child." She came quickly, took the sobbing child in her arms, and while massaging the bruised finger, asked, "Does it hurt badly?" And the child answered through her tears, "Yes Mommy, but the worst is Daddy didn't care."

Well, of course, Daddy cared! But his preoccupation and concern over his problem caused him to fail to take proper notice of his child's hurt. How important it is for us to show compassion and understanding when someone is hurting...how important to disregard our own preoccupation with personal problems and render aid to others who so desperately need us. The aches of this life are so much worse if no one helps bear the pain. Oh that we might be more like our Lord, whose heart was filled with compassion whenever he saw human need! Isaiah prophesied of him that "**in all their affliction, he was afflicted.**" (Isa. 63:9)

Do you make it a point to weep with those who weep? The love of Christ should make us "**kindly affectionate to one another.**" (Rom. 12:10) Do not ever forget the world is longing for a little bit of love.

by Olden Cook

**Sympathy is your pain in
my heart.**

SCHEDULED TO SERVE		REMINDER:
THIS SUNDAY	NEXT SUNDAY	<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>Thank you for your cooperation.</p>
<p>Prepare Communion: Marilyn Sweeton</p> <p>Greeters: Ron Horton Don Gunter Bill Sweeton Ann Gunter</p> <p>Pick Up Cards: Forest and Austin Ritenour</p> <p>Pick Up Communion Cups: Nathan Ramer & Joshua Fowler</p> <p>Sound Room: Bill Benton</p> <p>Secure Building This Week: Bill Benton</p>	<p>Prepare Communion: Marilyn Sweeton</p> <p>Greeters: Ron Horton Harry Johnson Bill Sweeton Carol Johnson</p> <p>Pick Up Cards: Nicholas Stalter & Victor Oregon</p> <p>Pick Up Communion Cups: Forest & Austin Ritenour</p> <p>Sound Room: B. J. Thomas</p> <p>Secure Building Next Week: B. J. Thomas</p>	
<p>Announcements: Chris Fowler</p> <p>Song Leader: Dan Luidhardt</p> <p>Opening Prayer: Don Ware</p> <p>Lord's Supper: Preside: Edison Green</p> <p>Serve: 1. Herb Ellis 5. Paul Talbert 2. Nicholas Stalter 6. Troy Talbert 3. John Roberts 7. BJ Thomas 4. Olin Shinholser 8. Mike Tubbs</p> <p>Closing Prayer: Don Gunter</p>	<p>Announcements: Harry Johnson</p> <p>Song Leader: Don Gunter</p> <p>Opening Prayer: Mike Tubbs</p> <p>Lord's Supper: Preside: Carl Martin</p> <p>Serve: 1. Edison Green 5. Rick Cochran 2. Dale Spung 6. John Roberts 3. Chris Fowler. 7. Wayne Anderson 4. James Ware 8. Leon Tubbs</p> <p>Closing Prayer: Dan Luidhardt</p>	SHEPHERDS
Sunday Evening	Sunday Evening	<p>Harry Johnson655-3386 (Evangelism/Membership Directory/Membership Fellowship)</p> <p>Dave Marcum385-8899 (Treasurer/ Administration)</p> <p>Olin Shinholser382-1060 (Worship Services/ Education)</p> <p>Paul Talbert385-3756 (Building & Grounds/ Benevolence/ Membership Services)</p>
<p>Song Leader: Opening Prayer: Timothy Class Timothy Class</p> <p>Lord's Supper: Closing Prayer: Edison Green Timothy Class</p>	<p>Song Leader: Opening Prayer: Singing Night Dan Luidhardt</p> <p>Lord's Supper: Closing Prayer: Carl Martin Rick Cochran</p>	DEACONS
Wednesday Evening	Wednesday Evening	<p>Bill Benton.....453-6002 (Treasurer/Visitation)</p> <p>Chris Fowler386-4661 (Youth Director/ Services Director/ Substitute Teacher Assignments)</p> <p>Roger Gurganus453-3939 (Building & Grounds Maintenance (Outside)/ Transportation/ Communion)</p> <p>Tracey Stalter471-9736 (Building Maintenance (Inside)/ Membership Directory/ Pews)</p> <p>BJ Thomas385-7270 (Building Maintenance (Outside)/ Benevolence)</p> <p>Don Ware382-0194 (Special Mission Efforts/ Timothy Class)</p>
<p>Song Leader: Invitation: Dave Marcum BJ Thomas</p> <p>Closing Prayer: Tracey Stalter</p>	<p>Song Leader: Invitation: Dan Luidhardt Dale Spung</p> <p>Closing Prayer: Don Ware</p>	
FREE BIBLE STUDY BY MAIL	MEET WITH US	
<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 _____</p> <p>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>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 Email: sebringparkway@sebringcoc.com</p>	