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## THE SECOND SYMBOL

The cross is the great symbol of Christianity. On steeples atop church houses, covers of hymnals, lids for communion ware and lapel pins on Sunday jackets, it stands an awesome reminder of all that Jesus suffered. Jesus spoke of the cross as a symbol of Christian dedication. *"Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me"* (Mk. 8:34).

But Jesus also used another symbol of Christian commitment. *"Take my yoke upon you and learn of me...my yoke is easy and my burden is light"* (Mt. 11:29, 30).

Paul W Powell, in *The Complete Disciple* elaborates:

*The cross and the yoke symbolize for us the two different aspects of commitment. The cross is an instrument of death; the yoke is an implement of toil. The cross is the symbol of sacrifice; the yoke is the symbol of service. The cross suggests blood; the yoke suggests sweat...to be committed to Jesus Christ means that we are ready for either the yoke or the cross.*

Let me suggest four lessons from the yoke:

**SUBMISSION:** *"Take my yoke upon you."* The Christian willingly submits to Jesus Christ as Lord and Master. "It is not in man that walketh to direct his steps." "Not my will but thine be done."

**OBEDIENCE:** *"And learn of me."* The yoke suggests submission to a master who must be obeyed. Blessed is the man who "hearth these sayings of mine and doeth them."

**SERVICE:** *"My burden is light."* Compared to the burden of sin, the yoke of the Lord is easy. But the very idea of a yoke is that of pulling a load; of work; of service. Christians are to be ministers---servants. "Work for the night is coming."

**FELLOWSHIP:** *"All ye that labor."* We are not alone in Christ, but serving alongside those of like precious faith. Paul spoke of his "loyal yokefellow." A yoke harnesses two animals together so as to pull a load neither one could pull alone. "Bear ye one another's burdens."

As we follow Christ, let us take up our yoke as well as our cross, "serving the Lord."

Jim Martin

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** is still having a lot of pain.
- ❖ **Betty Burton** is having vision problems due to her diabetes condition.
- ❖ **Sterling Allen** is having difficulty with the healing on his leg and foot, but is some better.
- ❖ **Anne Gunter** is at home recovering from surgery.
- ❖ **Marvin McElwain** has been moved to the Royal Care Nursing Home, Room 121B in Avon Park for physical therapy and would appreciate visitors.
- ❖ **Pray for Winter Members** as they begin to return.
- ❖ **Helen Piety, Don and Elizabeth Ware** our shut-ins.

### EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

- ❖ **Kelly Wilkins**, an 11 year old relative of Lori Brockwell, has been diagnosed with bone cancer.
- ❖ **Cindy LaForte**, sister of Mary Welsh, is in the final stages of cancer.
- ❖ **Leonard Anderson**, brother of Wayne is in VA Hospital with lung problems.
- ❖ **Ken Joines** will be having knee surgery on 11/28.
- ❖ **Marie Gannon**, sister-in-law of Clark Gannon, had a stoke in her right eye which is effecting her vision.
- ❖ **Wayne Perry** is doing much better.
- ❖ **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.
- ❖ **Millie Shields** has elected not to have surgery.
- ❖ **Bill Luke**, brother of Amy Horton and son of Ellen Luke will have surgery on Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Rita Bridges**, sister of Linda Bridges, has bone cancer.
- ❖ **Wayne Adkins**, brother of Carl Adkins, is improving following a heart attack.
- ❖ **Lynn Einfeldt**, father of Rachel Capps is at the Palms for physical therapy.
- ❖ **Randy Showalter**, friend of Patty Massey, has a brain tumor. He is now receiving physical therapy.

### 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

## Our Record: November 19, 2006

Bible Study	80
Sunday AM Worship	126
Sunday PM Worship	95
Contribution	\$3550
Wednesday Bible Study	
Building Fund	\$150
Ukraine Building Fund	\$0
F.H. Gates	\$0
Special Mission – Guyana	\$0
World Bible Translation (Ladies Class)	\$25
Clothing Room/Pantry	NA

### Upcoming Birthdays



Shannon Ritenour	11/26
Sterling Allen	11/26
Darlene Sutton	11/29
Julie Fowler	11/30
George Henderson	12/01
Chris Ritenour	12/03
Susan Gurganus	12/03

### Upcoming Anniversary

David & Dianne Parson	12/04
Paul & Sara Talbert	12/23
Arlon & Chris Dale	12/15

### I Like the Old Paths...

When Moms were at home, Dads were at work, brothers went into the army and sisters got married BEFORE having children! Crime did not pay, hard work did and people knew the difference. Moms could cook, Dads would work, children would behave, husbands were loving, wives were supportive and children were polite.

Hymns sounded Godly, sermons sounded helpful, rejoicing sounded normal and crying sounded sincere. Cursing was wicked, drinking was evil and divorce was unthinkable. The flag was honored. America was worth living for; to be called a traitor was a shame!

Sex was a personal word, homosexual was an unheard of word and abortion was an illegal word. Off colored jokes were only told among dirty men folk, preachers preached the Bible, singers sang from the heart and sinners turned to the Lord to be SAVED! A new birth meant a new life, salvation meant a changed life, following Christ led to eternal life.

God was worshiped, Christ was exalted and the Holy Spirit was respected.

I still like the old paths the best! AMEN! (Jer. 6:16)

Hawn Freeway Church of Christ, Dallas, TX

## Preaching Schedule



11/26 Allen Barber AM  
**Effective, Fervent,  
 Availing Prayer**  
 PM Allen Barber *Confession and  
 Prayer*

## Ladies Class Schedule



November 28<sup>th</sup> **Preaching**; teacher Marie Barber

## 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.

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## Communion Sign-up

The sign up sheet for 2007 for communion preparation is on the bulletin board in the foyer. Please sign up for the month that you can do it.

## CEO

The CEO will meet on Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm at the Sun Rise Restaurant.

## Ladies Day Meeting

On Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, committee leaders and any women interested in the upcoming Ladies Day will meet at the building at 7:00 pm..

## Debt on Building

The current balance on the loan for the sanctuary building is **\$29,295.57**. Once a month, a check is written for any contributions that have been received to apply to the principal of the loan. Our goal is to pay off the indebtedness as soon as possible.

## 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**  
**Small Boxed Cereal**

## Special Speaker

Karla and Kerry Swords and six children will be visiting with us Wednesday evening. Kerry will inform us of their work for the Lord in Ukraine since 1993. Kerry is one of the preachers at the Left Bank church of Christ in Kiev and also instructor in the Kiev Preacher Training School. They have traveled in many parts of Ukraine assisting in preaching the gospel. They will return to Kiev later this year after spending several months in US.

## The Touch of Gold

*Offering a prize for the best definition of money, a London paper awarded it to a young man who sent in the following: "An article which may be used as a universal passport to everywhere except heaven, and as a universal provider of everything except happiness."*

## SHEPHERDS

**Harry Johnson.....655-3386**  
 (Evangelism/Membership  
 Directory/Membership  
 Fellowship Clothing Room)  
**Dave Marcum .....385-8899**  
 (Treasurer/ Administration)  
**Olin Shinholser.....382-1060**  
 (Worship Services/ Education)  
**Paul Talbert.....385-3756**  
 (Building & Grounds/  
 Benevolence/ Membership  
 Services)

## DEACONS

**Bill Benton .....453-6002**  
 (Treasurer/Visitation)  
**Chris Fowler .....386-4661**  
 (Youth Director/ Services  
 Director/ Substitute Teacher  
 Assignments/Sound Room)  
**Roger Gurganus .....453-3939**  
 (Building & Grounds  
 Maintenance (Outside)/  
 Transportation/ Communion)  
**Tracey Stalter .....471-9736**  
 (Building Maintenance (Inside)/  
 Membership Directory/ Pews)  
**BJ Thomas .....385-7270**  
 (Building Maintenance (Outside)/  
 Benevolence, Clothing Room)  
**Don Ware.....382-0194**  
 (Special Mission Efforts/  
 Timothy Class)

## Note From the Elders

All minister candidates who have been scheduled or who have spoken to us as of 10/15 have either been eliminated from further consideration or have withdrawn their name or declined the position. Applications continue to come in. The additional applicants will be screened and, if appropriate, scheduled to speak to the congregation at the soonest feasible date. The elders continue to take into consideration congregational feedback. We thank you for your feedback to date and ask for you continued feedback, prayers and patience as we proceed thru this process.

<b>SCHEDULED TO SERVE</b>		<b>ORDER OF SERVICE FOR MORNING WORSHIP</b>
<b>THIS SUNDAY</b>	<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	Announcements: Tracey Stalter
<b>Prepare Communion:</b> Barb Cole <b>Greeters:</b> Ron Horton            Harry Johnson Bill Sweeton        Carol Johnson <b>Pick Up Cards:</b> Forest Ritenour & Nicholas Stalter <b>Pick Up Communion Cups:</b> Nathan Ramer & Austin Ritenour <b>Sound Room:</b> Harry Johnson <b>Secure Building This Week:</b> Harry Johnson	<b>Prepare Communion:</b> Marie Barber <b>Greeters:</b> Ron Horton            June Hackbart Bill Sweeton        Joanne Cope <b>Pick Up Cards:</b> Forest Ritenour & Nicholas Stalter <b>Pick Up Communion Cups:</b> Hayden Parker & Austin Ritenour <b>Sound Room:</b> Bill Benton <b>Secure Building Next Week:</b> Bill Benton	Song: 791 On Bended Knee Opening Prayer: Wayne Anderson Song: 533 I Am A Sheep Song: 379 If That Isn't Love Communion Offering Song: 479 The Battle Belongs To The Lord
<b>Announcements:</b> Tracey Stalter <b>Song Leader:</b> Chris Fowler <b>Opening Prayer:</b> Wayne Anderson <b>Lord's Supper:</b> <b>Preside:</b> Clem Smith <b>Serve:</b> 1. Herb Ellis            4. Bob Parnett 2. James Ware        5. Don Yost 3. Chuck Miller      6. Roger Gurganus	<b>Announcements:</b> Olin Shinholser <b>Song Leader:</b> Paul Talbert <b>Opening Prayer:</b> Allen Barber <b>Lord's Supper:</b> <b>Preside:</b> Harry Johnson <b>Serve:</b> 1. Leon Tubbs        4. Dale Spung 2. Delbert Mason    5. Herb Ellis 3. Troy Talbert      6. Henry Hargrove	Lesson: Allen Barber Invitation Song: 945 Kneel At The Cross Song: 739 God's Wonderful People Closing Prayer: Wayne Anderson
<b>Closing Prayer:</b> Don Gunter	<b>Closing Prayer:</b> Bill Sweeton	<b>Reminder</b> 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. Those serving are asked to be here at least 10 minutes before the service starts. 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. Thank you for your cooperation.
<b>Sunday Evening</b>	<b>Sunday Evening</b>	
<b>Song Leader:</b> <b>Opening Prayer:</b> Don Ware            Robert Capps <b>Lord's Supper:</b> <b>Closing Prayer:</b> Clem Smith        Wayne Anderson	<b>Song Leader:</b> <b>Opening Prayer:</b> Edison Green        Wayne Anderson <b>Lord's Supper:</b> <b>Closing Prayer:</b> Harry Johnson        Cliff Blain	
<b>Wednesday Evening</b>	<b>Wednesday Evening</b>	
<b>Song Leader:</b> <b>Invitation:</b> James Ware        Don Ware <b>Closing Prayer:</b> Carl Martin	<b>Song Leader:</b> <b>Invitation:</b> Troy Talbert        Carl Martin <b>Closing Prayer:</b> Rick Cochran	
<b>FREE BIBLE STUDY BY MAIL</b>	<b>MEET WITH US</b>	<b>Thought</b>
If you would like to receive a series of Bible Study Lessons, send this request to:  <b>Sebring Parkway Church of Christ</b> <b>3800 Sebring Parkway</b> <b>Sebring, FL 33870</b>  Name _____ Address _____  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	Sunday Bible Study.....9:00 AM Sunday AM Worship.....10:00 AM Sunday PM Service.....6:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study....7:00 PM  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.sebringcoc.com">http://www.sebringcoc.com</a>  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:sebringparkway@sebringcoc.com">sebringparkway@sebringcoc.com</a>  Office Hours: 9am-2pm M-F	<b>When we place our contribution in the collection plate, we are not giving to the Lord so much as taking our hands off what already belongs to him.</b>