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HOW TO PROSPER GOD'S WAY

ESTABLISH GOD'S WORD as the final authority in all financial matters. What God says means more than any human opinion. God says it! That settles it! "Order my steps in thy word" (Ps. 119:133). "Whatever he saith unto you" (John 2:5).

DEDICATE TO GOD ALL MONEY, possessions, time and earning power. "Remember the Lord thy God; for it is He who giveth thee power to get wealth" (Deut. 8:18). "Yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead" (Rom. 6:13).

ESTABLISH A PURPOSED AMOUNT as an expression of worship and a weekly reminder that all belongs to God. "Upon the first day of the week, let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him: (I Cor. 16:2).

EVALUATE EVERY EXPENDITURE on the basis of how will this benefit the reputation and glory of God? "Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase" (Prov. 3:9).

DETERMINE TO BECOME "RICH TOWARD GOD." The way to become rich toward God is to lay up treasure in heaven. "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth...but lay up for yourselves treasure in heaven" (Matt. 6:19, 20).

LEARN TO GIVE BY FAITH. Give out of God's resources and not yours. "All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee" (I Chron. 29:14). "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things may abound to every good work" (I Cor. 9:8).

BE SENSITIVE TO GOD'S DIRECTION IN YOUR GIVING. God will prompt you to go beyond what you think you can give if you read His Word and pray to Him in spirit and truth. "Give and it shall be given to you...For with the same measure that ye give, it shall be given to you again" (Lk. 6:38). "He who soweth sparingly shall reap sparingly, and he who soweth bountifully, shall reap also bountifully" (II Cor. 9:6).

Douglas F. Parsons

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** will undergo bypass surgery on his femoral arteries. The surgery will take place on the 13th at Florida Hospital Orlando. He is expected to be in there about 7 days.
- ❖ **Herman Klahn** has been released from the hospital. His heart rhythm problem will have to be watched.
- ❖ **Sterling Allen** is having difficulty with the healing on his leg and foot, but is some better.
- ❖ **John Roberts** is home from the hospital after having received a pacemaker/defibaltor implant.
- ❖ **Dwain Chambers** is recovering from surgery on his neck.
- ❖ **Chris Dale** has a broken toe.
- ❖ **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.

- ❖ **John Stanley**, brother of Mary Jo Miller, is doing better.
- ❖ **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** 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.
- ❖ **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.

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: December 03, 2006

Bible Study	98
Sunday AM Worship	129
Sunday PM Worship	85
Contribution	\$4590
Wednesday Bible Study	90
Building Fund	\$500
Ukraine Building Fund	\$0
F.H. Gates	\$450
Special Mission – Guyana	\$0
World Bible Translation (Ladies Class)	\$0
Clothing Room/Pantry 12/01 & 12/07	55

Upcoming Birthdays



Alexis DuVall	12/11
William Pintor	12/11
Bob Parnett	12/12
Beth Horn	12/13
Ann Horn	12/13
Victor Oregon	12/13
Elizabeth Tubbs	12/15

Upcoming Anniversary

Paul & Sara Talbert	12/12
Arlon & Chris Dale	12/15
Carl & Nancy Adkins	12/20

Stamps for World Bible School

June Hackbart is collecting stamps to send to a man who sells them to collectors. The proceeds he then sends to World Bible School. If you have any stamps to donate to this, here are a few suggestion:

1. The small flag stamps are so common that they are not worth saving.
2. The only pre-sort stamps that are worth saving are those that have the Eagle and come in different colors.
3. Do not save any metered stamps.
4. Make sure that no parts of the stamp are missing as stamps with missing parts or damaged ones are of no use.

What is a Teacher?

- A teacher is one who affects the eternity of others.
- A teacher is one who helps another learn.
- A teacher is one who imparts knowledge to others.
- A teacher is one who awakens another to his needs.
- A teacher is one who inspires others.
- A teacher is one who guides others.
- A teacher is one who corrects others.
- A teacher is more important to the teaching/learning process than the method, the setting, or the visuals.
- A teacher is the product of conscientious labor.
- A teacher is able to pump abilities from the resource.
- A teacher is ninety percent of the curriculum
- A teacher is a sculptor of souls.
- A teacher is God's ambassador on earth. (II Cor. 5:20)

Preaching Schedule

12/10 Frank Parker AM
Singing PM
12/17 Allen Barber AM
Timothy Class PM



Ladies Class Schedule



December 12th teacher Laura Ware; topic is **Percentage Giving**.

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. Please sign up for the month that you can do it.



CEO

The CEO will meet on Friday, December 15th at 5:30pm at the Olympia Restaurant in Avon Park. All are invited to attend.

Social

On December 16th, at 6 PM there will be a White Elephant Gift Exchange. Each person is to bring a gift for exchange and a finger food dessert to share. Group 4 is in charge of set up and clean up.

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

I'm Glad This Church Needs Money!

I'M GLAD THIS CHURCH NEEDS MONEY! If it didn't it would mean it wasn't supporting missionaries and preaching the gospel in other places. **No missionary zeal.**

I'M GLAD THIS CHURCH NEEDS MONEY! If it didn't, it would mean it wasn't doing anything to support the homeless and needy. **No compassion.**

I'M GLAD THIS CHURCH NEEDS MONEY! If it didn't, it would mean it had "topped out" and wasn't interested in expanding into other areas of needed service. **No vision.**

I'M GLAD THIS CHURCH NEEDS MONEY! If it didn't it would mean it wasn't interested in providing wholesome activities for our teenagers. **No concern.**

I'M GLAD THIS CHURCH NEEDS MONEY! If it didn't it would mean it wasn't interested in teaching children in those impressionable, formative years. **No future.**

YES SIR, I'M GLAD THIS CHURCH NEEDS MONEY! The fact that it does means it has not forfeited its zeal, compassion, expansion, vision; concern, evangelism, future. This church needs my gifts and I'm glad of it. I wouldn't want to be a member of any other kind.
Joe R Barnett

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)

Peaceful Coexistence

The story is told of a Russian named Ivanovich who visited the Moscow Zoo for the first time. To his amazement he found a little lamb sharing the cage that held a big fierce bear.

Ivanovich expressed surprise to his guide. The guide smiled and said, "That is peaceful coexistence." When Ivanovich doubtfully shook his head, the guide explained. "Of course, we have to put in a fresh lamb every morning."

Peaceful coexistence between right and wrong, freedom and slavery, God and the devil, is not possible.

SCHEDULED TO SERVE		ORDER OF SERVICE FOR MORNING WORSHIP
<p style="text-align: center;">THIS SUNDAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prepare Communion: Marie Barber</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Greeters: Ron Horton Allen Barber Bill Sweeton Marie Barber</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pick Up Cards: Victor Oregon & Austin Ritenour</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pick Up Communion Cups: Nathan Ramer & Joshua Fowler</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sound Room: Harry Johnson</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Secure Building This Week: Harry Johnson</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Announcements: Chris Fowler</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Song Leader: Olin Shinholser</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Opening Prayer: Ben Shepard</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lord's Supper: Preside: Dan Luidhardt</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Serve:</p> <p>1. James Ware 4. Clem Smith 2. Teles Oregon 5. Don Gunter 3. Chuck Miller 6. Roger Gurganus</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NEXT SUNDAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prepare Communion: Marie Barber</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Greeters: Ron Horton Carl Martin Bill Sweeton Della Martin</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pick Up Cards: Austin Ritenour & Forest Ritenour</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pick Up Communion Cups: Hayden Parker & Austin Ritenour</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sound Room: Don Ware</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Secure Building Next Week: Don Ware</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Announcements: Dave Marcum</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Song Leader: Chris Fowler</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Opening Prayer: Rick Cochran</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lord's Supper: Preside: Carl Martin</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Serve:</p> <p>1. Wayne Anderson 4. Troy Talbert 2. Don Yost 5. Nicholas Stalter 3. Edison Green 6. Robert Capps</p>	<p>Announcements: Chris Fowler</p> <p>Song: 731 Take Time to Be Holy</p> <p>Opening Prayer: Ben Shephard</p> <p>Song: 112 Wonderful Grace</p> <p>Communion</p> <p>Offering: 354 I Gave My Life</p> <p>Song: 122 The Love of God</p> <p>Song: 412 Jesus, Hold My Hand</p> <p>Lesson: Frank Parker</p> <p>Invitation Song: 903 There Is Power in the Blood</p> <p>Song: 749: The Battle Belongs to the Lord</p> <p>Closing Prayer: Edison Green</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 _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>Age Range:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 0 - 10 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 11 - 17 yrs</p> <p><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="text-align: center;"><i>Use Your...</i></p> <p>Time </p> <p>Talent </p> <p>& Treasure </p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>For the Lord!</i></p>