Dec. 10, 2017

Heritage church of Christ

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Classes: 9:00am

Worship Services: **10:00am & 6:00pm** Wednesday Bible Classes: **7:00pm**

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Your testimonies are my heritage forever, for they are the joy of my heart.

Psalm 119:111

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2017 Theme:

"In Christ" - Romans 8:1-5

To our Visitors:

We welcome you here this morning and hope that you will make plans to come back at your earliest convenience. Presently, our congregation has no minister, elders, or deacons. We are prayerfully working toward that goal. We do not go beyond the limitations and instructions set forth for the one and true Church.

If you have any questions as to our practice or beliefs, please do not hesitate to ask any of the men of the congregation. We will be happy to answer any and all questions you may have. We hope that your time with us will be pleasant and uplifting.

The Psalm of the Soul Winner

The book of Psalms expresses the deep emotions that servants of God have. There is something about poetry and singing which touch the souls of His people. Each of the psalms is different and has a special place in the various stages of our lives as we serve our Creator. Psalm 126 gives us great insight into the emotions each of us has as we seek to lead others to the Lord. It is truly the Psalm of the Soul Winner.

Being a soul winner begins with an abiding sense of how lost we were before we became a child of God. The imagery of this psalm is of the return of the Jews from captivity. Every soul winner, while not in physical captivity, was held captive to Satan. The psalmist said, "When the Lord brought back the captivity of Zion, we were like those who dream" (verse 1). It was as though the Jews had been in the wilderness south of Canaan which often flourished when there were streams of water (v. 4). Every child of God was once a child of Satan, but He is brought back from captivity.

Being a soul winner results in a change of attitude toward worshiping God. The psalm continues with these words, "Then our mouth was filled with laughter and our tongue with singing" (v. 2). We have been freed from the bondage of sin and our tears have been turned into laughter and our grief into singing. Great soul winners never forget what God has done for them and for those they have taught.

Being a soul winner is known by those people who are around them. The glorious return of the Jews from captivity results in the nations around them saying, "The Lord has done great things for them" (v. 2). The light of the redeemed shines brightly in the darkness of the world around them. God has changed their lives and the redeemed also say, "The Lord has done great things for us and we are glad" (v.3).

Being a soul winner creates an optimistic expectation that others will be won. "Those who sow in tears shall reap in joy" (v. 5). As you read this verse take special note of the tear shed by those who are sowing the seed of the kingdom. Most people we teach will not turn to the Lord and we are more concerned about their salvation than they are. Yet the promise of God is that we will be filled with joy. There is no joy greater than that of leading another to the Lord.

Read the last verse slowly and hear God's message to you. "He who continually goes forth weeping, bearing seed for sowing shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him" (v. 6). We sow. We sow continually. We sow with tears. Yet we sow knowing that without doubt there will be the joy of the harvest as sheaves are brought in. Want to be a better soul winner? Read and meditate on this psalm!

Written by Dan Jenkins, Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ, November 5, 2017

<u>December</u> <u>Birthdays:</u>

Jeff Moore – Dec. 3
Gabby McPherson –
Dec. 4
Ellen Hartman – Dec. 5
Levi Ross – Dec. 5
Gary Wohnhas – Dec. 7
Chuck Willison – Dec.
10
Melody Triplett – Dec.
23
Sophia & Victoria

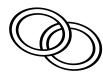
Wohnhas - Dec. 29

Lisa Curry - Dec. 30



<u>December</u> <u>Anniversaries:</u>

Jim & Martha – Dec. 22 Jeff & Debbie – Dec. 28



Announcements:

Ashville Food Pantry: Heritage is actively involved in our local food pantry. The items most needed this month are **spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, and fruit**. Dog and cat food are also needed. It helps dogs and cats stay in their homes and not be surrendered to shelters. A box is available in the foyer for your donations. If anyone would like to help carry bags to patrons, your help is needed **tomorrow, December 11 @ 10am** at the food pantry.

Holiday pantry donation: Thanks to all who contributed fruit for the holiday distribution. We collected 430 cans!

Weekend packs Ministry: By the end of December we will have given out 391 packs! For the pack before Christmas break, we would like to include a little extra (Little Debbies, candy, fruit cups, etc.) If you would like to help with this it will be appreciated so much! Please have the extras at the building by **tomorrow**, **December 11**. Thank you for your donations of food and money toward this worthy cause! Please remember this ministry in prayer and donate if you are able.

<u>Christmas Gifts:</u> There is a sign up list on the bulletin board for the families we are helping this Christmas. They should be wrapped and the child's name written on the tag. Please give them to Angie by **December 17**.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, Dec. 14: Ladies Bible Study at the home of Linda Wooldridge at 6:30 – no Bible study will be held; just bring Christmas goodies to enjoy eating! Also, there will be only one Bible study per month during January and February. The dates are yet to be determined.

There will be a congregational meeting held today at 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 14th from 5-8: Burger Bash to benefit the Ashville Food Pantry at Wendy's in South Bloomfield.

Young Adult Class: Will meet on Friday, January 5. Time and location TBD.

Other News Of Importance:

DOOR ISSUE: The Ashville Police Department notified us that the southeast door was found unlocked at November 22. If you are in the building during the week, please make sure that the doors you use to enter and leave the building are secure. Thank you!

Bryan Hartman needs the men's serving surveys returned to him asap. If you need one, please see him or send him an email.



- *Greg Moyer, brother-in-law of Suzy Hartman & Lisa Stewart, remains in OSU's Ross Heart Hospital after suffering a heart attack. He will undergo a heart cath on the 20th.
- *Arlene Rife, aunt of Greg Murphy, is suffering from cancer. Debbie's cousin, Melissa Zacour, is also experiencing some health issues.
- *AJ McPherson's grandfather has been experiencing mini strokes. He is now at home.
- *Evelyn Harding continues to recuperate from her knee surgery. She experienced low blood pressure and had to return to the emergency room for a few hours. She is Melody Triplett's mother and Chris Harding's grandmother.
- *Chrissie Wallace, sister of Angie Bowe, received test results. They were benign, but she needs to have additional testing.
- *Tristen Wiley had her thyroid surgery on December 7. Although the surgery took longer than expected, all went well. She will remain in Children's Hospital for at least 2 days.

Responses:

Celeste Hanshaw came forward two weeks ago Sunday morning to say that she had been away from church and has been struggling. She is a baptized member and wants to rededicate her life to the Lord and His service. Please pray for Celeste and encourage her when you see her!

*Please continue to pray for those who are spiritually sick.

Baby News!

Bryan and Ellan Hartman have announced that they are expecting a new arrival in June! Pray for a healthy baby and a healthy delivery.

More Heritage Happenings!

- *Help yourself to the new issues of the Gospel Advocate magazine. Copies are available on top of the brochure shelf.
- *Winter Quarter teachers are needed beginning January 7. See the sign up sheet on the bulletin board by the office.
- *Please consider signing up to help clean the building during the month of December. It's the most wonderful time of the year, to be sure, but our building needs some TLC. Perhaps several families can take different weeks. See Michael Forrester if you can help out. Thank you!

Those dealing with Cancer:

Linda Junk, Allen Carse (Meredith Forrester's dad), Debbie Murphy's cousin Becky, Carol Ann Perks, (Debbie's aunt), John Burke (Lisa Curry's uncle)

Continued prayers for healing and strength:

Evelyn Harding, Jim Martin, Matt Davis, Jordan Fields, Ron Ross, Roger Cooper Sr., John Cassady, John Williams & Karen Mosher (grandparents of Chris Harding), Evonne Larck-Smith (friend of Debbie Murphy), Katherine Ewell (ALS), Laura Heidell's friend, Elyse, T.J. Ison, Josh Angles, Bob Hendrickson, Troy Murphy, Lucy Stevens, Lorraine Dutton David & Jennette Wiley, Jim & Martha Smith, Mark Sandy

Serving our country:

Zach Carpenter - Marines

Sean Sullivan (son of Mary's boss) – serving overseas

Sean Davis (nephew of Lisa Curry) – Marines

Trenton Dunlap - (Georgia)

Our Missionary:

Terry Smith

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."
Phil. 4:6-7

Statistics:

12/03 Bible Class: 36 12/03 A.M. Service: 48 12/03 P.M. Service: NA 12/06 Midweek: 41

12/03 Contribution: \$1,448.00 **Weekly Budget:** \$1,465.00

Weekend Packs: \$0.00 Mortgage Reduction: \$0.00

Sunday, December 10, 2017

Morning:

Speaker: Mark Meadows **Scripture:** Jacob Bowe

Opening Prayer & Announcements:

Michael Forrester
Singing: Greg Murphy
Table: Craig Ross
Bread: Brett Triplett
Cup: Richie Bowe
Ex Serve: Noah Fisher
Usher: Jeff Fisher

Closing Prayer: Craig Curry

Evening: Prayer Service Invitation: Jeff Moore

Opening Prayer & Announcements:

Michael Forrester **Singing:** Jacob Bowe **Table:** Craig Ross **Usher:** Jeff Fisher

Closing Prayer: Richie Bowe

Wed., Dec. 13, 2017

Announcements: Michael Forrester

Invitation: Craig Ross Singing: Levi Ross Usher: Jeff Fisher Prayer: Bryan Hartman Sunday, December 17, 2017

Morning:

Speaker: Craig Ross **Scripture:** Noah Fisher

Opening Prayer & Announcements:

Richie Bowe

Singing: Roger Cooper
Table: Jeff Moore
Bread: Jeff Fisher
Cup: Craig Curry
Ex Serve: Levi Ross
Usher: Michael Forrester
Closing Prayer: Bryan Hartman

Evening:

Invitation: Bryan Hartman

Opening Prayer & Announcements:

Richie Bowe
Singing: Jeff Fisher
Table: Jeff Moore
Usher: Michael Forr

Usher: Michael Forrester **Closing Prayer:** Craig Curry

Wed., Dec. 20, 2017

Announcements: Richie Bowe

Invitation: Jeff Moore Singing: Jeff Fisher Usher: Michael Forrester Prayer: Paul Wooldridge **Building Clean-up for December:**

Multiple Families

Communion Preparation/Clean-up for

December:

Linda Wooldridge

Building Lock up for December:

Bryan Hartman

Congregation/Men's Meeting

Coordinator: Greg Murphy



Weekly Memory Verse:

"For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder.
And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Isaiah 9:6