

Prayer List of the Sick and Afflicted:

Beverly Anderson is still recovering at home.

Mike Parnell's son, Bill, has been told he is cancer free. Pray thanks and for continued good health.

Mike Parnell's sister, Brenda has cancer and is undergoing radiation treatments.

Sean Mathews and his family have been in quarantine this past week due to positive COVID tests but are doing better.

Shirley Cook fell at her place in Florida, breaking several teeth and splitting her lip. She will have to undergo a procedure for dental implants.

Darryl Grimes (Ken & Sherrie Roosa's son-in-law) received encouraging news that his cancer has shown improvement. He will undergo another PET scan in March to determine if further treatment is warranted. Please keep Darryl, his wife and family and Ken and Sherrie in prayer.

Charlie Henard's mother has Alzheimer's but is now at home.

Karen Sproles is still suffering with problems in her knee and is looking into getting a gel injection. Her husband, Chet, fell and injured his ribs.

Iris Hash is being treated for stomach problems and also has neck pain.

Delores is recovering at home from a fall.

Deepest Sympathy:

Ada Hamm, Iris Hash's sister, lost her battle with cancer. Ada's burial took place on Tuesday in Solsberry, IN. Our sincere thoughts and prayers go out to sister Iris and the rest of Ada's family.

Pray For Our Shut-ins:

Gloria Hale, Karen Sproles, Iris Hash

Pray For The Works We Are Supporting:

John Grubb (Mission work in Asia)

Radio Program:

Please remember to tune in every Sunday morning at 8:00 AM to WCBK 102.3 to hear our radio program which is entitled: "Preparing For Eternity".

God's Plan For Our Salvation:

1. **Hearing** the word of God (Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32).
2. **Believing** what is taught (Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6).
3. **Repentance** (Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30).
4. **Confession** (Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37).
5. **Baptism** (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; I Peter 3:21; Romans 6:3, 4).
6. **Faithful Christian Living**, after the above five steps (I Peter 2:11, 12; Rev. 2:10).

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MORGAN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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**Schedule of Services:****Sunday**

Bible Study – 9:30 AM

Worship – 10:30 AM

Evening Service - 6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study – 6:00 PM

Thursday

Ladies Bible Study – 11:00 AM

Radio Program:

“Preparing For Eternity”

Sunday Mornings 8:00 AM, WCBK 102.3 FM

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Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

TRUE WORSHIPERS

Pervie Nichols, deceased

Since human beings were created with the instinct to worship, it is natural for us to worship someone or something. Our worship may not always be acceptable to God, but we will worship, nevertheless. God tells us how to worship so as to be acceptable to Him.

WHAT IS WORSHIP?

"Worship," in the general sense, is homage, adoration, reverence and praise given to a higher being. It is based upon one's nature and need, and has been a permanent feature in God's service in all dispensations. The nature of worship and one's attitude as an acceptable worshipper have remained unchanged through all ages, but the specific acts have varied according to the law in force at the time. Since we are under the "law of Christ" (Gal. 6:2), our worship is the homage or adoration rendered to God according to the New Testament.

In its broadest sense and individual aspect, worship occurs when any act or thought or adoration springs from the heart. This includes private worship, when the individual Christian communes with God through fervent prayer, Bible reading and solemn meditation on spiritual things. It also embraces family worship, when the family engages in a period of Bible study, prayer and song, or any one of these acts.

PRIVATE AND FAMILY WORSHIP

Each Christian has the privilege of private worship every day. The ancients prayed three times each day, morning, noon and evening. David refers to this practice in Psalm 55. God is ready to speak words of life from the pages of His divine Book at any time. The only limit on opportunities for Bible study is the degree of interest in the reader's heart. The happy man's "delight is in the law of the Lord: and in his law doth he meditate day and night." Joshua said to the children of Israel: "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous and then thou shall have good success" (Josh. 1:8). Jesus went aside often to some secluded spot to pray and think. Timothy was commanded to study: "Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine... Meditate upon these things..." (I

Tim. 4:13-15). Question: Do you as a Christian commune with God each day through fervent prayer, Bible study and solemn meditation on spiritual values? It is regrettable that so many children of God have ceased to commune with Him in private!

Every Christian family may each day engage in a period of Bible study and prayer, and even the singing of songs. The entire family circle should make it a point to thus engage in family worship when possible. There is no place on earth where lessons of truth can be more effectively taught than in a Christian home. Do you have memories in your heart of a mother and father who gathered the family together each night to read the Bible and pray before being tucked into bed? If so, thank God that you had such parents. Whether you were blessed in this way or not, you should see to it that your children have these precious hours of family communion with Jehovah God.

Give your children memories of a praying, Bible reading, God-fearing mother and father. Paul speaks of such influence when he wrote to Timothy: "I thank God... When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that is in thee also" (II Tim. 1:5).

PUBLIC WORSHIP

This has to do with the public assembly, when saints assemble in a given community to worship God and engage in singing, praying, studying and meditating upon God's word (Col. 3:16-17). These acts of worship are in order at any time Christians may assemble. But the Lord has designated a certain day of each week upon which Christians are to assemble and engage in the above acts of worship, plus two additional requirements: 1) eating the Lord's Supper and 2) giving of our income as prospered (Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:1-6; 11 Cor. 9:7). The designated day is not the Sabbath, which was a part of the law or Old Testament which ended at the cross (Eph. 2:12-20; Col. 2:12-16). There is no divine record of Christians assembling to worship on the Sabbath day. "The first day of the week," "the Lord's day," is the day Christians are authorized to assemble some time during that day and observe the five items of worship (Acts 20:7; Rev. 1:10). As authorized, the church in the first century assembled each first day of the week to worship (Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Cor. 11; 16:1-6).