

Prayer List of the Sick and Afflicted:

Ken Roosa continues to improve and is able to use his treadmill on M-W-F. His stamina is steadily improving.. Such wonderful news!

Jeri Adams (Tina's Aunt in Fla.) is home but in need of heart surgery (Waiting for an appointment to see a cardiologist).

Don Richardson – re-admitted to St. Francis Hosp. (Stop 11) this past week-end.

Iris Hash – Improved but advised to stay in.

Delores Hendrickson

Deloris Hendrickson requests prayers for her brother.

Stephanie Sturgill – Cancer

Judy Merriman – Stage 4 Bladder Cancer

Carol Harris – Liver Cancer

Ernest Brown – Diagnosed with Cancer in his eye.

Teddy Burgess (friend of Evelyn Murphy)

Darryl Grimes, Ken and Sherrie Roosa's son-in-law, Chemo treatments completed 2 weeks ago and a full body scan on Monday (4-13-20). Great news, Rick is in complete remission!

Rick Skiver, Ken Roosa's brother, has completed radiation treatments. He has been told that there was no more they could do as far as chemo and they are setting him up for long-term Hospice care.

Sean Mathews – Stomach problems (ongoing)

Zachary Baxter, Susie Burdsall/Riddle's grandson, deployed in the U.S. Navy

Edwin Parnell, cancer (Mike Parnell's brother)

Al Reynolds is back home with Gertrude

Melani Dodge – In need of our prayers and encouragement

Guyten Montgomery's mother is thankfully recovering from the corona virus.

Dean and Shirley Cook are back home and doing well.

Lori Bowlen is self-quarantined for Covid-19 – No symptoms now.

Pray For Our Shut-ins:

Gloria Hale

Pray For The Work We Are Supporting:

John Grubb (Mission work in Asia)

Charles DiPalma (Mission work in Australia and New Zealand)

Northwest Florida School of Biblical Studies

Upcoming Events:

No Pitch-Ins until the Coronavirus Crisis is past

All Services are Suspended Temporarily!

Tomorrow with all of its Blessings!

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. After the above five steps, **Faithful Christian Living** (I Peter 2:11, 12; Revelation 2:10).

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MORGAN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Schedule of Services:

Sunday

Bible Study – 9:30 AM (Service Suspended)
Worship – 10:30 AM (Service Suspended)
(6:00 PM Service Suspended)

Wednesday

Bible Study – 7:00 PM (Suspended)

Thursday

Ladies Bible Study – 11:00 AM (Suspended)

Radio Program:

“Preparing For Eternity”
Sunday Mornings 8:00 AM, WCBK 102.3 FM

Website:

www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

God of All Comfort

Much has been written in recent days to comfort those experiencing anxiety or grief in matters related to the pandemic associated with the Corona Virus. We carefully check for updates that may shed light on what we may experience in the days and weeks ahead. Except for inconveniences or hardships associated with social distancing, we have yet to feel the full-impact of the crisis. As a result, we may feel somewhat inoculated against the disease here in Middle America. However, when the numbers rise and we begin to feel the pressure of anxiety, it will have been good for us to have considered important teachings from God's word for those who are burdened.

The apostle Paul opens his second letter to the Corinthians by describing God as (2 Cor. 1:3-4) "the Father of mercies and God of all comfort who comforts us in all our affliction so that we will be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God."

There is purpose to our pain. While suffering can produce beneficial results in terms of personal development and spiritual growth (Jas. 1:2-4; Rm. 5:3-5); it also equips us to become a source of comfort and encouragement to others. He comforts us in our affliction so that we may be able to comfort others in their afflictions.

The church is the body of Christ (Eph. 1:22-23). As such, we are "individually members of one another" (Rm. 12:4). God has placed us in the body just as He desired so that we might "care for one another" (1 Cor. 12:18, 25).

And, "if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it..." (1 Cor. 12:26). In fact, we are commanded to "Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep" (Rm. 12:15).

We are better able to meet our "one another" responsibilities as a result of our own sufferings as well as experiencing, first hand, the comfort of the Lord. While God comforts in other ways, the "hands-on" comfort of the Lord is wonderfully experienced through the loving actions of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Glen Elliott

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