Prayer List of the Sick and Afflicted:

Jeri Adams (Tina's Aunt in Fla.) is off the respirator, walking, eating solid food and now at home doing well.

Minnie Flick (Tina's other Aunt) is still improving.

Steve Flick (Tina's Uncle) is still not doing well at all.

Don Richardson is still at Miller's Merry Manor for rehab. He is eating good but has developed a kidney infection. Prayers are needed.

Iris Hash's blood work has been completed with tests to follow to determine the cause of her stomach problems. She is now getting therapy for neck and back.

Karen Sproles got a shot for her knee problem. She may have a pinched nerve in her back and is starting therapy on 7-14-20.

Liz Burdsall has an injury to her leg and foot. She is having difficulty with balance. It is not healing as well as expected. She is to begin physical therapy.

Delores Hendrickson and her brother need our prayers.

Stephanie Sturgill underwent Cancer surgery and is now at home recovering. Linda Bush did get to go home and is being medicated to relieve her condition (possible allergic reaction to odors from paving the street).

Ernest Brown developed an eye infection and he is taking antibiotics. He is some better. Teddy Burgess (friend of Evelyn Murphy)is doing much better.

Rick Skiver, Ken Roosa's brother, is in Hospice care.

Donnie Thurman (Ken's cousin) his Cancer has spread to his Pancreas.

Sean Mathews - Stomach problems (ongoing)

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

Edwin Parnell, cancer some worse plus fluid on heart (Mike Parnell's brother) Gertrude Reynolds fell and was taken to the ER. It was determined that she had a stroke and an aneurysm that is quite large. Gertrude is receiving Hospice care at home. Please pray for Gertrude and for Al.

Dean and Shirley Cook are at home. Shirley has shingles but that is just about gone. Jerry Pflaum (Shirley Cook's brother) passed on Friday 07-17-20. Dale Pflaum (Shirley Cook's nephew) is now undergoing Chemo therapy.

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:

Monthly Pitch-In Dinner on 8-02-20. Morning services prior to the Dinner. Evening services to be held following the Dinner.

Men's August Business Meeting is to be held between the Pitch-In and the Evening Service.

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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Schedule of Services: <u>Sunday</u> Bible Study – 9:30 AM Worship – 10:30 AM Evening Service - 6:00 <u>Wednesday</u> Bible Study – 7:00 PM <u>Thursday</u> 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

Wonderful Counselor

<u>Isaiah 9:6</u>

"For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the government will rest on his shoulders, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace."

Jesus is given many descriptions in the Bible: the Vine, the Good Shepherd, the Way, the Truth, the Life, etc. Each of these gives us a little different sense of what Jesus is or what He does for us. I want us to pause and reflect on one of the names given to Jesus in <u>Isaiah 9:6</u>... WONDERFUL COUNSELOR.

First, think about the description "Wonderful." The Hebrew word carries much more weight than how we normally use the word. The original Hebrew word has the sense of something being incomprehensible (see <u>Judges 13:8</u>). Jesus demonstrated that He is wonderful in the way He taught (see Matthew 5-7). Most of what Jesus taught blows our mind. His teaching is counterintuitive. He taught that the poor are rich and the rich are poor. He taught that the hungry are filled, the crying are comforted, and the persecuted are blessed. None of this makes sense. It is not something we would ever come up with on our mind. His counsel is "wonderful" because it is incomprehensible.

The word "Counselor" comes from a Hebrew word that means an advisor or a wise man or a wise king (like Solomon). Jesus is a wise King, much wiser than Solomon. Luke 11:31 – "The Queen of the South will rise up with the men of this generation at the judgment and condemn them, because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and behold, <u>something greater than</u> <u>Solomon is here</u>."

He knows our mind better than any other counselor because He made us. He knows us inside and out. He knows us better than we know ourselves. He came and lived as a man and experienced all of the same struggles, temptations, and frustrations you and I experience in the flesh. He is well qualified to be our Counselor.

Father, thank You for providing us with a Wonderful Counselor. Help us to trust Him more with our problems that we may come and listen to all that he says in your Word.

David Maxson

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