

**Prayer List of the Sick and Afflicted:**

Darryl Grimes, (Ken and Sherrie Roosa's son-in-law) suffers from cancer.  
Gerald Dunn, brother of Susie Riddle, is recovering from COVID and is experiencing memory issues.

Ray and Liz Sturgill's son and daughter-in-law are both recovering from COVID.  
One of the caretakers at Jimmy Lindsay's home, Shannon, has requested prayers for her mother, Erlene Howard.

Gloria Hale has been moved from the rehab center to stay with her son Tim.  
Charlie Henard's mother in Tennessee suffers from Alzheimer's.  
Virginia McKinney is back home from Tennessee but has been experiencing some balance problems. In April she fell, broke her wrist and had to have surgery to have a plate put in. She also is recovering from COVID.

Jean Collins is recovering from COVID.

Karen Sproles is still confined at home and is receiving home health services.

Iris Hash is back at home and recently had a colonoscopy and gastric scope. She is also awaiting an appointment with a kidney specialist.

John Richardson is in a rehab facility in Greenfield. He is in need of a colostomy.

Terry Richardson is in rehab at The Waters in Martinsville.

Steve Anderson is suffering from periods of dizziness.

Haven Duncan, Dave and Tina's granddaughter, recently graduated from Army basic training and has moved on to airborne training at Ft. Benning, Georgia.  
She suffered a fall during training and broke some bones in her foot.

The people of Ukraine.

**Pray For Our Shut-ins:**

Gloria Hale, Karen Sproles, Iris Hash

**Pray For The Mission Works We Are Supporting:**

John Grubb (Mission work in Asia)

Daniel Goshorn and family (Mission work in Peru)

**Men's Business Meeting:**

The next men's monthly business meeting will be Wednesday, September 7th at 5:00 PM. All men are encouraged to attend.

**August Monthly Pitch-in:**

Our next monthly pitch-in dinner will be today, following the morning services.  
Following the pitch-in we will have a song service at 1:00 PM then dismiss for the day.

**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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**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:**

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Sunday Mornings 8:00 AM, WCBK 102.3 FM

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Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

## PRECIOUS TRUTH: GOD'S WORD

We often speak of precious promises (2 Peter 1:4), precious blood (1 Peter 1:19), precious saviour (1 Peter 2:6-7). The soul is precious (Psalm 49:8), a virtuous woman is precious (Prov. 3:15), the death of a child of God is precious (Psalm 116:15); and, there is precious faith (2 Peter 1:1).

The word precious means: *of great value or high price, highly esteemed or cherished, costly*. All of the above: the soul, our Saviour, his blood, his word, could be spoken of as of great value, high price, cherished, costly.

**The Word of God is just as precious** as the blood of Christ; just as precious as our Saviour; just as precious as our soul. May we all learn to highly esteem and cherish the Word of God. The word of God was precious in Samuel's day (1 Sam. 3:1).

The way to determine how we value a thing is by our attitude toward that thing. For example, most people do not value Jesus very highly because he makes no difference in their lives. He does not mean much to them because of the way they live. They do not esteem him, they do not highly cherish him, because they do not let Jesus have his way in their life. You cannot separate Jesus from His commands and demands upon our life. Many people want Jesus as their Saviour, but they do not want his words to tell them how to live. Jesus even said, *"And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say"* (Luke 6:46)? When you fail to follow His commands, He is not your Lord and Saviour. Jesus said, *"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity"* (Matt. 7:21-23).

**The Word of God should be very precious to every Christian.** God's Word ought to be the greatest value in our hearts. We should highly esteem and cherish His Word. We should be willing to pay any price to hold to and keep the Word of God. As Solomon said, *"Buy the Truth and sell it not"* (Prov. 23:23). God's Word is so valuable that it will abide forever, even when heaven and earth passes

away (Matt. 24:35; 1 Peter 1:23). God's Word is so valuable that it saves the soul (James 1:21). God's Word is so valuable because by it, faith is produced (Rom. 10:17). God's Word is so valuable, it is the Word of Truth (2 Cor. 6:7; Eph. 1:13; Col. 1:5). Through the Word we are sanctified (1 Tim. 4:5). The Word of God is so valuable and precious because God gave the Word (Psalm 68:11). The Word of God is valuable and precious because it is true from the beginning (Psalm 119:160).

Consider how we should value, cherish and highly esteem God's Word of precious Truth:

1. **The Bible is right.** *"For the Word of the Lord is right..."* (Psalm 33:4; 19:8).
2. **The Bible should be praised.** *"In God I will praise his Word..."* (Psalm 56:4, 10).
3. **The Bible should be magnified.** *"...for thou hast magnified thy Word above all thy name"* (Psalm 138:2).
4. **The Bible should be esteemed.** *"Therefore I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things to be right: and I hate every false way"* (Psalm 119:128).
5. **The Bible should be respected.** *"...I will have respect unto thy statutes continually"* (Psalm 119:116, 6).
6. **The Bible should be loved.** *"O how love I thy Law! it is my meditation all the day"* (Psalm 119:97). *"Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold"* (Psalm 119:127). *"...Thy Law do I love"* (Psalm 119:163).
7. **The Bible should be kept.** *"...for I will keep the commandments of my God"* (Psalm 119:115). *"I cried with my whole heart, hear me, O Lord; I will keep thy statutes"* (Psalm 119:145). *"Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently"* (Psalm 119:4).
8. **The Bible should be hidden in the heart.** *"Thy Word have I hid in mine heart"* (Psalm 119:11).

What is your attitude toward God's Word, his precious Truth?

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