

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

Al Reynolds did not surgery on 8-20. He is undergoing care at the VA for now. Al will possibly be going to a nursing home at a later date.

Caylyn Mathews suffered a broken wrist while playing soccer and a cast was put on. She is doing well.

Steve Flick (Tina's Uncle) - Hospice has advised that the family be called in.

Don Richardson is back in the VA due to serious health issues. Don will remain at the VA hospital for the present. Once he becomes stable, he will probably be going to stay at the Waters facility.

Iris Hash's blood work has been completed with tests to follow to determine the cause of her stomach problems. Iris now has a urinary tract infection. All preliminaries needed prior to the scheduled procedures (9-03-20) have been completed.

Karen Sproles is still having trouble with her knee and difficulty walking. She had a possible "Silent Stroke" and is scheduled for an MRI on 9-11-20.

Liz Burdsall is recovering steadily from the injury to her leg and foot. Liz is in physical therapy and showing great improvement.

Delores Hendrickson and her brother need our prayers. Delores has a bladder infection. Stephanie Sturgill is at home and continues recuperating nicely.

Charlie Henard is at home. A kidney stone was removed on Friday (08-14-20). Charlie is OK, just very weak. It was great to see Charlie at Church this past Sunday.

Linda Bush is at home. She did have Heart Cath and a stint was placed in one of her arteries on 8-11-20. She will be wearing a heart monitor for the next 30 days.

Ernest Brown is doing very well with his recovery at home.

Teddy Burgess (friend of Evelyn Murphy) is doing much better.

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

Sean Mathews – Stomach problems (ongoing)

Edwin Parnell has completed his chemo and is waiting on Scan results.

Dean and Shirley Cook are at home and doing well.

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:**

Men's Business Meeting tentatively planned for 9-6-20 @ 5:00 PM.  
The ladies are preparing some gifts for Jimmy Lindsey. For details as to what should be given, see Bob Hawkins. (Gifts are to be in a paper bag.)  
Annual Fish Fry is scheduled for Saturday (09-26-20) @ 5:00 PM.

**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; 1 Peter 3:21; Romans 6:3, 4).
6. **Faithful Christian Living**, after the above five steps (1 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 – 7:00 PM

**Thursday**

Ladies Bible Study – 11:00 AM

**Radio Program:**

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

**Website:**

[www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org](http://www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org)

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

## A Joy to Live

*1Peter 4:12-13 “Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when His glory is revealed.”*

No discussion of holiness is true or helpful without an acknowledgement of how earnestly Satan wants to destroy us. Satan lured Adam and Eve to compromise one single act, one slip of holiness, and from there he has brought unspeakable destruction to the human race and to this earth. With that in mind, Paul urges us not to be “surprised at the fiery ordeal” that has come upon us to test us. As he does so, he gives us a new focus. “Rejoice as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when His glory is revealed.”

John Eldredge in his book “Restoration Year” (pg. 110) quotes Jesus talking to His disciples as He says, “<sup>29</sup>*I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe. <sup>30</sup>I will not say much more to you, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold over Me, <sup>31</sup>but he comes so that the world may learn that I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has commanded Me.” (Jn 14:29-31)*

Consider the thought: “He has no hold over me.” Can you imagine the relief that could give to someone,

especially you? Just imagine if you were protected from all the ploys, accusations, temptations, snares, assaults, and deceptions of the enemy. What would it be like if they had no effect on you? Your life would be a joy to live. Here’s the thing: It can be. Romans 5:8-10 says, “<sup>8</sup>*But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God’s wrath through him! <sup>10</sup>For if, while we were God’s enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!” Then Romans 8:31 says, “If God is for us, who can be against us?” Knowing what God has done for us should relieve us and give us great joy for living this life.*

Ronnie Hewitt

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