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

Don Richardson passed away on Tuesday – 09-15-20. Prayers are requested for the family.

Steve Flick (Tina's Uncle) passed on Monday – 09-14-20. Prayers are requested for the family.

Al Reynolds is in better spirits, getting some improvement in the use of his hands and is able to set up (with a little help). He is now in rehab and it appears to be helping.

Caylyn Mathews suffered a broken wrist while playing soccer and a cast was put on. Caylyn's cast removed on 9-15 and she is doing very well.

Iris Hash is now awaiting results from the test procedures that are to determine the cause of her stomach problems.

Karen Sproles is still having difficulty walking. Her MRI revealed that she did not have a stroke. It is being discussed for Karen to go to a "Balance" center for therapy.

Delores Hendrickson and her brother need our prayers. Stephanie Sturgill is at home and continues doing better.

Linda Bush is at home and doing better. She is wearing a heart monitor. Jimmy Lindsey's brother Mike is having seizures and is in need of prayers. Ernest Brown is at home and doing quite well. Teddy Burgess (friend of Evelyn Murphy) is doing much better. Donnie Thurman (Ken's cousin) is undergoing Cancer treatments. Prayers are requested. Sean Mathews – Stomach problems (ongoing) Edwin Parnell has completed his chemo and is scheduled for a PET Scan on 9-20. 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**:

Wednesday Bible Study – 6:00 PM - (Changes from 7:00 PM eff. Oct. 7, 2020) 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; 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>Effective Oct. – 6:00 PM</u>) <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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# Wisdom from Above

Wisdom is the practical application of knowledge. While there are other more detailed descriptions of the word, wisdom never seems to stray too far from this basic definition. It involves properly applying the things we have learned to our daily lives.

We are repeatedly encouraged to grow in knowledge (2 Pet. 3:18; 1 Pet. 2:1-3). True knowledge is not associated with an over-inflated ego (1 Cor. 8:1). True knowledge comes from above and is pure, peaceable, gentle and reasonable (Jas. 3:17). This is a wisdom greatly needed in today's world. However, we cannot make proper application of knowledge not in our possession. We must, therefore, diligently study God's word, searching daily for precious truths which can be applied to our lives (2 Tim. 2:15; Acts 17:11; Ps. 19:10).

Speaking of wisdom, James writes, "But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord, being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways" (James 1:5-8).

Growth in wisdom requires an accumulation of both intellectual and experiential knowledge. Our knowledge grows as we study His word and put it into practice. Now to the point James is addressing. Have you ever scratched your head in bewilderment trying to understand difficult circumstances? Have you ever wondered why you are having to go through painful situations?

James' encouragement to pray for wisdom occurs in the context of considering as joy various trials that test our faith and have the potential of producing endurance (Jas. 1:2-4). So, in light of all that is happening around us, our study of His word should be accompanied by faithful prayer asking for wisdom from above that we might be stable and productive in His service bringing honor and glory to His name.

Glen Elliott

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