

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

Shannon Jones (Randall Jones' Daughter) is in Vanderbilt Hospital having a problem with blood clots in her colon.

Dulcy Russell (Eve's Aunt) passed away on Saturday 10-17. Funeral was on Thursday , 10-22. Please remember the family in your prayers.

Floyd Coley is doing better with his vertigo problem. He is continuing home with the therapy of Dr. prescribed exercises and doing well.

Al Reynolds is making progress in therapy for improvement in the use of his hand s. He is hoping to improve to the point that he will be able to leave the nursing home.

Iris Hash has been diagnosed with her Hiatal hernia but still no decision has been made as to have surgery or not. She will be following "common sense" steps to alleviate her situation until this decision has been made. Iris has some new medication and is also on probiotics and doing a lot better.

Karen Sproles is still having difficulty walking. She is currently going 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 was wearing a heart monitor to determine if a procedure was needed. It has been decided that the procedure will not be necessary and she is no longer wearing the heart monitor

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 10-20.

Dean Cook is improved. He and Shirley were able to attend services this past Sunday.

Dale Pflaum (Shirley Cook's nephew) is in a second round of Chemo therapy. Prayers are greatly appreciated.

**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:**

Friday Nov. 6- After the Mtg. hour, there will be some cake and punch to celebrate Ernest Brown's 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday. Everyone is invited!

Fall Gospel Meeting with Brother Charles Blair – November 6, 7 – 7:00PM

Sunday November 8 - Bible Study 9:30 AM, Worship 10:30AM

Following AM Worship – Fellowship Pitch-In

Afternoon Worship – 1:00PM

**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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***MORGAN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST***

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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:**

“Preparing For Eternity”

Sunday Mornings 8:00 AM, WCBK 102.3 FM

**Website:**

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

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

## **“All Lies Matter!”**

Truth is vitally important in every human endeavor. All lies matter because lies obscure the truth, making it more difficult to find its treasure. When truth no longer matters, darkness prevails and light is diminished. When it comes to the spiritual realm, we must pursue firm, consistent, and unswerving devotion to the truth.

As it relates to Jesus, He is the truth (Jn. 14:6) and truth is in Him (Eph. 4:21). God’s word is truth (Jn. 17:17) and Jesus is the incarnate Word (Jn. 1:14). Among other things, the truth is comprised of commandments which must be obeyed. Jesus says, “If you love Me, you will keep My commandments” (Jn. 14:15). These imperatives provide moral and spiritual guidance. When faithfully practiced, they provide freedom from sin and evidence of Christ living within (Jn. 8:32; Col. 1:27).

But, sadly, many are not tuned in to the truth. Like Pilate, they would hardly recognize truth if it hit them in the face. Yet, standing before him was Jesus, the embodiment of truth (Jn. 14:6), identifying His kingdom as a spiritual kingdom and His followers as those who listen to the truth (Jn. 18:36-37). Confused, the Roman governor manages only to ask, “What is truth?” (vs. 38). He left the room and, so far as we know, never made the connection between truth and Jesus.

Disconnect from truth leads many to accept only a convenient version of the truth—truth that has been twisted so as to fit in with their preconceived ideas. Thinking themselves to be wise, they become foolish (Rm. 1:22). Blinded by the god of this world, they cannot see the glory of Christ (2 Cor. 4:4). When

the light of truth shines upon their evil deeds, it is utterly rejected; for they prefer to abide in darkness rather than be exposed by the light (Jn. 3:19-21). Rather than humbly receiving the truth (Jas. 1:21), they choose to believe a lie and “accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires”—teachers who will compromise the truth and tell them what they want to hear (2 Tim. 4:3-4). But this has no bearing on the truth. The truth is the truth. It cannot be changed (Mt. 24:35). We walk in truth when we serve God in harmony with His inspired word.

All lies matter because lies can lead us away from Christ, our only way to the Father (Jn. 14:6). All lies matter because we will give an account for every careless word on the Day of Judgment (Mt. 12:36). All lies matter because all liars will have “their part in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death” (Rev. 21:8).

We cannot walk in lockstep march with the enemies of truth and purveyors of deception. We are responsible for where we stand in relation to truth. We must study God’s word diligently (2 Tim. 2:15). We must study God’s word with an open heart (Acts 16:14). And, we must study God’s word with a view toward obedience (Jas. 2:21-25). Do not be among those who “receive not the love of the truth so as to be saved” (2 Th. 2:10).

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