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

Al Reynolds passed away on 11-6-20. There was a graveside service on Friday (11-13) at Forest Lawn cemetery in Greenwood. Prayers go out to the Reynolds family. Al was such a kindly man.

Sheila Eyster's mother passed on 11-02. Prayers for the family are appreciated.

Barbara Grubb, John Grubb's mother passed on 11-06. Prayers for the family are appreciated.

Tina's Aunt Janie's cancer has returned .She had a reaction to her chemotherapy and was hospitalized. Her husband, Dutch, had an emergency operation and was hospitalized also. Both are at home now.

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

Iris Hash has been diagnosed with her Hiatal hernia but still no decision has been made as to have surgery or not. 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.

Gary Knoy (Dave's cousin) is having some stomach issues

Stephanie Sturgill is at home and continues doing better.

Linda Bush is at home and doing better. It has been decided that the procedure will not be necessary and she is no longer wearing the heart monitor

Ernest Brown recently celebrated his 102 birthday and is at home doing 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's PET scan results were very positive with no new cancer found.

Dean and Shirley Cook have gone to spend the winter in Florida.

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:**

#### 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:

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

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Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

# **Clean Out Your Closet!**

Tired of all the drama and difficulties associated with 2020, many are looking forward to turning the calendar-page into a new year. We say, "Out with the old and in with the new." Things of the past will not soon be forgotten. Nor, will the New Year be without challenges of its own. But, somehow, even the symbolic gesture of turning the page on the calendar can spark renewed hope in what the Lord may do through us in the year ahead.

But, we must lay aside the old in order to fully embrace the new. New furniture isn't placed beside the old furniture. When we buy a new car, we trade in or sell the old one rather than leaving it in front of our house to rust and deteriorate. Again, we are told it is a good idea to donate or discard one item of clothing for each newly purchased one. All of these can happen because life gets complicated when we hold on to so many unnecessary things.

The same is true in the spiritual realm. Some carry with them the heavy burden of guilt over sins which long since have been forgiven. Still others are tossed back and forth by worries over which they have no control. There is only one thing that truly matters and that is sitting at the feet of Jesus to feed upon His life-sustaining words (Lk. 10:41-42).

Yet, many of us have clothes in our closet we shouldn't wear anymore. When in faith, we clothe ourselves with Christ in baptism, we are raised to walk in newness of life (Gal. 3:26-27; Rm. 6:4). Old things have passed away and new things have come (2 Cor. 5:17).

Why do we hold on to the old garment of sin, keeping it in our spiritual closet, when it should have long since been discarded? (Rm. 13:14). Worse still, why would we take out again a garment that defiles the name of our precious Lord and leads us into a spiritual condition Peter aptly describes as being worse than if we had never known the way of righteousness? (2 Pet. 2:21). Clean out your closet so you can put on the new self who is being shaped into the image of Christ (Col. 3:10). Then, come what may, each day is filled with new mercies (Lam. 3:23). Forgetting what lies behind, we reach forward with eager anticipation to what lies ahead (Ph. 3:14).

-Glen Elliott-

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