Prayer List of The Sick And Afflicted:

Delores Hendrickson

Karen Sproles – recovering from Foot Surgery

Teddy Burgess (friend of Evelyn Murphy)

Ken Roosa – Severe neck problem(Surgery scheduled for February, 2020)

Darryl Grimes, cancer treatment (Ken and Sherrie Roosa's son-in-law)

Rick Sciver – Bone cancer treatment (Ken Roosa's Brother)

Dean Cook (Dean and Shirley are in Florida)

Randy Murray, cancer treatments, (Cindy Murray's husband)

Zachary Baxter, Susie Burdsall/Riddle's grandson, deployed in the U.S. Navy

Edwin Parnell, cancer (Mike Parnell's brother)

Larry Waymire – Missionary from West Tenn. Full body scan reveals cancer isolated in the eye.

Eric Bowlen – Several severe health issues, treatments providing some degree of relief.

Al and Gertrude Reynolds - Car accident – Doing well

Evelyn Murphy – Recovering from shoulder replacement

Ernest Brown – Diagnosed with cancer in his eye.

Derrick Burdsall – Broken Leg & Back injured in fall

(Timand Liz Burdsall's son)

Melani Dodge – In need of our prayers and encouragement

Jean Collins – Loss of family member

Pray For Our Shut-ins:

Goldie Gilbert New Address: Grand Valley Room 106

1501 Hubert Circle Martinsville, IN 46151

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:

Annual Planning Meeting – 1-11-20 (Breakfast@Forkie's 8:00AM)

(Church Bldg. @ 9:00 for Mtg.)

January Pitch-In – 1-5-20 (after morning worship service)

(Soup and Sandwiches selected)

Tomorrow with all of its Blessings!

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. After the above five steps, **Faithful Christian Living** (I Peter 2:11, 12; Revelation 2:10).

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Schedule of Services:

Sunday

Bible Study – 9:30 AM

Worship - 10:30 AM and 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study – 7:00 PM

Thursday

Ladies Bible Study – 11:00 AM (March – October)

Radio Program:

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

Website:

www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

Growing Into Giving

Matthew 10:8 Freely you received, freely give.

"I got you a present!" my two-year-old grandson shouted excitedly as he pressed a box into my hands. "He picked it out all by himself," my wife smiled.

I opened the box to find a Christmas ornament of his favorite cartoon character. "Can I see it?" he asked anxiously. Then he played with "my" present for the rest of the evening, and as I watched him, I smiled.

I smiled because I remembered gifts I had given loved ones in the past, like the music album I gave my older brother one Christmas when I was in high school that I really wanted to listen to (and did). And I realized how years later God was still stretching me and teaching me to give more unselfishly.

Giving is something we grow into. The apostle Paul wrote, "But just as you abound in everything, in faith and utterance and knowledge and in all earnestness and in the love we inspired in you, see that you abound in this gracious work also." Grace fills our giving as we understand that all we have is from God, and He has shown us "it is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

God generously gave us the most unselfish gift of all: His only Son, who would come to earth in the form of a mortal man, live his life in such a way so as to teach us how to live our lives according to His will, then to die on a cross and be raised from the grave back to life. Any who receive this ultimate gift are rich beyond measure. As our hearts are focused on Him, our hands open in love to others.

In what ways do you need to grow in giving? What could you do today?

Thank You, Father, for giving us the best gift of all: Your Son! Help us to share Your generosity with others today.

James Banks