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

Judy Coley – Recovering from Surgery

Goldie Gilbert at Nursing Home learning to use Oxygen

Delores Hendrickson

Karen Sproles – recovering from foot surgery

Evelyn Murphy – Recovering from shoulder replacement

Ernest Brown – Diagnosed with cancer in his eye.

Teddy Burgess (friend of Evelyn Murphy)

Ken Roosa – Severe neck problem (Surgery scheduled this month)

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

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

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. Cancer isolated in one eye.

Eric Bowlen – Several severe health issues

Al Reynolds home from VA hospital

Derrick Burdsall – Leg & back injured in fall (Tim& Liz Burdsall's son)

Melani Dodge – In need of our prayers and encouragement

Jimmy & James – Prayers for their families who have some problems

#### **Pray For Our Shut-ins:**

Goldie Gilbert

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:**

Monthly Pitch-In following AM Worship -3-1-20

Men's Business Meeting after Pitch-In

Ladies Luncheon Prep w/Pottery Works – 2-23-20

Tomorrow with <u>all</u> 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

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Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. (John 13:34–35)

The characteristic of love is to be seen in everything we do as disciples of Christ. Just as Jesus has loved us so we are to love one another. We recognize by this comparison that we are called to deeply love one another sacrificially just as Jesus did for us. This love is supposed to be so transforming that all people will know that we are disciples of Jesus because of the love we show others.

Peter tells us that we are to love one another with a pure and sincere heart (1 Peter 1:22).

In I Thessalonians 4:9–10, Paul wrote to the Thessalonians about the need for them to love one another. "Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another, for that indeed is what you are doing to all the brothers throughout Macedonia."

What an amazing introduction to this topic! The apostle Paul writes to them about loving one another but tells them that he does not need to write to them about it because they have been taught by God. These Christians understood that loving one another was a critical characteristic. If we do not love one another, then we are not disciples of Jesus. "All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children" (Isaiah 54:13). "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love" (1 John 4:7–8). Not only were they loving each other, they were loving Christians all

throughout the region of Macedonia. There are ways that we can show love to each other that we may be neglecting. Sometimes we can have a shallow picture of what it looks like to love one another. Since Paul has no need to write about all the reasons why the Thessalonians need to love each other, since they are doing this already, Paul teaches them some deeper applications of what it looks like to love each other. Listen to what Paul says further in verses 10-11.

But we urge you, brothers, to do this more and more, and to aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you, so that you may walk properly before outsiders and be dependent on no one. (1 Thessalonians 4:10–12)

Jesus said that the world would know that we are disciples of Jesus because of how we love one another. What this means is that how we live our lives Monday through Saturday has an impact on what people think about Jesus and about us. Loving one another is not something that only happens inside of these walls. What we do when we are at home has an impact to the world. What we do while at work sends a message to other people. What we do when we are engaged in our hobbies and chores will say something to the world around us. Paul is observing this truth in these verses. So what does Paul urge these Christians to do? (Continued in 2-23-20 Bulletin)

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Please God, give us patience and understanding with each other and those around us.