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

Ken Roosa – Neck Surgery went very well – now for recovery!

Judy Coley – Recovering from surgery for relief of urinary tract blockage

Goldie Gilbert at Nursing Home learning to use Oxygen

Iris Hash – Having problems with her stomach

Jennifer Minor - Having problems with her stomach

Delores Hendrickson

Stephanie Sturgil – Cancer

Judy Merriman – Stage 4 Bladder Cancer

Carol Harris – Liver Cancer

Ernest Brown – Diagnosed with Cancer in his eye.

Teddy Burgess (friend of Evelyn Murphy)

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

Rick Sciver  $-2^{nd}$  Bone cancer found treatment to begin immediately

(Ken Roosa's brother)

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

Sean Mathews – Stomach problems (ongoing)

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

Edwin Parnell, cancer (Mike Parnell's brother)

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

#### **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:**

Ladies Bible Study to resume on 03-05-20 @ 11:00 AM

Time will change on March 8 – Don't forget, set clocks forward!

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

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www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

# **Divided in Love**

When public debate erupted over a controversial Singapore law, it divided believers with differing views. Some called others "narrow-minded" or accused them of compromising their faith.

Controversies can cause sharp divisions among God's family, bringing much hurt and discouraging people. I've been made to feel small over personal convictions on how I apply the Bible's teachings to my life. And I'm sure I've been equally guilty of criticizing others I disagree with.

I wonder if the problem lies not in what or even how we express our views, but in the attitudes of our hearts when we do so. Are we just disagreeing with views or seeking to tear down the people behind them?

Yet there are times when we need to address false teaching or explain our stand.

Ephesians 4:2-6 "² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, ³ being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴ *There is* one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all." These verses reminds us to so with humility, gentleness, patience, love and above all else, to make every effort "to keep the unity of the Spirit" (V. 3).

Some controversies will remain unresolved. God's Word, however, reminds us that our goal should always be to build up people's faith, not tear them down (V. 29 "Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.")

Are we putting others down to win an argument? Or are we allowing God to help us understand His truths in His time and His way, remembering that we share one faith in one Lord? (VV. 4-6)

#### Leslie Koh

How can you explain your stand on sensitive issues humbly, gently and lovingly? What will you pray for those who seem to disagree?