

Pray For The Sick And Afflicted:

Delores Hendrickson
Judy Coley (upcoming surgical procedure)
Teddy Burgess (friend of Evelyn Murphy)
Ken and Sherrie Roosa's son-in-law Darryl
Dean Cook
Iris Hash
Randy Murray (Cindy Murray's husband)
Jimmy Lindsey's friend (Dalton) at the group home
Zachary Baxter (Susie Burdsall's grandson, deployed in the U.S. Navy)
Edwin Parnell (Mike Parnell's brother, cancer)

Pray For Our Shut-ins:

Goldie Gilbert, Al and Gertrude Reynolds

Pray For The Mission Work That We Support:

John Grubb (mission work in Asia)
Charles DiPalma (mission work in Australia and New Zealand)
Northwest Florida School of Biblical Studies

Pray For Our Upcoming Events:

Monthly Pitch-in Dinner – Due to the late September fish fry there will be no pitch-in dinner for the month of October.

Students' Visit From NW Florida School of Biblical Studies – Brother Guyton Montgomery and some students from the Northwest Florida School of Biblical Studies will worship with us on Sunday evening, November 3. One of the students will deliver the evening message in the absence of brother Bob who will be preaching at the Stop 11 congregation. Following the evening service, a pitch-in meal will be provided in honor of our visitors. More information to follow.

Fall Gospel Meeting – Our fall gospel meeting will be held November 8 – 10 with brother Sidney White. Additional details to follow. Please pray for our meeting.

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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MORGAN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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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

From the Heart: Lessons From Noah

Read Genesis 6 thru 9

Ch. 6:8,9... Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord, and he was righteous, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God.

In other words, he was special to God!

You know, once in a while a man comes along who is not afraid to obey God; one who has a tender heart and a righteous mind. That was Noah.

Can you imagine what it must have been like to be Noah? He lived in a culture that was corrupted by immorality and violence. According to the scriptures, the earth was literally full of it. People's lives had become so reprehensible that God regretted having created them. So much so that he decided to remove every living thing from the face of the earth.

Like a man clearing the table with the back of his hand. He wiped it all away. Can you imagine? God was hurt and disappointed. But on the way to starting over again, the Lord looked at Noah. His life was faithful. In the middle of all this immorality and violence, he found favor in the eyes of God.

There are many lessons we could find in the life of Noah and God's compassion and love for this righteous man. Here are a few thoughts to consider:

- Don't miss the boat!
- Remember, we are all in the same boat.
- Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.
- Stay fit. When you are old, God may still ask you to do something really big!
- Don't listen to the grumblers; just get on with the job at hand.

- Build your future on high ground.
- For safety's sake, travel in pairs.
- Speed isn't always an advantage. The sloths were on board with the cheetahs.
- When you're stressed, float awhile.
- Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.
- "No matter the storm, when you are with God, there is always a rainbow waiting!"

Note: These thoughts did not originate with me but copied from another but I'm sure we can all find one or more that fits.

I wonder what all those people were thinking when the rain started. They hadn't seen rain before. Now they are watching it rain day after day and the water is rising around them. Noah had preached to them for years. If only they had listened and repented of their wicked ways. But now the door to the Ark is closed; God shut the door and locked it. It was too late.

Can you imagine them crying for help, trying to cling to the side of the Ark as the water covered the earth?

Then thinking, if only I had listened to Noah.

Our God is patient but he warns us just as he did in the days of Noah that there will be a day of judgment. He offers salvation to everyone but He sets the standard for his gift. We must come to know Jesus as the Son of God, repent of our sins and obey the Word of God by being baptized into Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. Then live a devoted life to Christ our Redeemer. Don't wait until the rain starts!

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