

# *Shore Lines of the Northfield church of Christ*

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## **LINKS FOR ARTICLES/STREAMING**

**Gospel Broadcasting Network**

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## **Sunday Morning Bible Study @ 9:30AM** **(Auditorium only)**

*Study from the Book of Judges, Chapters 6,7 (Gideon)*

## **Sunday Morning Worship Service @ 10:30AM**

*Men please meet @ 10:20AM before services!*

## **Sunday Spanish Services @ 1:30PM.**

## **Sunday Evening Youtube Service @ 6:00PM**

## **Monday Dinner & Bible Study @ the Seim's**

## **Wednesday Night Zoom Bible study @ 7:00PM**

*This weeks study Lesson 9 "Philippians 3:8-14".*

*(Get an invite from [northfieldchurchofchrist@gmail.com](mailto:northfieldchurchofchrist@gmail.com))*

**Visit Russell Weems YouTube Devotional series**  
**"Keep Psalms And Carry On"**

## ***FROM THE BACK PEW!***

**How Are You Going To Win *If You Are Not Right Within!***  
**Without Spiritual Growth *Numerical Growth Won't Happen!***

Everything has a purpose. Everything! Your successes, your setbacks, your joys, and your heartaches. Each person you meet, each challenge you face, leaves behind a lesson. Every step you take is leading you towards **GOD'S** greater plan for your life. A purpose. So, when life feels uncertain, hold onto **HIS** truth!

**(Jeremiah 29:11)** *For I know the plans I have for you, declares the **LORD**, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.*

**(Ecclesiastes 3:1-11)** *To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under Heaven. A time to be born, a time to die, A time to plant, and a time to pluck what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to break down, a time to build up, a time to weep, a time to laugh, a time to mourn, a time to dance, a time to cast away stones, a time to gather stones...*

**(Isaiah 55:8-9)** **GOD** says, *"For **MY** thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways **MY** ways. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are **MY** ways higher than your ways, and **MY** thoughts than your thoughts."*

NO PUN INTENDED, BUT THESE ARE JUST MY THOUGHTS!!!

# That Prayer List in the Church Bulletin

November 3, 2024 Article

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2024 Bulletin Articles, Bulletin Articles

Every church bulletin that I have ever seen includes some kind of “*Prayer List*” within its pages. That fact alone is interesting—why do all churches find it appropriate, needful and effective to publish a list of names for which the church to pray? Is it simply to have something that takes up some space in the bulletin? Or is there a greater purpose?

Having a prayer list in the bulletin is an expedient way to fulfill the command in Scripture to “*pray for one another*” ([Jas. 5:16](#)). How can we effectively pray for one another? We need a list of names—a church bulletin and even a church directory help to provide that. And if there are specific needs, then we have a focus to which we can give those prayers.

Having a prayer list follows in the footsteps of the apostle Paul. Scripture does not specify that Paul kept a list, but when you read his letters, he constantly says to congregations and to individual Christians that he is “*always...making mention*” of them in his “*prayers*” ([1 Thess. 1:2](#)). Did he have a good memory to recall all of those, by name, for whom he was praying? Or did he keep a list? A list helps us to pray like Paul.

When we pray for those brethren in the church bulletin, we are doing the very best and the most powerful thing that we can do for them—we are talking to the God of heaven, the Creator and Sustainer of all things, about a specific person, and drawing His powerful attention in his/her direction. What could be better than that? The “*prayer of a righteous man avails much*” ([Jas. 5:16, NKJV](#)). It “*has great power as it is*

*working*” (ESV). That power, first and foremost, is the power of God to respond to our requests ([Eph. 3:20-21](#)).

When we pray for those brethren in the church bulletin, it has great power for the one for whom we pray. Paul told his brother Philemon, “*I trust that through your prayers I shall be granted to you*” ([Phile. 22](#)). Paul told the Corinthian brethren that the Lord had delivered him and “*will still deliver us,*” through their “*helping together in prayer for us*” ([2 Cor. 1:10-11](#)). Prayer makes a difference in the lives of others.

But, also, when we pray for those brethren in the church bulletin, it has great power for the one who is doing the praying. It helps us to look beyond ourselves to the needs of others. It helps us to learn the members of the church, perhaps leading us to look some of them up in the church directory to see who they are. It helps us to draw closer to our brethren, as we lift their names before our Father and even share with them that we prayed for them.

Prayer is powerful! Using that prayer list in the church bulletin “has great power [for all of us] as it is working.”



## SERVING TODAY

**Bible Class:** Bro. Ron Clevenger

**Streaming/Audio:** Bro. Mike Walsh

**Song Leader:** Bro. Lee Christensen

## WORSHIP ORDER

**Call to Worship (Himno)**

**Announcements...** Bro. Mike Walsh

**Opening Prayer (Oracion)...** Bro. William White

**Hymn (Himno)**

**Lord's Supper (Santa Cena)...** Bro. Ron Clevenger

**Hymn (Himno)**

**Reading-** Josh.23:1,14 & 1 Kings 2:1-4 (Bro. Russell Weems)

**Sermon-** *Going The Way Of All The Earth* (Mark Seim)

**Invitational Hymn (Himno)**

**Closing Hymn (Himno)**

**Closing Prayer (Oracion)...** Bro. Andy Figueroa

## CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

- Bill Wills preaching @ CMCH congregation.
- Ladies Bible Class will meet in the building on November 23rd at 10:00 am.
- Sermon Topic Survey, it was decide to get input for sermon topics. A survey sheet will be passed around and is posted on the front bulletin board.
- Sunday morning Bible class is studying from the book of Judges, the Monday night class at the Seim's is in a new study into the life of David entitled, "The Heart of David." The Wednesday night class via ZOOM is studying the book Philippians. It would be good for you to attend as many classes as possible.
- Sign-Up To Be A Greeter.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

*Proverbs 22:9*

**Bill Wills:** (609)547-9408, **Javier Perez:** (609)553-3990.

**NEXT OUTREACH Saturday 23-Nov @ 10:00AM**

Items needed for the outreach bags.

*Women items:* Underwear (all sizes), Feminine Hygiene products, Gloves...*Men items:* Underwear (all sizes), Gloves...*Toiletries:* Tooth brushes, Toothpaste Mouth wash Hand warmers...*Food items:* **Tuna packets, Granola bars, Breakfast bars, Cracker packets.**

## FOOD NEEDED FOR THE PANTRY!

*1 Timothy 5:8; 2 Corinthians 9:7*

*Tuna cans & packets*

*Money donations are gladly accepted to help purchase food to stock the pantry!*

Oatmeal (Regular or Instant), Box Cereals, Grits (Regular or Instant), Tuna Fish (In the packets), Beans/Peas (Dry good bags), Mash Potato's (Box/packets), Corn Meal, Flour, Cooking oil, Pasta, Sauce, Sardines, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Mac & Cheese, Soups, Canned fruits.



## PRAYER REQUEST

- Brittany Johnson recovering from her surgery on 1-Nov to remove an ovarian cyst.
- Debbie Shurig, continue praying for her health.
- Deb R. Richardson, continue praying for her health.
- Teri Clevenger, dealing with chronic back pain.
- Natalie Weems, continuing health issues.
- Virginia Hesser, health.
- Tim Height, health.
- Elsie Thompson, suffering from dementia.

## Friends & Relatives

- Friends of Tamara Shurig prays for my friends chuck and Nutan, for good health and love through prayers.
- Tito Montalvo Deb Shurig's brother needs prayers for health and good judgment in his life.
- Mike Clark from CMCH congregation is waiting to undergo neck surgery.
- Please pray for Dalene and her mom, health issues.
- Mark's niece Maryjane in your prayers as she is recovering from back surgery.
- Debi Richardsons sister Shawn who was involved in a car accident.
- Damaris' nephew in the Dominican Republic disappeared weeks ago and this is causing a lot of grief and anxiety for the family.
- Rhina who visits the Spanish service, is suffering from various diseases and is in a lot of pain.
- Ron's co-worker (Jerry Mauger) son-in-law has colon cancer and is receiving treatments. He's asking for prayers that all goes well.
- Gary Smalls, (Ruth Stevens Son-in-law) is home.
- Michelle (Ruth's daughter) is undergoing dialysis 3x a week.
- Friends & family of the Weems; Charlotte Dorsey-Diagnosed with cancer, Paul Huber (step-dad) health issues, Gina Palmer lung cancer, Toni Lynn Charlesworth undergoing chemo treatments, Susan Blackwell personal issues.
- Mrs. Holland, music teacher at Pilgrim Academy, pancreatic cancer is doing better, continue to pray for complete healing.
- Rob Mar, Linda's Meredith's cousin for health & spiritual strength, Jack Keenan, Linda's B.I.L. suffering from cancer. Ryan Keenan (Linda's nephew) health issues.

## Congregational Prayers

- Leaders of our country.
- For the conflicts & wars to cease & for the refugees of these conflicts.
- Mission work in Zambia, Tanzania.
- To all that are struggling spiritually.

## GOING THE WAY OF ALL THE EARTH

Joshua 23:1,14; 1 Kings 2:1-4

**Introduction...** As we see from the above Scriptures, two great men of God spoke of going the way of the earth. Going the way of the earth is an expression used about physical death, and there are six things we will look at regarding this today.

### I. We are sure to go. (Gen. 5:5,8,11,14,17,20,27,32)

(A) These words may be said about each of us, because we are sure to go.

- (1) Job 30:23; Psalm 89:48; Eccl.9:5
- (2) 1 Cor.15:22; Heb.9:27

### II. It won't be long before we go. (Psa.89:47)

(A) How long do we plan to live?

- (1) As a flower (Job 14:1-2; As a shadow (Job 14:2); (3) As wind (Psa.78:39); (4) As a post (Job 9:45); (5) As the swift ships (Job 9:26); (6) As an eagle (Job 9:26) (7) As a tale that is told (Psa.90:9); (8) As a weaver's shuttle (Job 7:6; (9) As a vapor (Jas.4:14).

### III. What happens when we go.

(A) Man is composed of "*spirit, soul, and body*". (1 Thess.5;23)

- (1) Gen.2:7, 3:19, 18:27; Zech.12:1

(B) What will happen is our soul or spirit will depart the body which will return to dust, and the spirit unto God who gave it.

### IV. How can we go.

(A) We can choose, there are two ways.

- (1) In our sins (Jn.8:24)
- (2) In Christ (Rev.14:13)

### V. Once we go there is no return.

(A) There is a finality to death as it brings to an end one's earthy existence.

(B) There is no return to this earthly life.

- (1) (1) 2 Sam. 14:14
- (2) (2) Job 14:11-12; 16:22
- (3) (3) Psa. 78:39
- (4) (4) 2 Sam. 12:23
- (5) (5) Lk.16:19-31

### VI. We don't know when we will go.

(A) We have no way knowing what tomorrow's obituary list will be.

- (1) Eccl.8:6-8, 9:12
- (2) Prov.27:1; Lk.12:19-20

**Conclusion...** The prophet Isaiah said this to Hezekiah; "*Set your house in order, for you shall die and not live.*" It is up to us to set our houses in order. It is vitally important to us to live in Christ, and not in sin. We must be ready.

### NOTES:

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED ?		
Both Jesus and the apostles (guided by the Holy Spirit) taught that to be saved, it is necessary that one:		
Hear	Romans 10:13-17	John 6:45 Revelation 1:3
Believe	John 2:30-31	Hebrews 11:6 Acts 16:31
Repent	Luke 13:3-5	Acts 2:38 Acts 17:30-31
Confess	Matthew 10:32-33	Romans 10:9-10
Be Baptized	Mark 16:15-16	1 Peter 3:21 Acts 22:16
Live Godly	Titus 2:11-14	Romans 12:1-2 2 Peter 1:5-11