<u>PREPARE COMMUNION</u>

February - Jerry & Rosemary McCoy March - David & Loretta Carson

NURSERY ATTENDANTS TODAY - Marietta Reams * Feb 25 - Millie Dauck

FOOD PANTRY

FEBRUARY ITEMS: Vienna sausage and Pork and Beans

OTHER NEEDS: Chicken noodle soup * dry spaghetti/boxed pasta * dried beans (Great Northern) * Ramen noodles * snack or sandwich crackers

CHILDREN'S HOME NEEDS

Cold cereal * rubber gloves * all fabric bleach * aluminum foil * non-aerosol bathroom cleaner * bottled apple juice PICK-UP DATE IS MARCH 5

> OUR RECORD FOR LAST WEEK Attendance 125 Contribution \$3650

Happy Birthday:

February 19 - Travis Cooper

Kasen Collier 20 - Gabe Smith

- 21 Jared Swindle
- 22 Paige Mays
- 22 Faige Mays 24 - Linda Jones
- Wayne Reams

25 - Kendra Summers

Happy Anniversary:

February 18 - Bill and Beverly Pruitt

Bible Trivia:

What prophet talked about a girl being exchanged for drink?

Last week's Answer:

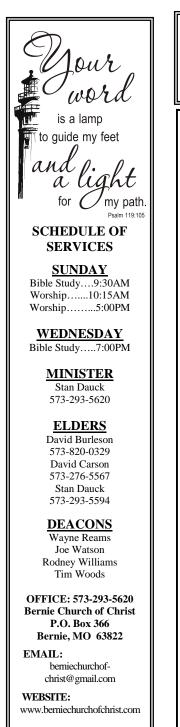
1 Chronicles 1:25 is the shortest verse in the Old Testament

SERVING TODAY	
February 18, 2018	
Song LeaderTim Woods	
Opening PrayerDavid Burleson	
LORD'S TABLE	
Ron GarnerJonathon Simmons	
Ben MartinRick Beaird	
Jason KarnesJohnny McGowan	
ScriptureRodney Williams	
PrayerJoe Watson	
AnnouncementsJon Neely	
DismissalSam Garner	
Sunday Evening	
Song LeaderDavid Carson	
PrayerMorris Karnes	
ScriptureJerry Burleson	
Matthew 20: 23-24	
DismissalJerry McCoy	

Wednesday, February 21, 2018	
Song LeaderMorris Karnes	
PrayerRonnie Mays	
Dismissal Rodney Williams	
February 25, 2018	
Song LeaderMorris Karnes	
Opening PrayerRon Garner	
LORD'S TABLE	
Wayne ReamsJon Neely	
Jerry BurlesonJustin Allen	
Wes HowardBud McKuin	
ScriptureJacob Clayton	
PrayerJeff Martin	
AnnouncementsDarrin Shipman	
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Song LeaderWayne Reams	
PrayerDavid Burleson	
ScriptureMike Duley	
Matthew 20: 25-28	
DismissalElwood Rush`	

COUNT FEBRUARY CONTRIBUTION	
Johnny McGowanJustin Allen	

Wayne Reams.....Jon Neely



TRUE LIGHT

February 18, 2018

SHARPEN YOUR AX

A young man approached the foreman of a logging crew and asked for a job. "That depends," replied the foreman. "Let's see you chop down this tree." The young man stepped forward and skillfully chopped down a great tree. Impressed, the foreman exclaimed, "You can start Monday." Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday rolled by - and Thursday afternoon the foreman approached the young man and said, "You can pick up your paycheck on your way out today." Startled, the young man replied, "I thought you paid on Friday." "Normally we do," said the foreman, "but we're letting you go today because you've fallen behind. Our daily felling charts show that you've dropped from first place on Monday to last place today."

"But I am a hard worker," the young man objected. "I arrive first, leave last and even have worked through my coffee breaks!" The foreman, sensing the young man's integrity, thought for a minute and then asked, "Have you been sharpening your axe?" The young man replied, "No, sir, I've been working too hard to take time for that!"

Our lives are like that. We sometimes get so busy that we don't take time to "sharpen the axe." In today's world it seems like everyone is busier than ever but less happy than ever. Why is that? Could it be that we have forgotten how to stay sharp?

There's nothing wrong with activity and hard work. But God doesn't want us to get so busy that we neglect the truly important things in life, like taking time to pray, to read and study scripture or to listen to "The still small voice of God." We all need time to relax, to think and meditate, to learn and grow. If we don't take time to sharpen the axe, we will become dull and lose our effectiveness to be better ministers and witnesses for Christ.

I encourage you to spend time with the Lord. Pour out your heart to Him, confess your sins, ask Him to guide and lead you to the best place where He wants you to be and you will see God faithfully answer your prayers and refresh you from the inside out. Reprinted from Jan 21, 2001 issue of "True Light"



"If the axe is dull, and one does not sharpen its edge, then one must exert more strength; however the advantage of wisdom is that it brings success." Ecc. 10:10



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

TODAY: Eddie Cloer will be our guest speaker for morning worship. Adults and teens will meet in the auditorium for Bible Class

TODAY: Ambassadors and Choralaires will be singing at the Malden congregation at 1:30 p.m.

FEB 19: Mary and Martha meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Waynetta Rodgers

FEB 20: Fellowship Meal. Ham, turkey and the fixins. Desserts will be needed.

FEB 23-25: CYC at Pigeon Forge, TN. The van will be leaving the parking lot FEB 22 at 4 p.m. Those attending will need money for nine meals. You may wish to bring extra spending money.

Looking Ahead

Inspiration 2018 March 2 & 3 at the Dexter church of Christ. Eric Lyons from Apologetics Press will be this year's featured speaker with the theme, "The Greatness of God; His Creation and His Word." More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery

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Spring Quarter begins Sunday, March 4

Children's Home Grocery Pick-up Monday, March 5. Let's get the cart filled up.

Singing at Ridgeview Living March 11 at 2 p.m.

Gospel Meeting at Bernie with Adam Faughn March 11-14. Make plans now to attend

Nursing Home Crafts March 16 at 2 p.m. at Malden Nursing and Rehab

Mary and Martha meeting March 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Cindy Burleson

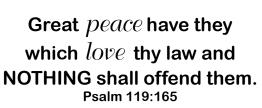
***** 米 米 HOW TO LIVE HAPPIER

- 米 1. Give something away (no strings attached).
- Do a kindness (and then forget it).
- 尜 尜 Spend a few minutes with the aged (their experi-米 ence is a priceless guidance).
- 4. Look intently into the face of a baby (and mar-
- 米 vel).
- Laugh often (it's life's endorphin release).
- 7下 6. Give thanks (a thousand times a day is not
- 米 enough).
- Pray (or you will lose your way).
- 尜 Work (with vim and vigor).

- ✵ Plan as though you will live forever (because you 米 will).
- * * * 10. Live as though you will die tomorrow (because 米 you will die some tomorrow). 米
 - Author Unknown, via www.maryvillechurchofchrist.org

Our meat fund balance is getting low. The money given to the meat fund is used to purchase ham or other main meat dishes for the funeral dinners we provide for our church families and the com-

米 munity. If you would like 米 to donate to the meat fund, you can give your · 米 money to Mary Barnett 米 or Amy Thomason.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

"...I was sick and you visited me..." Matthew 25:36

Remember: Kathy Caudle is at St. Francis in Cape following colon surgery Thursday * Caroline McGarity has had an infection and was scheduled to be released from Southeast in Cape Friday * Gaye Miller is having severe knee pain and will see an orthopedic doctor Tuesday * BJ Thomason will see a specialist Monday for vertigo * Trish Baldwin's VNG test came back good * Louella Akers is improving following surgery * Max Snyder *

Continue to remember these members of our church family: John David Barnett * Scott & Judy Flannery * Max Terrill * Elwood Rush * Sonja Mays * Grant Howard * Ida Roberts * Sue Flowers * Pam Claeys * Pansy Zimmerman * Betty Thurston * Billie Cooper * Helen McGowan * Jeff McGowan * Jerry Burleson * Leon Smith

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Marty Watson (cancer) Diann Wilder (cancer) (Joy Greer's sister) Roxanne Carson (cancer) Jackie Manches (cancer) (Cathy Provance's sister) Phil McKuin (cancer)



Beckie King (ms) **Beaver Blocker** (Alzheimer's) Traci Riley (poor health) Liz Church (cancer) (friend of Hannah Guntert) **Tom Dawson** (hospice care) Annette Lumsden (cancer) (friend of Beckie Tanner)

... Pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much...... James 5:16. Prayer is a special blessing. Help us keep our prayer list up to date by letting Amy know of any prayer requests or updates you would like to have in the bulletin

OUR SHUT INS

Ridgeview Living/Malden -

Gideon Care Center -Winchester Place -**Central Garden -**

Bertha Skidgell #201 Isaac Wheeler Shirley Johnson Max Terrill Sue Flowers #102 Travis Cooper #7 Lois McKuin #117

AT HOME Judy & Scott Flannery Gayle Rodgers Pam Claeys

