

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST~
JANUARY 23, 2022

SICK: The list of those who are or have been sick over the past two weeks is longer than those who have been well. Among the sick [hopefully leaving none out, and counting homes which have had multiple problems as a unit] have been the **Arringtons**, the **Cates**, the **Claytons**, the **Haas**, the **Houses** [including **Lawayne's** mother, sister, and brother-in-law-but fortunately not himself], **Levi Howell**, the **Kinneys**, **Mary Ray**, and **Ray Stanford**. **Tom Wacaster** (an MSOP instructor) has tested positive for Covid.

PROTRACTED: **Scooter Birmingham** (friend of **Destiny Clayton**); **Brian Brown** (**Paul Brown's** nephew)—epilepsy; **Lauren Brown** (niece of **Paul Brown**)—heart; **Shelly Cates**—fibromyalgia; **Addliae Farrow** (**Tabatha Clayton's** great niece)—heart; **Ella Cobb**, granddaughter of the **Houses**—seizures; **Bubba Farrow** (**Emma Farrow's** son)—Alzheimer's; **Jimmy Ferguson** (former preacher here)—heart rhythm; **Kaylie Hadley**—UCTD; **Paula Harrison**—Meniere's Disease; **Lorraine Hounshell**; **Wanda Jackson**—a-fib; **Monica La Rock** (granddaughter of **Orelia Ferguson** and mother of **Noah**); **Garrett Lentz** (son of a co-worker of **Cody Hadley**)—seizures; **Easton McCullough** (**Grayson Hadley's** best friend)—Bell's Palsy; **Becky Munns** (**Tabatha Clayton's** aunt)—heart problems, Crohn's Disease; **Shelby Peyton**—knee; **Robert Rawson** (preacher at **Crockett**)—diabetes; **Ray Reynolds** (**Sheila Massey** and **Mary West's** dad)—memory trouble; **Brett Rutherford** (**Dan Cates's** friend)—MS; **Bobby Stewart**—needing hip replacement surgery; **Tammy Turner** (a preacher's wife whom we support)—dementia; **Francis Wallace** (friend of **Mary Ray**); and **Jerry Worthington** (neighbor of the **Hounshells**)—physical and emotional difficulties.

CANCER: **Sherry Brown** (retired MSOP secretary); **Alicia Busby** (from the community); **Gary Darnell** (**Ella Darnell's** son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; **Brenda Davis** (a grandmother of **Edra** and **Ryan Farrow**); **Nathan Jones** (the **Hounshells's** neighbors' 16 year old family member)—brain; **Sara Kiestler** (an FHU student)—Hodgkin's; **Wade Loggins** (member of congregation in **Elkmont, AL**); **Dorothy Mosher** (wife of an MSOP instructor); **Carol Ogelsby** (family of **Sonny Stewart** and the **Browns**)—stomach; **Tommy Pierce** (the **Browns's** friend); **John Riley** (member of the church who lives in this community)—lung; and **Tabby Waters** (**Tabatha Clayton's** sister-in-law)—leukemia.

SHUT-IN: **Janice Bailey** (home); **Orelia Ferguson** (home), and **Annette Cates** (**Dan Cates's** mother who is in a care center in **Pensacola, FL**).

SERVING: **Dylan** and **Maggie Cooper** (Air Force, Offut AFB, Neb.), **Cameron Hadley** (**Grayson Hadley's** dad—Marines, Hawaii). Also, please continue to pray for **Kyle Embrey** (**Syble Embrey's** grandson—policeman) and all other military [especially who are going or remain abroad] and for all those in authority that we might live "quiet and peaceable" lives (I Timothy 2:1,2).

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Missions [the latest reports from these works are on the bulletin board in the foyer]

Kakinada, India [Providing Bibles and Overseeing Funds]

Memphis School of Preaching

Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)

Jim and Tammy Turner (Fairfield, North Carolina)

Trent Kennedy family (Four Seas Bible College, Singapore)

Save Asian Souls (Providing physical and spiritual aid)

Pablo Horna (Panama) [Overseeing funds]

Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)

Tennessee Children's Home, West

Tri-Cities School of Preaching (David B. Jones)

School of Biblical Studies (Jos, Nigeria)

Other one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE

Daniel F. Cates

Part V: Deuteronomy

(Part V: Deuteronomy *continued from last week*) Some of the key words in the book are tied to their memory of the law that had been given to their fathers and to their attitude toward God. "Remember" is found fourteen times in the book. They were to remember their former, captive state (Deu. 5:15; 15:15), their sinfulness (Deu. 9:7), the guidance provided by the Lord (Deu. 8:2), the blessings from the Lord (Deu. 32:7), the protection provided by the Lord (Deu. 7:18), and the Lord Himself (Deu. 8:18); meanwhile God also was asked to remember their fathers whom He had loved (Deu. 9:27). "Love" is found sixteen times, and a handful more in its other forms. The love of the Lord (Deu. 4:37; 33:3), the love for the Lord (Deu. 11:1), the love of the obedient (Deu. 5:10), and the love for strangers (Deu. 10:19) are all addressed. The key phrase follows the former thoughts: "Love the Lord thy God" is found six times and involves loving with the whole of oneself (Deu. 6:5) and loving with, or through, obedience (Deu. 11:1; 19:9). Their fathers had not displayed this type of love!

The key verse is Deuteronomy 17:18. One day God's people would be ruled by a king (sadly because they ultimately displayed the same lack of faith in God and love for God as their fathers had) who was to have a copy of this law. Unfortunately most of the kings did not concern themselves with the law of God--in fact, one, Jehoiakim, either did or had another cut up God's Word with a penknife and cast the whole scroll in the fire (Jer. 36:23). Had the kings truly held to God's law, how their kingdoms would have thrived! The key chapters of the book are chapters 27 and 28 which prescribed curses and blessings to be read before the people from mounts Ebal and Gerizim upon arrival in the Promised Land.

As with any of Scripture, there could be countless lessons enumerated; however, for the purpose of this study, these four stand out: first, there is lasting reward for those who are of pure heart and just action (Deu. 5:29); second, the Lord does require things of man (Deu. 10:12,13); third, the secrets of God, things which He has not revealed, are not man's concern (Deu. 29:29; cf 1 Cor. 2:9-13); fourth, man chooses his own fate (Deu. 30:19,20; cf Jos. 24:15). What may be considered a lesson, but certainly is a wonderful example from the Lord regards looking to Scripture in times of temptation, for when Jesus was tempted, He turned to the book of Deuteronomy (Mat. 4:4,7,10; Deu. 8:3; 6:16,13).

With Deuteronomy, the law had been given and repeated. One would do well to bear in mind that God has been and is concerned with the citizens of His kingdom being law abiding.

Whether they abode by the Old Law or abide by the New Law, the Law of Christ (Gal. 6:2; cf Heb. 10:9).

"That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:" (Ephesians 4:14,15)

BIBLE QUESTION:

This week's question: At Jesus' birth, who said, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men"?

Last week's question: What commander was credited with defeating Amalek when Aaron and Hur held up Moses' hands?

Last week's answer: Joshua (*Exodus 17:13*)

SERMONS: AM: "*Peace, Peace*" (Jeremiah 6:13-15)

PM: "*All the Counsel of God*": Liberalism

DAILY BIBLE READING (January 24-30):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Job	28-31	32-34	35-38	39-42			
Exodus					1-4	5-7	8-10

READ SCRIPTURE (JANUARY): Dan Cates (Jeremiah 6:13-15)

(FEBRUARY): Cody Hadley

PRESIDE OVER LORD'S SUPPER (JANUARY): Thomas Massey

(FEBRUARY): Dan Cates

ASSIST ON LORD'S SUPPER (JANUARY): Mario Arrington and Lawayne House

(FEBRUARY): Mark Peyton and Ray Stanford

CLEAN BUILDING (JANUARY): Suzanne Brown and Katie Brown

(FEBRUARY): Thomas and Sheila Massey

PREPARE COMMUNION (JANUARY): April Kinney and Melinda Haas

(FEBRUARY): Suzanne Brown and Katie Brown

PANTRY NEEDS: Canned goods

UPCOMING EVENTS (For particular details, check the bulletin board for flyers):

January 30

Potluck after evening services. If you have any **Bible questions**, please feel free to turn them in, they can be incorporated into the class.

February 6

Roger Chambers will be with us to report on his recent **Malawi mission trip**.

June 5-8

Clifton Angel will preach our **Gospel Meeting**.

June 12

Coldwater begins their **Vacation Bible School**.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are honored to have you with us today!