

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST~
JANUARY 29, 2023

PRAYERS: Dena Miller continues to covet our prayers as she recovers from her back surgery and anticipates her gall bladder surgery and has other difficulties weighing on her.

SICK: Jeffrey Clayton, April Kinney, and Mary Ray have all had health difficulties over the past week. April Farrow (niece-in-law of Tabatha Clayton) is recovering from successful back surgery after a harrowing car accident recently. Haritha Gootam (Ronnie's wife) is having therapy for a pinched nerve. Jasmine Hopkins (coworker of Conor Cates) is recovering from successful ankle surgery.

PROTRACTED: Kim Arrington—elbow; Scooter Birmingham (friend of Destiny Clayton); Brian Brown (Paul Brown's nephew)—epilepsy; Lauren Brown (niece of Paul Brown)—heart; Suzanne Brown—arthritis; Shelly Cates—fibromyalgia; Janet Daniel (sister of Melinda Haas)—lupus; Addliae Farrow (Tabatha Clayton's great niece)—heart; Ella Cobb, granddaughter of the Houses—seizures; Elizabeth Ferguson (wife of former preacher here)—dementia; Jimmy Ferguson (former preacher here)—heart rhythm; Jane Haas (Wesley Haas' mother)—hip; Melinda Haas—Lyme's Disease; Cody Hadley—Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever; Kaylie Hadley—UCTD; Paula Harrison—Meniere's Disease; Lorraine Hounshell; Jason House—intestine surgery on March 14th; 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; 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' friend)—MS; Francis Wallace (friend of Mary Ray); Anthony and Rita Stacks (nephew-in-law and niece of Allene Baldwin and Syble Embrey)—strokes and Alzheimers, respectively; and Jerry Worthington (neighbor of the Hounshells)—physical and emotional difficulties.

CANCER: Jerry Baldwin (niece of Allene Baldwin)—lung; Sherry Brown (retired MSOP secretary); Alicia Busby (from the community); Tish Clarke (wife of the MSOP director)—melanoma; Gary Darnell (Ella Darnell's son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; Nathan Jones (the Hounshells' neighbor's son)—brain; Sara Kiestler (an FHU student)—Hodgkin's; Wade Loggins (member of congregation in Elkmont, AL); Trina McKinney (Mary Ray's grandson-in-law)—prostate; Dorothy Mosher (wife of an MSOP instructor); Carol Ogelsby (family of Sonny Stewart and the Browns)—stomach; Tommy Pierce (the Browns' friend); Ruby Reynolds (Sheila Massey's mother); 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 (at the Arringtons'), Orelia Ferguson (home), Annette Cates (Dan Cates' mother who is in a care center in Pensacola, FL), Lorraine Hounshell (home), and Ruth House (Lawayne House's mother who is at home).

SERVING: Cameron Hadley (Grayson Hadley's dad—Marines, stateside before long). 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 (1 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)

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

Jamie Long (Four Seas Bible College, Singapore)

Warm Heart Missions (Roger Chambers)

Pablo Horna (Panama) [Overseeing funds]

Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)

Tennessee Children's Home, West

School of Biblical Studies (Jos, Nigeria)

Save Asian Souls (Providing physical and spiritual aid)

Other one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE

Daniel F. Cates

Part XXVII: Daniel

(Continued from last week) The key passage relates to the ultimate message of the book, that God would set up His kingdom, the church, in the days of the Roman Empire; Daniel wrote, "And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever. Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream *is* certain, and the interpretation thereof sure" (Dan. 2:44,45).

While it is hard to pick out key chapters of most books and Daniel is certainly no exception, five that stand out are Daniel 2, which relates Nebuchadnezzar's dream; Daniel 3 which records the account of the fiery furnace; Daniel 6, which tells of Daniel's being saved from the lion's den; Daniel 7, which prophesies concerning four beasts; and, Daniel 11, which gives the history of the Ptolemies and Seleucids and especially of Antiochus IV Epiphanes well before the events come to pass.

Too, in Daniel, manifold lessons abound; here are seven: first, God's ways are better than man's (Dan. 1:5-20); second, the young should purpose not to defile themselves (Dan. 1:8); third, God removes and sets up kings (Dan. 2:21; cf. Romans 13:1-4; John 19:11); fourth, God's kingdom would be that set up in the days of the Roman kings—His church (Dan. 2:44-45; cf. Isaiah 2:2-3; Joel 2:28-32; Acts 2; Colossians 1:13); fifth, God cares for His persecuted faithful (Dan. 3,6); sixth, God rules in the kingdoms of men (Dan. 4:25,32); and, seventh, God humbles the proud (Dan. 4:37)

Two other things are worthy of consideration: first, one studying Daniel should be aware that the book is not laid out in chronological order; second, as names are important in Scripture, one might try to call Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego not by those Chaldean names, but by their Hebrew names Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, for

one calls Daniel by his Hebrew name not by the Chaldean Belteshazzar (Dan. 1:6,7).

"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: Who originally wrote the "eye for eye" law?

Last week's question: By whose authority did Saul go to Damascus?

Last week's answer: "The chief priests" (Acts 26:12)

SERMONS: The Second Mile (Matthew 5:38-41)

"All the Counsel of God": Questions to Ask—Seventh Day Adventists

DAILY BIBLE READING (January 30-February 5):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Exodus	9,10	11-13	14-17	18-20	21-24	25-27	28-31

READ SCRIPTURE (JANUARY): Cody Hadley (Matthew 5:38-41)

(FEBRUARY): Conor Cates

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

(FEBRUARY): Lawayne House

ASSIST ON LORD'S SUPPER (JANUARY): Conor Cates and Dylan Cooper

(FEBRUARY): Wesley Haas and Savion Rayson

CLEAN BUILDING (JANUARY): Suzanne and Katie Brown

(FEBRUARY): Thomas and Sheila Massey

PREPARE COMMUNION (JANUARY): Maggie Cooper and Reese Kinney

(FEBRUARY): Tabatha Clayton

PANTRY NEEDS: A list of **Children's Home** needs is in the foyer.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:

Kennadee Arrington February 17 Joey Hadley February 18

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

Today (January 25-29)

The **Nesbit** lectureship ends with a 2:00 session.

5th Sunday Potluck after evening services.

March 26-30

The **Memphis School of Preaching** lectures on *Wisdom Is the Principle Thing*.

We have been asked to provide 25 cakes for Monday the 27th.

April 25

A truck from the **Tennessee Children's Home** will be here. Please see the lists in the foyer for their particular needs.

June 4-7

We will host our **Gospel meeting** with Billy Bland preaching.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are honored to have you with us today!