

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST~
SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

SICK/TEMPORARY: Shelly Cates was struggling with a migraine early this past week. Paislei Hadley struggled with a headache this past week. April Kinney has been having problems with her sciatic nerve. Ralph Darnell's (son of Ella Darnell) had successful double bypass open-heart surgery on Thursday at VA Hospital.

PROTRACTED: Janice Bailey—Alzheimers; Paul Baldwin—diabetes; Scooter Birmingham (friend of Destiny Clayton); June Black (mother of a high school friend of Tracy Roberts)—recovering from hip surgery; Don Blackwell (preacher at Southaven)—paralyzed, now at Shepherd Center; Brian Brown (Paul Brown's nephew)—epilepsy; Shelly Cates—fibromyalgia; Gladys Marie Elrod (Mary Ray's son-in-law's mother)—congestive heart failure; Addliae Farrow (Tabatha Clayton's great niece)—heart; Bubba Farrow (Emma Farrow's son)—Alzheimer's; Jerry Floate (of this community)—liver transplant; Brook Hale (Tracy Roberts' niece)—Grave's Disease; Henry Harrison (Paula Harrison's husband)—diverticulitis; Paula Harrison—Meniere's Disease; Martha Hopkins (Tracy Roberts' mother)—dementia; Paul Hounshell (Carl Hounshell's son)—a-fib; Wanda Jackson—a-fib; Brenda Jones—Lupus; Stan Jones—Meniere's Disease; Jeff Kidd (friend of Tracy Roberts)—paralyzed; Garrett Lentz (son of a co-worker of Cody Hadley)—seizures; Becky Munns (Tabatha Clayton's aunt)—heart problems, Crohn's Disease; Robert Rawson (preacher at Crockett)—diabetes; Ray Reynold's (Sheila Massey and Mary West's dad)—memory trouble; Brett Rutherford (Dan Cates' friend)—MS; Dan Sandidge (Syble Embrey's son-in-law)—Grave's Disease; Brittany Suttles (wife of a recent MSOP grad) is pregnant with twins, and has had some difficulty before; Blake Thompson (Tracy Roberts' niece's husband) recovering from an accident and numerous surgeries; Tammy Turner (a preacher's wife whom we support)—dementia; and Francis Wallace (friend of Mary Ray).

CANCER: Robbie Andrews (friend of Dan Cates)—prostate; Clifton Angel (preacher at Coldwater)—thyroid; Sherry Brown (retired MSOP secretary); Robin Brueck (niece of Allene Baldwin and Syble Embrey)—breast; Alicia Busby (from the community); Earl Carlton (son of a friend of Syble Embrey)—esophageal; Gary Darnell (Ella Darnell's son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; Brenda Davis (a grandmother of Edra and Ryan Farrow); Dwight Faulkenberry (Tracy Roberts' cousin); Debbie Farrow; Orville Fowler (father of the Browns' neighbor)—stomach; Joyce Geeslin—under hospice care; Tom Gordon (of Looxahoma); Nathan Jones (the Hounshell's neighbors' 16 year old family member)—brain; Sara Kiestler (an FHU student)—Hodgkin's; Billy Kimbrough (former son-in-law of Joyce Geeslin)—esophageal; 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' friend); Tracy Roberts—undergoing treatments; and Tabby Waters (Tabatha Clayton's sister-in-law)—leukemia.

SHUT-IN: Marie Crockett (home), Emma Farrow (in a care facility in Sardis), Orelia Ferguson (home), Martha Hopkins (Tracy Roberts' mother—Life Point Villages room 108B).

SERVING: Dylan and Maggie Cooper (Air Force, Offut AFB, Neb.), Cameron Hadley (Grayson Hadley's dad—Marines, Camp Lejeune, NC), Jacob Petrowski (grandson of former members here—Marines, Romania). 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]

Independence Mission Fund (next: tbd)

Memphis School of Preaching (Jonathan Jenkins)

Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)

Jim and Tammy Turner (Fairfield, North Carolina)

Trent Kennedy family (Four Seas Bible College, Singapore)

Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh, India [Providing Bibles]

Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)

Tennessee Children's Home, West

Pablo Horna (David, Panama) [Overseeing funds]

Many one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

CONFRONTING THE WORLD WITH GOOD NEWS, Part 1

Winfred Clark

Introduction

We would do well to stop a moment and look at the word, "confronting." What do we mean by such? It means: to face, to meet, to set side by side for comparison, to face boldly, to face defiantly. This would carry with it an aggressive approach. So we have an aggressive approach that is to be taken against the world. But this is in keeping with the teaching of Jesus. He would surely set before the apostles this very idea. He would let them know that He came to be the light of the world (John 8:12). Jesus came to speak to the world (John 8:26). Note what He would have to say at a later time: "And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind" (John 9:39). Our Lord would also speak of the fact that the work of the Holy Spirit would involve the world. This is clearly seen when He said, "And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:" (John 16:8). So we can see the Father's interest in the world by the sending of His Son into the world. We can see the Son's part by speaking to the world. We can see the Holy Spirit's part in His reproof of the world. So when we speak of confronting the world we know those who are divine and also involved.

But we need to stop and take a more careful look at what may be involved in the idea of confronting the world with good news. There are a number of things that will help us to see the importance of this topic. We will be able to know just what this sort of thing would involve.

It Means "Who" Is to Confront the World

Who has the God given responsibility to confront the world with good news? That question is not hard to answer. Note what Jesus had to say about the matter: "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). To whom was He speaking? We had just been told that "he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat" (Mark 16:14). He had spoken to the apostles. These are the men who had been with the Lord during His ministry and had seen Him after His resurrection. These are the men who would preach the good news for the first time in Jerusalem (Acts 2). These are the men who would encourage and endorse the work of other disciples as they carry the gospel from Jerusalem to Samaria (Acts 8). These are the men that would send Barnabas to Antioch after the church had been scattered, and where they would preach the same good news under the same commission they had received (Acts 11). These are the men who would support the preaching of this good news to the Gentiles even though they were sent out by the Holy Spirit

from the church at Antioch (Acts 13). These are the men who would support Paul and his companions as they carry the gospel to the continent of Europe (Acts 16). (*To be continued next week*)

"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 was surnamed Thaddaeus?

Last week's question: Who told Jesus, "Master, rebuke thy disciples"?

Last week's answer: The Pharisees (Luke 19:39)

SERMONS: "Come unto Me" (*Matthew 11:28-30*)

Apostleship—Then and Now (*Matthew 10:1-5*)

DAILY BIBLE READING (SEPTEMBER 16-22):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Ezekiel	19-21	22-24	25-27	28-30	31-33	34-36	37-39

SCRIPTURE READING (SEPTEMBER): Carl Hounshell (Matthew 11:28-30)

(*OCTOBER*): *Garrett Young*

PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER MORNING AND EVENING (SEPTEMBER): Thomas Massey

(*OCTOBER*): *Dan Cates*

ASSIST LORD'S SUPPER (SEPTEMBER): Cody Hadley and Ray Stanford

(*OCTOBER*): *Mark Peyton and Paul Brown*

CLEAN BUILDING (SEPTEMBER): The Masseys

(*OCTOBER*): *Ella Darnell and Carolyn Stanford*

PREPARE COMMUNION (SEPTEMBER): Brenda Jones

(*OCTOBER*): *Tabatha Clayton*

PANTRY NEEDS: The children's home truck will be here October 22nd.

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

September 22

There are numerous area events, including **Gospel meetings** in Collierville, Marion (Hwy. 77), and Memphis (Graves Road).

September 27-29

Clay Bond will be preaching a **Gospel meeting** at Forest Hill at 7:00 Friday and Saturday nights and 1:30 Sunday afternoon. There will be a ladies day with his wife, Carlie Bond, at 8:30 A.M. Saturday.

September 28

Clothing Giveaway from 9:00 A.M. until Noon. Volunteers are needed not just during those times, but also in setting up and cleaning up. We are in need of coat hangers.

September 29

5th Sunday Q & A, Potluck, and celebration of the Youngs' new baby, Madison Reece.

October 13

Game night after evening services.

WELCOME VISITORS!