

Church of Christ

Florence

May 14, 2017

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Schedule of Services

Bible Class 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wednesday Class 7:00 pm

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FROM THE ELDERS

Due to safety concerns
The church doors will be locked
10 minutes after the beginning of service.

Someone will be stationed in the foyer
to allow admittance to latecomers.

Some Thoughts to Consider with Our Mothers in Mind

by Abraham Smith

"For you know that afterward, when he wanted to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for repentance, though he sought it diligently with tears" (Hebrews 12:17). This verse holds many valuable applications for the one who would accept them.

From the preceding verses, we learn that Hebrews 12:17 specifically refers to Esau. Esau sold his birthright to Jacob his brother because he did not place the proper value upon it. "Thus Esau despised his birthright" (Genesis 25:34). Later on, Jacob also got Esau's blessing (Genesis 27:30-34). By that time, he had a change of heart and desired to be blessed. But his repentance (change of attitude about his birthright) "found no place" in that it could do him no good.

How many opportunities will we miss because we did not recognize the value of those things or love ones in our lives that we should cherish? Sometimes we despise what should be most important in our lives until it is too late, like Esau.

Every person who comes into the world has a valuable gift from God, their parents. It was so important to God that we value our parents that He has given numerous instructions demanding our respect, devotion, honor, and love of our parents. Thus we can read, "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you" (Exodus 20:12). "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right" (Ephesians 6:1). "There is a generation that curses its father, and does not bless its mother" (Proverbs 30:11). We all ought to bless our mothers and respect our fathers.

But the greatest respect we can give our parents is to obey their commands and honor their wishes. So often we offer substitutes instead of obedience. Let us do what they want.

In I Samuel 15, we read where Saul king of Israel substituted his wishes instead of God's wishes. God wanted the sheep and oxen of Amalek destroyed. But Saul and the people saved "the best of the sheep, the oxen, the fatlings, the lambs, and all that was good, and were unwilling to utterly destroy them" (verse 9). Saul told Samuel, that this was done "to sacrifice to the LORD your God" (verse 21). Then Samuel said, "Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry" (I Samuel 15:22-23).

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The Church you read about in the Bible

If you love your mother, show her love by obeying her voice. If we do anything else, like Saul, it will do no good.

My mother died in June of 1995. Before she died, I promised to take her out to eat. But I didn't. She asked me to move some materials in the yard. "I'll get around to it," I said. But I didn't while she was alive to see it. She expressed other things that I did that bothered her. "I'll get better on these Mama." Perhaps I did get better. After she died! And like Esau, I wept. But it was too late. Too late to send flowers. Too late to give gifts. Too late to make her smile. Too late to send her on that trip she wanted. I'd just as soon have ashes in my hands for what I put my mother off for.

But there are many of you today who do not have to make this same mistake. Won't you please more frequently call, more frequently write, more frequently visit, and do what your parents want you to do as much as you can?

One of the most important things we can learn from thinking about these things is the necessity of obeying God. Just as we should honor and obey our parents, even more we should honor and obey God!

God commands all sinners to believe the gospel of Christ, to repent of our sins, to confess His Son, and to be immersed in water for the remission of sins (John 3:16; Romans 10:10; and Acts 2:38). If we delay too long to obey the gospel we might end up like Esau regretting it but unable to do anything about it. "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels,' (Matthew 25:41).



Collecting For Those In Need

The Emergency Shelter of NKY items needed:

(Men's Shelter)

- **SOCKS**
- Men's Jeans
- Men's Sweatshirts
- Men's and Women's Sweatpants
- Underwear (New)

There is a sign-up sheet for those interested in helping at the shelter.

Benevolence Pantry items needed:

- Canned Goods
- Fruit
- Vegetables
- Meat
- Milk
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Ramen Noodles
- Juice Packs
- Baby Formula & Food



All Ladies are cordially invited

Sunday, May 21st

3:00 p. m.

Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday Evenings

7:00-8:00

We will begin in Genesis

For more information

Please see Teddi Budy

Please check the prayer list and let me know of any updates.

Thank you.-Nita

To ensure accuracy of announcements and prayer requests please fill out a gold or blue form and turn in to the office by Wednesday.

Prayer List

Teddi Budy pneumonia

Margie Koons

Christopher Bradford, Jesse & Michele's son in law, deployment to UAE

Ronnie Queen, Teddi Budy's brother in law, surgery to place stent

Kim Brannon, Stacey Brown's Aunt, lung disease, testing, and transplant

Nathan House mission in Guatemala

Malakai Martin

Barbra Thompson health issues

Rachel Dooley recovering from accident

Rachel Wilson, Leah Robbins' ballet teacher, passing out

Roy & June Pugh

Alexis Aiken, Joyce Bewley's Great Granddaughter,

Cindy Walker health issues

Our Elders

Our Nation's Leaders

Our Military Personnel

Our Police, Emergency and Healthcare Personnel

The Churches of Christ around the world

All those traveling

The Emergency Shelter

The Creation Museum and Ark Encounter

Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones

Those with cancer and their families

Libby McDonald

Dennis Blundell

Margie Koons

Randy Williams

Desirae Wilson

Janice Gallagher

Gary Burke

Dwight Lowerg

Kay Shinck

Jim Kennedy

Layla Adkins

Jim McCarthy

Kristen Shaw

Ayden Egan

Donnice Palmer

Donna Farrar

Peggy Davis

Will Rogers

Lorraine Starr

Gwen Miller

Lindy Blankenbuehler

Tammy Palmer

Chad Fischer

Buddy Webb

Ashley Pike

Debbie Hellman

Mrs. Zeph

Theresa Falukner

Nancy Lambert

Ruth Phelps

Mike Lowe

Steve Dobson

Serena

Debra Bullock

Sharon Graff

December Vosquez

Our shut-ins and those caring for them

Joyce Tingle

Chuck Gambil

Eveline Lanham

Dessie Hacker

Bob & Rose Hammond

"For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears are attentive to their prayer" 1 Peter 3:12

Serving in AM Worship

	May 14	May 21
Announcements	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Clint Green	Randy Johnson
Song Leader	Jesse Black	Carl Power
Communion	Art Green	Robert Budy
Serve	Elvis Byrd	Elvis Byrd
Serve	Dan Brown	Dan Brown
Serve	Daniel House	Daniel House
Serve	Dave Moster	Dave Moster
Serve	Jerry Gorman	Jerry Gorman
Serve	Wyatt Robbins	Wyatt Robbins
Scripture Reading	Kyle Strasser	Bobby Lemay
<i>Exodus 2: 1-10</i>		
Sermon	Bruce House	Bruce House
<i>Godly Mothers Make A Difference</i>		
Closing Prayer	Mark Walker	Jesse Black

Serving in PM Worship

Announcements	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Robert Budy	Mark Walker
Song Leader	Jesse Black	Carl Power
Communion	Art Green	Robert Budy
Invitation	Carl Power	Kyle Strasser
Closing Prayer	Dave Moster	Wyatt Robbins

Wednesday

	May 17	May 24
Song Leader	Bobby Lemay	Robert Budy
Invitation	Jerry Gorman	Wyatt Robbins
Announcements	Art Green	Art Green
Closing Prayer	Dave Moster	Mark Walker

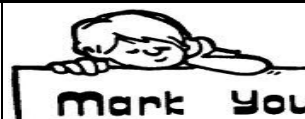
Communion Prep

May	Gormans
June	Shelly and Chad Nelson

Greeters

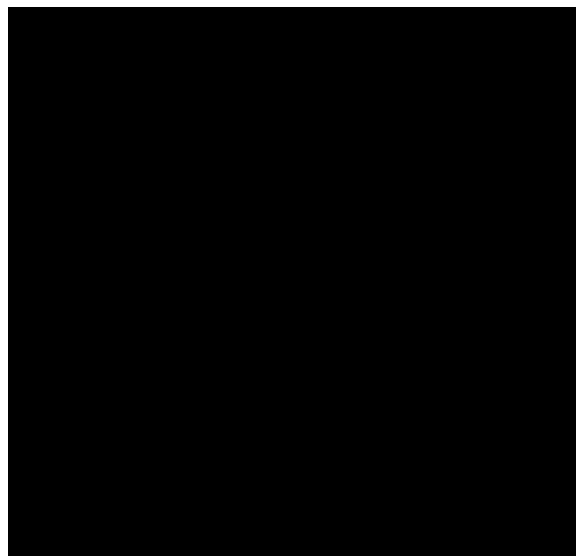
May	Greeters Needed
June	Greeters Needed

Serve
wholeheartedly, as
if you were serving
the Lord, not men.
Ephesians 6:7



Mark Your Calendar

May	14	Happy Mothers Day
May	20	VBS Workday
May	21	Ladies Tea
May	28	Potluck Theme: Summer Kick Off
Jun	4	Men's Prayer Session
Jun	10	Shelter Meal
Jun	11	VBS Kickoff
Jun	12-14	VBS <u>May The Faith Be With You</u>



Deacons

Jesse Black	<i>Children's Education/ Fellowships</i>
Matthew Hallmark	<i>Building Maintenance</i>
Wyatt Robbins	<i>Youth and as needed</i>

Coordinators

Jerry Gorman	<i>Prime Timers</i>
Dave Moster	<i>Worship Service/ Duty Roster</i>

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