



Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another"

- James 5:16 -

- Don Blackwell (gospel preacher) - spinal cord completely severed in a serious 4-wheeler accident; prayers needed
- Diane Cote - recently suffered a minor stroke; also has kidney disease & health concerns
- Sandy Gagnon - due to see a specialist in Boston soon; dealing with chronic pain and various health concerns
- Garcia Family - grieving the loss of their 20 yr old son who was killed in a moped accident
- Leah (Glenda's daughter) - ovarian cancer; pray for pain relief; pray for Glenda as well
- Matthew (Connie's grandson) - recently checked into a Rehabilitation Facility
- Jim Miller - recent cataract surgery on his right eye was successful; left eye to be done on the 19th; prayers appreciated
- Ernie Perry - dealing with COPD issues
- Norman Roy (Paula's sister's husband) - the preliminary diagnosis of Lyme disease was confirmed—its called Ehrlichiosis; he also has a major bacterial infection in his body which is 4X higher than it should be due to non-treatment; he is currently on 2 powerful antibiotics, still in hospice care, and faces a long recovery; but he is gaining weight and doing better, which is an answer to our prayers; keep praying!
- Wayne Sampson - experiencing ongoing anxiety attacks; pray that the cause can be found, along with an effective treatment
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray that we might find a suitable and affordable permanent meeting place
- Please pray for those not with us today

"Pray without ceasing." — 1 Thess 5:17

For the Ladies

by Jim Miller

From time to time I hear women/wives/mothers say "I am so limited in what I can do for the Lord." When I hear this, I am always surprised that women can think this way. The role a woman plays in the family and in the church and in everyday life is amazing. Yes, it is far different than the man's role, but it is certainly NO LESS important.

Ladies, you are the emotional hub of the home. Your care of the children and your husband make up the very fabric of life in your home. Today it seems that the importance of being a good mother and wife have fallen by the wayside for jobs and other stuff outside the family. This is not to say some women do not have to work outside the home today, some do. But when we consider the importance of the Christian home, and God's command that women "guide the house" [manage the home] (1 Tim. 5:14), it can't be pleasing to God if the woman in that home is not taking her duty to God and her family seriously.

A Christian wife is to love her husband and help him improve himself in all good aspects of life, even inspire him to a more fruitful life, "that they may encourage the young women to love their husbands . . ." (Titus 2:4). This is a commandment from the Lord that should not be received lightly. This love should motivate a wife to seek the improvement of her husband's well-being in the Lord. "In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any of them are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of their wives, as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior" (1 Peter 3:1-2).

Now you might be saying this is all well and good, but what role can I play in the church? I would say women are not merely useful to the Lord's work in the local congregation, they are absolutely critical. Look at Paul's remarks about Phoebe. When he wrote to the church in Rome he said, "I commend to you Phoebe our sister, who is a servant of the church in Cenchrea, that you may receive her in the Lord in a manner worthy of the saints, and assist her in whatever business

she has need of you; for indeed she has been a helper of many and of myself also" (Rom. 16:1,2). Paul doesn't specify what kind of service Phoebe was rendering, but his language clearly shows that she was doing things in the Lord's work that amounted to far more than a token contribution.

What about benevolence—seeing to the needs of those who are sick, those who are impoverished, etc.? Both men and women need to do more than we do to help meet physical needs among the saints (Jas. 2:14-16; 1 Jn. 3:17,18). Yet, there can be no question that sisters in the Lord are capable of bringing to this important work a grace and a beauty that men are normally not capable of. Just look at the women who waited upon the physical needs of the Lord himself (Matt. 27:55; Lk. 8:3). Look at the added touch of grace that his male disciples were hardly able to supply and the unique attributes of femininity that make the work of benevolence far more heartening than it would be without them.

Ladies, these are but very few of the wonderful attributes you have been given and blessed with. It would never be too much to say, considering the high gifts granted by God to women, that the gospel is never adorned any more beautifully than when women of the Lord love and serve faithfully in his work.

VISITS TO OUR WEB PAGE

This Week: 1,121

This Month: 4,154



😊 Welcome Visitors! 😊

We are glad you have come to worship with us today. We want you to know that you are welcome. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have questions or if we can help you in any way. Please fill out a visitor's card before you depart.

Have a great week!



~ Announcements ~

- **Gospel Meeting with Brent Newton:**
September 8—11 (flyers on back table)
- **Greenwood Nursing Home Service:**
Every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 PM.
All are welcome! ☺

Birthdays

21st - Paul Bullock

22nd - Ernie Perry



Gospel Meeting

September 8—11

with Brent Newton

“Life After Death”

*Invite your family,
friends and neighbors!*

(Flyers are available on the back table).

SNACKS!

August 18: Jan

August 25: Cathy

Contribution & Attendance

for August 11, 2019

Attendance — 19

Contribution — \$347

Order of Worship

August 18, 2019

*“I will declare Thy name unto my brethren,
in the midst of the church I will
sing praise unto Thee.”*

- Hebrews 2:12 -

Song Leader: *Paul Cote*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Jason Kennedy*

Song

Scripture Reading: *Jim Miller*

~ 1 Timothy 3:15 ~

Song

The Lord’s Supper:

George Cuvellier & Ernie Perry

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Jim Miller*

“God’s Role for the Woman
in the Church”

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

Wayne Sampson

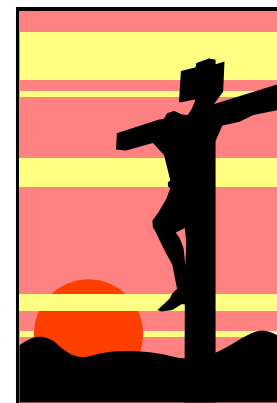
Alternate: *Paul Bullock*

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Lord’s Supper Prep: *Connie Henderson*

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*We love Him, because  
He first loved us.*

- 1 John 4:19 -

## August 18, 2019

### Sunday Assembly Times:

9:30 am — Bible Class

10:30 am — Worship

6:00 — Bible Study

### Wednesday Assembly:

7:00 — Bible Study

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