

The Shady Acres Servant

Matthew. 20:27, "Whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant." ~ Jesus

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Open Wide

When God gave the Law of Moses to the Israelites, He was doing so with the aim of building a nation. The Law served to show a people who had grown up as slaves how to be responsible citizens. There are a lot of things in the Law of Moses that we look at as "common sense," but only because we were reared in an organized society that already had many of these principles in place. God was largely starting from scratch with these people.

One interesting thing to note about the civil ordinances in the Law of Moses is that the only central organization or entity was the Levitical priesthood. There was no police, no fire department, no public utilities, no DFS, only the priesthood. Their form of a government was a theocracy, with God being their head, their protector, and their provider. Government wasn't going to do "it" for them (whatever "it" was); God would.

But within God's framework were things that God was taking care of by telling them to take care of themselves. For example, Deuteronomy 15:11. "For the poor will never cease from the land; therefore I command you, saying, 'You shall open your hand wide to your brother, to your poor and your needy, in your land.'" (NKJV) Much of Deuteronomy 15 addresses that there will always be those who are poor, and God said to take care of them. This wasn't to be a responsibility of the state, but the responsibility of neighbors.

I want to be clear that this is not meant to criticize government for taking care of needs. If that is something that government wants to do, government certainly has the right to do so, and many people are blessed by its help. The aid of the government, however, does not take away the individual responsibility of godly people to act as good citizens and neighbors...and Jesus.

Paul wrote in Galatians 6:2, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." James said, "If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF,' you do well" (James 2:8). Likewise, John: "And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also" (1 John 4:21).

Therefore today, just as well as then, "You shall open you hand wide to your brother, to your poor and your needy, in your land."
~ Keith Olbricht

Minister

Keith Olbricht
Jared Gaines

Elders

Gene Hosey
James Price
Steve Turnbow

Deacons

Paul Adell
Terry Kellett
John McMillen
Chris Mills
Heath Poindexter
Daniel White
Jason Whitten

Sunday

Morning Bible Study
9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship
10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship
5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study
7:00 p.m.

- WATCH -

*In Search of
the Lord's Way*

Each Sunday
KBSI-TV
Cable Channel 9
7:00 a.m.

SUNDAY - MAY 16, 2021

THOSE TO SERVE:

Lord's Supper: Presiding: Roger Manwaring

To Serve: N/A

SUNDAY PM COMMUNION: Paul Adell

SCRIPTURE READERS:

A.M. Marion Pearson Psalm 37:18-19

P.M. Dan White 2 Timothy 3:16-17

TO LEAD PRAYER:

A.M. Opening: Benny Eason

Closing:

P.M. Opening: Mike Berry

Closing:

NURSERY ATTENDANTS:

A.M. N/A

SENIOR MEMBERS BUS DRIVER:

May: N/A

USHERS: Bruce Lawrence, John McMillen

AUDIO CONTROL ROOM:

Sound:

Power Point:

Webcam:

SONG LEADER:

Sunday A.M. — Steve Turnbow

Sunday P.M. — Roger Manwaring

Wednesday, May 19 -

WORSHIP GREETINGS & WELCOME:

DOOR GREETERS:

SUNDAY SERMONS:

A.M. One Hundred Sixty-Seven

Keith Olbricht

P.M. Given

Keith Olbricht

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Roger Bartolo's son - has mercer & is very ill

Barbara Brown - will be having back surgery May 25th

Marlene Bryant - is now at Westridge Nursing Center, Marla Lambert's mother, cards are appreciated

Gene Carter - health issues

Sharon Carter - recovering from gallbladder surgery

Jerry Chism - Alexie Whitten's stepdad, bone cancer

Beckham Collins - Chris & Chelsey Lowe's newborn grandson, had his kidneys removed and is on dialysis, is now dealing with infection.

Paul Collom - Edsel Wylie's son-in-law

Sheila Crutchley - Yvette Terrell's sister

Pete Curtis - congestive heart failure

Keith Frohawk - recovering from surgery

Bob Hamby - health issues

Eualia Hamby - recovering surgery, still has back pain

Pat Harris - home, has fluid on heart

Ray Hart - health issues

Barbara Harwood - recovering from knee replacement

Scott Henderson - home

Gary Hicks - cancer, Ron Hicks brother

Pat Hosey - will have a cardiac ablation May 17th

Della Hubbard - health issues, test

Jon Clint Hutcheson III - now at home, Angie Hutcheson's great nephew

Geraldine Karnes - Delta South Nursing Center

Morris Karnes - cancer

Thelma Kellett - Delta South Nursing Center

Glenna Merrell - recovering from a fall

Dottie Miller - stopping chemo pill for right now due to her being very sick and weak

Kevin Nicholson - recovering from hip replacement

Brenda Nimmo - undergoing treatments at Siteman

Ray Parker - Barbara Brown's brother in law

Wayne Rush - Lori Adell's father, home on hospice

Judy Sutton - Leigh Ann Colson aunt, recovering from a stroke

Charles Ulmer - recovering from hip surgery at Chaffee Nursing Home, visitors welcome anytime

John Whitten - Jason Whitten's father, having test

Julie Wylemon - Scott Henderson's sister, on hospice

Charles Bagby, Mary Bain, Mary Bull, Wayne Campbell, Janice, Roger & Gregory Graham, Linda Hester, Pat Hosey, Georgia Jacobsen, Lamont Lewis, Geraldine McGee, Christine Miller, Glen Mouser, Bobby & Martha Parker, Vance Raines, Barbara Smith, Minnie Strachan, Betty Tanner, Thomas Wells, Leveda Williams

PRESCHOOL BIBLE HOUR SCHEDULE

May 16th - Teresa Braden

May 23 - Ginger Kellett

BIG BIBLE HOUR

May - Cindi Cantrell

BIBLE STUDY QUESTION

Answer to last week's question: Uzzah was stricken down near whose threshing floor?

Nachon - 2 Samuel 6:6-7

This week's question: What occupation did Paul, Aquila & Priscilla all share in common?

BARNABAS GROUP meets Mondays at **10:00 a.m.** All are welcome to join us.

DEACONS, ELDERS & PREACHERS: The monthly meeting will be **May 16th** at 3:30.

WATCH OUR SERMONS: You can still watch our sermons live on Facebook or on YouTube. We are streaming the Wednesday Bible study class too.

BOOTHEEL YOUTH CAMP: Applications and information are on the table in the foyer.

THANKS: To my Church family, Thank you for the prayers during my surgery. Couldn't have made it thru without God and your prayers.
Sharon Carter

WEDDING SHOWER

There will be Wedding Shower for

Emily Braden

on June 6th from 2:00-3:30 p.m.

She is registered at Personal Expressions,
Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Hostesses are: Sandy Turnbow, Kim DeHart,
Stephanie Poindexter, Bonnie Lawrence,
Tina Enax, Linda Bell, Melissa Ensor
& Susan Kimball.

FOR THE RECORD — May 9, 2021

Sunday Bible Class - 96	Sunday a.m. Worship - 237
Sunday p.m. Worship - 109	Contribution \$8,889
Weekly Budget \$7,898	

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Will begin June 16th. It will be on Wednesday nights for 7 weeks. Contact Jared Gaines if you would be able to help.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS: If you want to apply for the Russ Garner, Susan Horner, Curtis James and Joe & Iona Reed Scholarships, applications are available on the table in the foyer. Please turn completed forms into the church office. You must be a member of the church of Christ who attends Shady Acres, & be enrolled as a full time student for the 2021-2022 school year at a Christian College affiliated with the churches of Christ.

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER for Aspire Women's Center. Bottles are available in the foyer, fill with change, cash or checks. Please return on or by Fathers Day. Bring back even if its not full, it all adds up. Any questions, contact Rose Smith.

HAPPY 90's BIRTHDAY:

Robert Hamby turned 91 on May 4

Charles Cheatham turned 92 on May 6

Edsel Wylie will turn 91 on May 15

HAPPY ANNIVERSARAY to all of these wonderful couples who have or will be celebrating over 50 years together!

James & Bonnie Morgan - May 7 - 55 years

Billy & Shirley Littleton - May 18 - 64 years

Joe & Becky Karnes - May 23 - 55 years

Robert & Eualia Hamby - May 29 - 68 years

Charles & Doris Bagby - May 30 - 68 years

Bruce & Frieda Gilmer - May 31 - 52 years

Neal & Barbara Ross - May 31 - 62 years

Jim & Sharon Elliott - June 1 - 52 years

Gene & Pat Hosey - June 5 - 55 years

Don & Sue Moore - June 12 - 56 years

Tom & Royce Ann Alcott - June 17 - 59 years

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Whose Preacher Are You?

Last week we were blessed to visit with many dear family members and friends. One of the friends was Garrett, age 7. We have known Garrett since he was a baby. Ever since he started talking, Garrett has been known for his forthright way with words.

Garrett goes to school with a friend named Zach. Zach has been to Bible class and worship with Garrett, but he generally finds other things on Sunday mornings a lot more fun. One Monday morning Garrett and Zach were riding to school together. Zach had gone hunting with his dad Sunday morning while Garrett and his family gathered with the church. Garrett informed Zach: "We're supposed to want to go to heaven, and we learn about going to heaven in Bible class. I'm supposed to tell you about it. So there—I told you!"

Why was it so important for Garrett to tell Zach and for you and me to tell others? "I'm Zach's preacher," Garrett told his parents one day. "What do you mean?" they asked. "Zach doesn't go to church and have a preacher, so I'm his preacher." Whose preacher are you?

Risen from the dead, Jesus charged disciples: "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned" (mark 16:15-16)

Be someone's preacher!

- via *The Encourager*, the weekly bulletin for the Calvert City church of Christ, Calvert City, KY.

~ via *Bulletin Gold*