

ACTIVITIES FOR FEBRUARY

- **Lads to Leaders**-Sunday February 16th at 4 PM at the building
- **Pleasant Acres Worship Service**-Sunday February 23rd at 2:30 PM. We are in charge of hosting. If you can help in any way, please see the Elders.
- **Teachers Meeting**-Sunday February 23rd at 5 PM at the building
- **Pleasant Acres Ladies Meeting**-Tuesday February 25th at 7 PM.
- **Friday Night Sing**-February 28th at 7 PM (Ladies in Charge: Debbie Anderson, Cheryl Kelch, & Megan Jones)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Lads to Leaders group is collecting items for Care Baskets for the Veterans at the VA Hospital. The list of items needed are on the tables in the foyers. Items are needed by March 15th and can be placed in the boxes in the foyer. If you would like to contribute money donations, please see Danalea.



Baby Girl Shower for Natalie Seyler

Sunday March 8th– 2 PM at the home of Vicki Kerns

She is registered at Walmart and Amazon

Elders: Raymond Anderson, Lafe Hutcheson & Stan Williams

Deacons: Gene Wright, Don Riffle, Robbie Nichols, & Robbie Buffington

Minister: Mark Jones Phone: (304) 842-6738

Bridgeport Church of Christ

February 9, 2020

Why Love?

“And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love” (1 Cor. 13:13).

Have you ever wondered why it is that love is the greatest? I mean, faith and hope are two powerful elements of our Christian lives. Without faith, it is impossible to please God (Heb. 11:4). Hope plays a part in anchoring our soul (Heb. 6:19). But love is more powerful. Love is the root of faith and hope. We have faith and hope only in that which we love. “Many waters cannot quench love” (Song of Solomon 8:7). “Love never fails” (1 Cor. 13:8).



Paul lists several Christian responsibilities in Col 2:12-13; duties like kindness, humility, patience, and forgiveness. Then after giving the list, in verse 14, Paul through inspiration writes: “But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.” Love is what cements all of the Christian virtues together, helping to make our lives complete. If we are to ever express kindness and forgiveness, we must first possess love. Love takes action and does good things. “My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth” (1 John 3:18).

And think about this: faith and hope are for the here and now, but love will be forever. Love is something that has always been around – and always will be. God, who is eternal (Psa. 90:2) is also described in 1 John 4:8 as love. God is love. He always has been and He always will be love. His love transcends all time and temporality (Rom. 8:35-38). “I have loved you with an everlasting love” (Jer. 31:3). “Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love ... *Continued*

Sunday Worship

Bible Study 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

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endures forever” (Psa. 136:1, ESV).

Love is powerful. Love is beneficial. Love is eternal. It seems to me that love is really important. Maybe it’s time we started expressing and practicing love more.

“Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart” (1 Pet. 1:22).

-Edd Sterchi

UPCOMING FRIDAY NIGHT SINGS:

February 14-Hopewell Church of Christ

February 21-Mineral Wells Church of Christ

February 28-Bridgeport Church of Christ

UPCOMING GOSPEL MEETINGS: (Please see back bulletin board for more details)

Area Wide Ladies Group-Barrackville Church of Christ –February 11th 6:30-8:30

North End Youth Rally-March 13-14

Camden Ave-Science vs. Evolution-March 27-29

Barrackville Church of Christ Ladies Day-April 25th

Paul & Denise Linton, friends of a member at Pumpkin Center, were in a severe car wreck. Denise was uninjured but Paul had severe injuries and is being moved to the spinal cord rehabilitation center at Baylor. At the present time he has no feeling in his legs and will wear a halo for 6-8 weeks.

The Church of Christ near Baylor has provided Denise with a house and a car.

They would appreciate cards and prayers. Their address is:

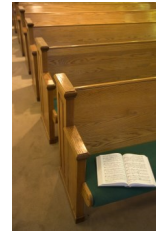
Paul & Denise Linton
c/o J. Joseph
4704 Sunflower Drive

February Card Distributor: Lois Jenkins

February Baptismal Garments: Debbie Anderson

February Greeters– 9–Need Greeter 16–Need Greeter 23– Need Greeter

Our Record: February 2



Sunday Morning Assembly

80

Sunday Bible Class

62

Sunday Evening

31

Wednesday Bible Study

45

Contribution (Budget \$4,000)

\$4,125

February Birthdays & Anniversaries:

9-Sydnie Buffington **13**-Linda Williams

24-Caitlin Moore **28**-Steve Cross



Prayers– Those of Our Congregation

- **Our shut-in’s: Helen Potts & Brenda Fortney**
- **Jackie Moore**
- **Debbie Mowbray**-Health Issues
- **Loverine Pigott**-recovering from shoulder surgery
- **Judy Garner**
- **Sarah Palmer**-Cards can be sent to:
125 Jefferson St. Bridgeport, WV 26330
- **Louise Kelch**
- **Sydnie Buffington**-Flu

Prayers– Family & Friends

- **Mike Yost**
- **Ester Lewis**-home bound.
- **Brandie Garner**-Maintenance Medication
- **Kay Burnett**-metastatic breast cancer
- **Karen (Sharon Loy’s Cousin)**-Liver & Colon Cancer
- **Mary Coffman (Brandie Garner’s Grandmother)**
- **Faith Eagle**
- **Daniel Alois**-In bad car wreck on July 4th
- **Roberta (Raymond’s Sister)**
- **Jones Family (Co-Worker of Jessica Kerns)**
- **Andrew Kelly**
- **Karen Jones (Cheryl’s Friend)**
- **Jerome Axton**-Having amputation surgery this week
- **Dorothy Daugherty**-going through chemo-
Address: 3483 Union Rd. Philippi, WV 26416
- **Heidi Adams**-4 years old & going through chemo
- **Susie Myers (Cindy Buffington’s Cousin)**
- **Becky Britton**-Total knee replacement
- **Betsy Yeager**-Broken arm
- **Charlie Compton**
- **Cherita Daugherty**-Broke her leg

(If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin– Please email or write it down and give it to Jessica Kerns before Thursday of that week: bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com)