

## The Most Important Things to Teach Your Children

Dan Jenkins, Palm Beach Lakes

She was pregnant and expecting her first child. Like all mothers, she was concerned about what the others might think, but there was no way she could not be excited about what was about to happen. Then it hit her. This gift from God was his, and she and Joseph were only caretakers with the responsibility to train up the child so this gift could be given back to God.

What do you teach that child? What values do you give to prepare the child for the trails which lie ahead? What expectant mother has not had these thoughts? As you think about these matters, consider that these same responsibilities were faced by Mary the mother of Jesus. Read Matthew 4 to see what Mary taught Jesus as she trained Him in the way He should go.

**A child must be taught the meaning of life.** When Satan appealed to Jesus to live by the rule of self-gratification, to fulfill the lust of the flesh, and to make that the dominate force which controlled His life, He was ready! He had learned one important truth in His upbringing: "Man shall not live by bread alone." If one lives by the rule of self-gratification, he misses life. The only way for man to live is to understand that every word which God speaks gives life!

**A child must be taught that God is more important than material things.** The Lord was offered all the treasures of this world, but He turned them down. Those who had trained Him for life put in His heart that only God is to be worshipped. "Thou shalt worship the Lord Thy God, and him only shalt thou serve." Look at the two verbs- worship and serve. They cover not just formal times of adoring God, but aspects of daily living. When one craves material things, they become his lord and he becomes subservient to them. A child must know that materialism cannot become a master!

**A child must be taught about the nature of God.** Satan's misuse of the Bible did not confuse Jesus for a moment, for He knew God. He had not just been taught the Word of God, He had been taught the nature of God. He did not just know about God, He knew God!

Let me encourage all young mother and father (the same could apply to "expectant" grandmothers and grandfathers). Look at the child of yours as Mary looked at the child God gave to her. He was simply from heaven, loaned and entrusted to her for a short time, with the grave responsibility to prepare the child for the next time the child would see God. Prepare your child! Teach him the Bible. Teach him about life, about "things," and about Him.

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# Family Matters

Mansell Carpenter— April Duke's grandfather had surgery last week.

Gloria Mitchell—Is in Piedmont Fayette Hospital.

Mattie Williams—Had a kidney stone removed Thursday.

Carolyn Kendrick—Is in Piedmont Hospital, Atlanta not doing well.

## **Prayers Request**

**Sarah Guith** came forward Sunday morning requesting prayers. Also **Rupearl Sharpe** came forward Sunday night needing prayers of the church. Please keep Sarah & Rupearl in your daily prayers.

**Members With Health Problems:** Linda Williams, Ruby Fowler, Annette Butler, Equillar Butler, Brenda Mitchell, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Larry Carroll, Una Fortson, Annette Benefield, Lurlene Richie, Nobie Davis, Butch & Joann Trawick

**Those with Cancer:** Martha Buchanan, Ronnie Beckwith, Sharon Burdette, Keith Killingsworth, Tom Holcomb, Lynn Ward, Jordyn, Slaydon, Brodie Quinn, Ann Marie Vemillion, Jim Atnip, Carrie Keith, Ali Rojas, Sam Jackson, Lynn Drago, Sherry Jackson, Jofaye Mackey, Jennifer Ford, Rupearl Sharpe, Kathy Thacker, Eddie Sapp, Staci Knock, George Veale, Dennis Dunn, Larry Huff, Humphrey Mayes, Buddy Pugh, Kay Price & Brent William

**Shut-ins:** Lillie Belle Sharpe, Liz Copeland, Braunda Snow, Jasper & Iris Jones, Kathryn Hardy, Darren & Linda Smith, Dorothy McLaughlin, Frances Elder, Willard & Opal Mann

**Those in the Military:** Wanda Jones Evan, Japan; Richard Fennell, Thomas Quinn, Patrick Gabriel & Andrew Hibbs, Afghanistan; Brandon Foster, SC; Brad & Ansley Willis, Afghanistan ; Sonya McNair, Germany.

**Others:** Irene Jackson, Darrell Nash, Bob Neff, Shawn Amon, Una Winter, Dorothy Beckwith, Chris Siebert, Len Gower, Melanie Ponder, Gerald & Linda Sudduth, Angela Witcher, Burma Chapman, Joan Manning, Joyce Green, Chad Vickers, Amy Alexander, Mia Margues, Dot Daly, Holly Spicer, Billy & Betty Barnette, Ella Mae Williams, Marvin Cook, Mayes Howard, Bennett Cozart, Anthony Lyons, Steve & Rita Green, Wes Sorrell, Geneva Pyron, Alisa Fields, Billy & Mary Weaver.

## **Our Missionaries**

Graham & Elizabeth McDonald, Scotland

Kenloy & Ivell Walker, Jamaica

Scott & Rebecca Shanahan, Pohnpei

Forrest & Burma Chapman, Georgia

# Fayetteville Church of Christ Monthly Goal— Love God (know His word) Psalm 119:7

## Youth Calendar

Pew Packers Sunday Afternoon at 5:40pm

Feb 5 - "GIFT" class at 2pm, room 121.  
Feb 18 - "GIFT CLASS" Ladies Day, Purity  
Feb 24-26 - Challenge Youth Conference in  
Gatlinburg, Tn. The cost is \$95.00 plus meals.  
Apr 1- Leaderette Tea & LTL Boy - PM Service  
Apr 6-8 - LTL Weekend  
Apr 7 - Egg Hunt  
May 6 - Senior Recognition Dinner  
June 3-8 - Inspire Week at Faulkner Univ.  
June 10-15 - Camp Inagehi Week  
July 8-11- Vacation Bible School

## 2012 Calendar

Jan 16 - Office Closed (Martin Luther King Day)  
Jan 20 - SilverWings Dinner at 5pm, Soup & Sandwiches  
Jan 27 - 29 - Tara Church of Christ Lectureship  
Feb 10 - SilverWings Dinner at 5pm  
Feb 18 - Ladies Day hosted by the "GIFT CLASS"  
Feb 20 - Office Closed (President's Day)  
Feb 25 - Central COC Ladies Day- Speaker: Sally Wallace  
Feb 26-Mar 1 - Progressive Mtg., Speaker: Bro. Hixson,  
Minister at Olive Branch church of Christ, Mississippi.  
Sunday 5pm - Forest Park, Monday 7pm Old National,  
Tuesday 10am Oak Hill, Tuesday 7pm North Ave,  
Wednesday 7pm McDonough & Thursday 7pm Fayetteville.  
Mar 6 - Primary Election- Fellowship Hall  
Mar 16 - Silverwings Dinner at 5pm  
Apr 1 - Spring Quarter Starts  
Apr 6-8 - LTL Convention Week-end  
May 11 - Konos Connection- Building & Fellowship Hall  
May 18-20 - Rose Club Show - Fellowship Hall  
May 15 - Last Tuesday Morning Bible School  
May 28 - Office Closed (Memorial Day)  
July 1 - Summer Quarter Starts  
July 4 - Office Closed (Independence Day)  
July 8-11 - Vacation Bible School  
July 13-20 - Jamaica Campaign Week  
July 20-21- Wedding (Wideman)  
July 31 - Primary Election- Fellowship Hall  
Aug 17-23 - Polishing the Pulpit, Sevierville, Tn.  
Sept 3 - Office Closed (Labor Day)  
Oct 3 - Fall Quarter Starts  
Oct 6 - Ladies Day  
Oct 8 - Office Closed (Columbus Day)  
Oct 18-21 - Forest Park COC Mission Forum  
Oct 21-23 - East Point COC Lectureship  
Nov 6 - Election Day - Fellowship Hall  
Nov 12 - Office Closed (Veterans Day)  
Nov 22-25 - Office Closed (Thanksgiving)  
Dec 8 - Adult Holiday Dinner at 7pm  
Dec 24-25 - Office Closed (Holidays)  
Jan 2, 2013 - Winter Quarter Starts

## SilverWings Dinner



January 20th  
At 5pm  
Soup  
&  
Sandwiches

## Birthdays

1. Lucille Amon
- Estell Higginbotham
3. Kathleen Garner
5. Brendon Fields
6. Margie Fields
7. Gerry Whitacre
8. Cori Waldrop
9. Michele Chapman
9. Amy Nash
12. Zeke Poskevich
13. Richard Amon
- Zane Poskevich
15. Mattie Williams
16. Jeanie Pyron
18. Tommy Chapman
- Doug Holloway
- John Siebert
19. RuPearl Sharpe
20. Bonnie Lako
- Wayne Libby
25. Lorette Keith
28. Susan Harris
30. Brittany Cooper

## Anniversaries

1. Andrew & Jeanie Pyron
5. John & Jena Hamilton
7. Tommy & Gail Chapman
14. Larry & Margie Fields



February 24-26, 2012  
Gatlinburg, Tn.



## "GIFTS"

Purer in Heart

FEBRUARY 18TH, 2012

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Hannah Colley, Ours &  
Surrounding Teen Girls  
All Ladies and Girls are

Invited to attend.

"GIFTS" is a Leaderette project that means "Girls in Fellowship and Team Study". This is a great guide for personal Bible study for all teen girls. Hannah Colley wrote this book and will be our guest speaker along with ours and surrounding congregations teen girls. We are asking all parents who have girls (any age) to help promote this event by encouraging your girl to participate or by you attending. We also need the congregations help with food, donations & etc. See Jean Johnson or Sally Wallace with any questions.

## WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS FOR JANUARY

Call toWorship	January 15	January 22	January 29
Scripture Reading	Cliff Nash	Zeke Poskevich	Zane Poskevich
Opening Prayer	Tom Durden	David Hopkins	Greg Nash
Song Leader	Stan Mitchell	Stan Mitchell	Stan Mitchell
Preside Lord's Supper	John Hamilton	Lewis Armstrong	Gerry Whitacre
Server	Jimmy Garner	Jimmy Garner	Jimmy Garner
Server	Larry Rose	Larry Rose	Larry Rose
Server	Greg Harp	Greg Harp	Greg Harp
Server	Tim Bishop	Tim Bishop	Tim Bishop
Server	David Poskevich	David Poskevich	David Poskevich
Server	Jack Sorrell	Jack Sorrell	Jack Sorrell
Server	Jerry Kendrix	Jerry Kendrix	Jerry Kendrix
Server	Hick Higginbotham	Hick Higginbotham	Hick Higginbotham
Sermon	Greg Nash		
Response Elder	Gerry Whitacre	Gerry Whitacre	Gerry Whitacre
Announcements	Rick Sharpe	Greg Nash	Mike Fields
Closing Song	Closing Song	Closing Song	Closing Song
Prayer	Curtis Hurt	Jim Pelfrey	Bill Benton
Evening Service			
Opening Prayer		Bill Ruffer	Luke Quinn
Scripture Reading	Cliff Nash	Zeke Poskevich	Zane Poskevich
Sermon	Greg Nash		Singing
Server	David Poskevich	Larry Rose	Cliff Nash
Server	Jack Sorrell	Hick Higginbotham	Zeke Poskevich
Closing Prayer	Curtis Hurt	Jim Pelfrey	David Lee
Nursery Attendants	Katherine Hopkins Holly Dalman	Linda Johnson Carla Sorrell	Tara Johnson Jasi Quinn

### Communion Preparation

Susan Pelfrey

#### Ushers

1/15- Bob Howell & Daniel Manning  
1/22- Rick Sharpe & Shirley Allender  
1/29- Harry Williams & Ron Biles

#### Care of Building

1-15- Jerry Kendrix & Paul Lyons  
16-31- David Poskevich & Joe Iniguez

#### Open Arms

Jan 15

Jo Ruffer, Barbara Edmonds  
Jack & Carla Sorrell  
Hugh & Connie Kelly

### Assembly Schedule:

Sunday  
9:00 am Bible Classes  
10:00 am Worship Service  
6:00 pm Worship Service  
10:00 am Tuesday Morning Bible Class  
(September—May)  
7:00 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study

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Jim Pelfrey  
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Ronnie Beckwith  
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### Deacons:

Mike Fields  
Dennis Graham  
John Hamilton  
Hugh Kelly  
Jerry Kendrix  
Andy Johnson  
Joe Iniguez  
Paul Lyons  
Stan Mitchell  
David Poskevich  
Ray Russell  
Jack Sorrell

### IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY

Sunday's at  
7:00am  
WATC-TV  
Channel 57  
(channel 2 on

**2012  
Progressive  
Meeting  
February  
26th-  
March 1st  
Speaker:  
Bro. Mike  
Hixson**