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 Russian Bible Donation
 Bible Correspondence Courses
 Jail Ministry
 Television Ad
 Annual Youth Campaign
 Home Bible Studies

Benevolence:

N. Ala. Christian Children's Home
 Disaster Relief
 Romanian Eye Glasses Donation
 Food Pantry

Edification:

Bible Classes for all ages
 Shepherd's class
 W.IN.G.S. Ladies' Ministry
 Youth Group for K-12th grade
 Vacation Bible School
 Focus Groups
 USM Christian Student Center
 Godz Girlz
 Monthly Men's Breakfast
 KneEmail
 5th Sunday Night Singing
 Gulf Coast Bible Camp

September 13, 2009

"If a man has a soul, and he has, and if that soul can be won or lost for eternity, and it can, then the most important thing in the world is to bring a man to Jesus Christ."



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FIDELITY

with Mike Benson

Time—I'm grateful for all of the kind comments regarding our current A.M. sermons on *Time* (e.g., "Does Anybody Really Know What Time It Is?"). Here are some of the core ideas we've

talked about thus far in our study:

- My time is limited. Jn. 9:4; cf. Job 14:1,2; 7:6; 9:25; 1 Chron. 29:15
- My activities are either pressing or consequential. Lk. 10:38-42
- I need to differentiate between the pressing and the consequential and then act accordingly. Gen. 41; Prov. 10:5; 19:15; 20:4; Eph. 5:16
- God has given me time. Psm. 118:24
- The Lord transcends time. Psm. 90:2, 4; 2 Pet. 3:18
- I need to know my priorities. Dan. 3
- I need to learn to accept unexpected opportunities. Mk. 5:22-35; Acts 16:6-10
- EST or Eternal Sovereign Time has to do with God's clock and timetable.
- HST or Human Standard Time has to do with man's clock and timetable.
- According to HST, God is usually running late: Mary and Martha thought Jesus showed up four days too late to help Lazarus; Abraham and Sarah thought God was at least 25 years late in giving them a son. Moses thought God was forty years late in giving him the job as leader of Israel.
- What is long-term to us is short-term to God. We think in terms of minutes, hours, and days—*chronos*. God thinks in terms of years, decades, and millennia.
- Being on time is a challenge.

We still have at least a couple more practical sermons to address in the series. I invite you to be with us as we continue to investigate God's Word in this realm.

Teaching—Please mark your calendar for Saturday, October 3. That's when Tom Tignor (from 21st Century Christian) will be with us again to present his teaching training material. KW Bible class teachers are urged to attend.



"God loves you and I love you and that's the way it's gonna be!" —m

A HANDBREADTH

STRETCH OUT YOUR palm...

Separate your fingers to their widest; hold them as far apart as you can. Study what you see and then consider: Scripture says that's a picture of human longevity. David wrote, "*LORD, make me to know my end, and what is the measure of my days, that I may know how frail I am. Indeed, You have made my days as handbreadths, and my age is as nothing before You; certainly every man at his best state is but vapor*" ([Psalm 39:4,5](#)). That's right. Life at its best is little more than an abbreviated measurement. A handbreadth.



Jeanne-Louise Calment would have agreed. According to Guinness, she was born in Arles, France on February 21, 1875 and died on August 4, 1997. Do a little math in your head and you'll discover that she lived 122 years, 164 days. Whew! She lived a l o n g time, didn't she? Not really. Not when you consider life when compared to eternity. As long as Jeanne-Louise lived, hers was but a handbreadth.

Dear friend, in terms of the clock, your life is ever-so-short ([Job 14:1,2](#); [James 4:14](#)). Assuming you escape the ravages of disease, you don't perish in some untimely accident, and your parents had extremely good genes, it's still doubtful that you'll live as long as Jeanne-Louise Calment. And even if you do, it will be but a handbreadth.

Consider:

- What are you doing with your time ([Ephesians 5:15,16](#); Colossians 4:5; [Psalm 90:12](#))? Paul Meyer wrote, "Most time is wasted, not in hours, but in minutes. A bucket with a small hole in the bottom gets just as empty as a bucket that has been deliberately kicked over."
- Do you look back at the end of a day and say, "I didn't get anything done"?
- Are you accomplishing the really important things ([John 9:4](#))? Are you "run ragged" with urgent matters?
- If you were to die right now, could you say, "I didn't neglect the most important things in my life"? Doctor Jesus had a very full patient schedule ([Mark 6:31](#)) and yet He finished His job ([John 19:30](#)).

Max Anders observed, "It matters to God how we use our time. It is something which He has given us. We don't own it. We are responsible to manage it for Him. It doesn't mean we must always work. Part of our time should be used in recreation and rest, the development and enjoyment of relationships. But we must be aware of how we use our time, and use it wisely" (*30 Days to Understanding the Bible*, "Be A Steward," 81).

Time is limited.

It is like a handbreadth.

Use it well.

"Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful" ([1 Corinthians 4:2](#)).

News & Notes



Remember in Prayer:

- ~ Dorothy Bolinger has flu-like symptoms.
- ~ Phyllis Chapin had another stay at the hospital, but is home now and receiving physical therapy for her leg pain.
- ~ Mike Benson and his daughter Katie, both have mono.
- ~ Lou Brown's is still not doing well with her infection.
- ~ Janna Roth is on the mend from having the swine flu.
- ~ Janell Holmes is home recovering from neck surgery.
- ~ Betty Louish, Janell Holmes mother, is at Janell's house recuperating from her broken bones.
- ~ Sylvia Madden is very sick and needs prayers.
- ~ Dottie Thomas fell and is undergoing tests.
- ~ Pam Anderson is scheduled for knee replacement surgery October 7.
- ~ Tracy Nichols, Sylvia Madden's daughter, has the flu.
- ~ Dr. Glenn Smith, a physician for some KW members, lost his 21 yr. old daughter in a drowning accident.

Also Remember:

Pete and Ina Mae McLeod, Dorothy and Earl Bolinger, Ken and Ginger Renfroe, Ruth Counts, Jonell Rake, Hannah Duke, Mary Kay Stickroth, Sylvia Madden, Louise Jenkins, Hazel Lewis, Nova Wheeler, Zach Little, Rachel Barczewski, Jamie Dial, Zelma Dial, Charlie Ainsworth, Bernice Westbrook, Bobby Lammers, Scott Howell, Luce Family, Granado Family, Summer's Family.



Birthdays

- Dylan Federinko– Sept. 15
- Duke McCall– Sept. 16
- Khalia Groves– Sept. 18



Anniversaries

- George & Phyllis Chapin– Sept. 13
- C. R. & Margaret Domergue– Sept. 13
- Jerry & Lona Barnes– Sept. 14
- Jeff & Darlene Hill– Sept. 14

Sympathy

We offer our condolences to Dwight Trippe on the passing of his sister, Dot Soissons, in Pennsylvania. He recently returned from the funeral.

“Welcome Back” College Students Reception: Focus Group 2 (Pope / Reynolds) will coordinate a reception for the college students after evening services on Sunday, September 13 in the fellowship hall. The congregation is invited to meet and fellowship with them. **Please bring a covered dish.**

College Corner: The College Student Supper and Devotional will be held on Monday, September 14 at the Student Center. Supper at 6:30 p.m./ devo. At 7:30 p.m. Chip and Pam Hill are hosting.

Focus Group 3 (Dunn/Moorer) will meet Friday night, September 18th, 6 p.m., at the home of Reggie and Carol Neel.

Focus Group 5 (Jones/Dickson) will meet for breakfast Saturday, Sept. 19 at 9 a.m. at the home of Paul and Inna Swann, 139 Morrell Circle, in the Trace Subdivision. Bring your favorite breakfast foods. See Richard Jones, Sr. for details.

Focus Group 1 (Smithmier/Richey) will meet after morning services on Sept. 20th in the fellowship hall for a potluck dinner.

Bridal Shower: The ladies of KW are invited to a bridal shower for Kelly Hill on Sunday, September 20, at the home of Mandy Burleson (6 Woodside Dr., Hattiesburg 39402). Feel free to come and go as you please between 2 and 4 p.m. Registries are available at Target, Dillard's, and Bed, Bath, and Beyond.

Attention Ladies: The 2009 - 2010 Secret Sister / Prayer Partner planning is underway, with our kickoff night set for Friday, September 25th. Not interested in Secret Sisters? Perhaps you'd be interested in teaming up with a Prayer Partner. Any lady of the church (13 yrs. old and up) interested in participating, please take one of the sheets on a back table in the auditorium. Questions? See Jacquie Archer or Jenny Pierce. More details later!

Teacher Training Workshop... Oct. 3 with Bro. Tom Tignor of 21st Century Christian. Breakfast will be at 8:30 a.m. and there is no cost. All teachers are asked to attend, and members are encouraged to attend if you desire to improve your study skills. If you have any questions, see Seth.

Fellowship Luncheon on October 4 to coincide with the Gospel Meeting. Zone 2 is in charge of decorating.

Soldiers' Box There is a box in the fellowship hall for items going to Bobby Lammers and Scott Howell who are serving in Afghanistan. Needed items are listed on the box. Focus Group 1 (Smithmier/Richey) is sponsoring this activity and would like to mail it to them by October 14.

Ladies' Day

- ◆ Quitman Church of Christ, September 19, 8:30 a.m.– noon.
 - ◆ Rocky Creek Church of Christ, September 26, 8:30 a.m.– noon.
- See flyers on the bulletin board for more information.

Welcome

Gene and Martha Anderson, Brian Anderson's parents, have expressed their desire to work under the KW eldership. The address and phone number of these new members are: 33 J. D. Anderson Lane, Purvis, MS 39475
PH: 601– 794-2314.

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

Week Beginning, September 13, 2009

Coordinator: Chip Hill (601-270-1519)

Please call coordinator if you are unable to serve.

Announcements: Ken Upchurch

SUNDAY MORNING

Song Leader: Malcolm Berch

Opening Prayer: Mark Bureson

Lord's Supper: (Presiding) Jim Dickson

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| 1. Randy Dunn | 5. John Federinko |
| 2. Larry DeLeon | 6. Jeff Hill |
| 3. Buddy Overstreet | 7. Ron Montgomery |
| 4. Steve Devenport | 8. Johnny Ford |

Closing Prayer: Randy Dunn

Attendance Cards: Reggie Neel

Communion (September): Ken Upchurch

Nursery: 9/13: Beth Ford & Lori Ford

9/20: Toria Chatman & Kathy Devenport

Building Cleaning: 9/14: Chip Hill

9/21: Kevin Reynolds

SUNDAY EVENING

Song Leader: Malcolm Berch

Opening Prayer: Kevin Reynolds

Lord's Supper:

1. Randy Dunn
2. Larry DeLeon

Closing Prayer: Larry DeLeon

Count Contribution: Hill/Pope

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Song Leader: Bradley Anderson

Prayer: Robby Moorner

ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION

September 6, 2009

	Goal	Actual	Avg.
Bible Study	200	-	-
Morning Worship	275	-	-
Evening Worship	200	-	-
Wednesday (8/19)	200	169	152
Contribution	\$8,000	\$6,647	\$8,150

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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday: Prayer 8:30 a.m. • Bible Class 9 a.m. • Worship 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. • **Wednesday:** Bible class 7 p.m. • Ladies Bible Class: 7 p.m.