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Bryan McAlister

"I Hope You Know"

So much of what we know and believe about a meek person, comes from how we have defined the word in our Western, English-speaking society. We believe and see the person who is meek as it is defined by our language, as one who is, among other things, "deficient in spirit and courage" and "not violent or strong." We may tend to look at one who is meek through the perception noted by one author as, "passive, easily imposed upon, spineless, and weak." Is such a definition of "meek" accurate? Is that what Jesus suggested when He spoke of the "meek" and their inheritance (Matthew 5:4)? Did Jesus describe Himself as, "passive, easily imposed upon, spineless and weak" (Matthew 11:29)? J.W. McGarvey said the Lord speaks of, "Meekness as opposed to arrogance. The arrogant grasp after dominion and power, but the meek will inherit the earth." So those who possess, "strength under control" will inherit, that is, "gain or be given by lot, that which is promised to them," in this case the earth. Could this refer to the inheritance of the new earth in II Peter 3:13? While possible, and indeed, that does point to an inheritance, it is equally likely that Jesus is referring to the present lives of His audience. The Sermon on the Mount is very immediate, speaking of real time events in the lives of the people. Jesus would offer a word about a present event, with a future comfort or hope. For Jesus to offer an inheritance to the meek, we wonder what that immediate inheritance might be. Let God's word speak.

When the hour had come and Jesus was taken captive by the Roman soldiers, one who was with Jesus sprang to defend him, cutting off the ear of one of the servants. Jesus said, "Put your sword in its place . . . do you not think that I cannot pray to My Father, and He will provide Me with more than twelve legions of angels" (Matthew 26:53). There is meekness, the power to do a thing, but the control to yield to a



recognized will, higher than your own. Meekness is also defined as, "anger at the right time, for the right reason, in the right measure." Meekness is not the absence of ability, but the acknowledgement of control over what we are able to do. Virtue born in strength of character. Not timidity, but control. Not passive, but measured. Jesus recognized His power, but above His own power, He acknowledged the Father's ability, and yielded in the face of His Father's will. Therefore, He emptied Himself of all the privilege of being God, and embraced without restraint the Father's will (Phil 2:1-8).

As to the inheritance of the meek (see Psalm 37), what more could we possibly seek after in this life, on this earth, than to have favor with God. The idea of being meek does not intend for the individual to be passive about life. It invites the person to actively seek what is right in the eyes of God. One who is meek will bring their life under control, and willfully yield to God's authority. Look at the world around you dear friend, and see the frenzy for power and prestige, control and command. One of the tools used by those who lust for such, is the playing on the anger which is felt by so many who believe their country, their way of life, their beliefs have been ignored and they have lost. They've fretted over evil doers, and somehow believe meeting anger with anger is the only answer. I hope you know, when our spirit meets the spirit of the Lord, a better heart and mind, one of meekness will prevail, with all of God's supplied strength brought under control as the guide of the faithful heart.



Spring Quarter

Starts Sunday, February 7, 2016
Wednesday Night, February 10, 2016



YOUTH ON HIS PATH

Praise Apply Teach Heighten
Craig Shelton

Babyland	109	Megan Kincade, Jessica Delaney <u>Wed.</u> Glenda Dorton, Juanita Bowman
Age 2	200	Lindsey Bailey, Robin Smith <u>Wed.</u> Shelda Qualls, Madelyn True
Age 3	204	Jamie Lawson, Bailey Gilbert
Age 4	206	Bryan & Lori Woods <u>Wed.</u> Ages 3 & 4 Charlene Hunt
Kindergarten	208	Tonya Oliphant, Jessica Dressler
Grade 1 & 2	220	Misty Shelton <u>Wed.</u> K, 1st & 2nd Grade Karen Bridges
Grade 3 & 4	226	June Roder <u>Wed.</u> Mina Dressler
Grade 5	221	Ryan McDonald <u>Wed.</u> Chris Teet
Jr. High 6,7,8	B18	Jeremy Qualls
Sr. High	B8	Craig Shelton & Others <u>Wed.</u> Gr. 6-12 C. Shelton & others
20/30 's	214	B. McAlister, C. Shelton, M. Dotson <u>Wed.</u> Mike Elkins
Adults	225	Bill McDonald, Shane Willis
Adults	218	Wayne Qualls
Men	218	<u>Wed.</u> B. McDonald
Adults	Aud.	M. Goodpasture, D. Dressler <u>Wed.</u> Bryan McAlister
Adults	Lib.	Ward Mayberry
Adults	1st Floor	Lonnie Gilliam
Men (sing)	FH	<u>Wed.</u> Different Men
Ladies	Library	<u>Wed.</u> Henrietta Rochelle
Ladies	Con. Rm.	<u>Wed.</u> Wanda Givens

FEBRUARY 4

PRAYER
BREAKFAST
7-7:30 Lighthouse

FEBRUARY 7

"SOUP"ER BOWL
PARTY
7-9 Lighthouse

FEBRUARY 8 BIBLE STUDY

6-7
Guys-Dotson's
Girls-Newsom's

FEBRUARY 10 LIGHTHOUSE

5-7

FEBRUARY 14

JR HIGH
FIRESIDE
7-9 Elkins & Jacobs

FEBRUARY 19-20 LAD & DAD

RETREAT
McDonald Farm
Beaverdam

FEBRUARY 21

SR HIGH
FIRESIDE
7-9 Elkins & Jacobs

FEBRUARY 24 LIGHTHOUSE

5-7

FEBRUARY 26-28

SENIOR
SPOTLIGHT /
SR HIGH RETREAT
Gatlinburg, TN

A WONDERFUL WEEKEND! Friday night brought our final basketball 5th Quarter. We enjoyed some time in the Lighthouse and Fellowship Hall. Thanks to Misty and Mark Bentley for their help. Sunday took us to Coble Church of Christ for our young men to lead the services. We had several songs with Luke Worsham bringing an excellent message. Good job to Luke, Riley Qualls, Griffin Elkins, Colby Shelton, Jake Martin, Grady Teet, and Connor McAlister. Also, thanks to so many girls, parents and friends who joined us. Thanks to Coble church for allowing us the time to lead! Sunday afternoon our Lads 2 Leaders & Leaderettes were together. It is encouraging to see so many of our young people working hard in these tasks!

THURSDAY IS PRAYER BREAKFAST PANCAKE-A-PALOOZA! Chef Derek Newsom will be on hand as he and I tackle a whole host of pancakes. From banana, birthday cake, peanut butter, chocolate chip and just plain. Join us at 7am for good food, a short devo, and a special time of prayer. Transportation to school will be provided.

SUNDAY NIGHT IS THE "SOUP"ER BOWL PARTY! This has been a tradition for almost 15 years. Plan to join us in the Lighthouse for the big game right after evening services. Bring your favorite appetizer and a can or cans of soup. These will go to the outreach center to help with food boxes.

SENIOR HIGH, RETREAT APPLICATIONS ARE READY! You can get yours at the Youth News Board. Remember, there is limited time and space. A lot of preparations are made and as soon as the cutoff, many others will be made. Be sure not to miss this unforgettable weekend!

"FINALLY, ALL OF YOU be of one mind, having compassion for one another; loving as brothers, be tenderhearted, be

courteous." -I Peter 3:18. Two lessons that should have stirred your heart as we were challenged by Luke Worsham to follow the above passage and by Bryan McAlister to follow the Beatitude to be Meek. When your "First Love" is the things of this world, our vision is blurred and we desire what we think we need. When our "First Love" is Christ, our attributes begin to mimic the One we truly should emulate. What is in your mirror? Follow His path, -Craig

The February Series....

Can't Buy Me Love

February 3: Stewardship

Speaker: Ted Williams
Dinner by: Fish Camp
Desserts by Care Group 1

February 10: Spending

Speaker: Marty Smith
Dinner Hosted By:
Bill McDonald's Class

February 17: Saving

Speaker: Red McCaskill
Dinner Hosted By:
20/30's Class

February 24: Securing

Speaker: Kyle Lamb
Dinner Hosted By :
Wayne Qualls' Class

Wednesdays at 7 P.M.
***Dinner Served Each**
Wednesday
from 5:30-6:30 in the
Fellowship Hall.

Special Sunday
Night Series ...

Join us Sunday nights in February
for a special series:

"A Focus On The Role Of
Deacons"

Feb 7, 2016

Investment:

Spelling Deacon

"S-E-R-V-I-C-E"

Feb 14, 2016

Expectation:

Qualities to Qualifications

Feb 21, 2016

Involvement:

What's Needed in Centerville

Feb 28, 2016

Empowerment:

"Allowing Shepherds to Shepherd
and Deacons to Deac"

Join Us At 6p !



Reminder....If you want to
participate in the *Secret*
***Sisters*....please turn your**
purple form in to Glenda
***Newsome* by Wednesday,**
February 3rd ! Thanks !!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION

\$ 18,154.55

BUDGET

\$ 12,784.00

Camp Meribah

\$ 213.13

Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to
the Mable Dunn Mission Fund in
memory of James Clifton Thornton
by Doug & Maxine Shepherd.

Three Star Accreditation



Congratulations to our
Day School for receiving
a Three Star
Accreditation in a recent
state assessment. We
are proud of you !

A Baby Boy!



Congratulations to Lance &
Kristen Horton on the birth
of a baby boy Lincoln Isaac
Horton. Lincoln was born
January 24, 2016 and weighed 7
lbs. 8 ozs. and is 20 ½ inches
long. Proud grandparents are Billy
& Janice Horton, Kathy Loveless,
Danny & Debby Loveless. Great
grandparents are Billy & Juanita
Garner and L.C. Loveless.

Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the
family of Sherry Scheid who
passed away. She was the sister
of Dedra (Calvin) Hoover.

...We express our sympathy to the
family of Stella Harris of San
Diego, California who passed
away. She was the sister of
Pauline Jimerson.

...We express our sympathy to the
family of Peggy Feichtinger who
passed away in Hohenwald.



Please Pray For:

...Harold Choate is in ICU at St. Thomas
West.

...Danny Goodpasture, father of Mike, is
recovering from an atrial ablation and is
doing well.

...Michelle Goodpasture, sister of Mike, is
recovering from gall bladder surgery.

...Susan Hudgins received a good report
from recent tests.

...Richard Canady is having treatments for
cancer.

...Gene Morris is recovering from gall
bladder surgery.

...Juanita Garner is recovering from
bronchitis and broken ribs.

...Gabriel Roberson is recovering from an
upper respiratory infection.

...Myra Long, mother of Debbie Qualls, will
have a heart procedure Wednesday at St.
Thomas Mid-Town.

...Molly Orton will have a procedure on
February 9th at Vanderbilt Children's
Hospital.

...Alyssa Aydelott had tests at Vanderbilt
Children's Hospital February 1st. She
received a great report !

...Kari Pitts had a heart catheterization
Tuesday, February 2nd at Vanderbilt.

...Jamie Stoltz will have brain surgery
February 8th at Vanderbilt.

...James McClanahan is recovering from a
heart attack.

...Terry Johnston, son of Ann, is in Maury
Regional Hospital dealing with blood
sugar problems and other health
problems.

Thank You

Amy C. Puckett writes:"Dear Church
Leadership, Thank you for helping
children in our community at Hope House.
Your aid to Davis House is a ministry that
will well serve our family of Hickman
County."

Area Events

...Men's Bible Study Weekend at the
Jackson Heights Church of Christ, 1200
Nashville Hwy. Columbia, TN. February
19th at 7 P.M.; February 20 at 9 A.M.
Speaker: Curtis Pope

Place
Stamp
Here



Hickman County Shelters

The *Red Cross* has 13 facilities throughout the county that are designated Shelters in case of a natural disaster or any event that causes devastation to a particular area. The Centerville Church of Christ and Camp Meribah are two facilities that are listed as designated Shelters. If you would like to be a volunteer to assist, if at any time our facilities are called upon to be a Shelter, the *Red Cross* is offering a training class in February. There are two training dates available for you to choose. Training classes will be *Saturday, February 13th* or *February 20th* 9am to 4pm, with a lunch break, at the *Emergency Operation Center*. If you would be interested in being a volunteer for this church please contact the office 931-729-4201. If we have a number of volunteers we will plan on attending the training as a group.

When you discover there are seven ladies in your church family that were born in 1936 and would turn 80 years old in 2016— what do you do ? You celebrate, that's what ! No complaining or moaning from these active ladies. They met together and had a 1936 party ! Some of these ladies will not reach 80 until later in the year, some sooner, but they all celebrated together. Seated in front: Coleen Williams, Judy Rogers. In back, from left to right, Ruth McFarlin, Ruth Reece, Sally Chessor, June Bowen and Ruth Staggs.

Those to Serve in February

<p><u>Wait on Table</u></p> <p><u>1st Sunday</u> Jeremy Qualls</p> <p><u>2nd Sunday</u> Philip Jacobs</p> <p><u>3rd Sunday</u> Mike Brown</p> <p><u>4th Sunday</u> Mark Chessor</p> <p><u>Right Side</u> Joey Hunt Riley Qualls Colby Shelton Don Chessor</p> <p><u>Left Side</u> Chris Buchanan Pat Sullivan Eric Mayberry Sam Chessor</p> <p><u>Alternates</u> John Bradley Marty Smith</p>	<p><u>Prayer Week of Feb. 7</u></p> <p>S.M.W. John Bradley S.M.D. Jimmy Copley S.E.W. Wayne Chessor S.E.D. James Easley W.E.B.S. Daniel Dressler W.E.D. Jimmy Reece</p>	<p><u>BOYS TO PICK UP CARDS IN FEBRUARY</u></p> <p>2/7: Knox Bailey, Lake Bates, Sam Brown, Jared Brown 2/14: Gage Buchanan, Heath Buchanan, Trevor Buchanan, Braydon Chessor 2/21: Dane Gilbert, Riley Haithcoat, Bryce Hughes, John Jacobs 2/28: Eli Jacobs, Jagger Lawson, Case Martin, Elijah Mayberry <u>Please be up front by 8:50</u></p>	<p><u>February Greeters</u> John Plemmons, Jr. Wayne & Jean Qualls Don & June Roder Marshall & Ann Spencer</p>												
<p><u>Lord's Supper P.M.</u> Chris Hughes Bryce Hughes Connor McAlister</p>	<p><u>Elders' Prayer Feb. 7</u> Gary Gatewood</p>	<p><u>Meals On Wheels</u></p> <p>2/3 : Corene Allen 2/10 : Bob McDonald 2/17: Leslie Hudgins 2/24: Glenda Delk <u>PICK-UP MEALS AT 10:40</u></p>	<p><u>Read Scripture</u></p> <p><u>Feb. 7</u> Marty Smith</p> <p><u>Feb. 14</u> David Brown</p>	<p><u>To Drive Bus in January</u></p> <p>2/3: Mike Goodpasture 2/7: Andy Weber A.M. Brandon McCauley P.M. 2/10: Lonnie Mayberry 2/14: John Bradley A.M. Phillip Allen P.M. 2/17: Patrick Allen 2/21: Michael Bryant A.M. Mark Chessor P.M. 2/24: George Garland 2/28: John Bradley A.M. Patrick Allen P.M.</p>											
<p><u>USHERS:</u></p> <p><i>Bobby Breece Ronald Coates Monty Dunn Calvin Hoover</i></p>	<p><u>Prepare Communion</u></p> <p>Feb. 7 & 14: Mike & Regina Elkins Feb. 21 & 28: Bobby & Sandy McFarlin</p>	<p><u>Bible Hour:</u> Randy & Jana Wright Griffin Elkins, Riley Qualls, Colby Shelton, Grady Teet, Barrett Davis, Kailey Cannon, Alexis Hudgins <u>Stand Up For Jesus</u> "Esther" Pantry Item: Tuna</p>													
<p><u>NURSERY</u> Claudette Atkinson <u>BAPT. CLOTHING</u> Becky Gatewood</p>	<p><u>RADIO ROOM</u></p> <p>Gaylon Cude Bradley Horner Patrick Allen Colby Shelton</p>	<p><u>NURSING HOME SERVICES</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><u>LIFE CARE CENTER</u></td> <td><u>HICKMAN CO. NURSING HOME</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2/7: Daniel Dressler</td> <td>2/7 Mike Brown</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2/14: Shane Willis</td> <td>2/14 Marshall Spencer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2/21: Bryan & Connor Mc</td> <td>2/21 Robert Bowman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2/28: Fairfield</td> <td>2/28 James Aydelott</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">Tulipwood Service - John Bradley</td> </tr> </table>		<u>LIFE CARE CENTER</u>	<u>HICKMAN CO. NURSING HOME</u>	2/7: Daniel Dressler	2/7 Mike Brown	2/14: Shane Willis	2/14 Marshall Spencer	2/21: Bryan & Connor Mc	2/21 Robert Bowman	2/28: Fairfield	2/28 James Aydelott	Tulipwood Service - John Bradley	
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