

Those To Serve

Sunday, May 12, 2024

A.M. Prayers

Opening: Gary Bridgman

Closing: Jim Case

P.M. Prayers

Opening: Robert Foster

Closing: Randy Harris

Singing: Johnny Knabe

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Singing: Bobby Smithee

Devotional: Johnny Knabe

The Record:

Attendance:

Sunday, May 5, 2024

AM 57 PM 36

[Average for the Year]

AM [57] PM [35]

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

37 [Average for the Year] [37]

Contribution:

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Actual \$ 2,553.00; Budget \$ 2,500.00

[Year-to-Date] \$ 43,824.00

[Average] \$ 2,434.67

[+/- Budget] \$ 53.00

[YTD +/- Budget] \$ (1,176.00)

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Thoughts from Bill:

It Is High Time, . . . for the Night Is Far Spent

Romans 14:11-14

Deb Wilson recently told me of a *Facebook* post that said: "My thought for today, Time: We all, without exception have 24 hours per day for every day that we live. Choice: We all choose what we have time for. Conclusion: How we spend our time reflects what's important to us. How do you spend your time?" This post and our text will serve as a backdrop for this article as Paul speaks about time. He speaks of a time to wake up, a time that is almost gone or spent, a time to act correctly and a time to decide to do what is most important.

First, there is a time to wake up from sleep (v. 13). Most of us like to sleep, and quality sleep is a needed

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Plan of Salvation

Hear

Mark 12:29; Romans 10:17; Acts 2:22

Believe

Hebrews 11:6

Repent

Luke 13:3, 5; Acts 2:38

Confession

Matthew 10:32, 33

Baptism

Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21

Sermons for May 12, 2024

A.M.—It Is High Time...for the Night Is Far Spent

**P.M.—Meditate on These Things—
Philippians 4:8-9**

Scripture: Romans 14:11-14

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 AM

Sunday AM Worship: 10:00

Sunday PM Worship: 5:00

Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 PM

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commodity for a healthy life. When I can, I like to sleep in, and when I can't, I wish I could. But, for all of us there is a time to wake up. There is a time to wake up because life is short and brief (1 Cor. 7:29; James 4:14). Since life is brief and only a vapor, it is important for us to use our time in the following ways: (1) Getting right with God by getting out of the sinning business (2 Pet. 1:10; Rom. 6:23; 2 Cor. 6:2, NASB); (2) Getting our focus and affections right (Col. 3:1-2); (3) Getting our priorities right (Matt. 6:33); (4) Getting others to wake up as well because Christians are watchmen (Ezekiel 33:6).

Second, there is a time to **act right**. Most Christians, and some sinners, know what God requires of them, but sadly they put off doing what they need to do. Many Christians know they need to improve and use their time rightly as described above, but they just don't. Paul said to wake up (v.11), to get "dressed" up (v. 12), and to live, or walk, properly before a world lost in sin (v. 13). He says there are things that Christians have no business participating in (v. 13b). Christians bear the responsibility of being the salt of the earth and the light of the world (Matt. 5:13-16). It is imperative that Christians be determined to act right and strive to do what is pleasing in God's sight (1 Jn. 3:22).

Finally, it is vital that **everyone determines what is really important in their lives**. How do you tell what's really important to you? Reread the post that we began with. How do you spend your time? Especially the time that we call "free" time. Everyone gets 168 hours in a week. How many of those hours do you give to the Lord?

May God help us to wake up, get up, and get busy doing what is important for His cause.

Romans 14:12—So then each of us shall give account of himself to God.

News and Notes

Those We Need to Remember in Prayer: **Ed Hager** fell last Sunday afternoon and separated his shoulder. He had surgery to correct this. He is in WRH room 3353 for rehab to help with his Parkinson's symptoms. **Jerry Bowen** will receive an epidural in his neck on Thursday. **Frances Foster** is healing following her surgery. She is still dealing with infection in her leg. **Robert Foster** will have an MRI on his back at the end of this month. **Shelia Smithee** is waiting for a PET scan to be scheduled at CARTI. **Gary Goodman** will receive shots in his back this week. **Glenda Mitchell** was taken off a medicine she had been taking to see if this will help with her stomach issues. **Nancy Duncan** will have a biopsy on her kidney tomorrow. **Craig Dunn**, a friend of Johnny Knabe's, will have colon surgery soon. **Faye Pratt** is home from the hospital.

Others We Need to Remember in Prayer: Bill Coles, Carol Duncan, JoAnn Foushee (Chris Ball's mother), Diana Hudson, Melvin Hudson, Ronnie Logan (friend of Jim and Bonita Bangs), Eunice Mize, and Lavon Rogers

Visitation Meeting: The visitation meeting will be today after the evening service.

Let's Eat: This month's Let's Eat will be tomorrow at China King at 5:00 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Children's Home Shopping List: Individual Juices

Ladies Day Meeting: There will be a meeting to discuss Ladies Day on May 26 after the evening service.

