





## Prayer Concerns

**Jack Brown**, Rachel Hewitt's uncle, will be having 2 stints on the 31<sup>st</sup>, and will need a valve replacement in the future.

**Cindy Dussia** is not going well. She fell in May resulting in multiple breaks and is still struggling to recover. Her cancer has returned and spread to her colon. She is looking at possibly moving to an assisted living facility.

**Ed & Lavana Tichenor** are in Minnesota visiting family and getting some rest. Ed has also been diagnosed with pneumonia.

**Sonya Hewitt** had eye surgery last week. She needs to sleep on her stomach for one additional night. She has a follow-up on August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Lonnie Hewitt** is doing well after his procedure. He is scheduled for an ablation on August 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Tracey McInnes**, friend of George & Rachel, has been taking care of her father who suffered strokes and diagnosed with vascular dementia. Last week, Tracey ended up having a mini stroke herself. She is recovering and doing well.

**Tim Scott**, Cindy Strobe's brother, has squamous cell carcinoma. He is scheduled for surgery on Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. After surgery, he will undergo another scope.

**Virginia Short** will be having a stress test and heart cath.

## Shut-Ins / Long Term Prayers

**Juanita Brunner** (shut-in); **Polly Burchfield** (shut-in); **Pam Dowty** (Ronnie's Sutton's sister, Parkinson's), **Cindy Dussia** (chemo), **Robert Ewing** (GayLee's brother, bone & liver cancer), **Moe Handy** (arthritic pain), **Rex Hembree** (Della's brother, lung cancer), **Marilyn Hiser** (radiation), **Martin Julian** (shut-in); **Sharon Lasiter** (cancer treatments), **Noah & Gay Logsdon** (shut-in); **Terry Morgan** (Huesman's brother-in-law, radiation - bladder cancer), **Andy Mytides** (Cindy Davis's friend, kidney failure), **Juanita Rodman** (dementia); **Anthony Ross** (Gay Logsdon's nephew, dialysis), **Vonnie Stonebraker** (Sowder's neighbor, chemo - colon cancer), **Barb Surber** (shut-in); **Nancy Vermillion** (Burris' friend, breast cancer), **Delbert Vibbert** (Lougene's nephew, COPD), **Don & Mary Walton** (shut-in).

## Daily Bible Reading Plan

Sunday, July 28	Isaiah 27-30
Monday, July 29	Isaiah 31-33
Tuesday, July 30	Isaiah 34-36
Wednesday, July 31	Isaiah 37-39
Thursday, Aug 1	Isaiah 40-42
Friday, Aug 2	Isaiah 43-46
Saturday, Aug 3	Isaiah 47-50



## Celebrations This Week

### Birthday

30 – Marsha Lowes

2 – Ed Tichenor

### Anniversary

None to Report



## Morning Glories' Ministry

The next brunch for our ladies will be on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am in the fellowship hall. All women are invited to join them for a time of fellowship, food, and a devotional.



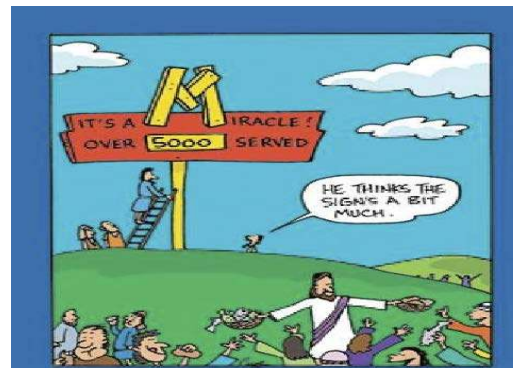
## Love Feast

### Pitch-in / Potluck Fellowship

Please make plans to join us on Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup> and invite someone along. We are asked to bring our favorite covered dish (meat or side) and/or dessert to share. We will eat immediately following worship.

## Ladies' Inspiration Day

The Metro Church of Christ would like to all our women to their ladies' inspiration day on August 17<sup>th</sup>. Registration will be from 8:45-10AM. Their program will begin at 10am. The topic for the day will be "Intentional Love, One for Another!" Speaker will be Tamica Flowers. If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia Middlebrook (317) 679-1273 or by email: MIDDLE5259@gmail.com



## Meditation of God's Word

### Be Still, God Reigns

*Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.* (Psalm 46:10)

Most scholars believe this psalm was composed in the aftermath of God's delivering the Israelites from Sennacherib's army. This deliverance occurred after the siege of Jerusalem that ended when the angel of the Lord killed 185,000 Assyrian soldiers in one night. However, this psalm moves beyond the local situation that may have inspired it, to universal principles as its words speak to individuals to have faith in God's protecting hand and ample resources.

Verses 1-3 speaks of God having power over the forces of nature. Because of technology is so advanced, news of earthquakes, hurricanes, floods, and other tragedies reach our ears instantly. We live in the face of grim reality, often seeing innocent people victimized by terrible events. Yet God has ultimate control of these forces. He limits them, allowing them to go so far and no farther. The important fact is that when we have a relationship with God, we can face even the possibility of world catastrophe with firm faith.

Verses 4-7 refer to the city of Jerusalem, where God's temple presided. In it were the religious symbols that had served as a unifying force for the nation. We understand that God protects His Word, the Bible. How else can one explain its existence when so many have sought to destroy it throughout the centuries? God's people need to trust Him, continuing to believe in the integrity of His Word.

Verses 8-11 speaks of God's control over the entire warring world. What does a Christian do when he sees the nations of the world moving toward what seems to be inevitable war that will bring universal destruction to the human race? The psalmist declares the God makes wars to cease (vs. 9), yet wars continue to arise. We, as Christians, must realize peace can only come when one has peace in their hearts, and this comes only through Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Therefore, we take the message of Jesus to the lost, something that must have priority in our service to God. Finally, however, we must live with an attitude of trust, doing all that we can do but leaving the rest in God's hands. This is what the Lord meant when he said, "*Be still, and know that I am God*" (vs. 10).

When the psalmist said, "Be still," he was speaking comfort to the harassed, but he also had another audience in mind, his message was for the restless and turbulent world. His statement was more than mere assurance to God's people, he wanted to make it clear that God's glory would be manifested. God will stand victorious. Since this is true, God's people can rejoice and be happy. If God is for us, who can be against us?

....Ronnie Hewitt