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## Thoughts About Elders & Deacons

### ELDERS

Carl Burrus  
 Jesse Byers  
 Bobby Hill

### EVANGELIST

Benjamin Williams

### PRISON MINISTER

Bill Hamrick

### DEACONS

Matt Caldwell  
 Bruce Rothell

### SECRETARY

Karen Brown

*The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil. Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus. (1 Tim. 3:1-13)*

The traits of character prescribed for an Elder are numerous, and when considered as a whole, they present a very rare combination. When it is said that an overseer must be *blameless*, we must of necessity understand the term in a comparative, not an absolute sense. No man is entirely blameless when his character stands a fair comparison with the characters of other good men. If a man possessing a good repute among them who are without, is known to have a character corresponding to this, he is blameless in the only sense in which men in the flesh can be blameless.

*adapted from The Eldership by J. W. McGarvey (1870)*

The Holy Spirit has described the qualifications of elders in the first letter to Timothy and in that to Titus. None are perfect in their character. So none will have in perfection these qualifications laid down – that is, all will possess them in a human way. When the Holy Spirit requires qualifications, he specifies them as they develop themselves and exist among men, not as they exist among angels. The man who expects perfection among men is an impractical visionary. God does not expect it. When he says they must be blameless, he means they are blameless as weak human beings. Acknowledge your own and your fellow men's humanity, your liability to err; get clear of the foolish idea that men with faults and human weaknesses are unfitted for the service of God. He adapted his service to and for weak men liable to err.

*from Questions Answered by David Lipscomb (1921)*

### SUNDAY

Bible Classes for All Ages 9:30 am  
 Morning Worship Assembly 10:30 am  
 Evening Worship Assembly 5:00 pm

### WEDNESDAY

Bible Classes for All Ages 7:00 pm

## ARCHAEOLOGY



Archaeologists in Israel have found sling stones at several sites. The stones are about the size of a modern tennis ball. Ancient slings were made of two long pieces of leather with a leather pocket or pouch in the middle. The slinger would wind-up in an underhand style (like a softball pitcher) and release one end of the sling to propel the stone towards its target. The stone would leave the sling at 60 miles per hour, and expert slingers could hit a man at 400 yards (almost a quarter of a mile). David had practiced long hours as a shepherd and used his talent to bring the giant Goliath down. Interestingly, a group of stones were found at a site in the territory of the Israelite tribe of Benjamin, a tribe well known for its elite corps of left-handed slingers (Judges 20:15-16; 1 Chron 12:2) (from the book *Amazing Discoveries that unlock the Bible* page 29)

The Bible needs no corroborative evidence to verify its truth, but it is interesting to note that no scientific or archeological find has ever disproved a single word of scripture, and many, many findings have attested to its historical and scientific accuracy.

## CLEVELAND



Cleveland is hosting an Area Wide Singing Saturday, April 6th from 6:00-8:00 pm. We will be taking the van and will leave the building at 5:00 pm and return about 9:00 pm.

- If you would like to ride the van please sign the sheet posted on the bulletin board.
- If you would like to **lead** a song please sign the sheet posted on the bulletin board under the heading song leaders. **Need this info ASAP!**
- Cleveland's Spring meeting is April 7th-10th. There is a second sign up sheet if you would like to ride in the van on Monday evening April 8th to their meeting. (The van will need to leave here about 6:00 pm)

### Saturday, April 6th

Area Wide Singing at Cleveland 6:00-8:00 pm

### Sunday—Wednesday, April 7th-10th

Meeting at Cleveland church of Christ

### Sunday, April 14th

Elder's and Deacon's meeting at 3:30

### Sunday, April 28th

Fellowship Meal - group Byers

### Sunday, June 2nd

Ladies meeting 3:30 pm

### Sunday—Saturday, June 9th-15th

Frog Road camp session

### Wednesday - Friday, July 24th-26th

Vacation Bible School - "Daniel"

**upcoming**  
work dinners  
**events** fellowship  
retreats picnics games parties meetings parties

## IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

- At this writing we have no one in the hospital.
- **Our friends and family:** Dan & Edna Jones; Shelia Byers (cancer); Suzanne Stamps; Leola Harmon (stroke); Rob Swaim (head injury); Natalie Kilgore; many others.
- **Service men and women:** Brian and Amber Hunt; Cameron Hill (son of Robert & Marcia).

## MEN

The April Worship Assignment sheet is in the foyer.

## NEED A RIDE?

If you would like to ride the van to church services please sign the sheet posted on the bulletin board. Also include a current phone number.

## VAN DRIVERS

If you would like to drive the van to pickup some of our older members for church services please sign the sheet posted on the bulletin board. This will be on a rotation and we will work with your work schedule or vacation time; we will try and be as flexible as we can. This includes both men and women. So ladies do not exclude yourselves!

## March Wind

March wind is a jolly fellow;  
He likes to joke and play.  
He turns umbrellas inside out  
And blows men's hats away.

He calls the lilies 'n daisies  
And whispers in each ear,  
"Wake up you lazy little seeds;  
Don't you know that spring is here?"



## CAMPERS

Camp applications are available in the foyer for those who are interested (must be returned by May 13th!). Faith Week is June 9th-15th.



## YOU ARE INVITED...

The children of Oleta Exendine would like to invite you to Oleta's 90th birthday party! Saturday, March 30th in the fellowship hall from 2:00 until 4:00. No gifts please, birthday cards would be appreciated. See flyer on bulletin board.



## RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

We are invited to a come-and-go reception honoring Vance and Darla Smith. It will be at the Oologah church of Christ today from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. No gifts please, cards are appreciated. See invitation on bulletin board.

## GRADUATES

It is time to start gathering information about our graduates. Who in our congregation is graduating this year? Do you have a family member that is graduating from high school, college, vo-tech, etc.? Let the office know and include a picture with the graduates information (student name, school, degree etc.) and we will try and put it on our 'graduates of 2013' page later this year. If you have any questions see Karen. Thanks!



## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Janice O'Shields, Mar 24  
Vickie Crawford, Mar 24  
Henry & Winnie Lack, Mar 24  
Hayden Bullinger, Mar 25  
Dan Jones, Mar 28

Alex Riggs, Mar 29  
Rob & Susan Kress, Mar 29  
Matthew Hamilton, Mar 30  
Elizabeth Hamilton, Mar 30  
Lindsey Bain, Mar 31

Oleta Exendine, April 2  
Rob Kress, April 3  
Betty Simmons, April 4  
Ian Hill, April 7  
Ryan Burcham, April 7

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## Attendance: Last Week

Sunday Bible Classes  
Sunday AM Worship  
Sunday PM Worship  
Wednesday Bible Classes

## Contribution

99 Sunday Contribution \$3,710.95  
122 Budget \$4,041.00  
86 Budget <\$716.42>  
89 Building Fund \$366,604.90

## Men To Serve

### Sunday Morning

Song Leader Jerry Buller  
Opening Prayer Darrell Burcham  
Closing Prayer Jerry O'Shields  
Scripture Reading Matt Caldwell  
Lord's Table Robert Hill  
Randy Crawford  
Jeff Bullinger  
Bob Simmons

### Ushers

Topper Causby  
Jack Lierly

### Lock Building

Bob Simmons; Jim Yeager

### Sunday Evening

Song Leader Randy Brown  
Opening Prayer Chris Patterson  
Closing Prayer Carl Burrus  
Scripture Reading Steve Estep

### Wednesday Evening

Opening Prayer Jack Lierly  
Closing Prayer Jerry O'Shields  
Song Leader Bobby Hill  
Invitation James Hamilton

## Communion Preparation

3/3 Marcia Riggs  
3/10 Shirley Hood  
3/17 Earline Lierly  
3/24 Cathy Burcham  
3/31 Rita Risley  
4/7 Marilyn Pulliam  
4/14 Stephanie Bullinger  
4/21 Janice O'Shields  
4/28 Shirley Hill

## Next Quarterly Ladies Meeting

Sunday, June 2nd  
3:00 pm

## EAT THIS BOOK READINGS

3/24 Num 29-30; Ps 77; Jn 19  
3/25 Num 31; Ps 78:1-39; Jn 20-21  
3/26 Num 32; Ps 78:40-72; Act 1  
3/27 Num 33-34; Ps 79; Act 2  
3/28 Num 35-36; Ps 80; Act 3  
3/29 Dt 1; Ps 81; Act 4  
3/30 Dt 2-3; Ps 82; Act 5



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### Search Programs:

Mar 24—Must Do  
Mar 31—The New Covenant  
April 7 - The Church Jesus Built  
April 14 - Just A Christian

## Sunday Morning Sermon

Leadership: A Study of 1 Timothy 3  
1 Timothy 3:1

## Sunday Evening Sermon

Jesus, the Lamb King  
John 19:14-16