

2023
SET YOUR HEARTS ON THINGS ABOVE

Lessons from a Righteous Mother

Luke 1:13-17

Her Early Actions -

Walked _____ in the commandments of the Lord. (Luke 1:6)

Believed in the _____ of prayer. (Luke 1:13, 18)

Introduced her child to Jesus very _____. (while in the womb) (Luke 1:41-45)

Dedicated her son to the _____ before birth. (Luke 1:15; cf. 1:59)

Raised a _____ for the Lord. (Luke 1:16-17)

The Essential Lessons She Taught -

Listen to and _____ God's Word. (Luke 3:2-6)

Recognize bad fruit, exercise caution and _____ it. (Matt. 3:7-9)

Stand for truth, even when _____. (Mark 6:17-20)

Live unconcerned and unmoved by the _____ of others. (Luke 7:33)

Be _____ and put Christ _____ in your life. (Luke 3:16; John 1:15,27,30; 3:30)

Point and _____ people to Jesus. (John 1:15, 26-27, 29-40; 3:26-36)

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SCHEDULE

Sunday
 Bible Classes for all ages 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday
 Bible Classes for all ages 6:30 p.m.

ELDERS AND STAFF

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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Bible Hour
 Ann Thompson

ELDER for May Eric Bliss
 LADIES COMMITTEE for May Ethel Johnson



MAY 14TH 2023

Order Of Worship

Song Leader: Russell Capshaw
 Welcome.....Eric Bliss

462 O For A Faith That Will Not Shrink
 687 'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus

Prayer.....Dale Brand

747 'Twas On That Hill

Lord's Supper.....Jerry Hopkins

209 He Knows Just What I Need

Offering.....Ryan Bliss

71 Blessed Assurance

Scripture Reading.....Dave Gastellum

Morning Service....."Lessons from a Righteous Mother".....
 Roy Senior

213 He Gave Me A Song
 627 The Gloryland Way

Closing Prayer.....Brian Donaghe

Evening Worship..... 5 PM

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
May 14th	Morning Class @ 9:30 AM Worship @ 10:30 AM Evening Worship @ 5 PM Mother's Day
17th	Evening Class @ 6:30 PM
20th	Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 AM Armed Forces Day



MONTHLY POTLUCK

Our monthly potluck is next Sunday. If you have any questions, please see Ethel Johnson. There will be a short devo following the potluck. If you have any questions, see on of the Elders. That will conclude services for the day.

A BIG THANK YOU

Laura Crownover thanks everyone for the love & prayers for her & her family over these past weeks. It was greatly appreciated. She asks that we continue to keep Joe, Linda & Ruthie in our prayers as they come out the other side of the trials they've been facing as of late.
We love you Laura!



THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Fear defeats more people than any other one thing in the world.

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Do not fear, for I am with you; do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.
~ Isaiah 41:10

-**Alora Cottam** asked for prayers Wednesday evening stating she is not able to cope with the loss of her son. Continued prayers for her for peace & that she might seek counsel from others who have been through the loss of a child to better equip her moving forward.

-**Ethel Johnson** was under the weather Wednesday evening. Please keep her in your prayers for swift healing.

-**Liz Thompson** asked for prayers for the **Norris** family. Her friend **Lori** passed away this past week after battling several health issues. Please keep the **Norris** family in your prayers.

-It was good to see **Jimmy Williams** Sunday morning. He continues to struggle with his health. Please keep him in your prayers as he works to regain his strength.

-Please keep **Robert Summers** in your prayers. He is now in the CCC. Please keep him & the **Donaghe family** in your prayers as they care for him.

-**Danny Donaghe** asked for prayers for his grandson **Noah**, who was in a bad ATV accident. Please keep him in your prayers.

-**Jan Hayes** reports that her son **Jerry Don** is waiting a bit to get stronger before his triple bypass surgery. Please keep him & the rest of the family in your prayers. Also, her daughter **Shawna** is done with Chemo & radiation & is waiting for tests to assess her condition. Please keep her in your prayers.

-**Shawn Johnson** asked for prayers for his friend **Ron**, who just lost his daughter after a lengthy illness. Please keep the family in your prayers.

-Please keep the **Bliss & Senior** families in your prayers as they are traveling.

-Please keep **Carol Quesnel** in your prayers. **Dale Donaghe** has seen her everyday this past week & she is not doing well in the CCC. Please keep her family in your prayers as well.

-Continued prayers for **our building & it's future**, the **Bridge House ministry** & the **Prayer Gram ministry**. May they continue to thrive!



ENCOURAGING WORDS

Happy Mother's Day

A few days ago, I was going thru some unused greeting cards that sit hidden in a desk draw, and I came across a Mother's Day Card that had been purchased by Anne for either my mom or mother-in-law. While reading its message, I realized that now I have a greeting card that can never be delivered—unless U.S. postal service can find a way to get it to eternity!

The more I've reflected on this undeliverable card, the more I've realized how it mirrors so much of life. We run into situations where we realize we can never again do what we intended. No matter how much we may want to, we can't hold on to the past. A loved one dies, and we grieve that we will never again hear their comforting, loving voice. Disease creeps in and robs us of the ability to do what we once enjoyed. An accident occurs, and in the blink of an eye, we lose some function that we took for granted. The word for these situations is *finality*.

"Finality" is a hard word to say. In fact, we spend a great deal of energy trying to find ways around it. We play the "if only" game—"If only I try harder, it might get better;" "If only I act better, maybe there's still a chance;" "If only I pray harder, he might make it." But even prayer won't change some situations. My mother is gone, and the most fervent prayer won't bring her back. What prayer will do, though, is help me to remember that life is short, and I need to live a life of love while I can. I'm reminded that I should be grateful for what I have now because it could be gone before next year's Mother's Day rolls around!

"Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." ...
Proverbs 31:25-30

So, love *now*. Enjoy *today*. Be grateful *this instant*. Squeeze every drop of joy from *each day*. Pray hard and love deeply. And if you can, make sure you wish your mom a Happy Mother's Day!

R. Senior