



Ed Cruce, Pastor  
 Harry Sims, Minister of Education & Evangelism  
 Lloyd Jones, Minister of Music

**DEACON ON CALL**  
 WEEK OF MARCH 10<sup>th</sup>  
 Jerry Bagwell  
 785-7291

**SECURITY PATROL**  
 AM-Johnny Handley  
 PM- Joe Hosmer,  
 Ron Thomas

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<b>Attendance March 3, 2013</b>	
Sunday School	85
Mission School	25
Shut Ins	25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>135</b>
Regular Offering \$	10888.50
Children's Home	20.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10908.50</b>

**SENIOR SPOT LIGHT**

Gayle Coshatt	Lee Owens
B'ham Nurs. & Rehab.	Legacy Nurs. Hm.
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**Week of Prayer for  
 North American Missions and  
 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering  
 March 3<sup>rd</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup>**

*Whatever it takes - Reaching the One*  
 WMU invites everyone to meet Monday 3/4, Tuesday 3/5 and Thursday 3/7 at 10 am for a Week of Prayer Meetings.

Thanks to everyone who helped with our Sunday night fellowship. Those who made a dessert, sandwiches, or brought chips & dip, you are appreciated. A special thanks to Sharon, Lynette, Charles, Sharlene, Bob, Amos, Ginny, Bonnie, Jackie, Ann & Bill for helping to set up, clean up, or any other job that needed doing. You are the best.

Love & Thanks, Barbara

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**BRO. ED'S EPISTLE** – *An angel of the Lord spoke to Philip: "get up and go south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." ...so he got up and went. Acts 8:26-27*

Our North American Missions emphasis this year is "whatever it takes", and focuses on Philip's obedience. He left a great revival movement in Samaria to go to a desert road where he met one man, the Ethiopian eunuch. Although he had only one convert on the road, history tells us that he opened Ethiopia to the gospel through that one convert. God always knows the direction we need to take to be most effective. May we adopt Philip's attitude and do whatever it takes to reach our nation for Jesus.

It is a joy to serve as your pastor. I look forward to worship and fellowship with you this week.

**LLOYD'S LINES**- "Have a nice day." That's the greeting I get from time to time from Wal Mart Greeters. I recently read the Norman Vincent Peals booklet a recipe he gave to a friend who was having a difficult time. I liked it so I share it with you today. He wrote the prescription and this is what he said.

- 1) Upon waking each morning, say this first thing: "This is the day that the Lord hath made and I will rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)
  - 2) Do some vigorous exercise.
  - 3) Every morning say "With the Lord's help this will be a great day. Read from the four Gospels a Chapter and visualize Jesus as a friend walking with you.
  - 4) If possible take a short walk.
  - 5) Before you do any work, repeat the following: "They that wait upon the Lord, shall renew their strength, mount up with wings as eagles, they shall walk and not faint. (Isa. 40:21)
  - 6) At noon thank the Lord for the day; practice feeling confident the He is guiding you in every decision.
  - 7) When you get into bed, thank the Lord for the day. Put your decisions into His Hands and repeat "This is the rest with which you may cause the weary to rest and this is refreshing." (Isa. 28:12)
- So with that "Have a Nice Day" and thanks so much for your love and prayers for me during this time of my heart attack and heart surgery. And just remember . . .  
 "God loves you and so do I."  
 SING-cereiv. Bro. Llovd (Prov. 3:5&6)

**HARRY'S HEARTBEAT**- A Story is told about a traveler touring Europe. He was visiting a famous shrine in the Italian Alps. A path led up to the hillside, trampled by the feet of thousands of other tourists. Along the way were the "Stations of the Cross," and at the end of the well worn path was a large outdoor Crucifix.

It was quite clear that most of the people who came to view the shrine stopped at the Crucifix. However, the tourist then noticed another grass covered trail leading on up the hill. Curious, he continued to press on up the hill through the undergrowth, and a few yards farther he found another shrine, the representation of the empty tomb. It was neglected and overgrown with brush.

It was apparent that most of the tourists stopped too soon and missed the greatest story ever told. HE LIVES!!!

How true to life this story is today. Too many people start the path to serving a risen Savior only to stop along the way and not do as Paul said in Philippians 3:14. "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." We all wear our jewelry of the Cross, but have you ever worn or seen someone displaying a symbol of the empty Tomb???

That might offend someone and the A.C.L.U. and Supreme Court would challenge it. See you Sunday.  
 I Love You, Harry



**60 Day Prayer & Devotion - Feb 27<sup>th</sup> – April 27<sup>th</sup>**  
*Seeking God through prayer for revival and spiritual awakening across our state.*

**Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 10**  
**Move your clock forward one hour before you go to bed Saturday Night**