

"The Hands Of Time"

*"Life is a book in volumes three -
The past, the present, and the yet-to-be.
The past is written and laid away,
The present we're writing every day,
And the last and best of volumes three
Is locked from sight - God keeps the key."*

Author Unknown



March is here and that means several things to me; my wife's birthday (better not forget that one), Easter is right around the corner, and warmer weather is on the way. This year, early in the morning of Sunday March 14th, Daylight Saving Time begins. As you know, on the second Sunday of March every year we "spring forward" one hour, losing a precious hour of time.

I know we don't actually *lose* time but I find it interesting that the older I get the faster time seems to fly. And the thought of "springing forward" this month and losing another precious hour doesn't seem as exciting to me as it once may have.

The Bible tells us in Psalm 90: 10a, "The length of our days is seventy years—or eighty, if we have the strength ...". And in the book of James 4: 14 we're reminded; "What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes."

It's not my intention to wax nostalgic in this article but I leave you with a question; How can you best be used in the time you have left for Him? You have opportunities to share His love with others all around you every day. Don't let another hour slip by without sharing with someone what your Savior did for you. Just tell someone about Jesus somehow today.

On March 14th we "spring forward" and another hour will slip by so let's make the most of it and live our life to the utmost for Christ.

Blessings,

Lindsay

Supplies Needed for Amazon Mission Trip in Brazil

Eyedrops (Common tears for dry eyes)
Calamine lotion
Pregnancy tests
Dandruff shampoo
Children's vitamins (NO gummies)
Travel-Size soap, lotion and shampoo
Thin washcloths
Matchbox type cars
For other types of toys, etc. to distribute,
contact Karen Stipes (552-0487)

**Donations may be brought to
the church by April 1.**

"Discovering Belmont" Luncheon

You're Invited:

All new families and those who are not yet members at Belmont!
Lunch will be provided.

When:

Sunday, April 11, 11:00 am—12:30 pm

Where:

Fellowship Hall

What We'll Discuss:

Thoughts about our Ministry at Belmont—
"Who We Are"
"What We Believe"
"Why We Are Here"
And More!

RSVP:

Please mark the box on the tear-off portion of the bulletin and include the number in your family that will attend!

"Everything you've always wanted"

Beginning Date Change!!

GRIEF SHARE® Support Group

Grief recovery is a painful process and we want to help. The 13-week video seminar, called GriefShare, will be offered at Belmont at 6:00 pm on Thursdays, beginning **APRIL 1**.

Contact Brenda Arnold (382-9240) or the church office if you have questions.



It's a Baby Shower!
Honoring Holly Murden
Saturday, March 20
11:00 am in the
Fellowship Hall

Holly is registered at Target!

There are times when I wish my memory was better. Usually I want a better memory when I see someone in a store and I'm carrying on a conversation with them, but can't remember their name. Other times I want a better memory when I'm trying to recall a piece of information or a Scripture reference that will help someone. While I wish my memory was better, there are many things I wish I could forget. I don't want to remember the words I've said in anger. I don't want to remember the times I disobeyed God, even when I knew better. I don't want to remember the times I've hurt those I care about. And I'm sure I've forgotten many other sins I've committed.

There's a woman named Jill Price who has a rare condition doctors call "superior autobiographical memory." Jill can recall in vivid detail every day of her life since age fourteen. Experts at the University of California studied her for six years to confirm her ability. If you've ever wished you had a better memory, you might want to reconsider. Jill views it as a blessing and a curse. She has warm memories that comfort her in difficult times, but there's also a dark side. She recalls every bad decision, every insult, and every excruciating embarrassment. Over the years, Jill said, the memories have eaten her up. She feels paralyzed and assaulted by them. And a peaceful night's sleep is rare.

We all want to think of ourselves as basically good people. But we can believe that delusion only because we forget most of our past decisions and actions. But what if we remembered them perfectly, in vivid detail? Well, God does, but there are two passages of Scripture that give me tremendous comfort. The first is Romans 5:8, "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." And the second is Psalm 103:12, "as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us." God knows every sin you've committed, but Jesus still died for you and through his sacrifice, your sins have been separated from you as far as the east is from the west. What great news! What a great God! – Jerry

MARCH ACTIVITIES

- 2 Room 105 Reserved (Evening)
- 5 Room 105 Reserved (Evening)
- 5 Fellowship Hall Reserved (Evening)
- 6 Fellowship Hall Reserved (All Day)
- 7 Small Group Open Forum and Luncheon—12:15 pm
Fellowship Hall
- 12 50+ Ministry—Heritage Hall & Kroontje Center—9:30 am
- 14 Daylight Savings Time Begins!! *Spring Forward*
- 16 Room 105 Reserved (Evening)
- 17 Bodybuilders D-Groups Kickoff Cookout—6:00 pm
At Patsy Duncan's
- 19 50+ Ministry Quarterly Birthday Dinner—5:30 pm
Fellowship Hall
- 19 Room 105 Reserved (Evening)
- 19-21 11th Grade Convention—Spring Retreat
Johnson Bible College— Leaving at 1:00 pm, Friday
- 20 Baby Shower for Holly Murden—11:00 am
Fellowship Hall
- 21 *Heritage* A Capella Singing Group from Milligan—6:00 pm
- 23 50+ Ministry Day Trip & Lunch—8:00 am
- April 1** GriefShare Sessions begin—6:00-9:00 pm
- 3 1,000 Egg Hunt—All Kids through 5th Grade—11:00 am
- 4 Easter Sunday Services

JANUARY/FEBRUARY STATISTICS

	<u>31</u> *	<u>7</u> *	<u>14</u>	<u>21</u>
8:30 Worship	N/A	N/A	92	108
9:45 Worship	N/A	210	185	182
11:00 Worship	N/A	145	147	120
Children's Church	N/A	N/A	<u>67</u>	<u>30</u>
Total	N/A	355	491	440
Sunday School	N/A	N/A	209	220

*—Inclement Weather

General Fund Offering.....	\$36,526
<i>General Fund Monthly Goal</i>	\$28,560
Vision Fund Offering	\$2,645
<i>Vision Fund Monthly Goal</i>	\$8,803
Missions Fund Offering	\$8,540
<i>Missions Fund Monthly Goal</i>	\$7,550
Offering totals from 2/7-2/21	

New Decisions

Baptisms

- Finn Jennings—February 3
- Rowan Jennings—February 3
- Sydney Johnson—February 7
- Tanner Linkous—February 7
- Megan Cummins—February 7

Welcome to our church family!

Heritage

Milligan College's
Premier A Capella Group

The group will be at Belmont
for a special performance on
Sunday, March 21, at 6:00 pm,
in the auditorium.

Blue Ridge Christian Camp has NEW Bunk
Beds...now they need to purchase new
mattresses.

Interested in helping?

Contact BRCC (693-9147) or Wes Fenton
(wes.fenton@gmail.com) to find out how!

Scripture Reading Schedule for March

AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
3/1 Numbers 25-27	Mark 8:11-38	3/12 Deut. 17-19	Mark 14:1-25	3/23 Joshua 9,10	Luke 3
3/2 Numbers 28,29	Mark 9:1-29	3/13 Deut. 20-22	Mark 14:26-50	3/24 Joshua 11-13	Luke 4:1-32
3/3 Numbers 30,31	Mark 9:30-50	3/14 Deut. 23-25	Mark 14:51-72	3/25 Joshua 14,15	Luke 4:33-44
3/4 Numbers 32,33	Mark 10:1-31	3/15 Deut. 26,27	Mark 15:1-26	3/26 Joshua 16-18	Luke 5:1-16
3/5 Numbers 34-36	Mark 10:32-52	3/16 Deut. 28	Mark 15:27-47	3/27 Joshua 19,20	Luke 5:17-39
3/6 Deut. 1,2	Mark 11:1-19	3/17 Deut. 29,30	Mark 16	3/28 Joshua 21,22	Luke 6:1-26
3/7 Deut. 3,4	Mark 11:20-33	3/18 Deut. 31,32	Luke 1:1-23	3/29 Joshua 23,24	Luke 6:27-49
3/8 Deut. 5-7	Mark 12:1-27	3/19 Deut. 33,34	Luke 1:24-56	3/30 Judges 1,2	Luke 7:1-30
3/9 Deut. 8-10	Mark 12:28-44	3/20 Joshua 1-3	Luke 1:57-80	3/31 Judges 3-5	Luke 7:31-50
3/10 Deut. 11-13	Mark 13:1-13	3/21 Joshua 4-6	Luke 2:1-24		
3/11 Deut. 14-16	Mark 13:14-37	3/22 Joshua 7,8	Luke 2:25-52		

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1	Sharon Honaker	18	Todd Joyce
1	Aileen Gilmore	18	Jerry Dowdy
1	Wesley Joyce	18	Kayla Smith
1	Betty Dickson	22	Daniel Harless
2	Wanda Keith	22	Montana Hill
2	Gerry Vanhoozier	22	Johnnie Self
3	Ashlen Burch	22	Joey Conrad
4	Owen Jones	26	Alyson Witten
6	David Gregory	26	Waynette Harris
7	Lois Crawford	26	Rebecca Poe
7	Viola Howery	27	Crystal Johnston
7	Mike Meadows	27	Brad Hill
8	Donald Strock	28	Teasie Snavelly
8	Tom Murphy	28	Mary Lee Carroll
11	Levi Skinner	28	Robin Dowdy
11	Mike Gaudreau	29	Wendy Strock
11	Peyton Mowry	29	Bill Dowdy
13	Wendy Ellis	31	Brenda Griffith
16	Alex Parrish	31	Kelsie Groseclose
17	Verna Price		

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

7	Edgar (Bobby) & Alice Sutphin
19	Marlon & Waynette Harris
29	Bill & Jane Mashburn

Upcoming 50+ Ministry Events

Friday, March 12—Heritage Hall & Kroontje Center—9:30 am

Friday, March 19—Quarterly Birthday Dinner—5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall: purchase tickets for \$12.40 each by March 14.

Tuesday, March 23—Day Trip & Lunch—8:00 am



Easter Sunday Services—April 4th

Sunrise Service, Breakfast & Three Worship Services
Check the bulletin for specific times & info!



Daylight Savings Time Begins March 14!!

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"Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the Highest!"

Palm Sunday
March 28