

HIGHWAY 32 MESSENGER



Highway 32 Church of Christ

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Elders

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Sunday Bible Class	10:00AM
Sunday Morning Assembly	11:00AM
Sunday Evening Assembly	6:00PM
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00PM

Privileged to Serve

Announcements:	Frank Glover
Song Leader:	Bruce Curfman
Lord's Table:	Lowell Smith Colin Humphries Don Salisbury Les Smith
Opening Prayer:	Alan Springer
Sermon:	Tom Mayes
Closing Prayer:	Aaron Humphries
PM Song Leader:	David Turpin

Attendance

	Last Week	Week Before
Sun. Bible	**	40
Morn. Assembly	**	83
Sun Eve.	**	**
Wednesday	08	**
Contribution:	\$3283.00	\$2995.00



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Don't think less of yourself

One passage that might cause you to smile is Numbers 12:3, ***"Now the man Moses was very humble, more than any man who was on the face of the earth."*** Didn't Moses write the book of Numbers? How could he be humble and at the same time declare his humility? Well, Moses wrote the Torah but evidence shows that God used others to give us our final copy. Perhaps a high priest, perhaps Joshua. But even if Moses wrote that, I don't believe it cancels his humility before God. I think perhaps we need to get a God centered definition of humility and not a man centered view.

Scripture says, ***"Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you."*** James 4:10. Before God we are nothing. After all, everyone falls short of God's glory. All of us depend on grace and I need my Savior. Once I keep that thought before me, it changes how I treat others. Paul tells us, ***"Therefore from now on we recognize no one according to the flesh..."*** 2 Cor. 5:16. Do not evaluate people by earthly standards but look at each soul through the eyes of the cross of Christ. The blessings we have are not for boasting but for giving thanks. And we give thanks to God through using God's blessings, wealth, strength, knowledge, skills or talents for the good of others.

"So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; ¹³bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you." Col. 3:12-13.

Godly humility has nothing to do with confidence, boldness or courage. If you are the smartest person in the room, you may know it walking in. If you are the one with wisdom and insight, you should not deny that. Of course maybe you only think you are the smartest or wisest. Such is not a problem with confidence but blind arrogance. In humility, a wise man listens and that smart person is always hoping to learn. In humility the strong man lifts up and the talented serve. Godly humility first and foremost bows in reverence to God Almighty. Not just on Sunday morning but daily as we seek God's guidance from God's word. We pray humbly before the Creator of the universe. Moses was leading more than a million people, yet Moses above all others bowed in heart and soul before the Lord. His humility and love for the Lord is seen in 40 years of reaching out even to those who were obstinate. Moses' humility meant that he never gave up and quit. No one prayed for God's people like Moses. No one served and loved like Moses. His example continues to this day.

Of course the most humble of all is Jesus Christ, God in the flesh. Christ Himself declares: ***"...for I am gentle and humble in heart..."*** Matt. 11:29.

So I have heard this saying that seems to help: ***"don't think less of yourself, but think about yourself less."*** Maybe that is the key we need to focus upon. And isn't that exactly what Colossians 3 is saying? Focus on the needs of others, be compassionate, kind, gentle and patient. Take your expertise or talent and serve others. Don't make yourself the focus of some egotistical spotlight. Serve in a way that people feel loved, lifted up, and needed.

Remember, it's not all about you, its all about serving and blessing the one God has brought into your presence. We bear one another's burdens (Gal. 6). So just cancel that spotlight that focuses on you, your pride or your pity. Don't think less of yourself but please think about yourself less.

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Welcome to Highway 32 Church,

We are a group of Christians worshipping God according to the Teaching in the New Testament. May we all worship our loving Father today with sincere hearts, open and receptive to His Spirit and His love.

September Teachers

Cradle Roll - Jessica Mayes
Pre-K-K - Melody/Libby
2nd-6th - Sue Curfman

Sunday Morning Adult classes:

Frank Glover

Wed. Eve. 7:00 pm – Don Salisbury



September Teacher
Debbie Colonel

Note: Children will go to Bible Hour during the song before the morning lesson.



September Building & Communion
Marc/Sue/Bruce

Zoom Meetings – Zoom meeting (2 Corinthians) every Thursday 7pm.
See Sue for the link if you would like to participate.

Announcements:

Prayers:

Keith Pennington had another rough week but he is back home recovering.

Howard Basham is at Otterbein in Batavia for rehab. And is doing much better.

Christian Help Center - The specified item for September will be **Oatmeal**
Any questions see Debbie Colonel.

Annual Ladies Day will be Saturday September 12th. Ladies please sign up on the bulletin board in the lobby for a side dish for our special day.

Mark your Calendars for a **Group Picture** for Highway 32 Church members Sunday September 20th.

Potluck luncheon for the month of September will be the 13th.

September Birthdays

9/2 Rebecca Shafer & Margo Stith
9/4 David Turpin & Steve Wright
9/4 Chryl Larbes
9/5 Marc Curfman
9/12 Nancy Salisbury & Ashton Hutchinson
9/13 Farryl Atkins
9/17 Elizabeth Schunk
9/23 Sheila Gelter & Ron Carter
9/24 LaShanda Smith
9/27 Lorelei Mayes & Dominyck
9/30 Lowell Smith

September Anniversaries

9/11 Marvin/Wanda Pennington
9/12 Jim/Laura Hutchings
9/17 Aaron/Tanya Humphries

Continue to Remember: Mark Book, Karen Smith, Carol Basham, Bob/Mary Parker, Lynn Prickett, Steve Cummins, and our church family.

"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."