

The Brighton Light

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JUNE 2012: An upside down world. "Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; who put bitter sweet, and sweet for bitter. Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight." (Isaiah 5:20&21)

Over 40 or so years basic moral and Christian principles have been usurped by radical secularism. You may ask; "Why has this taken place?" But, is it really so hard to understand? The prophet Jeremiah was sent to the Kingdom of Judah to warn them that if they did not repent and turn from their wickedness, God would use their hated enemy, Babylon to punish them. They continued to go their own way and would not listen, so they were conquered and were sent into exile. I believe that God has been giving these warnings to us. But, we have not listened and still are not listening.

Over the same time frame, many denominations have so strayed from God's word they are not able to distinguish between truth and falsehood, between holiness and wickedness. Many outright deny God's word or say it was written for that time and culture in order to justify sinful choices or sinful lifestyles. Has God's word changed?

For whatever reason, God's people have kept silent too long. Maybe we have allowed family, friends or party ties to keep us making a firm stand for God's truth, His word. As the Christian family goes down the drain, so goes our nation. It is becoming more and more difficult to speak out for the truth and righteousness because laws have already been enacted which have seriously restricted religious freedom and free speech. Do we not see this as but first steps to a road from which there may be no return? Hitler knew that he had to gain control of church in Germany in order to gain the hearts of the German people, and most all who opposed him were never heard from again.

I do not want to sound like a doomsday prophet, but I would be less than a watchman on the tower if I did not raise my voice of warning. I take seriously Ezekiel 3:17-21 where God warns the watchman that he will be held accountable if he does not warn the people. As in the days of Ezekiel, Jeremiah and Isaiah there are those who would have us keep our mouths shut and keep Christianity behind closed doors.

The erosion of basic moral and Christian principles was not an overnight happening or many would have opposed what was taking place. No, this process started slowly and has gradually picked up momentum to the point where the Biblical picture of the family is no longer the norm. I do praise God that some 31 states have made marriage between one man and one woman a part of these state's constitutions. The enemy of the soul is relentless and ruthlessly seeking to destroy the things of our God. However, let us be reminded that our Lord God is almighty. The Lord Jesus defeated Satan and his dominion on the cross. Our God is an awesome and great God.

We have given the enemy too much ground. It is time to recover what is not his! It is time for God's people to stand for holiness and righteousness! Too long have we been intimidated by the enemy and I say no more! If a small band of believers turned the world right side up, think what we can do. God is calling out His men to commit ourselves to our families, our church and our nation. Be strong in Lord my brothers!

God's blessing upon us all, Meredith!

SERMON SCRIPTURE SELECTIONS FOR THE MONTH:

June 3	Isaiah 5:13-26 "An Upside Down World"
June 10	Guest Pastor – Andy Coburn ""
June 17	Matthew 23:13-28 "Matters of the Heart"
June 24	Jeremiah 50:2-8;17-20 "God's Preserving Power"

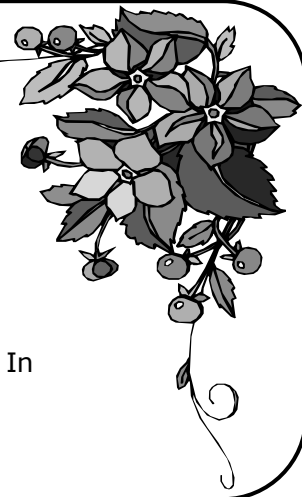


SICK AND SHUT INS:

Bennett, Mary Frances	Locke, Ann
Billings, Mel Sr	Locke, Mike
Boswell, Mike	Lupinsky, Logan
Boswell, Rick	McCormick, Julia
Brown, Don	Miller, Jason
Bundy, Pam	Miller, Jeff
Cavin, Henry	Moncla, Luke
Culver, Michael	Moore, Martha Lou
Curtis, Cooper	Moss, Charlie
Dungy, Louise	Motes, Cindy
Fletcher, John	Otis, Mike
Frazier, Betty	Patrick, Carolyn
Goulder, Helen	Rhodes, Geraldine
Griffin, Melanie	Sanders, Laura
Harpe, Karen Cavin	Sigmon, Jaime
Hill, Dana	Smith, Sarah
Hodges, Doris	Starnes, Cecil
Huffman, Linda	Walter, Joshlin
Krull, Lucy	Welch, Jack
Legler, Don	McCain, Lisa
Lewis, Adam	Pugh, Kaleb
Lineberger, Rachael	Wells, Verlie

FLOWERS FOR THE MONTH

Harriet Linderman



June 10	Molly Anne Heath In Honor of Ms. Barbara Heath
June 17	Huffman family In Memory of Mr. N. L. Huffman
June 24	Richard Moore Family In Honor of Mrs. Leslie Alsbrook



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

June 16	Mr. and Mrs. John Scott
June 17	Dr. and Mrs. Meredith Cavin
June 18	Mr. and Mrs. Terry Goulder
June 23	Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Goulder



NURSERY ATTENDANTS

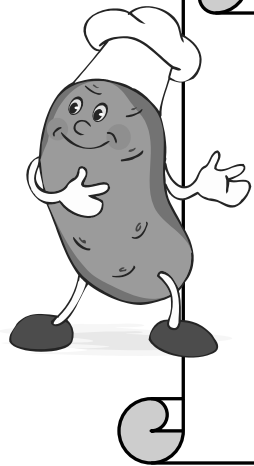
June 3	Stephanie Moore
June 10	Amanda Heath
June 17	Margarette Alsbrook
June 24	Rhonda Goulder

CHILDRENS SERMON – June

June 3	- Margarette Alsbrook
June 10	- Denise Moore
June 17	- John Moore
June 24	- Julia Moore

~June~

Month of Birthdays, Weddings & Anniversaries. Count the number of birthdays you, your spouse & your children have celebrated. Put in a penny for each & take note of the number --- how great!!!



Menu for June/July

No Suppers or Family
Nights for the Summer!

Have a wonderful and Safe
Summer.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1	Dana Walker	13	Ruth Anne
3	Rachel Lynn Goulder		Goulder
6	Laura Sanders	17	Shelley Legler
	Zane Hill		Stephanie Moore
7	Barbara Heath	18	Louise Dungy
	Mary Frances Bennett	22	Alexi Starnes
	Susan Cavin	23	Carolyn Sides
8	Amanda Trotter	24	Shane Maxwell
	Robert Rhodes	25	Faye Smith
	Richard Cannon	30	Leslie Alsbrook
11	Colton Boswell		Marlee Smith
	Jerry Molder		Sara Griffin
12	Christi Miller		

PLEASE NOTE: If you have any ideas or suggestions for the church website, please contact Chris Gravley, webmaster, at 901-674-3851 or e-mail at chris_gravley@bellsouth.net.

THE DEACON OF THE MONTH is Alton Woods. If you have any requests for the deacons, please contact Alton at 901-837-8950.

INFORMATION NEEDED! We need information for the Brighton Light. We would like to make the church newsletter more interesting and informative. If you have any news about you or your family or any suggestions or ideas, please contact the church secretary.

CONGRATULATIONS to Kaitlyn Moore who was the recipient of the 3rd annual Jerry Molder scholarship. Anna Hugues was the recipient of this scholarship in 2010.

CONGRATULATIONS to Michael Trotter who was selected for the Dixie Youth All-Star team. Way to go!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held on Sunday, June 24th – Thursday, June 28th this year. If you would like to help with VBS in any way, please contact Linda Boswell. Theme: "Adventures on Promise Island".

MVP CAMP NEWS: There will be a car wash on Saturday June 16th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the MVP Campers to raise money for camp. Please plan on supporting this event.

Or... If you think you would like to sponsor a camper to aid in the cost to send him/her to camp that would be greatly appreciated as well. Just make checks out to Brighton ARP Church and designate it to MVP CAMP

The cost of each camper is \$250.00 non-member and \$125.00 member. Any amount of sponsorship is accepted. Camp is July 16th – 21st. Please see Joanna Simonton for more information.

Thanks for supporting the Youth of our Church.

PLEASE NOTE: Don Legler's new address: 1833 Tucson Dr., Lewisville, TX 75077

PLEASE NOTE: Mission Trip is July 2-6 to French Camp. If you would like to attend please let Meredith know by June 17th.

PLEASE NOTE: We would like to put an additional page in the Brighton Light to give an update on the "**SICK AND SHUT IN LIST**". If you have added a family member or friend to the list please give me an update on them. Please write the information on paper so that I can have accurate information. You can either give to me, Meredith, a Deacon or an Elder or you can drop off in the office.