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JUNE 2015: 'The Lasting Results Of Our Heavenly Father's Imprint In Our Lives' "Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to that which is good. Therefore if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he thirsty, give him a drink; for in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head. Do not be overcome with evil, but overcome evil with good." (Romans 12:9, 20 &21)

We are in a day and age where evil, immorality and all sorts of wickedness are being pushed to the limit, where what is Godly, biblically sound and righteous are seen as out-dated and intolerant ideas. God through Isaiah has warns us; "Woe to those who call evil good and good evil; who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes, prudent in their own sight!" (Isaiah 5:20&21) When a person sees his or her self as the center of life, there is no limit to what this individual will go to fulfill this self-deceived thought process. It will be unbelievably easy to flip-flop things as Isaiah the prophet tells us. But, as Christians we have His power to live the life that will be pleasing to Him.

What the Apostle Paul tells us in these passages in Romans has been and is the road which every true believer (Christian) must walk. This is and will always be the walk which our advisory, Satan hates and does not want us have carried out in our lives. That is, to please our Lord and to put others first. Our heavenly Father knows that outside of Christ Jesus and the working of the Holy Spirit in His children's lives, this walk is impossible. My father taught his children "to treat others as I want to be treated". (Luke 6:31) But, all too often, this is easier said than done. I believe Paul was thinking of the teaching of Jesus in the Beatitudes; "But you have heard it was said..." "But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, that you may be sons of your heavenly Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:43-45a) My father sought to live this out where ever he was, at home, work or out shopping. Though he was not perfect, we saw him strive to a godly husband, father and man.

When our Lord God touches our lives, radical things begin to take place or should take place. If we have truly been converted this change will begin to take place as the Holy Spirit begins His sanctifying work in us. When I became a Christian my friends noticed something different about me. Many of these that I thought were my friends stopped being friends. Those Christians that I thought were 'goody two shoes' became friends, even to this day. It pleased my father greatly to see this change that began to take place. I think that my dad would have echoed the Apostle John; "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth." (2 John:4) It indeed gave him a joyful heart to see his four children dedicate their lives to Jesus. I miss the times I have had over the of years being with him, being able to call him to ask his advise on something which was bothering me.

Now, anyone who thinks it is easy to live out this kind of life, has not had someone get in your face and cuss you out for no reason that you think of. Or it may be a person who hates you for no good reason. This is the time you have to fight back the desire to give this person a good thrashing. Your Christ likeness will be tested. It is easy to give back what you have been given. It is completely another matter to act in the way that these passages show us, as Christians, how we must react. But, who knows, we may win a new brother or sister in the Lord Jesus. Give thanks for the godly men in our lives! Love, Meredith.

SERMON SCRIPTURE SELECTIONS FOR THE MONTH:

June 7	Romans 12:9-21 "The Transformed Life"
June 14	Mark 9:14-15 "Dealing With Unbelief"
June 21	Proverbs 3:1-7, 11 & 14 "Why is it Good to Listen"
June 28	Colossians 4:2-6 "Walk in Wisdom"

Prayer List:

Shut ins:

Bennett, Mary Frances	Moore, Martha Lou
Goulder, Gordon	Rhodes, Geraldine
Goulder, Helen	Smith, Mary Frances
Goulder, Bobbie	Trotter, June

Ill / Recovering

Jill McCain Gross	Cancer/Radiation
Wanda	Pat's sister - Chemo
Erick Cavin	Infant, Kidney
Ty Bryan	Infant, Heart Surgery
Sandy Williams	Huffman family - Cancer
Glenda Wilson	Bone Cancer
Taylor Hurdle	Child rare form MS
Charles Boswell	Cancer
Gwen Goulder	Breast Cancer
Richard Billings	Denise Dad Leukemia

Sick

Culver, Anthony	Locke, Mike
Culver, Michael	McCain, Pat
Curtis, Cooper	Moncla, Luke
Griffin, Melanie	Moss, Charlie
Hill, Dana	Otis, Mike
Hill, Joy	Patrick, Carolyn
Hubbard, Kristi	Pugh, Kaleb
Lewis, Adam	Stitt, Sam
Lineberger, Rachael	Tyler, Jean
	Wells, Whit

Military

Bornaman, Zachary	Heathman, Matthew
Donahoo, Tim	Hill, Debra
Dooley, Rod	Hunt, Boyce
Hair, Colton	Smith, Brad
Young III, Robert	
"Trip"	

Missionaries

Coad, Jim & Gala

FLOWERS FOR THE MONTH

Harriett Linderman Circle

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

June 14	<i>Mr. and Mrs. Tom Campbell</i>
June 16	<i>Mr. and Mrs. John Scott</i>
June 17	<i>Dr. and Mrs. Meredith Cavin</i>
June 18	<i>Mr. and Mrs. Terry Goulder</i>
June 23	<i>Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Goulder</i>

CHILDRENS SERMON

June 7	<i>Ashley Goulder</i>
June 14	<i>Nick Goudler</i>
June 21	<i>Julia Moore</i>
June 28	<i>Denise Moore</i>

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

June 7	Helen Woods
June 14	Stephanie Williams
June 21	Margarette Alsbrook
June 28	Amanda Heath

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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

Upcoming Events

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 Scotty Gladney. If you have any requests for the deacons, please contact Scotty at 901-828-5342.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – June 14th – 17th! “Son Spark Labs”

Sunday June 14 at 10 a.m. during Sunday School

Sunday - Thursday night 6:00 pm- 8:30 pm

Ages: Toddler – 5th grade, 6th – 8th & Adult Bible study available

Offerings:

Sunday Morning – Pennies

Tuesday Evening - Quarters

Sunday Evening – Nickles

Wednesday Evening - Dollars

Monday Evening - Dimes

MVP CAMP TIME! It's that time – time start making plans for MVP Camp held at Camp of the Rising Son in French Camp, MS. Date is July 20 to July 25 for Ages 8 – 18. Cost is \$260 for non church members and \$130 for members. THE YOUTH USUALLY RAISE MONEY TO OFFSET THE COST. If you would like to sponsor a child for camp any donations will be appreciated. Make checks payable to Brighton ARP Church. **NEED TO KNOW ASAP TO GET THE FORMS IN BY JUNE 29**

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a Retirement Luncheon for Meredith Sunday June 28 immediately after worship service. There will be a money tree available for those wishing to express their gratitude for his service to our church.

PLEASE NOTE: The Women's Ministries will serve dinner to the Hope Lodge on Tuesday June 2. We need volunteers to prepare the meal: Stroganoff, creamy corn, jello salad, rolls, sherbet and cookies. We will also need sweet & unsweet tea. If you would like to donate, please see Amanda Heath.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2015 GRADUATES: Michael Trotter, Dustin Woods, Holly Elston, and Will Kines.