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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES <u>SUNDAY</u>:

Bible Classes......9:45 a.m. Morning Worship......10:30 a.m. Evening Worship......6:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....7 p.m.

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WELCOME!

We of the Cambridge church of Christ invite you to all our services.

"...the churches of Christ salute you" (Romans 16:16).

FAITHFULNESS: A STAND FOR THE COVENANT 2 Kings 23:1-3

INTRODUCTION:

- 1. Josiah (2 Ki. 22-23; 2 Chr. 34-35) Last good King of Judah
- 2. Began seeking after God at 16 y/o (2 Chr. 34:3). The people needed a king who sought the God of Heaven (Jer. 3:6).
- 3. In yr. 18 of his reign, began repairing the temple, whereupon, Hilkiah found copy of "book of the Law" (2 Ki. 22:8).
 - A. Josiah greatly grieved when he hears the Law (which, for generations, they had not been faithful to).
 - B. Orders Hilkiah, Ahikam, Achbor, Shaphan and Asaiah to inquire of the LORD.
 - C. Jehovah says that since Josiah was humble and tender-hearted, these things will not come during his reign.
- 4. Josiah assembles all Judah and reads the entire Law to them and makes a (restores the) *covenant* with Jehovah (3).

I. THE PLEDGE (2 Ki. 23:1-3).

- A. Follow the Lord (<u>**Dt. 5:32-33**</u>):
- B. Keep His Commandments, Testimonies and Statutes: (Dt. 6:6-9).
- C. Perform the Words of The Covenant-
- D. Stand for The Covenant

II. THE PURGE 23:4-20, 24-25).

- A. Pagan Props (4, 6-7).
- B. Pagan Priests (5, 8-9).
- C. Pagan shrines (10-15, 19-20).
- D. Pagan prophets (16-18; cf. 1 Ki. 13:1-2).

III. THE PASSOVER (23:21-23).

- A. Keep the pattern (21).
- B. Keep it going (22): had been too long since the last Passover
- C. Keep it real (23): "This Passover was held"

IV. THE POINT (for us).

- A. Jesus Fulfilled that Particular Covenant
 - 1. He prophesied it (Mt. 5:17).
 - 2. He purposed it (Rom. 10:4).
 - 3. He completed it (Heb. 9:15).
- B. Jesus Gave Us His New Covenant (ibid).
- C. We Need to be like Josiah Where this New Covenant is Concerned.
 - 1. We must keep the pattern of the New Covenant in All Things (1 Cor. 15:2; 2 Tim. 1:13; Heb. 4:14; 10:23).
 - 2. We must keep His commandments obediently, faithfully, religiously (John 14:15; Rev. 22:14).
 - 3. We must perform the words of the covenant (Jas. 1:22; 4:17).

CONCLUSION:

- 1. We must take stand for the covenant:
- 2. Where do you stand?

AN INTRICATE UNITY

In the midst of Job's suffering agony as he endeavors to justify his complaints against, in his view, an unfair God, Job utters a phrase that captures the essence of human existence. As he extols the marvelous creation of mankind and acknowledges that it was, in fact, God who created everything, he says to God, "Your hands have made me, An intricate unity..." (Job 10:8).

The human body is a fascinating mechanism and conglomerate of working parts and various internal systems which operate second by millisecond to accomplish their designed tasks. Each system has a specific job and yet they operate codependently to sustain blood and oxygen flow with the various synapses firing with precision across neurotransmitters to keep the body animated and alive.

Depending on the calculation method, scientists estimate that the human body contains from 37 to 100 trillion cells—trillion, with a "t". Each of these cells contains 23 pairs of chromosomes; 22 of these are identical in males and females, while the 23 decides gender.

The skeletal system is the framework on which the muscular system is built and as such, all the other systems are "installed" accordingly until we have a complete, functioning human system.

We've probably all seen, in person or on T.V., operating systems in industry, agriculture and even retail where various machines operate in concert to produce and or deliver products and no one would argue that it all just happened over time. It is obvious that intelligent life designed and installed all the right pieces of equipment in all the right places to form an "intricate unity", but I would argue there exists nothing more intricate, and nothing more unified than the Human body.

Job, even amid all his anguish and feelings of rejection and despondency recognized that the hand of God was ever present in the universe— $g\kappa$.

We encourage our visitors to fill out one of the blue cards and place it in the collection plate.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Jerry & Erma Endly,	SHUT-INS: Audrey Burns,	
Cathy Jackson, Gary & Debbie Jones, Kathy	Jack Mitchell, Shirley Patterson	
Mayo, and Flavil Miller	and Marge Rothwell	

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Nellie Bichard, Alec Blake (grandson of Wilma Roe), Weston Boulet, (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Larry Chips (friend of the Starrett's, Kenneth Crookshank (son of Dannelle Gilmore), Dan Doudna (Wilma Roe's relative), Bob & Patty Eddy, Tom Eddy (Betsy Cook's brother), Carmie Green (Flavil Miller's sister), Doris Hall, Herb Hamilton (friend of the Starrett's), Bob & Donna Henthorn (Laura Jamiel's parents), Collene Keister, (Mo Smith's sister), Les McCollum (friend of Deb McGath), Erica Rich, Shirley Roe, Mona Stoffer (Flavil Miller's daughter), Mitch Vick, Bob & Marge Watson, Kedra Wyatt and remember to pray for one another.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Erma Endly's PET scan revealed that the tumors are shrinking and they estimate she we need about three more treatments.
- Ken Harmon, (husband of Debera McGath's cousin) is undergoing treatments for severe depression.
- ▶ We will host services this afternoon at the *Cardinal House*—2pm.
- My thanks to those who supported our *Summer Series*; some were here each night and you are to be commended. Planning is already under way for next year as I have received several enthusiastic comments-JK

REMINDERS:

- ✓ **₩⊙₽₽₩₫₽₽₽₽** will meet tomorrow.
- ✓ If anyone would like to take a turn creating a bulletin board for the entry, please sign up on the board in the foyer.
- ✓ Be sure to check the bulletin board for upcoming area events.
- ✓ We still need a teacher to take over **Brendyn Herald's** class.

TODAY'S LESSONS

AM: A Stand for the Covenant (2 Kings 23:1-3). PM: A Christian is a Redeemed One (1 Peter 1:18-19).

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