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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....6:00 p.m.

Minister, John Keith

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WELCOME!

We invite you to all of our services.

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

THE SEVEN “UPS”

- I. WAKE UP!!** Decide to have a good day.
- A. Greet every day as a gift from God (Psa. 118:24).
 - B. Attitude! How we react to situations and circumstances, can reflect our faith.
- II. DRESS UP!!** A smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.
- A. Try to See as God Sees. (1 Sam. 16:7).
 - 1. Not everything Christians experience is delightful. But Christians have every reason to be delighted.
 - 2. Live your life in such a way that sinners want what you have.
 - B. Put on spiritual clothing (Eph. 6:13-17).
- III. SHUT UP!!** Say nice things and learn to listen.
- A. (Pro. 13:3; Jas. 1:19; 1 Pet. 3:10).
 - B. Think about this, God gave us two ears and one mouth, listen 2x more than talk
- IV. STAND UP!!** for what you believe in. Stand for something or you will fall for anything (Gal. 6:9; Jude 3).
- V. LOOK UP!!** to the Lord. (Phlp. 4:13; Col. 3:1-2).
- VI. REACH UP !!** for something higher
- A. (Pro. 3:5-6; Phlp. 3:14).
 - B. Paul compares himself to a runner in a race.
- VII. LIFT UP !!** your Prayers (Phlp. 4:6; Pro. 15:29; Mk. 11:24).

CONCLUSION:

- 1. Attitude is everything
- 2. Decide that regardless of circumstances, “It is well” (cf. 2 Ki. 4).
- 3. Decide that no matter what happens, you are doing all you can to make Heaven your eternal home!

*Welcome! To our visitors! We are thankful for your presence.
Please fill out one of the blue cards and place it in one the
collection plates.*

TODAY'S LESSONS

AM: The Seven Ups (Reader's choice).

PM: Sin Destroys Happiness (Leviticus 1:1-3).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Rick Lambert's** recent scan revealed that the tumors are still growing, and that surgery is not an option right now. A different chemo treatment is being tried to see if they can shrink the tumors.
- **Cathy Jackson** is to have knee replacement surgery this Wednesday, they 24th.
- **Tim Potts** (Joyce Starrett's nephew) is home after an extended hospital stay.
- **Sidney Suttles** (Diann Bachmann's friend) has completed therapy and is home doing well. Also from Diann: "My friend, **Al Trace**, was diagnosed with lung cancer two years ago. He was cancer free, but he just had a test, and he has a small spot on his liver. The biopsy has confirmed the sport on his liver is lung cancer. The treatment plan has not been finalized at this point. Thank you, Diann".
- There will be a **business meeting today** at 5 p.m. for the men.

REMINDERS:

- ❖ Please inform **John** of any changes to the prayer list, or directory.
- ❖ Remember our library.

AM Study	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wed.	Contribution (Budget)
49	80	30	34	\$2180 (\$2,420)

<p><u>IN OUR PRAYERS:</u> Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cook, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Cathy Jackson, Bruce & Kim Johnson, Gary Jones, Rick Lambert, Carol Mitchell, Linda Steele, Helena Tewksbury, Jean Whitley.</p>	<p><u>SHUT-INS:</u> Debbie Jones, Nancy Love, Randy Yost</p>
<p><u>FAMILY AND FRIENDS:</u> Debra Bates-Phillabaum, Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Rachell Cook (Angela Herald's friend), Tiffany Endly (Jerri Mackie's niece), Bob Henthorn (Laura Jamiel's dad), Trudy Kerby, Colleen Kiester (Mo Smith's sister), Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Kellie Price (Richard Mayo's cousin), Addy Reed, Rodney Reeves (Erica Cunningham's father), John Rockhold, Wilma Roe, Bob & Marge Watson, Ukraine and remember to pray for one another.</p>	

LEGISLATING MORALITY

Gene Miller

More and more people in our day are rejecting God's Word, The Holy Bible, and accepting instead the unholy Humanist Bible, The Humanist Manifesto, because it allows them to make their own rules and set their own standards, and that is what many seem to prefer. Note the following quotes from the Humanist Manifesto II (HM2):

“In the area of sexuality, we believe that intolerant attitudes, often cultivated by orthodox religions and puritanical cultures, unduly repress sexual conduct. The right to birth control, abortion, and divorce should be recognized. While we do not approve of exploitive, denigrating forms of sexual expression, neither do we wish to prohibit, by law or social sanction, sexual behavior between consenting adults.” HM2, Page 18

They believe that no religion or government has the right to establish moral standards. Adults should have the right to live by their own moral standards. Our jails are filled to overflowing with those who sought to live by their own moral standards.

“We affirm that moral values derive their source from human experience. Ethics is autonomous and situational, needing no theological or ideological sanction. Ethics stems from human need and interest.” HM2, Page 17

Ethics is autonomous (decided by each individual), and situational (determined by the situation). What is right for one person may not be right for another, and what is right today may not be right tomorrow. Can you imagine a football game in which each player plays by his own rules, which can be changed depending on the situation?

“The government cannot legislate morality.” REALLY? Do we not have laws against such things as: perjury, slander, stealing, assault, rape, murder, etc. Those are all moral issues. Can you imagine living under a government that doesn't legislate morality? Not hard to imagine. Just look around at our country today.

In reality, I am sure that those who say the government shouldn't legislate morality, are glad that it does. Imagine this scenario: It is midnight. You and your family are in bed. You are awakened by someone who just broke into your house and is looting your possessions. You call 911. The operator says: “I understand that you don't like someone breaking into your house and robbing you, but that is a moral issue, and they have the right to establish their own moral code. Since that is a moral issue, we have no laws on the books to forbid such.”