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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.

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WELCOME!

We invite you to all of our services.

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

WHAT MOTHERS DESERVE

John 19:25-27

INTRODUCTION:

1. In 1907, Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia started the campaign to honor mothers, two years after her own mother died.
2. What do our mothers deserve from a biblical perspective?

I. MOTHER OF JESUS.

- A. Obedient to God's Law of Chastity (Mt. 1:18-23; Isa. 7:14).
- B. Obedient to Civil Law (Lk. 2:1-7).
- C. Obedient to God's Law—Law of Moses
 1. RE: circumcision (Lk. 2:21; cf. Lev. 12:3).
 2. RE: purification (Lk. 2:22-24; cf. Lev. 12:2-8).
 3. RE: Passover at Jerusalem (Lk. 2:41-50; cf. Dt. 16:1, 16).
- D. Continual Devotion to Her Son (Jn. 19:25-27).
 1. Mary was present at many recorded key events in Jesus' life.
 2. She had conducted herself in such a way that Jesus was concerned about her welfare.

II. WHAT DO OUR MOTHERS DESERVE FROM US?

- A. Our Mothers Deserve Our Care
 1. Parents, especially widowed mothers, deserve our utmost care.
 - a. One of Jesus' final concerns; His mother's care (Jn. 19:25-28).
 - b. Paul's clear instructions: 1 Tim. 5:4,8,16; cf. Jas. 1:27.
 2. Indeed, children are to be their parents' "social security."
- B. Our Mothers Deserve Our Honor
 1. Command With Promise (Exo. 20:12; Eph. 6:2; Jos. 23:14-16).
 2. Consequences For Compromise (Pro. 20:20).
 - a. "Cursing" a parent = wishing for evil to happen to them.
 - b. The child's lamp being put out=a curse upon the child.
 - c. In contrast, the child who honors parents prolongs his days and improves life (Dt. 5:16).
- C. Our Mothers Deserve Our Obedience.
 1. How Do We Honor? (Eph. 6:1; Col. 3:20; Pro. 1:8).
 2. Even Jesus obeyed His mother as He was growing (Lk 2:51).

CONCLUSION:

1. Mother of Jesus feared the Lord with Godly fear- obedient to civil law and God's law—notable example for her Son.
2. That Jesus care for her in His final moments gives us insight to how we should regard our mothers.
3. Most importantly, she enabled Him to grow spiritually (Lk. 2:52).

“To My Mother”

O thou whose care sustained my infant years,
And taught my prattling lip each note of love;
Whose soothing voice breathed comfort to my fears,
And round my brow hope's brightest garland wove;

To thee my lay is due, the simple song,
Which Nature gave me at life's opening day;
To thee these rude, these untaught strains belong,
Whose heart indulgent will not spurn my lay.

O say, amid this wilderness of life,
What bosom would have throbb'd like thine for me?
Who would have smiled responsive?—who in grief,
Would e'er have felt, and, feeling, grieved like thee?

Who would have guarded, with a falcon-eye,
Each trembling footstep or each sport of fear?
Who would have marked my bosom bounding high,
And clasped me to her heart, with love's bright tear?

—*Lucretia Maria Davidson*



Dr. G. Campbell Morgan had 4 sons and they were all preachers. Someone once came into the drawing room when all the family was there. They thought they would see what Howard, one of the sons, was made of so they asked him this question: "Howard, who is the greatest preacher in your family?" Howard had a great admiration for his father and he looked straight across at him and then without a moment's hesitation he answered, "Mother." (A. Edersheim, [Sketches of Jewish Social Life](#), p. 139)

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

AM Study: Romans 1:5f

AM Lesson: What Mothers Deserve (John 19:25-27).

PM Lesson: When Christians Gets Bored (Malachi 1:11-13).

Wednesday Bible Study: Revelation 14:5f

Happy Mother's Day

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Ardith Winland** was in Southeastern Hospital for a few days this past week with fluid around her heart.
- We are thankful that **Daniel Wayble** has made it home safely from his recent deployment.
- **Hayden Douglas** graduated from High School yesterday.
- **Business meeting** today at 5:15

REMINDERS:

- ❖ Memorial service for **Nellie Bichard** next Saturday, the 20th at 2 p.m. here at the building.
- ❖ **May 21-25**—Our *Gospel Meeting* with **Phil Grear**. Potluck on 21st
- ❖ There are change cans for **Potter Children's Home** on the back table.
- ❖ **Oct. 7**—*Men's Encouragement Day* here with **Roger Rush**.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Kevin Adkins, Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cook, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Cathy Jackson, Katelynngayle Jamiel, Bruce & Kim Johnson, Gary Jones, Rick Lambert, Jody Main, Carol Mitchell, Bev Singleton, Linda Steele, Helena Tewksbury, Jean Whitley, and Randy Yost.

SHUT-INS:
Debbie Jones,
Nancy Love,

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Betty Cox (Diann Bachmann's sister), T.J. Hart, Trudy Kerby, Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Addy Reed, Rodney Reeves (Erica Cunningham's father), John Rockhold, Conrad Schultz, the U.S.A., Ukraine and remember to pray for **one another**.

AM STUDY	SUNDAY AM	SUNDAY PM	WED. STUDY	GIVING (\$2,460)
33	56	37	32	\$3,776