

Memorials

On May 25 our country observed the Memorial Day Holiday. Memorial Day became a national holiday when Congress passed the National Holiday Act of 1971 (www.usmemorialday.org/backgrnd.html). This day is set aside to remember those men and women who have given their lives in service to our nation. Because of their sacrifice, we have the freedoms that we enjoy today. Out of gratitude and respect, we pause on Memorial Day to remember their great service to America.

Many memorials have been built in our country to remember great individuals who played major roles in the history of our nation. The Washington Monument, finished in 1884, was built in honor of the first president of the United States – George Washington. The Lincoln Memorial commemorates Abraham Lincoln who served as the sixteenth president of our country and labored to preserve our nation during the Civil War era. When our loved ones are buried, there is a memorial placed at the grave site to commemorate their life. These memorials may contain a saying about the life of the individual.

What if God could write the memorial that went on our tombstone? When we pass from this life, what would God write on our memorial about us? Consider the following memorials that God has written:

MEMORIALS OF COMMENDATION

- Jesus (Acts 10:38) – “*went about doing good*”
- Dorcas (Acts 9:36) – “*full of good works*”
- Barnabas (Acts 11:24) – “*a good man*”
- Enoch (Gen. 5:24) – “*walked with God*”
- Abel (Heb. 11:4) – “*being dead yet speaketh*”
- Five-talent man (Matt. 25:21) – “*well done*”
- Paul (2 Tim. 4:6-8) – “*kept the faith*”

MEMORIALS OF CONDEMNATION

- Judas (Matt. 26:25) – “*betrayed Him*”
- Jewish Christians (Heb. 10:26) – “*sinned willfully*”
- False teachers (2 Pet. 2:15) – “*forsaken the right way*”
- Church at Ephesus (Rev. 2:4) – “*left thy first love*”
- Demas (2 Tim. 4:10) – “*loved this present world*”
- Numerous individuals (2 Thess. 1:7-9) – “*obeyed not the Gospel*”
- Jezebel (Rev. 2:21) – “*repented not*”

If God could write our memorial, would He be able to write a memorial of commendation for our faithful service in His kingdom? Or, would He have to pen a memorial of condemnation because we refused to yield our lives to His will? May we yield ourselves servants to God so that at the end of this life we may all hear those wonderful words of commendation: “Well done, thou good and faithful servant...enter thou into the joy of thy lord” (Matt. 25:21); “Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world” (Matt. 25:34).

Chance

Remember in Prayer

Sam Swiney is at Princeton on the 6 north stepdown unit.

Jason Parsons had surgery on Thursday.

Ramona Yeilding is now home recovering from an automobile accident.

Charles Caldwell (Becky Kersh’s dad) is very ill.

Donna Teter (Sandra Burford’s cousin) has been undergoing tests.

Military

Please remember the following who are currently serving for our country: **Josh Baker, Kevin Black, Tyler Burger, Mark Davis, & Chris Pridmore**

Rejoice

We rejoice with **Lauren Gilbert, Taylor Griffin, Stephen Hall, Autumn Hambright, Ronnie, Cindy & Anna Hayes, Barry Hyché, Tommy Lacy, Demetria Lacy, Seth Moore, Natalie Moran, and Amber Short** who asked for prayers from the church this past week.

We rejoice with **Greg Englebert, Cody Gilbert, Harrison Moran, Emily Roberts and Cory Sanford** for their decision to be Baptized this past week.

Wednesday Night Summer Series

Our **Wednesday Night Summer Series** will be entitled, “Voices from the Past.” We will be viewing sermons presented by godly men who have since passed from this life unto their reward. The work of these great men still lives on today through the material which they wrote and through their sermons that were recorded. Please make plans to attend every Wednesday evening this summer as we study together.

June 17 th	Jule Miller --Why I Want to be a Soul Winner
June 24	Franklin Camp -- Things I Have Learned
July 1 st	Wendell Winkler --Standing on the Promises of God
July 8 th	Don McWhorter --The Power of Calvary
July 15 th	Winfred Clark --Going Back to Jerusalem
July 22 nd	Fourth Wednesday Night Singing
July 29 th	Vacation Bible School
August 5 th	V.P. Black --The Judgment Day
August 12 th	Hugo McCord --Psalm 3 – The Morning Prayer
August 19 th	Bobby Duncan --The Price of Our Redemption
August 26 th	Fourth Wednesday Night Singing

Mark Your Calendar/2009

July 5-10 -- Ronnie’s week @ICYC

July 26-29 -- VBS

Oct. 11-14 -- Gospel Meeting:

Curtis A. Cates

Oct. 17 -- Family Fun Day @ Tannehill

Dec. 31 -- New Year’s Eve Singing

Youth Notes

Monday Night Meditation will meet each Monday at 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

Timothy Class will meet Tuesdays at 10:30 AM.

Jr./Sr. High Devo on Friday, June 19, 2009 @ 6:00 PM at the home of **Nick & Jennifer Rouse**.

Youth Day @ Adamsville June 27, 2009 at 9AM.



