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Today is a day the Lord has made, let us rejoice & be glad in it. Focus on the Positive

*** Isn't it GREAT to be a Christian! ***

WORRY

This Week, I shared with you, by way of social media, some thoughts from Matthew chapter 6 about "worry". "Worry" has been on my mind a lot lately. With the Covid-19 and the jobless claims, along with the not-so-booming economy, so many are thrust into the throes of "worrying" about so many things.

<u>Pay attention to this illustration</u>: Death was walking toward a city one morning and a man asked, "What are you going to do"? "I'm going to take 100 people", Death replied. "That's horrible!" the man said. "That's the way it is", Death said; "That's what I do". So, the man hurried to warn everyone he could about Death's plan. As evening fell, he met Death again. "You told me you were going to take 100 people", the man said; "Why did 1,000 die"? "I kept my word", Death responded. "I only took 100 people – worry took the others".

I don't think it will surprise you to know that half of the people in America's hospital beds are constant worriers. Did you know 43% of all adults suffer health effects due to worry and stress and 75% of all visits to primary care physicians are stress-related complaints or disorders? Worry has been linked to so many causes of deaths, including: Heart disease, cancer, lung ailments, accidents, cirrhosis and suicide. Someone once said: "Worrying is like being in a rocking chair; it gives you something to do but doesn't get you anywhere."

<u>So, why do we worry so much</u>? When was the last time you saw a squirrel running around saying I don't have enough nuts? I want you to know... the devil loves to get a hold on us and make us worry; We need to remind ourselves over and over again of the words of our King... "So I tell you, don't worry about everyday life, whether you have enough food, drink, and clothes. Doesn't life consist of more than food and clothing?" Matthew 6:25; and then in verse 34 "So don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today's trouble is enough for today." The Psalmist had the right idea: "The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; He delivers them from all their troubles. The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. A righteous man may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all ..." Psalm 34:17-19. Do you really believe that? Do you really believe God is in control? Do you really believe if we first seek His kingdom, then He will truly take care of us?

May God help each of us to heed these words: "Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you." | Peter 5:7 Charles Goodnight

ORDER OF SERVICE

KIDS' TIME #200 – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah #937 – I Stand in Awe PRAYER #950 – Lamb of God #916 – Come, Share the Lord COMMUNION #400 – Living by Faith SCRIPTURE READING – Exodus 20:8 – 11 SERMON – "**Ten Things That Still Matter**" (Part 3) #971 – Restore My Soul ELDERS PRAYER

TIMES OF SERVICES

9:30 a.m. – Group Bible Class – Auditorium (No Children's Bible classes in this phase)

10:00 a.m. – Worship Service – Auditorium (Special seating areas reserved for those "At Risk")

(No Sunday p.m. worship in this phase)

(No Feeding the Flock meals in this phase) (No Wednesday classes or Devo in this phase) (Pantry open by appointment only – see next page)

*** PRAY, PRAY, PRAY *** CALL & ENCOURAGE A FRIEND *** PRAY, PRAY, PRAY ***

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Prayer	List
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BHCC Members:

Carolyn Madeley – knee replacement surgery 05/18 Leroy Mason – Wisteria Place #318, rehab Marcus Richardson – "Thanksgiving for the ministry & works of BHCC, & for the health & welfare of my family" Tammy Tiner – health concerns

FRIENDS AND FAMILY:

<u>Bud Ivy</u> (father of **Shelly Goodnight**) – at home recovering <u>Navaho Reservation in Northern Arizona</u> (friends of **Chris Lana**) – experiencing extreme challenges

Ed Womack (father of Sally Coffey) – ARMC 2105

All Missionaries:

Chipata Bible College and all the preachers in the field. All Military & First Responders

All Patients and Workers in Nursing Homes & Hospitals

Those infected by & loss of loved ones due to the COVID-19 Virus

SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF:

Katherine Janet Nelms (sister of Lewis Maness) who passed away

STORMS OF LIFE

At some point in life most of us face many types of health, financial, family or other serious problems. Recently, it seems that "storm clouds" have encircled many due to lost jobs, poor health and the economic situation in our country. It would be quite easy to begin counting our problems instead of our blessings.

Life is precious. It was given each of us by God. He understands that we face difficulties in this short sojourn on earth. Yet, trials and sufferings are a part of life itself, brought on by the sin in the world since Adam and Eve.

Tragedies may come, jobs may be lost, diseases may rack our bodies, or business losses may cause financial disasters. There may be times when we feel we are all alone and overcome by life's difficulties. God did not promise to take away our troubles. But, He did promise that the Lord would never leave nor forsake us (Hebrews 13:5). When trials surround us, He offers comfort and hope through His Word (Romans 15:4). He gives us peace through Christ (John 16:4; Philippians 4:7). If we are in Christ, then nothing can separate us from God's love (Romans 8:35-39).

When the storms of life come our way, let us call to mind the words of the apostle Peter, "*casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you*" (1 Peter 5:7).

John K. Wills (Bulletin Digest) Owingsville, KY 05/13 in Lubbock, TX <u>Marissa</u> (sister of **Chona Vergara**) who passed away recently

THOSE BATTLING CANCER:

Jena Madeley, Lewis Maness, Kay Procter, Larry Taylor, Jesse Thomas, Minnie Woody All our family members & friends dealing with cancer & treatments.

OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:

Brenda Amonett, Eldon Amonett, Phyllis Bonner, Janet Bruns, Mamie Crane, Norma Dotson, Jo Potter, Leroy & Mary Mason, Frances Pruett, Melinda Simmons, Dean & Nelda Stewart, Laveta Youngquist.

	Contribution Statistics		
	<u>Month</u> ly	(<u>per week</u>)	(<u>per week</u>)
<u>Month</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Goal</u>
March	\$42,399	\$8,479	\$9,600
April	\$34,787	\$8,696	\$9,600
Мау	\$23,277	\$7,759	\$9,600

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

k	24 – May 25 – May 26 – May 27 – May 29 – May	Laveta Youngquist Vick Ghenda Joy Finnell, Tammy Tiner Jean Davis, Colette Goode, Mary Willis Frances Pruett, Bob Smith
	29 – May	Frances Pruett, Bob Smith

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

30 – May

Chris & Taryn Pence

<u>A note on the above Birthdays and Anniversaries</u>: For security <u>and privacy reasons</u>, we are only printing the date and name/s of the members celebrating. For address info use the online directory.

DVD's & CD's of online sermons are now available on request by calling the church office, Monday – Friday, 9 am to 1 pm.

PANTRY HOURS

PLEASE NOTE: Until further notice the PANTRY is by appointment only on Wednesdays from 5:30 – 6 p.m. IF you need to utilize the pantry, please <u>call the office for an</u> appointment – 325-692-6974 – (Mon – Fri, 9 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)



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