



# WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

October 26, 2014

## Order of Worship

*Song Leader*  
Jon Ewing

#340  
#351

*Opening Prayer*  
Tom Norrell

#746  
#645

*The Lord's Supper*  
Aaron Morrison

*Contribution*  
Aaron Morrison

#291  
#516

*Lesson*  
Bill McFarland

#414

*Announcements*  
Eddie Sanders

#755

*Closing Prayer*  
Jason Luna

*You are the light of  
the world. A city set  
on a hill cannot be  
hidden. (Matt. 5:14)*



## THE STRENGTH TO GET THE JOB DONE

Many of the tasks which face us as Christians appear to be too big for us. Just living the life of a Christian is a challenge. Bringing up our children is an awesome responsibility. Being a leader or a teacher of the Lord's people is a fearful undertaking. The mere thought of accomplishing the mission the Lord has assigned to us as his church is mind-boggling. Where will we ever find the strength to accomplish these tasks?

Perhaps we can learn from Joshua. He faced the tremendous task of leading the nation of Israel to take the promised land. (Josh. 1:1-9) God told him several times to "be strong and of good courage." But what are the sources of strength and courage? Here are at least four:

**1. DUTY.** People today frown on doing things out of a sense of duty. However, the scriptures show that the determination to accomplish one's God-given duty is an important source of strength. God commissioned Joshua to take the people over the Jordan and cause them to inherit the Promised land (v. 2, 6). His dedication to his duty made him strong.

**2. TRUST.** God made four promises to enable Joshua to "be strong and of good courage." He promised that every place the sole of Joshua's feet touched had been given him (v. 3); that none would be able to stand before him (v. 5); that he would be with Joshua wherever he went (v. 5, 9); and that He would not fail or forsake him (v. 5). God has also granted to us exceeding great and precious promises.

**3. OBEDIENCE.** The only condition God put on His help was that Joshua "observe to do according to all the law" (v. 7). If Joshua would not turn from it to the right hand or the left he could be assured of prosperity and good success. No man has ever been defeated by obeying God. We can be strong and courageous by obeying God's word.

**4. PERSEVERANCE.** The greatest enemies of strength and courage are fear and discouragement. The only way to overcome them is to "keep on keeping on." Joshua was to "be not affrighted, neither be ... dismayed" (v. 9). More than we have ever realized, strength comes from steadfastly continuing in God's way.

Joshua found the strength and courage to accomplish his task. So can we today - if we will develop these four great qualities of character which made Joshua strong.

- Bill McFarland

## Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

# Prayer List & Notes

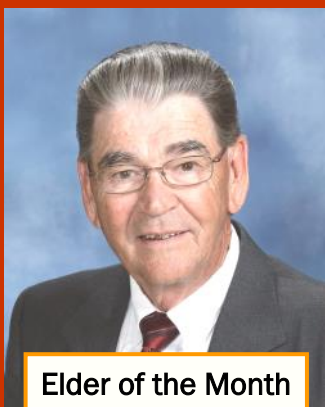
## Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for your visit.

### For The Record

October 19

Bible Study:	220
Morning:	304
Evening:	216
Wednesday (10/22):	200
Contribution:	\$9,297



Elder of the Month  
Eddie Sanders

- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Dale Harp, Greg Larimore, Jerry Gillespie, Sharon Joseph, Ola Jean Feeney and Nancy Snider as they all deal with continuing health issues.
- ◆ Estel Pendergrass, Kay McFarland's dad; Lyle Mishler is still not feeling well; Ruth Raines will have surgery on November 5 to have a spine stimulator put in; John Stayton is recovering from back surgery
- ◆ Tim Timmons as he awaits results from his lung biopsy
- ◆ Sherry Sherman is in Barnes Hospital in St. Louis, room 9234, recovering from a heart attack and other health issues; e-cards can be sent to her at <http://www.barnesjewish.org/EGreeting/?id=530&sid=1>

### Friends & Family

- Coyeatte Ewing's mom, Beverly Hammond; Joyce Harmon, Gaitha Downing's mother-in-law, as she deals with cancer treatments
- Robert Keith requests prayers for Marilyn Keith's health issues
- Amanda Eilenstein's grandma, Pat McCarty, as she is having difficulty recovering from recent back surgery
- Judy High (friend of Terry Loveland) requests prayers for her father Horace High in VA Hospital in Topeka, Kansas.
- Continue to remember Bonnie Cole's nephew, Scott Golden, Janice Newell, former member, who is dealing with cancer; Amanda Eilenstein's uncle, Richard Fredendall, dealing with leukemia, and Tom Norrell's sister, Melba Jerry, dealing with skin cancer, Jon Ewing's brother, Mike Ewing

**Responses:** Jeff Fisher and Suzanne Dabbs responded Sunday asking for prayers.

**Prayer Request:** Last week Dennis & Carolyn visited with Thelma Fain at the Strafford Care Center. She had some things on her heart that needed to be bought before the congregation. She had said some things and thought some things which needed to be corrected. In as much as she could not physically come before the entire congregation, she requested that we pray with her about these things there in her room which we did. Even so, she wanted us to make this announcement to the entire congregation and extend to them the opportunity to continue to remember her in prayer.

### SYMPATHY

*We extend our sympathy to Tabby Blaney in the loss of her great grandmother last week. She was 96.*



*We want to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls and concern. Denzil is doing better with his leg and foot, our daughter has cast off and walking boot on that foot. She will be in therapy for some time. I will have spinal cord stimulator put in November 5. It has been a hard year but with the Lord's help and the love of our church family it has been made easier. Thank you for helping us through this. In Christian love, Denzil and Ruth Raines.*

*A special thank you for the kindness shown to me and my family at the death of my sister, Carol Hipp. The cards, notes, calls and every act of kindness was appreciated so much. Blessings of joy to each of you. Frances Grann, Nancy & Greg Johnson*

### Long Term/ Shut-ins

Kay Adams  
Shirley Bartlett  
Doris Burch  
Eula Compton  
Fern Davis  
Thelma Fain  
Ella Mae Findlay  
Chloe Gaddis  
Mary Head  
Doris Iorg  
Doris Tobler  
Judy Todd  
Pat Woods



### Expectant Moms

Stephanie Schwartz/boy/February  
Sara Keener/girl/March  
Leah Prewitt/boy/March

### November Anniversaries

- 1 Fred /Amy Winters 17 yrs.
- 2 John/Teresa Mahon 40 yrs.
- 3 Denzil/Ruth Raines 53 yrs.
- 5 Jack/Rose Lynch 48 yrs.
- 6 Larry/Jo Baggett 38 yrs.
- 16 Aubrey/Anita Cobb 46 yrs.
- 24 Verl/Karen Duncan 53 yrs.
- 26 Lance/Teresa Griter 20 yrs.
- 27 Randy/Orvella Blackburn 10 yrs.



Congratulations

# News & Activities

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Tuesday at 10 a.m.: First class on developing your Family Tree
- ◆ Saturday, Nov. 1: James River Nursing Home devotional 2 p.m.
- ◆ Next Sunday Golden Agers meet at 4 p.m.
- ◆ Singing Class next Sunday at 4:30 p. m.
- ◆ Tuesday, Nov. 4 Quilters meet at 10 a.m.
- ◆ Monday, Nov. 10 Book Club meets
- ◆ Thursday, Nov. 13 Ladies Class
- ◆ Friday & Saturday, Nov. 14 & 15 Ladies Retreat

### Birthdays

1 Ron Stokes  
2 Kerry Cole  
Ruth Raines  
Landon Sekulic  
Jerry Young  
3 Ron Bower  
4 Lanae Gillespie  
Aaron Tovar  
Daniel Wilson  
5 Hannah Stayton  
8 Nathan Hansen



### Birthdays This Week

26 Connie Westerman  
27 Aiden Davis  
28 Adam Blaney  
29 Sharon Joseph  
30 Emmie Dillon  
31 Jeanetta Hardy  
Wyatt Mangan



## LTC 2015

*Be sure to turn in your registration forms to Adam as soon as possible. ALSO – If you are a parent or child in LTC, PLEASE PLAN TO MEET VERY QUICKLY IMMEDIATELY AFTER AM SERVICES! It will be 5-10 minutes just to go over a few things that need to be dealt with.*

- ◆ Youth Night tonight at Union Hill—bus leaves at 4:15 p.m.
- ◆ 11/1—Fall Fest at Lines' house
- ◆ 11/16—packing food boxes for Friends Against Hunger after am service
- ◆ 11/16 Youth night at Sunset

**CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARD FOR SEVERAL AREA EVENTS!!**

## *Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff*

### Elders

Barney Crawford	417-866-0592
Clay Joseph	417-833-3002
Eddie Sanders	417-833-5712
Bob Snider	417-833-3498
Jerry Young	417-724-0324

### Minister

Bill McFarland	417-833-0110
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### Golden Age Minister

Dennis Smith	417-866-6918
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### Youth/Associate Minister

Adam Blaney	304-520-9800
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### Deacons

Scott Barton	Russell Lilly
Tim Bowling	Aaron Morrison
Tim Buckner	Travis Morrison
Tom Davis	James Simons
Jim Elliff	John Stayton
Jon Ewing	Mike Thurlkill
Matt Keener	

### Staff

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian



## WHEN GENUINE LOVE ABOUNDS

By Dennis Smith

The words of Jesus in John 13:33-34 read as follows: "...now I say to you. A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another: as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." To know the genuine meaning of loving one another comes to God's people when they have been blessed by the beautiful tie that binds their hearts in Christian love. Time, where love abounds, is like a three-fold cord woven between hearts which is not easily broken. During this past year we have had our hearts broken many times, but the cord of love and fellowship still holds precious memories of beloved people. These memories are not limited just to those who have left us and gone on to their eternal reward, but even when dear and precious members move from our presence for personal or necessary reasons, it saddens our hearts. However, the "tie that binds" is so strong that whether they are here or away our love for them continues on. Friends and friendships know not the barrier of time and distance, but genuine love follows our friends wherever they go. Surely this is what is the true meaning of the words of the Apostle Peter who said "...love the brotherhood." (1<sup>st</sup> Pet. 2:17). Are we to completely forget those that we might have loved and worshiped with in the long ago? Do we not extend our sympathies and concerns to their families when they pass on? My answer to this is two fold! Does God forget them? Should we? God Forbid! Genuine love flows on!

### Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study ....9:00 AM  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM  
 Sunday Evening Worship... .....5:00 PM  
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

### WORKS WE SUPPORT

CHINESE AGAPE Foundation  
 Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands  
 Steven Ashcraft, West Africa Mission  
 Voice of Truth International  
 Charles Renfro, Latin American Missions  
 World Christian Broadcasting  
 Churches of Christ Disaster Relief  
 Fair Haven Children's Home

“In Search of the Lord’s Way”  
 7 AM Sundays KOLR TV 10  
 ‘KNOW YOUR BIBLE’  
 10:30 AM Sundays/Springfield 33/KSPR



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Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday - Friday



## Service Rosters

### THIS MORNING

**Nursery:** Linda Currier  
**Greeters:** Barney & Debbie Crawford  
**Van Driver:** Jon Davis 864-9872  
**KYB:** Jerry & Pat Milligan  
**Serve** Dale Gregory/Tucker Jobes  
**Communion:** Matt Keener/David Kern  
 Todd Kraus/Russell Lilly  
 Paul Lines/Luke Lines  
 Fred Lorenz/Trevor Kraus

### THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** Jon Davis  
**Opening Prayer:** Adam Eilenstein  
**Lesson:** Bill McFarland  
**Closing Prayer:** Brian Carroll  
**Communion:** T. Morrison/J. Simons  
**Nursery:** Donna Jordan/Meredith Reaves

### NEXT WEEK, November 2

#### AM

#### PM

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Adam Blaney
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Larry Baggett	Aaron Alexander
<b>Communion:</b>	James Simons	Carl Tindall/Adam Stipp
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Randy Blackburn	John Dutton
<b>Nursery AM:</b>	Donna Jordan/ Michelle Hulett	
<b>Nursery PM:</b>	Lisa Stayton/Emily Simons	
<b>Greeters:</b>	Jack & Rose Lynch	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	Gene Lund 343-5783	

### MONTH OF OCTOBER

AV Scott Barton/  
 Room: Bruce Tindall  
 Open Tim Timmons  
 Building  
 Secure Tim Buckner  
 Building:

### Wednesday, October 29

**Devotional:** Eddie Sanders  
**Song Leader:** Briley Ewing  
**Prayer:** Adam Barton  
**Van Driver:** Tim Stockstill  
 849-7878