

# THE MESSENGER JUNE 14, 2020

# NEWS AND NOTES

**Congregational Meeting** TBD

#### Weekly Bible Studies

All temporarily being conducted via Zoom. Check our "friends" page on Facebook for more information.

Times of Service Sunday Bible study: 945 AM Worship: 10:45 AM; 6 PM Wednesday Bible study: 7:30 PM (Immediately followed by a short worship service) First Friday of Month Singing 7:30 PM

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# IT HAPPENS THAT FAST!

Wednesday evening, after our Bible study, I drove back to the building to pick up a book I had forgotten. I and another car reached a four way stop at the same time. We stared at one another for a moment before I waved them on ahead. A few moments later they turned on their emergency lights and pulled to the side of the road. I pulled off about twenty yards in front of them to see if everything was okay. As soon as I stopped, they pulled back out. Our windows were down and they slowed as they approached my window. I called out to see if they were okay and they cussed me up one side and down the other. I'm not sure what they thought I was doing but I can assure you that I wasn't!

We drove the same direction for about half a mile until we reached the light at Chinoe and Alumni. I was turning left and they were continuing straight and so we pulled up next to each other. Apparently one of the passengers realized that I was only checking to make sure they were okay and had informed the others. They apologized, I accepted, and we went our separate ways smiling and waving.

If you're thinking that my behavior was commendable, just hang on a moment. Truth is, the half mile drive before the happy conclusion was *not* my finest hour. Some thoughts bubbled up to the surface that shouldn't have. "I should have just left them!" "Who do they think they are to talk to me like that? I've got some things of my own to say to them!" I was angry for a moment and, as much as I could wish it otherwise, it was *not* righteous indignation. I was insulted and my pride was hurt. I wanted to lash out. That those thoughts and feelings lasted only a moment to be followed by repentance and prayer does not change the fact that it *did* happen.

## Members Needing Our Prayers

Mary Weatherholt, Bennie Poynter, Jill Harrison, Joyce Bolton, Karen Spivey, Jeff Howerton, Rhonda Boyd, Cindy Bradbury, Paul Atkisson, Whitney Crouch

## **Others Needing Prayers**

Chassey Seabolt, Terry Daniels, Mary Laclair, Rachel White, Karen Litmer, Harvey Baker, Leroy Weatherholt, Keia Burton, Robert Brundige, Valerie and Barry Boyd, John Blessing, William Roberts, Marrian Lyda, Paul and Cindi's niece, Dana, and her children, Shane (a relative of Cindi), Mark (Carol's son), Victoria Poynter, Ron Harmon

### **To Our Guests**

Interested in a Bible study? Either let one of us know or mark it on your visitor card.

Type in our name on Facebook, YouTube, or our website if you'd like to watch or just listen to our sermons. Peter said, For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to the him who judged justly. (1 Peter 2:21-23) For a moment, I was a million miles away from Christ. For a moment, I did "not know what manner of spirit I was of" as the suggestion of James and John sounded pretty good to me. (Luke 9:51-56) I preached about this *three days before*. "Physician, heal yourself!"

That's how quickly it happens, beloved. The smallest crack is all it takes for the adversary to slip in. *Be watchful*, *stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.* (1 Corinthians 16:13-14) What timeless instruction! Adam Litmer

Elders	Deacons	Evangelist
Troy Antle	<b>Richard Brundige</b>	Adam Litmer
David Collins	Adam Daniels	
John Thompson	Adam Litmer	
	Bill Morelan	
	Frank Patton	
	Jamie Powell	
	Pat Seabolt	
	Matt Thompson	
	James Weatherholt	