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"Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things." Phil. 4:8 (NASB-U)

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We appreciate so much your presence here with us today. We would like to extend an invitation to join us at any of our other times of worship.

TIMES OF SERVICES SUNDAY

Bible Classes* 10:00 AM AM Worship 10:45 AM PM Worship 6:30 PM WEDNESDAY

Bible Classes* 7:00 PM (* Bible Classes for All Ages)

Today's Sermons:

AM: Rebuilding the Walls ... or Building them for the first time!
PM: The Medes
er Persians

Audio CD's are available free of charge in the foyer.

Please visit our website: www.truthandright.org

If you have any questions regarding what we teach and practice, please feel free to ask

Volume 04

Timothy R. Henderson

Volume 04 ... it's hard to believe that with this issue, we start our 4th volume, which means we are beginning our 4th year here in Wellsburg. That also means this is our 157th bulletin, that's a lot of articles, and so many of them are available for download on the web.

It has been a most enjoyable three years so far. I hope and pray that this little bulletin has been beneficial to you. I have enjoyed putting it together, finding articles I think will be beneficial, occasionally writing an article.

As we begin our fourth volume, I think it good to take stock in the work that has been done or that needs to be done.

As we look over the past year, we can see that in the area of spiritual growth, we have continued to rejoice in the choice of some to be baptized or restored to faithfulness. A true sign of the efforts of the members of the congregation in encouraging one another and being a group that welcomes new

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members. It has been so wonderful to be able to hear from those who have obeyed the Gospel and become members here say things like "Everyone just treats us so nice" and "It just feels like home here." It is quite encouraging to a preacher of the Gospel, to know that the congregation with which he works is accepting of others and willing to work with them and encourage them. Local congregational growth does not come through the efforts of the preacher alone, but by the continual encouragement and teaching that is done by all of the members. I have said multiple times that "this congregation will not grow to its full potential until all members are working to their full potential."

But having said that, there is so much more work to do. We have a responsibility as "older" brothers and sisters to help the "younger" members. To teach them further the commandments of Jesus. We must be encouraging our young men and young women to grow in their spiritual life. To increase in their abilities. What have you been doing to encourage and edify the younger Christians of the congregation? And to you younger Christians ... What are you doing for the congregation? It seems to be, way too often, that the older members are left doing many of the jobs. Why is that?

There are many opportunities in the upcoming weeks for everyone in the congregation to take part. Our Vacation Bible School is coming up this weekend. While we have teachers for the various classes, you might ask "Is there anything I can do to help?" First of all, be inviting your friends, young and old to attend. Offer to provide transportation if you can. Try to take away any of the excuses they may offer. Perhaps one of the best things you can do is to be present yourself. Who knows, we may be blessed to have a number of young people come, some of the teachers might could use an extra hand in one of the classes.

As we approach the beginning of the school year, that means the fair is just around the corner. We are always looking for ideas to help make our booth at the fair better. We

need help with ideas, signs to draw attention, people to man the booth or pass out literature. Once again, don't leave it up to just a few. "Many hands make light work"

Just a few weeks after the fair we have our fall meeting scheduled, **September 20-25**. Topics for the meeting range from "God, are you there?" to "What does God want from me?" Once again, our meeting will only be as successful as you make it to be. Begin to tell your friends about the meeting now. Build up your excitement, don't talk about it like someone is making you, but because you are truly excited about the opportunity. Also, make plans for **you** to be there!

As we continue in our efforts, we must also be mindful of those who are struggling spiritually. While we have seen some growth over the past three years, unfortunately, some have not remained faithful, or perhaps are struggling. Look around, notice those who aren't attending and call them, send them a card, let them know we care. Once again, don't think, "Well, sister _____ is so good about sending cards" or, "I'm sure the preacher or brother _____ will check on them", you be that brother or sister. It doesn't take much time, but to know that someone cares can mean so much.

Let's all be looking at what we are doing in the local congregation. Ask yourself ... "How many classes have I taught?" ... "How many sermons have I preached?" ... "How many invitations have I given on Wednesday evenings?" ... "How many cards have I sent?" ... "How many phone calls have I made?" ... "How many meeting / VBS invitations have I given out?"

As we sometimes sing ...

"There is room in the kingdom of God my brother for the small things that you can do. Just a small kindly deed that may cheer another is the work God has planned for you."

Ask yourself <u>"What am I doing?"</u>

Shall We Gather At The River

Vacation Bible School at the Wellsburg church of Christ 112 Sunset Ave. Wellsburg, WV 26070

August 6-8, 2009

6:00pm-7:30pm

Thursday: Adam & Eve

Lydia

Fríday: Naaman

John the Baptist

Saturday: Moses

Jesus

Classes for all ages

Those Serving This Week

Sunday AM

Class Prayer
Announcements
Song Leader
Scripture
Reader
Prayer

Dave Harless
Ed Roberts
Ken Prager
Hosea 8
Blake Headen
Matt Ferrell

Speaker Lord's Supper

Bread Don Coen, Jr.
Fruit of the Vine Serve Harold Marshall Dan Marton
Closing Prayer Don Coen, Sr.

Please inform the one in charge of announcements if you are unable to fulfill your responsibilities.

Tim Henderson

Sunday PM

Ed Roberts **Announcements** Harold Marshall Song Leader Scripture Hosea 9 Ken Prager Reader Chuck Isinghood 1st Prayer Tim Henderson Speaker Dan Marton Communion **Dave Harless Closing Prayer**

Wednesday

Announcements
Class Prayer
Song Leader
Invitation
Closing Prayer

Ed Roberts Harold Marshall Dan Marton Don Coen, Jr. Chuck Isinghood

News N Notes

Please continue to remember these in your prayers:

Traveling:

- Nathan Marshall is in England

Recovering:

- Cary Lancaster
- Marie Roberts
- Ann Rudolph

Prayer Requests:

- Merl Frey
- Zeda Goddard, also her sons, Dallas and Terry, and her daughter Tammy Garrison
- Blake Headen, Alberta's husband, as he continues to deal with cancer treatments.
- George Hutto, preacher from Alabama diagnosed with cancer
- Virginia Malick, Peggy Miller's mother
- Alfred & Mary Jane Myers
- Jimmy Roberts, Ed & Marie's son
- Jim Roberts, Ed Roberts' father
- Chris Shane
- Monty Wallace, Charissa Wallace's father
- Corey Williams, a friend of Tim & Anna Henderson is undergoing cancer treatments.

Don't forget our Shut-ins

Nursing Home:

- Ethel Mahan
- Pauline Sellers

At Home:

- Josephine Clow
- Mabel Fleming
- Betty Hunter
- Pauline Midcap

Send them a card—give them a call—let them know we are thinking about them.

If someone needs to be added to this list, please call: 304-914-2262 or 304-914-2263