

# MARKET STREET



*"And this is the message we have received of Him, and declare unto you..." (1 John 1:5)*

## MESSENGER

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### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday

Bible Classes..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship..... 5:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday

Bible Classes..... 7:00 p.m.

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### MARKET STREET MESSENGER

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*David A. Cox, Editor*

## *The Danger of Neglect*

**David A. Cox**

In Hebrews 2:3 we read, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord..." The Hebrew writer brings to mind the seriousness of neglect. It is indeed a serious matter to be negligent in doing things that have serious consequences if left undone. There are many things in life that we might neglect to do, and it is not a real serious matter. For examples, to neglect to eat wholesome, nourishing food may be serious over a period of time, but the immediate danger of such neglect is unapparent. But in spiritual matters neglect are very serious and can determine our eternal standing with God. Let us consider some people in the scriptures that neglected the things of God.

### **Different Individuals That Neglected**

Cain is the first that comes to mind (Genesis 4). He wanted to worship God and had been told what God expected, but failed to offer that. Abel did not neglect God's will, but offered to God a sacrifice that God required, and it pleased God. Cain's neglect lead him into a life of rebellion and separation from God.

Uzzah is another one that neglected God's will concerning not touching the ark of God. Uzzah is remembered for his neglect and for his hand to steady the ark as the ark shook as it crossed Nachon's threshing floor and God smote him for his neglect in the case (2 Samuel 6:6-7).

In Luke 12 we read of the rich man who was blessed abundantly by God and his ground brought forth plentifully. Rather than remember his soul, and what God required of him, he thought only of himself and sought his happiness here on earth feasting on the riches of God he had blessed. He is referred to as a "fool" for his neglect and not remembering God..

Lastly, we are reminded of Felix who heard Paul preaching to him of righteousness and the judgment to come" who said, "When I have a convenient season I will call for thee" (Acts 24:24-27). Felix neglected the spiritual matter thinking there would be a later time.

It may be that neglect is deliberate and comes as we take the down-

ward road away from God, as in Cain case. Or, it may be neglect that in our minds appear to have a good motive as in Uzzah's case. Or, it may be neglect due to a lack of attention and commitment to pleasing God because of selfishness, as in the case of the rich man. Or, neglect due to thinking there will be a better time later, as in the case of Felix. Regardless of the case the danger of is that it leads to continued neglect and will leave one unprepared to meet God in judgment.



## *A Very Private War*

**Dee Bowman**

Throughout History war has plagued mankind. In every generation there are "wars and rumors of wars." Wars are born out of conflicts between people. Sometimes they are national, sometimes civil, always personal. Like it or not, we are all at war. We fight wars against great odds sometimes. Sometimes the wars are more like skirmishes or border disputes. But they, too, are still wars. Internal struggles are some of the most intense forms of warfare.

We fight against ignorance. Not many of us know the true state of things-and even if we did, things change. So we strive to stay up. Ignorance has always been a bane to man's progress. And all of us have some of it. No man knows much, "except as he ought to know." Will Rogers had it right when he said, "We're all ignorant, just in different fields." Study is the offensive weapon against ignorance (1 Timothy 2:15). It's necessary that we know God and His way in order to combat the stratagems of the Devil. We can hardly win a single battle if we are "ignorant of his devices" (2 Corinthians 2:11). And so we arm ourselves with the panoply of God so that we are ready to fight when the times comes (Ephesians 6:10-18).

Pride is one of man's most pervasive enemies. It sneaks in when we are not looking- and sometimes even when we are. Sin started with it; it has ever been a problem for man. "Pride goeth before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall" (Proverbs 16:18), said the wise man. And yet we only fight it back; we never really conquer it. Ironically, the recurrence of pride is often worse than what we just fought back.

It's difficult to control pride. Humility is the answer (1 Peter 5:5); but humility is hard- hard to get it, even harder to maintain it.

Spies are part of warfare. They sneak in and gather information to aid in defeat. They work on the inside. Two of the most ubiquitous of these insiders are materialism and indifference. Materialism wears the mask of success. Indifference masquerades as leisure time earned by hard work. In both cases, they spy out ways to defeat you. Materialism occupies you so with what seemingly are legitimate battles- battles like "making a living"- that you have no time to spend on the real war-building character. Indifference, on the other hand, lulls you into apathy and thereby promotes inattention to what is really important. Both these actions are so well disguised that they seem appropriate, when in fact, they are eating away at the fibre of your enthusiasm thereby blunting your interest in what should be of greater concern.

We can overcome the battles of life, but only as we trust completely in our leader (Romans 8:34-39); only if we are watchful and earnest (1 Corinthians 16:13; 1 Peter 5:8); and only if we hold out to the end (1 Corinthians 15:58).

One thing is sure, however. You have to get into the thick of the battle if you plan to have the victory. You can't win by just standing around watching.



## *Worship: A Time To Recharge Our Batteries*

**Ken Weliever**

Recently, I read about a man who works in a customer service call center for a national pager operation. He deals with the usual complaints regarding poor pager operations. Among the "unusual calls", the best came from a man who complained that he keeps being paged by someone named "Lucille."

He was entrusted that he would have to call her and tell her to stop paging him "she don't never leave

no number, so I can't call her back," he said. After three such calls to the service center some one thought to ask how he knew it was Lucille if she didn't leave a number. "She leaves her name" was the reply.

After establishing that customer had a numeric-only pager, the light bulb came on. How does she spell her name?" asked the service rep. The man said, "Lowcell."

When things start to annoy and aggravate us, the problem may simply be that we need to get "recharge." Overlooked schedules, "to do" lists soon take their toll on the human spirit.

Worship is an opportunity to charge up those spiritual low cells. It's a time to remove and focus from the "things" of this world and turn our attention to God, His Word and his Son who died for us.

Worship refreshes. Worship Inspires. Worship relaxes. Yes, worship has the power to recharge our run down batteries.

We're really glad you are here today. If you are a guest, please return soon. We sincerely hope you leave with new ower and strength. Watch out for "Lucille!" And "recharger" on a regular basis.

~via *New Living*; Brownsburg, Indiana

## News & Notes

### THE SICK:

JoAnn Gilbert	Joe Leopard
Reba Byram	Cindy Glass
Patsy Thomas	Irene Inman
Doris Lovell	Gilbert Hardy
Wayne Gooch	Ann Bush
Shaun Carruth	Charlie Christopher
Linda Jones	

### Those Undergoing Treatments or Chronic Illness:

Ella Melvin	Gayle Ball
Jeanette Weir	Janice Cagle
Eli Williams	Gene Carpenter
Linda Ordonez	Charles Burns
Al Pollard	Ava Brooke Campbell
Elizabeth Howard	Matt Poff
Phillip Harwell	Una King Currier
Shayna Tollison	Daniel Ogles
Anita Willis	Jenny Pickens
Diane Kilpatrick	Cindy Walker

### In The Hospital:

*Norman Hamm*; Millenium Rehab. - Huntsville  
*Betty League*; Birmingham Hospital;  
*Donna Wright*; Huntsville Hospital; rm. 1547

### Athens Rehabilitation & Senior Care:

Nelva Reed, rm. 61	William Thomas, rm. 70
Judith Groce, rm. 10-B	Dorothy Draper, rm. 104
Matty Murray, rm. 2	Helen Trousdale, rm. 30
Valeria Dalton, rm. 7	Grady Tomerlin, rm. 38
Terry Camp, rm. 82	Mildred Frantz, rm. 31
Gayle Mills, rm. 15	Evelyn Hogan, rm. 36
Mable Crafts, rm. 39	Christine Hudson, rm. 77

### Limestone Health Facility:

Jerry Gilbert, rm. 55	Charlie Christopher, rm 95
Geneva Davis, rm. 14-E	Glenda Lankford, rm. 117

### Shut-In or Away From Home:

Robert & Mot Beasley, at Merrill Gardens, Madison  
Hazel Brooks, Nursing Home In Pulaski, Tennessee  
Gwen Bullock, at granddaughter's in Huntsville  
Wynell Casteel, at home  
Marjorie Dunnivant, at Brookdale Farms, Huntsville  
Mary Ruth Gardner, at Merrill Gardens, Madison  
Carl Hargrave, at granddaughter's home in Hartselle  
Essie Hardison, at home  
Ruby Jean Tinnon, at home

**MAURICE "MOT" DOLLAR:** It is with great sadness that we note the passing of brother to *Mot Dollar* this past Wednesday morning. He passed away at Crestwood Hospital in Huntsville. Mot was well loved by the people at Market Street and he deeply loved the church at Market Street as well. Mot had a great disposition and had focus on spiritual things and the work at Market Street. He will be greatly missed in the assemblies of the church here. The visitation was last night at the Spry Funeral Home. His funeral will be this afternoon at 2:00 here at Market Street. He will be laid to rest in the Roselawn Cemetery. We want to express our deepest sympathy to *Bonita, Heath, Glenda* and *all the family*, in the passing of Mot. May they find strength from the Lord and encouragement from the hope that Mot lived with.

**GOSPEL MEETING:** The *Kelly Spring Road church* is beginning a gospel meeting today and it will continue through Wednesday evening. *Tom Rainwater* will be the speaker in this meeting.

**BARBADOS:** The Lord willing, I will be leaving early Thursday morning for Barbados to do work with the churches there. *Buc Chumbley* will be travelling with me.

**CONFESSION:** Last Sunday morning our hearts were

filled with joy as a letter was read from *Norman Brown* who was confessing his sins and asking for forgiveness and prayers for strength. We appreciate the attitude of Norman in confronting his error and turning to the Lord to overcome it. May the Lord bless him as he continues to faithfully serve Him. May each of us encourage *Norman and Stephanie*.

**BAPTISM:** We are rejoicing this week over the decision that *Dakota Kyle* made to be baptized into Christ. Dakota is fine young man that has been attending services for a few months here at Market Street. He has been studying and stated that he wanted to have the forgiveness of sins. He was baptized Wednesday night. We are encouraged by Dakota's decision and may we all encourage him in his life as a child of God. May the Lord bless him with many years to serve Him.

**OUT OF TOWN:** *The Bradleys'* Steve and Marilyn have been in Houston, Texas.

**WORK GROUPS:** Work Group two will be meeting this evening after our evening service. If you are in group two, remember to meet with your group.

**THE RECORD:** Attendance for the week of August 7th

Sunday:	Bible Classes .....	138
	Morning Worship .....	184
	Evening Worship .....	141
Wednesday:	Bible Classes .....	115

## Gospel Meeting

"Exploring Islam & Christianity"

**September 11-15, 2016**

**Speaker: Andrew Roberts of Tampa, Florida**

### Schedule of Services

Sunday –	9:45 a.m. —	Definitive Differences
	10:45 a.m. —	Christianity Can Survive
	5:00 p.m. —	The Crucifixion Controversy
Monday	7:00 p.m. —	Studying The Bible & The Qu'ran
Tuesday	7:00 p.m. —	Examining Jesus and Muhammad
Wednesday	7:00 p.m. —	Islam & Evangelism
Thursday	7:00 p.m. —	When Islam Asks

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## Men Privileged To Serve:

**Sunday, August 14th:**

### *Morning Worship*

Announcements.....	Jerry McGlocklin
Song Leader .....	Joel Hamm
Prayer.....	A. J. Price
Preaching.....	David Cox
Lord's Supper	
Presiding.....	Steve Usery
Assisting .....	Marty Adams
Serving .....	Charles Vaughn .....
	Seth Todd
	Nathaniel Adams.....
	Keenon Currier
Closing Prayer .....	Arvid McGuire

### *Evening Worship*

Announcements.....	Jerry McGlocklin
Song Leader .....	Tommy Burns
Prayer.....	Kenneth Smith
Preaching.....	David Cox
Lord's Supper .....	Steve Usery
Closing Prayer .....	Mike Ogles

Other Assignments for Sunday, August 14th:

Ushers.....	Larry Mitchell/Marcus Morris
Work Sound System.....	Terry Andrews

**Wednesday, August 17th:**

Song Leader .....	Stefan Fudge
Bible Reading .....	Galatians 2:1-10
	Danny Johnson
Prayer.....	Landon Adams
Invitation .....	Tommy Coblentz
Closing Prayer .....	Jason Conn

**Sunday, August 21st:**

### *Morning Worship*

Announcements.....	Marcus Morris
Song Leader .....	Hunter Cox
Prayer.....	Terry Andrews
Preaching.....	Ben May
Lord's Supper	
Presiding.....	Jerry McGlocklin
Assisting .....	Jordan Lovell
Serving .....	James Johnson .....
	Matthew Vaughn
	David Terry .....
	Jason Conn
Closing Prayer .....	Steve Usery

### *Evening Worship*

Announcements.....	Marcus Morris
Song Leader .....	Joel Hamm
Prayer.....	Larry Mitchell
Preaching.....	Ben May
Lord's Supper .....	Jerry McGlocklin
Closing Prayer .....	Bonnie Sutton

Other Assignments for Sunday, August 21st:

Ushers.....	Marvin Putman/Heath Dollar
Work Sound System.....	Landon Adams