

## Storms of Life

At some point in life most of us face many types of health, financial, family or other serious problem. 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 comes 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  
Owingsville, KY*

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**Thank you for  
your prayers!**

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### Assemblies

**SUNDAY**  
Bible Study 9:30 AM  
Assembly 10:30 AM  
Assembly 5:00 PM  
Live on Facebook

**WEDNESDAY**  
Bible Study 6:30 PM



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# CHURCH OF CHRIST

*“...speaking the truth in love...” Eph. 4:15*

**April 24, 2022**

## OBEDIENCE

### **Necessity of Obedience:**

**1. It is better to Obey** - “*Samuel said, “Does the LORD have as much delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices As in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than a sacrifice, And to pay attention is better than the fat of rams.” (1 Samuel 15:22)*

**2. We must Obey God** – “*But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than men.” (Acts 5:29)*

**3. It is necessary for purification** – “*Since you have purified your souls in obedience to the truth for a sincere love of the brothers and sisters, fervently love one another from the heart, for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable, but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God.” (1 Peter 1:22-23-22)*

**4. It is necessary for salvation** – “*Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter.” (Matthew 7:21)*

### **Result of Obedience:**

**1. It results in eternal life** - “*And having been perfected, He became the source of eternal salvation for all those who obey Him,” (Hebrews 5:9)*

**2. The obedient have the right to the tree of life** – “*Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life, and may enter the city by the gates.” (Revelation 22:14)*

**3. Prayers will be answered** – “*Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask, we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight.” (1 John 3:21-22)*

**4. The obedient will be blessed** – “*But one who has looked intently at the perfect law, the law of freedom, and has continued in it, not having become a forgetful hearer but an active doer, this person will be blessed in what he does.” (James 1:25)*

*~Brad Tolbert*

## Memory Verse

“For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.”

**- Romans 1:20 (NIV)**

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TODAY’S EVENTS

- Worship livestreamed at 10:30
- Small Study Groups at 5:00

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Members:

Linda Bates...Tony & Judy Beard...Terry Boykin... Roger & Margaret Harris... Jennifer Knight... Ray Leonard... Joe and Peggy Moore...LaVerne Potter...Eddy & Suzette Russell.. Jerry Smith... Rita Stiles... Mandy Tolbert... Carolyn Wilson...Donnie & Janice Wright

Shut-ins:

Jean Enlow...Betty McGuire...Bob & Pat Turner... Marie Wooten

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SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

Chris Beard... Rusty Blanks... Jackie Drew Berryman... Naomi Burrow...Candice Carter... the church in Ukraine... Eliane Clay... Alli Cooper...Ricky Epps... Tommy Haynes... the family of Retta Higgins... Kenny Hudgens... Deane Johnson... Gary Light... Jay Light... Jim Looney... Kathryn McDonough... Rick Naron... Brent Newton... Mason Ingram... Loyce Ray.. Christy Rice...Turner Roberts...Leah Rye... Janice Sawyer... Robert and Sue Thomas...Sissy Tucker...family of Clint Waldrup... James Walton... Mark Wyers... Daisy and Lily Wilkerson... family of William Woods... Sue Woodard...

Birthdays & Anniversaries



Today!	24	Margaret Harris
	27	Joel & Valerie Thompson
May	1	Ray Leonard
	3	Jason Meier
	5	Josephine Kathryn Rabb
	7	Jimmy Higgins
	9	Brian & Mindy Erwin
	16	Emma Miller
	17	Brad & Mandy Tolbert
	18	Suzette Russell
	19	Chris & Leah Bryant
	21	Braydn Curtis

Daily Bible Reading Schedule

24	1 Chronicles 10-12
25	1 Chron. 13-15
26	1 Chron. 16-18
27	1 Chron. 19-21
28	1 Chron. 22-25
29	1 Chron. 26-29
30	2 Chron. 1-3



Heart-To-Heart cont’d...

Best Choice labels are still being collected. Place the UPC labels in the box in room 134. The proceeds go to the Paragould Children’s Home.

We'll Get Through This

Lord, our troubles Are so great,  
We don't know what to do;  
The price for our Iniquity  
Is finally coming due.

The world is crumbling All about;  
No safe place can be found.  
Right is wrong, Wrong is right;  
The change is quite profound.

Lord, we need Your guiding light  
To lead us out of here;  
We'll focus on  
Your Word, and prayer,  
To take away our fear.

Temptations of This dying world  
We'll rule out and let go;  
Give our burdens  
All to you,  
Shed all worldly woe.

That's how we'll  
Get through this, Lord,  
Fixed on heaven above,  
Assured of your  
protection, help,  
And everlasting love.

By Joanna Fuchs

Attendance

Bible Class .....	98
Sunday AM Worship...	133
Sunday PM Worship .....	47
Wed. Evening .....	64
Contribution .....	\$4,002

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NURSERY

Communion Preparation

Apr 24	Leah Bryant
May 1	Leah Bryant
May 8	Fran Calvert
May 15	Fran Calvert

Ladies May Duties

Cards:	Barbara Dyson
Food:	Sandra Baker Margaret Harris