#### **ACTIVITIES FOR OCTOBER:**

Pleasant Acres Ladies Meeting— This Tuesday, October 24– 7 pm at Pleasant Acres

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- <u>Anysoldier Program</u> Collecting "currently asked for" items by soldiers who are deployed. They are missing home & don't get any mail. Some are in undisclosed locations and there are those that have very few resources & may not have a way to cook or heat food. They will be grateful for anything we send. -<u>If you would like to participate, there are papers on the tables with a detailed list of items needed. All items can be dropped off in the baskets under the tables.</u> Any further questions, please see Lori Baxter.
- <u>Pleasant Acres Needed Items:</u> (<u>Please place donations in the baskets under the table</u>): Pine Sol, Febreze, Baby Soap, Baby Shampoo, Mouthwash, Clorox Wipes, Desitin



Bridal Shower for Sarah Summers , Matthew Gallagher's fiancée  ${\it TODAY-2~pm~at~the~home~of~Cindy~Buffington}$ 

(They are registered at Macy's and Bed Bath & Beyond.



# **Youth Rally**

Friday, October 27- Saturday, October 28-WVU Jackson's Mill (Weston, WV)

**Topic:** God is Good

**Speakers:** Jeff Dorton, Rick Tincher, Ryan Currey

## **Our upcoming Gospel Meeting with Chris Gallagher**

Sunday Nov 5—Wednesday Nov 8

Topic: "Four Days to Greater Living"

Please check out the back bulletin for Upcoming Local Gospel Meetings-

# Bridgeport Church of Christ

October 22, 2017

#### **Live Now To Secure Forever**



"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow" (Matthew 6:34)

A person's life can be divided up into four chunks of time: the past, the present, the future and eternity. The devil draws attention to the past and the future; God draw attention to the present and eternity. Therefore, the devil wants to take our focus off of the present and eternity while God wants us to avoid investing too heavily in the past and future.

For example, when a person is thinking about becoming a Christian, the devil attacks that thinking in at least two places. First, the past: "I have done too many bad things that God could never forgive me of," and second,, the future: "Even if He could forgive me, once I was baptized, I could never live up to the high standard of the Christian life."

God, on the other hand, reinforces truthful thinking in the above scenario by coaching a person to do NOW what will secure him or her for ETERNITY. In the process, of course, God does remedy the guilt of sin (PAST) and also gears the new convert up by prayer, worship, Scripture, fellowship, hope, etc. to be faithful in living out the Christian Life (FUTURE).

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Sunday Worship
Bible Study 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm
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The plea to live in the present saturates Scripture (see for example Mt. 6:34; 2 Co. 6:1-2; 2 Pet. 3:11-12).

That does not mean we have no business with the past. There may be a mess to clean up. And it does not mean we have no business with future, because we must plan (see Jas. 4:13-16).

It does mean that we should not waste life fantasizing, "I wish I could go back to yesterday", or "I am waiting for things to be different tomorrow."

Rather, live in the moment. Do what you are supposed to be doing today. Obey God now. Take responsibility for the present. That posture is "Christian" and can secure our eternity.

-Northridge church of Christ

# **Peace from Pain**

When days are rough, and times seem tough, And we're 'neath much stress and strain; Just trust the Lord, and heed His Word And He will bring peace from the pain.

Peace from pain we will gain, He has promised, and He will bring; He will employ eternal joy And peace from pain will spring.

-Edd Sterchi

**Elders:** Raymond Anderson, Lafe Hutcheson & Stan Williams

<u>Deacons</u>: Gene Wright, Don Riffle, Robert Armstrong, Robbie Nichols, Jeremy Sutton

& Robbie Buffington

Phone: (304) 842-6738

Card Distributor: Cheryl Kelch

October Baptismal Garments: Jessica Kerns

October Greeters- 22-Karen Seyler 29-Need Greeter

#### **Prayers- Those of Our Congregation**

- Our shut-in's: Helen Potts & Brenda Fortney
- Bob & Jackie Moore
- Vanessa Sandy
- Jim Wright
- Allen Osborne
- Loverine & Bill Pigott
- Noah Hart
- Ryan, Megan, Carson & Millie Cate Currey

### **Prayers-Family & Friends**

- Mike Yost
- Tyler Hawkins— deployed, will return in February.
- Bonnie Cropp
- Clara Greene
- Patty Demorest— diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer.
- Cassie Craig (Cheryl Kelch's sister)- To send a card: 22580 Hoyle Circle Maxton, NC 28364
- Beverly Norris (*Valerie Wright's Mother*)-having heart problems– *If you'd like to send a card:* 415 N. Hambden St., Chardon, OH 44024
- Roberta Andrews (Raymond's sister)-having complications due to diabetes.
- Michelle James (Friend of Meagan Hutcheson)- diagnosed with leukemia.
- Ronnie Landrum
   – (Robert's Brother)-Has pancreatitis-Cards can be sent to: 349 Penland St Clyde, NC 287214
- Rhonda Davis (friend of Vicki Kerns)-has Huntington's disease and had to be put in a facility
- Karl Insani-had to have his pacemaker battery replaced
- Everson Family— Carol Jean (Everson) Rogers-Member of Philippi church of Christ-passed away on Oct 2
- Karen Tucker's Family— Her brother Ronnie passed away suddenly
- Michael Barlow (Friend of Shawna Devericks)— His brother passed away.
- Chrissy (Friend of Rachel Gelpi)- Her stepfather passed away.
- Ester Lewis-Had a bad fall and is having lower back problems.

(If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin– Please email or write it down and give it to Jessica Kerns before Thursday of that week: bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com)

# October Birthdays & Anniversaries:



23-Jessica Kerns 24-Cindy Moore

25-Leah Sleeth/ Naomi Nichols 28-Ed Jenkins

**29-**Greg Moore / Corbin Neil

# Our Record: October 15



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Contribution (Budget \$4,000)

\$3,060