

# Times of Victory

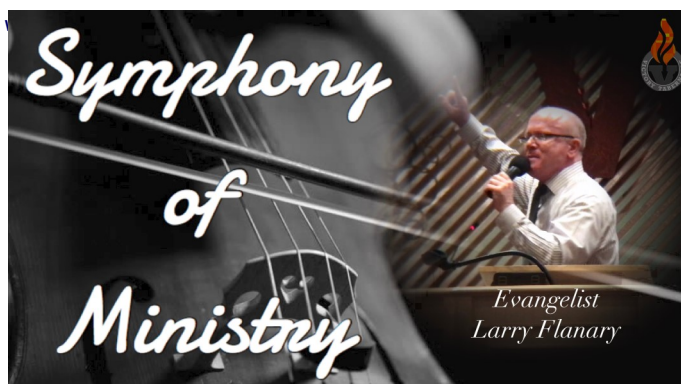
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On Sunday March 24<sup>th</sup>, Victory Tabernacle was blessed with the presence of Bro. Larry Flanary out of Knoxville, TN. He came to Victory Tabernacle with a message from God on his heart not only for Victory Tabernacle but for the entire city of Huntsville. Bro. Flanary was with us for both the Sunday morning and Sun-

day evening services and the subject of both services was "The Symphony of Ministry." His Scripture reading for the morning service was Matthew 16:18-19 and for the evening service Ephesians 4:11-16.

The New Testament never referred the word church to a building or a structure because that's not what the Church is. The Church is

simply a gathering of people and it literally means the legislative assembly or the selected ones also known as the called out ones or the chosen ones. And Acts chapter 2 marks the entrance of the most powerful, influential presence that the world has ever known and it's not the devil nor Satan nor Lucifer but it is the church of the living God. The church actualized itself upon this earth in Acts chapter 2 and God never intended, by the death, burial and the resurrection of Jesus just to create a belief system. God's purpose was to present a whole new people, the actual body of Christ to the world which is the Church of the Living God where there is

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## The One Thing That Is Needful

Pastor Troy Taylor's message for Sunday on the 10<sup>th</sup> of March was "The One Thing That Is Needful" with his Scripture reading coming from Luke 10:38-42. In our lives we are always identifying many different things that we tell ourselves that they are the things that are needful for us. But Pastor Taylor in his message laid it right on the line and told us what is really needful in our lives.

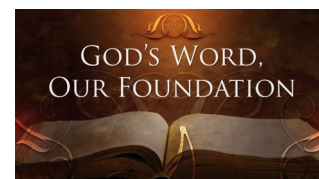
Pastor Taylor began his message with reminding us of

the great church service that we have had. Of how the presence of God would fall and people, through their worshipping, would be blessed. How the worship was spontaneous because it was a by-product of the flow of the Spirit of God in the house. But unfortunately that doesn't happen much anymore because of hindrances. Yes, hindrances, and the most prevalent hindrance is we have allowed that stinking flesh get involved. Because



Pastor Troy Taylor

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**Proverbs 3:27**

*Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.*

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## The Symphony of Ministry *(continued from page 1)*

### Ephesians 4:11-12

**11: And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;**  
**12: For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:**

power and authority and dominion.

So what is church for and why do we come together? What is it about? Church is not a country club where the saints come to hang out or to come dragging in on Sunday to get a little pick-me up just to back out there on Monday to go back through the same hell and chaos. But it is a healing center, a hope center, and a place of deliverance. It is a place for your soul to be saved.

In Ephesians 4:11 and 12 it says that He gave some apostles, and some prophets, and some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers for the perfecting of the saints. Now that word perfecting is to position you or to align you or to equip you or to put you in your place. And you get this perfecting through Preaching which also helps you understand who you are and what you are and what you're supposed to be doing. Good preaching and teaching brings

out your true nature and identity and equips you for the work of the ministry. But there is a wide range of ministry and it's not all preaching or teaching. Cleaning the church is a ministry. Sunday School is a ministry, and the bus is a ministry just to name a few.

The ministry or the preaching is to nurture and prepare all of the holy believers to do their own work of ministry. And as they do their own work of ministry they will enlarge and build up the body of Christ. That's why you cannot check out during the preaching but be checked in and paying attention because the preaching is to nurture you and prepare you to do your own work of ministry. And as you do your own work of ministry you're growing the Body, you're growing the Church.

Preaching will cause your immaturity to end and you to grow-up. We need to grow-up in the things of God as well as

our attitudes and get our feelings off our cuffs. Quit sucking your thumb and feeling sorry for yourself and let the Word grow you up and mature you. That's what preaching does. Our immaturity will end and we will not be easily shaken by trouble. That's what preaching will do for you and to you only if you will pay attention. That's why you need to listen to the man of God.

Preaching brings out our gifts, it shows us our gifts, it tells us who we are so that we can unite our gifts together and grow this Church. That's what preaching does, preaching, the ministry, the man of God does this. It helps you understand who you are, what you have and what you can contribute to the Church. That's the symphony of ministry. The whole Body is fitly joined together and compacted. We need a revelation of this in 2019, that term fitly joined together and compacted means harmony.

**SPECIAL MESSAGE:  
EPHESIANS 4.11-16  
'EVERYBODY'S  
A SOMEBODY'**

**Show that God cares by lending a helping hand.**



Ahaziah, King of Judah

## Where Do You Turn? *by Andrew Kuyvenhoven*

King Ahaziah was the son of Ahab and Jezebel. One day he fell through the lattice of his upper room in his palace ... Ahaziah was badly injured by the fall and feared he would die. A true son of his mother, he asked for an oracle from Baal: Will I live or die?

Isn't it terrible that the king of Israel turns to an idol? Especially when a person is sick, he or she should turn to

the living God. Illness and accidents don't just happen. We may not blame God for them, but these trials are ultimately intended to make us better people. And the first thing we ought to do in the face of illness and other troubles is turn to the living God.

But Ahaziah didn't. Neither did another king, whom the writer of Chronicles tells about: "Though his disease

was severe, even in his illness he did not seek help for the LORD, but only from the physicians" (2 Chronicles 16:12).

*Even in his illness he did not seek help from the LORD.* We offend God if we don't pray to Him. He will not always give us health and happiness, although He can easily do so. But God *will* give us himself. And God is our life.

## The One Thing that is Needful *(continued from page 1)*

we let our carnality make our decisions we have a hard time repenting and making things right, but if we'll check it at the door and say I'm not going into the house of God with that because I am going to worship, give God the Glory and be a part of a move of God.

You see, there are several factors that go into a church service. One being prayer through the week because we're not just come to church to be preached to or to fill a place on a pew. Consecration and expectancy are also factors in order to have a good service and be a part of move of God. Other factors include being hungry and thirsty for a move of God. Because when we come with expectancy, passion, hunger and longing to worship the Lord there will be a spontaneous flow of the Spirit of God and God will bless the service and you. All these things go into a move of God and the flow of the Holy Ghost and when we all come

together people will be drawn to Him.

The Lord is drawn to our worship, praise, adoration, and love for Him and He is compelled to come. Although some things compel Him and there are some things that repel Him like arrogance, stiff-neckedness, and a bunch of junk. But what will compel Him is for you to tell Him that you love and appreciate Him and you magnify and exalt Him and you're thankful to God. You're grateful that God save you and healed you, forgave you of your sins, washed you in the Blood, and gave you a life worth living.

Although you may think otherwise, the Holy Ghost does not make anyone do anything. God will never ever make you love Him or serve Him. He will, however, one day make you confess that He's Lord, so if you don't do it now you will do it later. The Holy Ghost never, never ever makes us do anything. It's got to be something that

comes from your heart and your soul, your spirit.

There are things that have to be done and in the Scripture reading Jesus knew that Martha had duties that needed to be done. So when she complained about Mary not helping He told her that there was one that that was needful and Mary chose to do it and it wasn't going to be taken away from her. The Lord was drawing a line right there that day and He said there's only one that's really needful and that's right here at my feet and worshipping me and loving me all that stuff will be taken care of later but there's one thing needful and that's worship Jesus and praise Jesus and love Jesus and bless Jesus and listen to Jesus.

There is one thing more important than going to work, and by all means go to work, but there's really one thing that's most important and it is you worshipping and serving the Lord.



Pastor Troy Taylor  
Preaching from his heart.

### Luke 10:41-42

<sup>41</sup>And Jesus answered and said unto her, **Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things:**

<sup>42</sup>**But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.**

## The Bible

*taken from Essential Doctrines of the Bible  
in Thompson Chain Reference Study Bible*

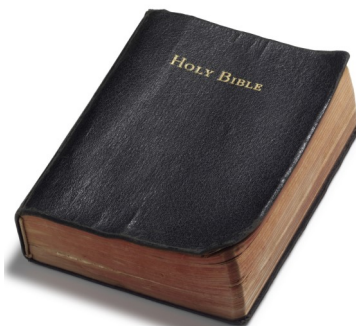
Since God exists, the Word of God must also, for would not the Creator communicate with His creation? Since God created us as rational beings and since He loves us enough to provide for us, surely He wishes to communicate with us and thereby fulfill His purpose for creation. All intelligent beings seek to communicate, and the Supreme Intelligence is no exception.

We would expect God to record His message in writing, the historic medium best suited for precision, preservation, and propagation. And the following evidence convincingly demonstrates that the Bible is the unique written

Word of God to man: (1) its unique claims, (2) self-vindicating authority, (3) testimony of the apostles and prophets, (4) integrity of Jesus Christ, who endorsed the Old Testament and commissioned the writers of the New, (5) nature and quality of its content, (6) moral superiority, (7) unity, despite more than forty writers over 1,600 years, (8) lack of a credible alternative, (9) agreement with history, archeology, and science, (10) indestructibility, (11) universality, (12) influence on society, (13) witness of the Spirit, (14) life-changing power, (15) fulfilled promises and miracles, (16) fulfilled

prophecies, and (17) lack of an alternative explanation for its origin.

We would certainly expect God's Word to identify itself as such, and each book of the Bible claims, either directly or indirectly, to be the Word of God. Of all the books of the world's great religions, only one other book boasts of equal authority—the Koran—and its fanciful, contradictory content does not support its claim. The world's most moral book, the Bible, would not proclaim the world's biggest lie. The world's noblest and wisest man, Jesus, would not perpetrate the world's greatest hoax. No one but God could



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## Sis. Sherry's Column



### JESUS IS OUR LIVING WATER!

Isaiah 12:3-6 The bible has 6 ways we can drink Christ as Living Water.

- “Therefore you will draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation, and you will say in that day, Give thanks to Jehovah; Call upon His name! Make His deeds known among the people; Remind them that His name is exalted. Sing psalms to Jehovah, for he has done something majestic! Let it be made know in all the earth! Cry out and give a living shout, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel!”

“Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.” **JOHN 7:37-38**

**HYDRATE** - a compound, typically a crystalline one, in which water molecules are chemically bound to another compound or an element. cause to absorb water.

We all know how important it is to drink lots of water. We have to have it. If we go without it for very long, then we will be having all kinds of issues going on with our body. Well the same is with the “HOLY BIBLE” or “THE WORD OF GOD and PRAYER”. We can’t live without it. Or at least we can’t live a Godly life the way God intends for us to live. Our relationship with Christ is a lot like being hydrated for a soccer game or any other sport. We need to be in daily communication with Him through reading our Bible and praying because that is what fills us with His love and his power. When we are full of God’s love, we are living our life at peak performance because we are looking for ways to be His hands and feet right where we are. There have been times in our life when we get too busy, too distracted, or just tired, and we don’t spend time with God as much as we would like to or need to. We let ourselves get too caught up with feelings or things, and then when a challenge comes or a hard time hits we don’t have any reserves to draw from, and so we find ourselves drained and scared and tired. Jesus is

our Living Water. He is the only thing that can truly fill us up and help us live the life He intended us to live. And when we continually allow that Living Water to be our focus, we can’t help but let it overflow to those around us. We weren’t made to operate from a place of depletion, and He is always waiting, ready to fill us up, and He’s the only thing that can satisfy every hope, dream, or longing we have in our hearts.

#### WAYS TO DRINK LIVING WATER:

**John 7: 37** In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.<sup>38</sup> He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.<sup>39</sup> (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

#### GIVE THANKS and BE THANKFUL!

- We can drink the living water by thanking the Lord. This is something we should start our day out first thing in the morning is giving thanks. It is healthy for us as Christians to be thankful and to practice thanking God every day. We all have so much to be thankful for and God is worthy to be thanked.

#### CALL UPON HIS NAME!

- In Isaiah 12 says to call upon the Lord’s name. Right after instructing us to give thanks to God. This may be new to many of us, but calling upon the Lord is a practice that is found throughout the Bible.

#### MAKE HIS DEEDS KNOW TO THE PEOPLE!

- We can drink by making Christ’s deeds known among people. HE’s done much that we can speak to others about. HE came to this earth and lived a perfect life. HE died for the sins of mankind; HE resurrected and ascended; HE became a life-giving Spirit to give us eternal life; and HE produced the church as HIS Body through HIS death and resurrection.

#### REMINDE PEOPLE THAT HIS NAME IS EXALTED!

- In addition to telling people about the Lord’s wonderful deeds, we can we can remind others that Christ’s name is exalted. Philippians 2:9 tells us that Christ’s name is above every name. This is something we can speak to those around us. Family, friends and even strangers we come in contact with. We drink living water from the well of salvation

## Sis. Sherry's Column *(continued from page 4)*

### SING PSALMS TO JEHOVAH!

- Singing is a way to drink. Opening our mouth and singing hymns to the LORD is one of the best ways to drink from the fountain of living water. As we sing, this fountain begins to well up in us, and even overflows. Singing is such an enjoyable way to drink.

### CRY OUT AND GIVE A RINGING SHOUT!

- We can drink the water of life by crying out and giving a ringing shout. Many times we pray quietly to the LORD. Sometimes we may find it difficult to pray. This

can be because our mind is full of thoughts and anxieties. It's not that God doesn't hear us when we pray quietly. The problem is more with us. To get through all our mental activity, sometimes we have to shout out loud. We can break through the desert of our mind by crying out and even giving a ringing shout.

## “WE NEED THE LORD TO QUENCH OUR THIRST!”

## The Bible *(continued from page 3)*

have authored the Bible, for good beings would not falsely claim divine inspiration, and evil beings would not teach such high morality.

The Bible is inspired of God, literally “God-breathed.” “All scripture is give by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness” (II Timothy 3:16). Holy men wrote as the Holy Spirit moved them (II Peter 1:21). Inspiration extends to all parts of the Bible and to every word. While the human writers chose words that reflected their language, culture, personality, circumstances, and style, God guided the process so that each word would accurately convey His message. As a result, the Bible is truth.

The thirty-nine Old Testament books were recognized as Scripture by the ancient Hebrews and Jesus and the apostles quoted from or alluded to almost all of them. The twenty-seven New Testament books were accepted by Christians from the earliest times, including contemporaries of the writers in most cases (II Peter 3:15-16), and are recognized as Scripture by all Christendom.

Errors can sometimes arise in copying, translating, or printing the Scriptures, but God has kept His hand upon the transmission process to preserve His Word for all time (Psalm 100:5). The accuracy of the Old Testament Hebrew text was safeguarded by the extremely high quality of the scribal transmission process and has received dramatic verification by the recent discovery of the ancient Dead Sea Scrolls. The accuracy of the New Testament Greek text is assured by the extremely large number of manuscripts—over 5,000—which cancel out copyists' errors.

The King James Version is the most popular English Bible. It was translated over a seven-year period by forty-seven theologians and linguists. Each was a noted scholar who was firmly committed to the inspiration of authority of the Scriptures. The New King James Version is a modern language revision that seeks to preserve accuracy and increase understandability.

Bible students should use the literal method of interpretation, which means following the natural or usual impli-

cation of an expression—the ordinary and apparent meaning of the words—rather than seeking a hidden, allegorical or “spiritual” meaning. It is important to use sound logic and to study words, grammar, background, context, literary genre (style), history, geography, culture, figures of speech, symbols, parables, and types. When studying the Bible, we should keep in mind several points: (1) illumination of the Spirit is necessary, (2) the Bible is basically plain and meant to be understood, (3) Scripture interprets Scripture, (4) truth is revealed progressively from Old to New Testament, (5) the Bible presents a unified theology, (6) no doctrine stands on one passage alone or is hidden in obscure passages, (7) the Bible is accommodated to the human mind (but not to error), and (8) each passage has one primary meaning but can have many applications.

We can have confidence that God has revealed, preserved, and transmitted His Word to us today and that we can understand it. His Word is the Bible.

Read the Bible



## Essentials For Prayer

**God is Closer than  
you think**

**The most important  
thing about failure is  
this: Even when we  
have failed, the flow  
of the Spirit can be  
restored in our lives  
an any moment.  
Right now. All we  
have to do is ask.**

As you pray, here are a few key things that will help you:

1. Choose a time.

**\* Mark 1:35** <sup>35</sup>*Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.*

2. Select a quiet place, pray privately.

**\* Matt 6:6** <sup>6</sup>*But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.*

3. Pray specifically and succinctly.

**\* Matthew 6:7** <sup>7</sup>*And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words.*

4. Have an attitude of expectation.

**\* Psalm 5:3** <sup>3</sup>*In the morning, O Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation.*

5. Use a journal, write down what God tells you.

6. Focus on God and not your problem.

**\* Matthew 6:33** <sup>33</sup>*But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

7. Make prayer your first choice and not your last chance.

**\* 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18** <sup>16</sup>*Be joyful always; <sup>17</sup>pray continually; <sup>18</sup>give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*

8. Let your prayer be filled with praise.

**\* Psalm 34:1-3** <sup>1</sup>*I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. <sup>2</sup>My soul will boast in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and rejoice. <sup>3</sup>Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together.*

9. Pray from an attitude of humility.

**\* Luke 18:9-14** <sup>9</sup>*To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on*

*everybody else, Jesus told his parable: <sup>10</sup>"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' <sup>13</sup>"But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' <sup>14</sup>"I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."*

10. Pray consistently.

**\* Luke 18:1-8** <sup>1</sup>*Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. <sup>2</sup>He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. <sup>3</sup>And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' <sup>4</sup>"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!' <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"*

11. Be lead of the Holy Spirit in your prayer.

**\* Romans 8:26-27** <sup>26</sup>*In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. <sup>27</sup>And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.*

12. Pray from a burdened and sincere heart.

Seek God first and  
the things you want  
will seek you.

...

*But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and  
his righteousness; and all these things  
shall be added unto you.*

Matthew 6:33

## Community Corner

### *Pastor's Wife*

#### *Character*

*She is worth far more than jewels  
Proverbs 31:10*

#### *Confidence*

*Her husband trusts her with all his heart  
Proverbs 31:11*

#### *Responsible*

*She provides food for her family  
Proverbs 31:15*

#### *Profitable*

*She sets about her work vigorously  
Proverbs 31:17*

#### *Compassion*

*She opens her hands to oppressed people  
Proverbs 31:25*

#### *Dignity*

*She is clothed with strength and dignity  
Proverbs 31:25*

#### *Wisdom*

*She speaks with wisdom and faithful instruction  
Proverbs 31:26*

*A Woman who fears the Lord  
is to be Praised  
Proverbs 31:30*





**Luke 11:3**  
**Give us day by day our daily bread**

## Daily Scripture Reading

| Day   | Book | Chap  | Day    | Book | Chap  | Day    | Book | Chap  | Day    | Book | Chap  |
|-------|------|-------|--------|------|-------|--------|------|-------|--------|------|-------|
| Apr 1 | 1 S  | 18-19 | Apr 10 | 2S   | 16-18 | Apr 19 | 1 K  | 13-14 | Apr 29 | 2 K  | 18-20 |
| Apr 2 | 1 S  | 20-22 | Apr 11 | 2S   | 19-20 | Apr 20 | 1 K  | 15-17 | Apr 30 | 2 K  | 21-23 |
| Apr 3 | 1 S  | 23-25 | Apr 12 | 2S   | 21-22 | Apr 21 | 1 K  | 18-20 | May 1  | 2 K  | 24-25 |
| Apr 4 | 1 S  | 26-29 | Apr 13 | 2S   | 23-24 | Apr 22 | 1 K  | 21-22 |        | 1 Ch | 1     |
| Apr 5 | 1 S  | 30-31 |        | 1 K  | 1     | Apr 23 | 2 K  | 1-3   | May 2  | 1 Ch | 2     |
|       | 2 S  | 1-2   | Apr 14 | 1 K  | 2-3   | Apr 24 | 2 K  | 4-5   | May 3  | 1 Ch | 3-5   |
| Apr 6 | 2S   | 3-5   | Apr 15 | 1 K  | 4-6   | Apr 25 | 2 K  | 6-8   | May 4  | 1 Ch | 6     |
| Apr 7 | 2S   | 6-9   | Apr 16 | 1 K  | 7     | Apr 26 | 2 K  | 9-11  | May 5  | 1 Ch | 7-8   |
| Apr 8 | 2S   | 10-12 | Apr 17 | 1 K  | 8-10  | Apr 27 | 2 K  | 12-15 | May 6  | 1 Ch | 9-11  |
| Apr 9 | 2S   | 13-15 | Apr 18 | 1 K  | 11-12 | Apr 28 | 2 K  | 16-17 | May 7  | 1 Ch | 12-14 |

## April Birthdays and Anniversaries



04/04 - Evelyn Glasson  
 04/05 - Scott Wiggins  
           - Quintin Lewis  
 04/12 - Dale Taylor  
 04/13 - Pat Evans  
 04/17 - Javona Dozier  
 04/15 - Dean Mayes  
 04/29 - John Evans



None

**Note:** Birthday and Anniversary dates are taken from the latest Victory Tabernacle Church Directory.

If any information in this article is wrong please notify Bro. Bob with corrections and/or additions.

**THANK YOU**

## March Messages

Sun 3/03 - Pastor Troy Taylor preached on "Buried" using Gen 35:1-7 as his Scripture reading.

Wed 3/06 - Reading from Joshua 1:1-9 Sis. Angela Sims preached on "Keep it Moving."

Sun 3/10 Pastor Troy Taylor preached on "The One Thing that is Needful." Scripture text: Luke 10:38-42.

Wed 3/13 - Pastor Troy Taylor preached on "Why Are

We Just Sitting Here" from 2 Kings 7:1-4.

Sun 3/17 - Pastor Troy Taylor preached on Rejoicing with Philippians 4:4 and 1 Thessalonians 5:16 as his Scripture reading.

Wed 3/20 - Pastor Troy Taylor reading from Mark 11:132-14, 19-24 preached on "Mountain Moving Prayer."

Sun 3/24 AM & PM - Bro. Larry Flanary preached on "The Symphony of Ministry"



using Matt 16:18-19 and Eph 4:11-16 as his Scripture reading.

Wed 3/27 - Pastor Troy Taylor preached on "Some Things we need to Keep" reading from Acts 15:28-29.

Sun 3/31 - Reading from Psm 137:1-4 Pastor Troy Taylor preached on "Sing Any How."



# April 2019

| Sun   | Mon                           | Tue | Wed                        | Thu | Fri                      | Sat                    |
|---|-------------------------------|-----|----------------------------|-----|--------------------------|------------------------|
|   | 1<br>Section 2 Ladies Meeting | 2   | 3<br>Evening Service 7 PM  | 4   | 5                        | 6<br>Outreach 9:30 AM  |
| Sunday Service 10 AM<br>7   | 8                             | 9   | 10<br>Evening Service 7 PM | 11  | 12<br>Youth Service 7 PM | 13<br>Outreach 9:30 AM |
| Sunday Service 10 AM<br>14<br>            | 15                            | 16  | 17<br>Evening Service 7 PM | 18  | 19                       | 20<br>Outreach 9:30 AM |
| Sunday Service 10 AM<br>21<br><br>Easter | 22                            | 23  | 24<br>Evening Service 7 PM | 25  | 26                       | 27<br>Outreach 9:30 AM |
| Sunday Service 10 AM<br>28  | 29<br>Gift Basket Delivery    | 30  | Evening Service 7 PM       |     |                          |                        |

Without God We are Nothing!

## Chef's Corner

### Slow Cooker Rotisserie-Style Chicken

#### Ingredients

#### Directions



#### **CHICKEN RUB:**

2 tablespoons light brown sugar  
3 teaspoons kosher salt  
¼ teaspoon black pepper  
1 teaspoon Cajun seasoning  
2 teaspoons paprika  
½ teaspoon garlic powder  
1 teaspoon onion powder  
1 teaspoon herbes de Provence  
herb blend (rosemary,  
marjoram, thyme, savory)

#### **CHICKEN:**

1 (4- to 5-pound) whole chicken  
12 small new or red potatoes  
½ cup water

- 1) Combine ingredients for Rub; set aside.
- 2) Remove neck and giblets from chicken; save for another use or discard. Season chicken on all sides with Rub, and let rest 15 minutes.
- 3) Rinse and scrub potatoes, and place in bottom of 6-quart slow cooker. Add water.
- 4) Fold a long strip of aluminum foil into thirds lengthwise, to create a lift for chicken when it is cooked. Place foil on top of potatoes, put chicken on top, cover, and cook on LOW 7 hours, or HIGH 3–4 hours, or until internal temperature reads 175° in thickest part of thigh.

**Cook's Note:** For added flavor, season chicken with Rub the night before, and refrigerate overnight.

## On The Lighter Side

I was a Waste  
but Jesus  
recycled me.



## 6 Words from Ephesians 3

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ACCESS HEARD  
APOSTLES HEAVENLY  
BODY INTENT  
BOLDNESS JESUS  
CAUSE LENGTH  
CHURCH MANIFOLD  
DEPTH MYSTERY  
DWELL NAMED  
ETERNAL PAUL  
FAINT PREACH  
FAITH PRISONER

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FELLOWSHIP PROPHETS SPIRITS  
GENTILES  
GIFT READ WISDOM  
GLORY RICHES  
GOSPEL ROOTED  
GRACE SAINTS  
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### Answer to last month's Crossword Puzzle

*Stories with a Purpose*

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#### **Philippians 4:4-7, 13**

**4. Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say, Rejoice.**

**5. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand.**

**6. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made known unto God.**

**7. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.**

**13. I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.**

## **The Secret of Contentment**

### **Read: Philippians 4:4-13**

In today's reading, the apostle Paul says he has learned the secret of experiencing contentment in all circumstances, good or bad. Does it surprise you that he wrote this when he was in prison, unsure of his future?

We're often discontent even when all is going well. Consequently, we wonder how it's possible to be truly content during our most difficult trials, especially when there's no end in sight. So what is genuine contentment? Paul is speaking of a freedom from worry and frustration about everything in life—even unfulfilled desires.

It's usually when we cannot control or change our situation that we feel discontentment. As long as our satisfaction depends on whether certain things actually work out, we'll allow circumstances to cheat us out of peace. I'm not saying there's some spiritual stage where you will never again experience anxiety or frustration. But what matters is how we respond when those feelings grip us.

This is something that the apostle had to learn. Paul endured amazing suffering, from shipwrecks and hunger to unjust imprisonment and beatings (2 Cor. 11:24-30). He had gone through countless situations that were uncertain, extraordinarily pain-

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ful, and seemingly hopeless. But he finally discovered that contentment could not be dependent upon his circumstances.

How do you respond when circumstances are out of your control? Does despair make you want to give up? Paul chose to give his anxieties to Jesus in exchange for peace that "surpasses all comprehension" (Phil. 4:7). That same peace is available to you!