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BEARING WITH ONE ANOTHER (PART 1)

Over the next two weeks, I will share the two halves of this article by John Dobbs, preaching minister of the Forsythe Church of Christ in Monroe, Louisiana. John shares what the New Testament teaches us about getting along with each other. - Brian

We would probably all acknowledge that not every Christian is easy to get along with. Sometimes it is personalities that collide. Sometimes unforgiveness enters the picture. Two people often have vastly different perspective on matters of importance. Others are just walking down a painful road, and we are unaware of how difficult it is for them. The Apostle Paul wrote to the Ephesians, "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love" (Ephesians 4:2). The New Living Translation renders this, "making allowances for each other's faults." Living together in the community of faith carries with it the responsibility of getting along when it's difficult. From this text in Ephesians 4 and a sister passage in Colossians 3, I see seven ways we can bear with one another in Love.

1. **Always Start with Yourself: Be Completely Humble.** Three times Peter reminds his readers to be humble (1 Peter 3:8, 5:5,6). As someone who is not perfect, I can treat another imperfect person with respect.
2. **Treat Others As You Want to Be Treated: Be Gentle.** The Golden Rule reminds us that we should be treating others gently, as we would like to be treated (Matthew 7:12). Francis de Sales said, "Nothing is so strong as gentleness, nothing so gentle as real strength."
3. **Give The Other Person Some Time: Be Patient.** When we are tempted to be impatient with others, we should remember how patient Jesus has been with us. Paul says that we should be clothed with patience (Colossians 3:12-13).
4. **You Do Not Know the Pain of Others: Be Compassionate** (Colossians 3:12). Our experiences in life impact who we are and how we relate to others. It helps us to realize that we do not know the whole story of the person with whom we may be having trouble getting along.

September 5, 2021



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Jeff Butler
Scott Estes
Greg Hatton
David Hendricks
Richard Howard
Brent Lowe
Butch Platt

Ministers

Brian Lewis
David Dirrim
Thorin Turner
Kyle Wilson

Secretary

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Family Matters

Please remember these people in your prayers:

Kristin Neill had knee surgery Friday afternoon at Mercy.

David Lewis found out Wednesday that the blood clot that was in his arm has reformed and extended.

Shari Todd had a test done on Thursday in Oklahoma City and is waiting on the results.

Paula Hatton had emergency surgery last Sunday morning. She is at home recovering and is doing well.

Jeannie Wingard's hip replacement has moved some. In two weeks she will go back to see if it's healing and if it's not, she may have to have a hip replacement which will put her at high risk of getting an infection. Also, **Travis Wingard** is recovering from having five teeth cut out and **Madi Wingard** was exposed to Covid last weekend.

Larry Maxwell had a CT scan done Wednesday and is waiting on the results.

Allen Stonecipher's two friends, Kathie Moreland and Mike Hamlin, were both recently diagnosed with lung cancer.

Our sympathy goes out to Daniela and Stefan Iorga and their family on the passing of Daniela's 22 year old niece. She was killed in a car accident.

Our sympathy goes out to Kenny White, Anna Vass, Jena Nickell, and Kerry White and their families on the passing of their cousin, Jeff Hart. He passed away last week.

Dear Southwest family, We appreciate so much the many kind words, visits, and calls this week after the loss of our Nana Nell Dennis. Thanks for those who brought food and those who attended her funeral or joined us online to remember her. She was grateful to be a part of this caring congregation and we thank you for the strong support shown to our family in our loss. In Christian love, Leon, Bruce & Sheri Dennis, Casey, Holly & Hudson Farrar

Please continue to pray for ...

Verna Cannon, Jeannie Wingard, Sherry Price, Lea Crain, Patsy Hill, Sue Silkey, Shirley Love, Gerald Joliff, Joe Medlock, Katie Meaders, Johnnie Sing, Alyene Sims, Mildred West, Cherry Bennett, Shirley Gatewood, Shirley Perry, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Thayne Consequellos, Warner Fleck, Randy Wilson, & Steve, Jana & Stacey Stewart.

Happenings

Southwest Church, I want to thank the church for all of the prayers and cards that was sent on behalf of the passing of my uncle, Qestion Yarbrough. Larry Maxwell

The church office will be closed Monday in observance of Labor Day.

Melissa Eck will be teaching a new ladies Bible class starting on Wednesday night, **September 8th**, in the fellowship building for ladies of all ages. They will be studying the book of Esther. All ladies are invited!

Ladies Prayer Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month at 4 pm in the old kitchen. The next time they will meet is **September 12th**.

The Yellow House will hand out food on Monday, **September 20th** from 8am - 10am. Helpers this month are: Don & Pam Kite, Paula Sturdevant, Jessie Canida, Glenda Lillard, Lynnette Bryant, and Madonna Tidwell.

Due to the surge in Covid activity Golden Doers, Wednesday Night for the Master, and the Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class **will not** meet in September.

The Sunday morning young adult's class has moved to the old kitchen classroom and the college class will be in the southwest corner classroom until further notice.

Bible class promotion was this morning. We started a class for our kindergarten - 2nd grade. The 3rd - 6th graders stayed with the Duncans.



Philippians: The Mind of Christ

This morning we will begin a new Sunday morning sermon series called, "The Mind of Christ" about the book of Philippians. There are Philippians ESV Scripture Journals available in the foyer for those who would like to follow along or take notes that way.

"Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus." - Philippians 2:5

18 UPCOMING EVENTS

September

- 02 College Meal & Devo
- 05 Class Promotions,
K-2nd Class Starts,
Youth Meal & Devo
- 06 Office Closed (Labor Day)
- 08 New Ladies Bible Class Starts
- 09 College Meal & Devo
- 12 AWTG, Ladies Prayer Group
- 16 College Meal & Devo
- 19 Youth Meal & Devo
- 20 Yellow House
- 23 College Meal & Devo
- 26 Ladies Prayer Group,
Youth Meal & Devo
- 30 College Meal & Devo



September 5th
Youth Meal & Devo

September 12th
AWTG at Blanchard



Tigers for Christ

September 9th
College Meal & Devo
at the Estes'

Birthdays of the Month

- 09/06 James Garberick,
Aaron Lane
- 09/08 Leon Hughey,
Angel Jackson,
Levi Jonka,
Pam Kite
- 09/09 Bob Fennell
- 09/11 Scott Estes



Josh Higginbottom, Frank Holsapple Jr., Clay Patterson, Michale Perry, & Jonathan Wingard

Adult Classes

Butch Platt
Ephesians
Auditorium

David Dirrim
Old Kitchen Classroom

Jeff Butler
Romans

Fellowship Building

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College Group

Kyle Wilson
Southwest Corner Classroom

Youth Group (6th-12th Grades)

Thorin Turner
Youth Classroom

Kids (K-5th Grade)

Journey Land
History/Storytelling Classroom

Preschool (2 - 4 Years Old)

3-4 Year Old Classroom

Baby Class (Under 2 Years Old)

Baby Classroom

For the Record: 08/29/2021

Bible Study	190
AM Assembly	230
PM Assembly	155
Wednesday PM	209
Contributions	\$11,451
Budget	\$12,612

GOD AND SCIENCE

DISCUSSION FORUM
September 12 @ 6:30 PM
Central Church of Christ
Ada, OK



DR. JIM BAIRD
Distinguished Professor of Bible
& Philosophy, Oklahoma
Christian (Edmond, OK)
D.Phil, Oxford University



COLE FEIX
Senior Pastor, Carlton Landing
Community Church (Carlton
Landing, OK)
Ph.D. Candidate, SBTS



BENJAMIN J. WILLIAMS
Senior Minister, Central Church of
Christ (Ada, OK)
Ph.D. Candidate, MBTS

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday AM:

Song Leader: Ronnie Osborn

Opening Prayer: David Lewis

Closing Prayer: Thorin Turner

Scripture Reading: Nathan Lewis

Lord's Supper Thoughts: Kyle Wilson

Communion Servers: Chelton Andrews, Brett Butler, Casey Farrar,
Jett Frye, Trevin Vass, Bill Young, Kyle Wilson

Balcony Servers: Don Kite & Chuck Love

Attendance Counter: Russell Neill

Safety Team Walk **AM/PM**: James Bryant & Tommy Garrett

Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: John Eck

Coordinator **AM/PM/Wed**: Cody Frye & Jared Griffin

Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Drew Adams & Joe Dirrim

Sunday PM:

Song Leader: Jack Cadenhead

Opening Prayer: Eugene Cannon

Closing Prayer: Hunter Nickell

Attendance Counter: Kevin Graham

Communion: Glendel Hatton & Drew Graham

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Justin Lane

Announcements/Opening Prayer: Ried Duncan

8 Minute Devotional: Raymond Johnson

Closing Prayer: Chelton Andrews

Attendance Counting: Tommy Vass

Safety Team Walk: Tommy Garrett & Russell Neill

Safety Team Camera: Lane Garrett

September Contribution Counters:

Tommy Vass, Caleb Estes, & Jake Williams

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Amazing Grace - 129

Scripture: Philippians 1:9-11

Prayer

We Praise Thee, O God - 2

There Is a Habitation - 860

Living for Jesus - 676

Thoughts From the Cross: Kyle Wilson

When My Love to Christ Grows Weak - 350

Communion

I Am a Sheep - 533

Contribution

How Great Thou Art - 76

A.M. Lesson: A Healthy Church

Years I Spent in Vanity - 381

Announcements

He Keeps Me Singing - 615

Prayer

P.M. Lesson: Go

An elder and wife are available in the classroom on the middle hallway of the building during each invitation.

Elder for September: Scott Estes

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Sunday

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Class Auditorium 7:00 p.m.

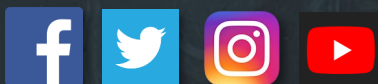
Youth Group - College Group

K-5th Grades

Worship & Classes Online

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