

Silver Boxes With Bows On Top

By Mike Riley

The following poem is a reminder that the words we speak should be chosen and uttered carefully — not foolishly:

My words were sharp and hasty
And they came without a thought.
Then I saw the pain & anguish
That my bitter words had brought.

Bitter words that I had spoken
Made me think back through the past;
Of how many times I'd uttered
Biting words whose pain would last.

Then I wondered about the people
I had hurt by things I'd said;
All the ones I had discouraged
When I didn't use my head.

Then I thought about my own life
Of painful words I've heard;
And of the times I'd been discouraged
By a sharp and cruel word.

And now, clearly, I remember
All the things I might have done;
But, by a word, I was discouraged
And they never were begun.

So, help my words be silver boxes,
Neatly wrapped up with a bow;
That I give to all so freely,
As through each day I gladly go.

Silver boxes full of treasure,
Precious gifts from above;
That all the people I encounter
Might have a box of love

—Florence Littauer



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Sunday Morning Bible Classes - 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

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Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshipping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Paul Simpson **Opening prayer-** Lyle Russell
Communion- Jerry McDonald **Closing Prayer-** Gary Harris
Sermon- Don DeLukie

Next Sunday

Announcements- Travis Rogers **Opening prayer-** Wayne Fowler
Communion- Rick Cook **Closing Prayer-** Damien Miller
Sermon- Don DeLukie

Announcements

—**Potluck and One-Day Lectureship TODAY:** We will be having a potluck today followed by our **One-Day Lectureship** here at Sterlington. See the flyer for more details. **There will be no PM services this evening.**

—**Veteran's Home Program:** Our next Veteran's Home event will be held on **June 23rd, at 1:30 PM**, and will be held the 4th Tuesday of every month at 1:30 PM. If you would like to be part of this amazing program, please see Sandy VanLoon or Kari Johnstone.

—**Art Camp:** Art Camp will be held here at Sterlington Church of Christ on **June 15-18th**. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the lobby for more information.

—**Mark Your Calendars:** Sterlington will be hosting a Gospel Meeting July 12-15. Our speaker will be Jerry Keen.

—**Children's Home Collection:** Our congregation is collecting items for the Children's Home in Paragould, AR. Collection boxes are by the nursery. A list of needed items is in the foyer.

Scan the QR code to visit our website.



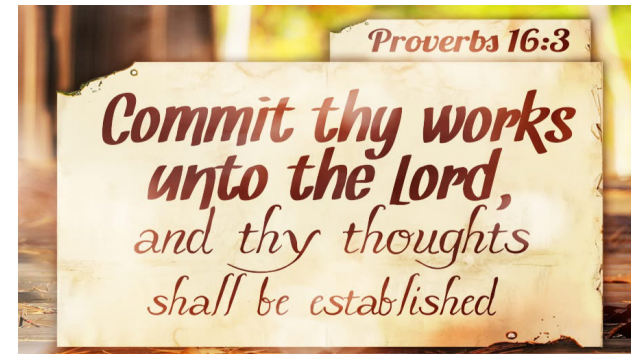
Please Pray For:

Debbie Grice, Kaitlin Simpson, , Shayna Smith, Randal Freeman, Christine Looney, Joyce Frith, Barbara Wheeler, David Reppond, BJ Carlon.

Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Terry Atwood, Billy Granger, Rhonda Rogers, Blayne Atkins, Chuck & Shannon Boyer, Jo Darris Collins, Christy McDaniel, Debbie Walker, Carey Day, Leo & Shirley Goodwin, Arthur & Sybil Binford, Dan Ross Jr, Dena White, Larry & Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Dave & Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, Bobby Barker, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.

Bereaved: Families of Chad Lewis, Tommy Franklin, Tiffany Tennessee.



June Birthdays

10 - Sharon Harris	20 - Debbie Grice
11 - Bella Smith	21 - Ashton Richardson
12 - Rachel Rogers	22 - Kara Freeman
15 - Jesse Sewell	22 - Damien Miller
16 - Victor Binford	25 - Don Delukie
16 - Janice Hayes	

June anniversaries

17 - Brandon and Sydney Rogers
28 - Arthur and Sybil Binford

