

A Word To The Wise — Be A Leader!

By Mike Riley

Young people, I can personally testify to the fact that it's not easy being a leader. It takes great moral courage and dedication to live above the crowd, not partaking of their worldly lifestyles. You will more than likely be rejected by your peers because you've chosen a "different" road.

But know this. You and God make up the majority. In the Old Testament, young Joseph had a difficult decision to make when he decided to reject the advances of a married woman, but He made his decision with God in mind, and you must do the same.

Joseph told Potiphar's wife,

"There is no one greater in this house than I, nor has he kept back anything from me but you, because you are his wife. How then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" (Genesis 39:9; cf. Proverbs 6:29,32).

A word to the wise — be a leader! Just because "everyone is doing it" doesn't mean it's good for you to "do it." Allow God to be your Friend, Mentor and Guide (Proverbs 3:5-6; cf. Psalm 37:5), for He will never lead you astray nor into activities that are harmful to your mind or body (Deuteronomy 6:24-25; Deuteronomy 10:12-13).

Read, study and make application of the spiritual principles found in God's word (Ephesians 3:1-4; 2 Timothy 2:15 KJV; Hebrews 5:13-14) in your daily living. You'll never regret it, and that's a guarantee from one who has "walked the walk" (since January, 1960) and is still doing so. Do I have many friends? No, but I do have one Friend (Hebrews 2:23; cf. 2 Chronicles 20:7) who has never forsaken me nor ever will (Genesis 28:15; Matthew 28:20; Hebrews 13:5), and that is indeed a great blessing!

May the promises and blessings of God be yours (2 Corinthians 6:14-18,7:1; Ephesians 1:3) as you "walk" with Him (Genesis 5:24 — see commentary ; cf. Hebrews 11:5).



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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.

9/5/21

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!

Elders: Todd Chapman Paul Simpson
Deacons: Wayne Fowler Billy Granger David Garris Buddy Hollis
Preacher: Don Delukie

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Wayne Fowler **Lord's Table-** Paul Simpson
Opening prayer- Wayne Fowler **Closing Prayer-** Lyle Russell

September 12th

Announcements- Paul Simpson **Lord's Table-** Wayne Fowler
Opening prayer- David Reppond **Closing Prayer-** Travis Rogers

• Communion will utilize self-contained, sealed cups available in the foyer. **Please pick one up upon arrival.**

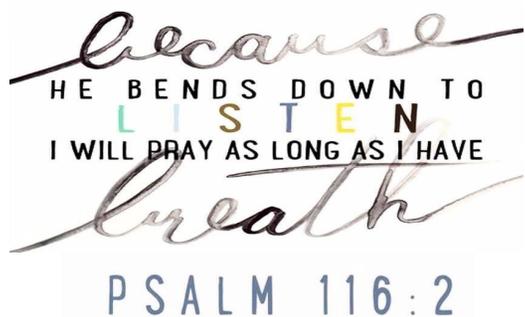
• Giving is available at a central collection container in the foyer.

Announcements

—September Potluck and Birthday & Anniversary Celebration

Canceled: Due to COVID concerns the September Potluck/ Birthday & Anniversary Celebration has been canceled.

—**New Church Website:** Check out our new church website at www.sterlingtonchurchofchrist.com



Dates to Remember

September 12 - Presentation of webpage after PM Services

Please Pray For:

Elizabeth Johnson, Kathryn Thomas, Larry King, Carol & Billy Granger, Susie McGough, Melvin Tuggle, Elizabeth Hollis, Randy Hall, Jeremy & Gena Granger, Marla Lindsey MacIntire, Sandra Nappier, Brenda Thomas.

Bereaved: Families of Randy Hall, Gavin Simmons, Dewy Roberson, Marshall Sanders.

Continue to Pray For:

Shirley Goodwin, Bobby Barker, Dinky Douglas, Cyndi Powell, Betsy Culp, Heath Ray, Terrance Dawson, Ann Bolden, Jamie Ross, Charlie McDaniel Jr, Lewis Bedele, Cindy Jenny, Gay Black, Adam White.

Weekly Bible Reading Plan

Epistles (Sunday)	The Law (Monday)	History (Tuesday)	Psalms (Wednesday)	Poetry (Thursday)	Prophecy (Friday)	Gospels (Saturday)
<input type="checkbox"/> 2Tim 3-4	<input type="checkbox"/> Num. 13-16	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Chr 20-24	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 105-107	<input type="checkbox"/> Prov. 22	<input type="checkbox"/> Joel	<input type="checkbox"/> John 13-15



September birthdays

September anniversaries

- 1 - Todd Chapman
- 9 - Carlton Hollis
- 17 - Sherry Miller
- 18 - Wanda Simpson
- 22 - Eloise Smith
- 22 - Jodie Chisley
- 27 - Shirley Goodwin

- 5 - Matt and Danielle Scharf
- 25 - Lyle and Miriam Russell

