

The Holy Spirit (Continued)

We ask, then, what is the purpose of the spiritual gifts? Why is there such a need? Answer: Whether in the Old Testament or the New Testament, the purpose is always to equip individual Christians to meet the *needs* of God's people. Simple.

In this Christian era, the needs are to build up the whole church. That is why God chose the metaphor of the body. Romans 12 is where this is found. It says, we "have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function."

We each have differing gifts by necessity. "If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be?" 1 Cor. 12:17. Though some gifts may be more vital than another, **all** are needed for a healthy body.

And these many members function together. They work in harmony. Spiritual gifts are not used for self-serving. Spiritual gifts are never for their own gratification. We must always understand that the purpose of the gifts is for interdependence, meaning we need others gifts and they need ours. 1 Cor. 12:21.

This brings us to the idea of being good stewards. All things that God gives us will cause us to be a good steward, caretaker. We employ our gift for the good of others. For the good of the Kingdom. 1 Peter 4:10: "As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."

So, the church body has needs to be met. Logically, these will change with time. Gifts in the Old Testament time like building the Tabernacle are not needed today. And there are gifts found in the early church that are not needed today!

These will be talked about next.

TBC

--In Him, *Gary*.

Medical & Prayer Needs

Notes

American Military

Tom Carter – Home. Rehab.

Kim Clark – Drs.

Larry Hunnicutt – Heart surgery recovery.

Rosa Morrison – Shoulder surgery 8/11.

Nancy Scarborough – Treatments.

The Family of Betty Scheutzow upon her death.

Funeral: Monday, 11:00 AM,
Andras Funeral Home.

The Family of Mike Mattingly upon his death. Brother of Gary.

Extended Prayer List:

Susan Buck, Adele Gall (Lisa's mother), Jessi Hruss (Kathy Carter's niece), Barb King (Eileen's niece), Alice Moreland, Haliee O'Connor (Eileen's niece).

Ladies Meeting

August 9th, at 4:30.

Men's Meeting

August 9th, at 4:30.

M4M

August 10th, at 4 PM.

VBS

Saturday Aug. 15th.
10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

August Fellowship

August 16th, AM.

Ladies Class

Aug. 20th, at 5 PM.

NOTE: School supply lists and boxes are in the foyer. Give as has been given to you! Last day: 8/9.

Trivia Answers & Scriptures are given to Gary on paper with your name OR by texting him. C'mon, join in!

Trivia: According to Matthew 3, John the Baptist preached in the wilderness located in _____.

Answer: Judea. Vs. 3:1.

Answerers: Aiden Scarborough, Sharon Woodrum, Roger & Mary Davis, Eileen Kerns, Anita Mattingly, Randy & Laura Kuhn, Terry & Gail Priestersbach, Kathy Lindsey, Linda Ropog.

New Trivia: According to Revelation 2, to him who overcomes, Jesus said He would give some "hidden manna" and what else?

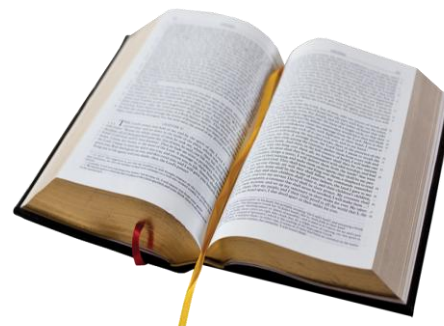
August Birthdays & Anniversaries

Nazem Mack	1
Randy Baker	8
Kathy Lindsey	13
Linda Ropog	14
Kathy Carter	23
Greg Brown	24
Margaret Jordan	27
Connie & Lloyd Cisco	8
Gary & Anita Mattingly	11

Widows

Lola Anderson, Kimber Banks, Joyce Brewer, Frances Brown, Kathy Carter, Linda Caldwell, Joyce Fetzer, Margaret Jordan, Elaine Leonhardt, Maxine Mathes, Alice Moreland, Mary Ann Priddy, Shirley Sarver, Dora Talbert, Diana Wirth, Sharon Woodrum.

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Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and late rains.

James 5:7. ESV.

All the churches of Christ greet you. Romans 16:16.

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Assembly Times

Sun. Bible Class	10:00 am
Sun. Worship	11:00 am
Sun. PM Worship	6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study	7:00 pm

WELCOME

We welcome our visitors to the worship services today as our honored guests. Please fill out a Visitors Card and put it in the offering plate. We hope & pray you will return soon.