### **Prayer List**



#### Of Our Number

- ◆ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ◆ Jennifer Derrick--blurred vision, headaches
- ◆ Wilfred Derrick—health problems
- ◆ Jeff Mashburn—health problems

#### **Others in Need**

- ◆ Shannon Burn—surgery recovery
- ◆ Danny Davis—back pain
- ◆ Louise Douglas—health problems
- ◆ Joyce Faulk—health problems
- ◆ Dawn Holloway—at home, IV meds
- ◆ Tony Jones—recent stroke and fall
- ◆ Mary Milsted—lung cancer
- ◆ Thomas Patterson—health issues
- ◆ Shane Price—cancer
- ◆ Larry Shappley—hospice care
- ◆ Melanie Skinner—cancer
- ◆ Randall Ward—surgery recovery
- ◆ Flood victims in eastern USA, India, and Pakistan

#### Pray for Christians overseas, such as those facing persecution in Pakistan and certain parts of India.

◆ Pray for peace, pray for the bereaved, the persecuted, sick/ suffering, civil leaders, military, 1st responders, sound Bible schools, the lost, enemies.

#### **To Our Visitors**



We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

#### **Events**

Meal after AM Worship

4th Wednesday Singing

October 6

October 23



## **Privileged to Serve**



Announcements: Leo Derrick
Song Leading: Sunday—David Howze;
Wednesday—Mark Howze

#### Serving the Lord's Supper

Head: Glenn Howze; Helpers: Ethan Howze. Ezra Howze. Mark Howze

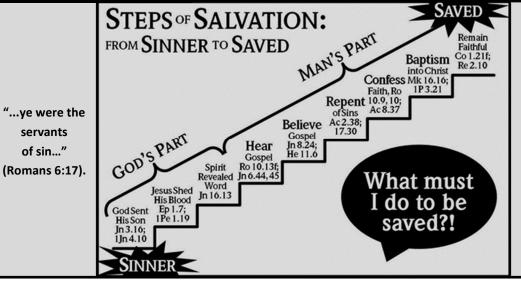
#### Lord's Supper PM

Head: Leo Derrick Helper: Caleb Howze

Bible Reading: Brett (AM), Caleb S. (PM)

Faithful Worship — 1) Praying to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); 2) Singing without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); 3) Preaching God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); 4) Giving weekly as prospered, cheerfully (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7); 5) The Lord's Supper on the first day of every week (Matt. 26:26-28; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20-34; 16:2; Heb. 10:23-31).

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"...but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness" (Rom. 6:17b-18).

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#### **Meeting Times**

#### **Sundays:**

10AM Bible Class 11AM Worship 6PM Worship

#### Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

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# **The Plain Truth About Money**

Roger D. Campbell

Tiny children are often fascinated with money because it is shiny and small enough to go into their mouth. Then, kids reach the point when they understand that money has the power to buy things. That is a new reason for them to like money. Later, in their teenage years their thinking can be dominated by a desire to possess money in order to impress others or to buy things that dad and mom won't buy for them. As adults, well, a lot of adults are still fond of money.

Money, in and of itself, possesses no moral qualities. Money is neither righteous nor unrighteous. Money is an inanimate object, a means or tool to help humans obtain something else. It is one's attitude toward money or riches that counts. In order to help us keep a handle on our attitude, we offer the following six truthful statements about money. May they serve as a reminder and/or warning to all of us.

(1) Money cannot buy love. Way back in the 1960's the Beatles were singing, "I don't care too much for money, 'cause money can't buy me love." It was true then, and it is still true now. Money may impress folks and attract them to

a money-possessing person, but money cannot buy genuine love. Young people, are you listening?

- (2) Money doesn't grow on trees. How many times did we hear our parents tell us that when we wanted something that we could not afford? Because it is true that money does not grow on trees, and we cannot have it at the snap of our finger, then we need to be good stewards with the funds that God has placed in our hands (1 Corinthians 4:2). Our Lord says, "Owe no man anything" (Romans 13:8). Christians ought not to use credit cards to the extent that they get themselves into debt that they cannot pay off.
- (3) Money is not the root of all evil, but the love of money is (1 Timothy 6:10). The love of money is covetousness, and covetousness is idolatry (Colossians 3:5). Such a love affair with material riches has ruined friendships, marriages, and even congregations. How sad.
- (4) Money never has and never will save a soul. Money can be used to help support the preaching of the gospel (2 Corinthians 11:8,9). It is also an instrument that assists us in edifying the faithful, but still, money cannot save souls.
- (5) Money will not accompany us when we leave this world. Regardless of how much money one has, the money stays behind you can't take it with you. "For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out" (1 Timothy 6:7).
- (6) Money is not success, and success is not possessing money. Oh, if we could only help folks, including ourselves, see this point! Some rich people will go to hell. And, some poor folks will go to heaven. One's eternal destiny is not determined by his/her financial status. You want success, you say? Then listen carefully to what the Lord once told Joshua: "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success" (Joshua 1:8). THAT is true success.

Let each of us resolve to accept the truth about money, and in the process beware of "the deceitfulness of riches" (Mark 4:19).

# **Ten Tips for Leading Public Prayers**

By Jason Patrick Hilburn

- 1. Speak clearly and respectfully to God the Father in Jesus' name
- 2. Use first person plural pronouns (we, us, our), not I, me, my
- 3. Think about your prayer in advance if possible
- 4. Honor prayer requests as much as possible (glancing at a note is ok)
- 5. If you make a mistake, fix it if possible and move on
- 6. Pray pertaining to the situation (Is this an opening prayer? closing prayer? prayer before communion? prayer before giving? prayer for someone to be forgiven? prayer before eating? prayer after a baptism?)
- 7. Try to avoid rambling and "vain repetitions"
- 8. Prayers can be, but do not have to be, long
- 9. Prayers are not sermons (but see John 11:41-42)
- 10. Leading an act of worship is not a competition

# The "Model Prayer" of Matthew 6 (for us)

By Jason Patrick Hilburn

- 1. Address the Father
- 2. Honor His name
- 3. Pray for the kingdom (the kingdom/church has come, but we can pray for it to spread, pray for the members, congregations, etc.)
- 4. Pray for God's will to be done
- 5. Pray for daily necessities ("daily bread")
- 6. Pray for forgiveness
- 7. Pray for deliverance from the evil one
- 8. Acknowledge God's sovereignty and glory
- 9. Today we pray in Jesus' name (John 16:23-24)
- 10. Say, "Amen"

Note: Jesus gave us an example of prayer, not to be quoted verbatim.

—Adapted from an article Jim Waldron