

Mothers

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10 a.m. Sunday
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9 a.m. Sunday
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There is a little story I read of a poor mother and her rich neighbor. The rich neighbor wished to crush the pride of the poor woman. This rich woman possessed jewels of great value, beautiful diamonds, and many pieces of expensive jewelry. One day she piled them all up in a heap and went and called her poor neighbor to come and look at them; and as they went through the heap, piece by piece, she described the value of each, and then, to add insult to injury, she said: "It is terrible to



be poor and not have any jewels, isn't it?" The mother replied: "I suppose it would be." The rich woman said: "You suppose it would be; you do not have any jewels, do you?" The poor mother said: "Oh, yes, I have jewels rare; they are far more valuable than any that you have." The rich woman replied: "I do not believe it; you will have to produce them. I always understood that you were a poor woman." The poor mother replied: "I could not convince you; I could show you and let you see them, but your ignorance would prevent you from appreciating their value." She stepped to the door and called in a crowd of little children and looked down at them and said, "These are my jewels; they are more valuable than all the jewels you will ever claim."

Often the most influential, the most sacrificing, the most important member of the fam-

ily is the woman who realizes her God-given duties as a mother. The mother who carries out these duties is unequaled by any character on earth. It is reported that Napoleon Bonaparte once was asked what was the greatest need of France, and he replied: "**Mothers.**"

Think of the mothers in the Bible that influenced their sons and daughters to be faithful followers of the Lord. Even today, we can think of faithful women who have raised children, sometimes alone, to be faithful Christians. A faithful gospel preacher said of his mother: "I preach the gospel because I believe I should. I would rather do it than anything else, and my first inspiration came as a result of my mother's telling me Bible stories even before I was old enough to attend school. I remember her reading to me a storybook, *Easy Steps for Little Feet*. And that created within me a desire to preach that has never cooled off."

Let us pray for our mothers and encourage them in their efforts of raising God fearing children. May God give us more of them.

*Let every day be Mother's Day;
Make roses grow along her way;
Give her smiles of joy and pride;
Let not her children turn aside;
Let grownups bow at her knee,
Where years ago they used to be;
And never let her eyes be wet
With tears because her babies forget.*

May God bless our mothers.

Wayne Douthitt

His own people, eager to do what is good – Titus 2:14



Betty Ball, Jack Brodie, Pete Conrow, Ed Cornell, Lee Crabtree, Louise Faules, Joe and Teresa Freund, Phyllis Goins, Faye Haught, May Hill, Wilma Hill, Doris Jones, Max Naramore, Price Naramore, Mark Strohl, Helen Swem, Corin Thomlinson, Richard Tink, Bobbie Tuggle, Margaret Wald, Ruth Ann Wilson, Treva Wolgamott, Velda Wood, and Neosho Christian School.

Richard Tink is now at Medicalodge, room 200.

Senior Saints will gather at noon this Saturday in the fellowship room for food and good company. If you feel like you might be one of the older people around here, join us!



Would you like to help with the upkeep of our church library? Please see Teresa Hanger soon.

Men's BBQ Night: next Tuesday at Big Ben's BBQ Station in Carthage. We will leave the Hillcrest parking lot at 6:00. Come enjoy being brothers with us.



every ONE counts!

Remember to give an extra dollar every Sunday to help someone in need.



GVBC Work Day: Saturday, May 27.



This Sunday's Sermons:

A.M. *What to Wear for Mother's Day*
(Proverbs 1:8, 9; Danny Boggs)
P.M. Luke Yates

Our graduates will be honored after services Sunday morning, May, 21, with a presentation and potluck lunch. Whitney Freund is graduating from Neosho High School, Jaime Leonard from Freed-Hardeman University and Whitney Thomlinson from University of Missouri. Please stop by the welcome desk and sign the books they will receive.



Luis David, Denia, and Josue David will be with us from Honduras May 21! Luis David will preach during our morning worship assembly.

Our week at Green Valley Bible Camp is only 33 days away—June 11-17! Registration will end at 2 p.m. June 4. Register at greenvalleybiblecamp.com. Whoever gets the most friends to come to camp with them will get a cash award of \$123.03! If you need help with the registration fee, please see Danny.



Thanks to everyone who has been busy in service to the Lord and people over the last couple of weeks...

- Serving others affected by the flood.
- Pulling off a good session of the Tri-State Youth Series.
- Readying for the opening of our new building.
- Teaching Bible classes.
- Leading our worship.
- Feeding college students.
- Doing what Jesus wants his disciples to do every day.

God will never forget your service (Heb. 6:10)!



ASSIGNMENTS

Prayers Sunday, May 14

- AM Opening: Tony Flint
- AM Closing: Glen Honeycutt
- PM Opening: Bob Murray
- PM Closing: Jim Friend

Scripture Reading Sunday, May 14

- Luke 2:15-19, Kaed Thomas
- Prayers Wednesday, May 17**
- Opening: Jackson Collinsworth
- Closing: David Fehring

RECORDS

05-07-17

05-08-16

Bible Study	135	144
AM Worship	196	207
PM Worship	251	124
Wednesday	161	134
Contribution	\$8,934.97	\$6,695.28
Budget	\$7,630.58	\$7,075.67