

One-Drink Wonder?

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10 a.m. Sunday
6 p.m. Sunday

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9 a.m. Sunday
7 p.m. Wednesday

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Robert Milligan was a passionate student of the Bible and a beloved Bible teacher who lived from 1814 to 1875. Part of his legacy is a thorough and valuable commentary on the Book of Hebrews. He did not live to see its publication; the volume ends with a tribute to Milligan by another stalwart of the faith, J.W. McGarvey.

McGarvey called Milligan “a conscientious man” and wrote, “We are sure we have never known a man more strictly so in regard to the very smallest matters pertaining to the service of God and to the rights and feelings of his fellowmen.” He added, “If there was any one dominant feeling which might be called the ruling passion of life, it was his love for the word of God. He valued it above all things under the sun, and there was nothing that so nourished his soul as to study its blessed pages, to converse on its deep themes with others who were striving to understand it, and to impart a knowledge of it to willing minds.”

Milligan was so dedicated to educating college students in the word of God that he persevered through one incurable disease and challenging condition after another to do it. McGarvey felt compelled to write: “In this connection we must mention a circumstance to which we invite the special attention of all young men. He consulted many eminent physicians in regard to his

maladies, and he was repeatedly urged to drink daily a portion of strong whisky or brandy, with the assurance that it would add at least ten years to his life. But he steadfastly refused to do so, and said that he would rather die ten years earlier than to live by the daily use of intoxicating liquor. And this was not so much because he feared the effects on himself, as because he dreaded the influence it would have on others, and especially on young men, to know that from any cause he kept up such a habit.”

What kept Milligan from doing what many people would not think twice about doing? (1) Love for God and his word and (2) care for the souls of other people. You might think a drink—just one—is a harmless way to wind down or an indispensable part of a trip to the lake. Does love for God and his word make you think so? When you enjoy a cold one, are you thinking about other people who might suffer unspeakably when they follow your example?

Milligan obviously knew how emphatically the Bible condemns drunkenness (Eph. 5:18, 1 Cor. 6:9-10, etc.). His physicians were confident a drink a day would add a decade to his life. He heard what the doctors said, but he trusted what the Lord says. He refused to be the fool portrayed in Proverbs 20:1: “Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise.” What about you?

Danny Boggs

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



Pam Babb, Betty Ball, Jack Brodie, Charles Collinsworth Sr., Pete Conrow, Ed Cornell, Lee Crabtree, Louise Faules, Mary Jane Flint, Joe and Teresa Freund, Phyllis Goins, Faye Haught, May Hill, Wilma Hill, Sara Hukill (Mike Hinman's sister who is fighting cancer in Washington, D.C.), Doris Jones, Guy Lewis, Max Naramore, Price Naramore, Ron Naramore, Pat Risley, Mark Strohl, Helen Swem, Corin Thomlinson, Bobbie Tuggle, Margaret Wald, Ruth Ann Wilson, Treva Wolgamott, Velda Wood, Neosho Christian School and Honduras mission work.

- Kayla Hayes will have ankle surgery September 5 in Galena.

Take note: If you would like to reserve the new or old fellowship rooms for an event, be sure to check the office calendar to make sure nothing overlaps.



every **ONE** counts!

Remember to give an extra dollar every Sunday to help someone in need. Please be sure to give Luke names of people whom you know that could benefit from this offering.

The Thursday night ladies' Bible study will meet at Jennifer Daniels' house Thursday, September 7, at 7 p.m.



Would you like to build a friendship with a couple married 25 years or more and learn from them how to make your marriage stronger than ever? See Danny to get involved in our **12 Conversations marriage ministry**.

Men's Breakfast: join us at 7 a.m. at Braum's next Thursday, September 7.



This Sunday's Sermons:

A.M. *Nothing in the Way*
(1 Kings 19:19-21, Danny Boggs)
P.M. *Use Money to Make Friends*
(Luke 16:9, Danny Boggs)

Senior Saints will meet September 9 at noon for food and good times. Join us!

Neosho Christian School Fish Fry: NCS is hosting a fish fry with live bluegrass music Saturday, September 9, at 5 p.m. The live music will begin at 6 p.m. Donations only at the door to benefit the school. This event will be hosted by Larry Dodson.

The Seneca church of Christ will host the **Tri-State Youth Series Sunday, September 10**. The van will leave the Hillcrest parking lot at 4:00.



Fall Adult Bible Classes

This fall brings a few changes to our adult Bible class studies, while some of them roll on. Recommit to drawing closer to God and fellow Christians this season by being present and participating.

Sunday Mornings at 9:00

- *The Book of Acts* in the auditorium with Bill Reiboldt and Pat Andrews
- *Abraham* in room 7 with John Deffenbaugh and Glen Honeycutt
- *They Became Christians* in room 29 with Pete Babb and Danny Boggs

Wednesday Nights at 7:00

- *When God Calls* in the auditorium with Rick Hyder and Josh King
- *Ephesians* in room 21 with Troy Risley
- *Questions Asked in the Bible* in room 29 with Luke Yates

Thursday Mornings at 10:00 beginning September 21

- *Created for Good Deeds* in the old fellowship room with Danny Boggs

First Thursday Nights at 7:00

- *A Chosen Few: Becoming a Woman God Can Use* in homes with various teachers

PRAYER LEADERS

Sunday, September 3

- AM Opening: Kaden King
- AM Closing: Zechariah Anderson
- PM Opening: Carl Cobb
- PM Closing: John Deffenbaugh

Wednesday, September 6

- Opening: Harold Speir
- Closing: Ethan Murray

RECORDS	08-27-17	08-28-16
Bible Study	145	137
AM Worship	207	202
PM Worship	128	112
Wednesday	127	126
Contribution	\$9,300.67	\$7,874.39
Budget	\$7,630.58	\$7,075.67