

# Wildwood Church of Christ

## Theme for 2021

### *Step By Step: Grow With Jesus*

May 16, 2021

#### Welcome & Announcements

Song #809 Won't It Be Wonderful There

Song #782 How Shall The Young Secure  
Their Hearts

Prayer

Song #336 And Can It Be  
The Lord's Supper

Song #815 Beautiful

Sermon: Heaven, A Total Body Makeover

Song #977 Why Do You Wait

Song #5 Step By Step

Prayer

## OUR BODIES!

Today, to fulfill a request, we will center our attention on our future heavenly bodies when we are resurrected from the dead or when we, being alive, are changed in the twinkling of an eye when Jesus comes at His second coming. (1Corinthians 15:50-52; 1Thessalonians 4:16-17)

So many people in our society are discontented with their present bodies. They (especially teenagers because of Facebook) spend their time comparing themselves to others and end up condemning themselves because they don't look as pretty, or perfect or they don't measure up. They don't realize that this approach to life and their God-given bodies is contrary to God's plan and design for them. Why do you think people are unwilling to accept the bodies God gave them? Maybe it's because they have not considered the value of their present earthly body – something we all need to be reminded of. From a personal level, what does God want you to realize about your body now?

1. God designed your body as He pleased, so for you, accept it as it is. Paul makes the point in 1Corinthians 15:38, that if He gives each tiny seed a body suited especially for it, think about how much more skill He uses in creating our bodies. (Psalm 139:13-15; Luke 12:6-7; Matthew 6:25-32)

2. God gave you **distinction**, **purpose** and **identity** from others so don't compare yourself to someone else. Comparing yourself with others will only bring you sadness and you will put yourself in a no-win situation. Enjoy yourself and be content with how God made you. (1Corinthians 15:38-39; John 21:20-23; Psalm 139:13-16)

3. God knew when He created you that you would have limitations, so stop condemning yourself. It is a fact that you bear an earthly image, so don't expect to be perfect all the time. If there is sin in your life that is nagging you, 1John 1:9 tells us as Christians to confess and move on in faith. Condemning yourself when God has forgiven you is not what God wants. Accept God's grace of forgiveness and realize that you have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. (1John 2:1-2)

Now that we have considered the value of our present bodies, during our worship hour let us together study about our future bodies in Heaven. For more scriptures to study, see page 85, point 5, "We Will Be Changed" in your Ready Reference for Growing Christians booklet.

## Prayer List

**Millie Tudor** continues to make progress with her rehab. She is getting some strength back and is able to walk a little with the walker. They are hopeful after more therapy and strengthening, Millie may be able to come home!

**Flossie Sands** had an ultrasound done on some lymph nodes but we have not heard any results yet.

We received word that **Harold Obenhofer**, long-time friend of Doris Hirzel, passed away on Wednesday, May 5. He was in Hilton, New York.

**Remember:** Jeanette Harris; Alicia Barrett; Linda Grove; Peggy Murphy; Shirley Threet; Dale Jones; Marlin Kilpatrick; Charlotte Martin; Ken Scott Martha Pope; Leigh Workman; Richard Menninger; Joyce Albert; Larry Hyder; Joyce Freeman; Fred Casteel; David Deason; Teresa Broyle

## Announcements

~**Ladies' Bible Class** will resume on Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p.m. We will pick up our study with the book we were using last year called: A Third Medley of Topics. We will start with chapter 6 and copies of the lesson are available if you do not have a book. Let Joan Strickland or Sarah Myers know if you need a copy of the lesson.

~**Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>** the ladies will start meeting again in the fellowship hall to send out cards to visitors, the sick and those needing encouragement. All ladies are invited to be a part of this time together. We start our morning with a short devotional, scripture and prayer. You will be able to socially distance.

~There are more **Ready Reference** booklets in the foyer if you did not get one. Also, we have ordered some in **Spanish**.

~**Central Florida Bible Camp** is asking for all members of the church to set aside a time **today** to specifically pray for the camp. Following are the areas they asked us to pray for: CFBC's Mission and Vision; Campers' Spiritual Growth; Volunteers' sacrificial spirits; Board's Wisdom & Leadership; Staff's Love & Patience; God's will in all things.

~ Our website for the church: [www.hischurch.faith](http://www.hischurch.faith)

## Pantry Items

## Canned Fruit

## May Birthdays

Lew Faulkner-2; Edra Nell Courtney-2; Gavin Mikeals-5; Leigh Workman-10; Mike Whisenant-14; Aly Blankenship-15; Samantha Stone-18; Lena Thayer-22; Taylor Williams-22; Joyce Prather-23; Chris Hallmark-26; Sam Costa-26; Cindy Pope-30; Debbie Bunch-31; Derek Fort-31

## May Anniversaries

Chuck & Charity Stambaugh-2; David & Sarah Myers-27