

## Tidings From Timothy

**Thank You:** For all those who taught and made such diligent preparation for our VBS. We had a good week and it was topped off Saturday with the baptism of Octavia Copas. We had visitors for each service and we have developed new contacts which may yet result in more conversions to Christ.

### In Need of Prayer

Lavanna Billingsley has been in the local hospital suffering from pneumonia. IC Short is home, but is in need of more medical care. Gene Goode is home and still recovering from heart surgery. Burldean Summers is in very poor condition at the Medical Center in Bowling Green. Marshall Isenberg is in the Jewish Hospital in Louisville, Room 301. They are trying to get his blood right after his knee surgery. Continue to pray for Catherine Wiley and Floyd Smith.

### Birthdays

Teresa Cloyd	26 <sup>th</sup>
Gail Froedge	26 <sup>th</sup>
Ariel Murray	27 <sup>th</sup>
Susie Harlan	28 <sup>th</sup>
Madison Clements	30 <sup>th</sup>
Leslie Ford and Autumn Witty	1st
Alex Johnson	15 <sup>th</sup>



Happy Anniversary! to Freddie and Lois Cornwell – June 30 and to Michael and Charlotte McPherson – June 28

## God is on the Throne, Not on Stage

The God we serve is an august, spiritual being both deserving and desirous of our deepest respect. Though described in Scriptures as a friend to man (Isa. 41:8; James 2:23), He is not some sort of “good buddy” to joke with or about. Our God is still on the throne (Psalm 45:6), His ways remain higher than our ways (Isa. 55:9), and his authoritative Word still promises to judge us in the Last Day (Rev. 20:12).

No measure of self-appointed, flippant familiarity with the God of heaven detracts one bit or whit from His inherent majesty. Our God is eminently worthy of our reverence, thus we must serve Him “*acceptably with reverence and godly fear*” (Heb. 12:28). Truly, reverence is the “**very first element of religion**” [Charles Simmons].

Moreover, our periods of public worship should express this spirit of reverence. “*God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all {them that are} about him*” (Psa. 89:7). Worship performed “*in spirit and in truth*” (John 4:24) suggests a demeanor of awe and reverence.

We agree that our worship services should be permeated with expressions of joy and thanksgiving -- they should not come to resemble a congregational visit to the dentist; but neither should the reverent worship of our heavenly Father be confused for a carnival or a rock concert. Whether our worship is that offered during Sunday morning service, that which involves a lectureship assembly, or that which is engaged in by a zealous throng of young people attending a youth rally -- regardless where, when or by whom the worship is performed -- it must be characterized by reverence and decorum. “*Let all things be done decently and in order*” (I Cor. 14:40).

In the realm of worship, “*zeal without knowledge*” paves a dangerous road toward pagan, flesh-oriented, and riotous assemblies. Most of our denominational neighbors have long gone this route, with services geared more toward entertaining man than worshipping God. May we learn to temper our joy in Christ with a Christlike reverence for things holy. And may we teach our children so.

Remember, **OUR GOD IS ON THE THRONE -- NOT ON STAGE.** --Dalton Key, edited--

What Must I do to be saved?

- **Hear the Gospel - Acts 15:7**
- **Believe the Gospel - Mark 16:15,16**
- **Repent of Sins - Acts 17:30**
- **Confess Christ - Rom. 10:9,10**
- **Be Baptized for the Forgiveness of Sins - Acts 2:38**

Then, as a Christian we must:

- **LIVE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH - REV. 2:10**

### Study the Bible?

God speaks to us today through the Holy Word of God - The Bible (Hebrews 1:1-2). The Scriptures instruct us in the way God requires His people to live (2 Timothy 3:16,17). The Bible is powerful and able to save us (Romans 1:16; James 1:21-25), if we will hear, learn and obey it.

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Genesis 1:31 **And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was very good***

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Schedule of Services:

**Sunday:**

Bible Study...	9:30am
Morning Worship...	10:05am
Evening Worship...	6pm

**Wednesday:**

Bible Study...	7pm
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