

## Tidings From Timothy

**F**rom one event to another. It is now time to start praying for and getting ready to come to our Fall Meeting. Advertisements will be out by next Sunday, and all we need is your presence and that of a friend. Make your plans now, so you can be with us each night – October 10-14, 7pm.

Things went well at the Pleasant Hill meeting and our young men did great Sunday night. I wanted to thank those who came out from Mt. Gilead to the Meeting, you were a great encouragement to me.

**Baptism and Directory Update:** Dan McWherter was baptized a couple weeks ago, and I now can list his directory information. Rejoice as you add the following to your directories:

Dan McWherter, 259 John Eaton Rd., Tompkinsville, KY 42167  
Birthday – 9-24



**Pantry:** We still need crackers.

**In Need of Prayer :** Please pray for the family of Clara Gerald's who was one of our congregants at the nursing home. Also pray for the family of Ronnie Hollinsworth, who died this past week.

### “The Greatest Thing In The World”

**M**any years ago Henry Drummond wrote a book by the above title. The apostle Paul wrote on the same subject, and antedated Drummond by about 1800 years. First Corinthians Chapter 13 was an outgrowth of a discussion of spiritual gifts in chapters 12 through 14. There was considerable strife, envy, jealousies and divisions among the Corinthian saints. In Chapter 12 Paul uses the physical body to illustrate the unity that ought to characterize the church. All the members should have the same care for each other, and there should be no schism in

the body. As long as the physical body is healthy all members will be subject to the head, and every member will see to the good of every other member. Likewise, Christ is the head of the church, and if every member will be subject to the Head there will never be division nor any evil among the brethren.

Paul admitted that the working of miracles was great, but there was “amore excellent way” (I Cor. 12:31). That way is the way of love. Love is one of the greatest shortages in the church today. The love of God is to keep His commandments (I John 5:3). One of his commands is that there should be fervent love among Christians. If there were, nobody would seek to down anybody, but would seek interest in others (Rom. 12:9,10). Great will be the judgment of those who do not heed this charge.

### “IF I HAVE NOT LOVE”

Paul said “Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not charity (love), I am become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal.” He is saying that without love one is simply a big noise, that he is valueless and empty. There is an old saying, “An empty wagon rattles loudest.” Older people may remember log wagons going through the forests, or to the lumber mill. When empty they could be heard to rattle and echo through the woods, but when loaded hardly a sound could be heard.

Miracles are passed, but some today gloat over worldly accomplishments, and exalt themselves above others, and even seek to trod down those whom they think less than themselves. Performing miracles in the first century was no guarantee of salvation, and neither are high performances today. Judas was able to perform miracles (as far as I know, STM), but went to his own place. Paul shows in I Corinthians 13:2 that though one had the greatest degree of faith and the greatest of spiritual gifts, but lacking love he was/is nothing. He has failed in God’s design and purpose; there is nothing of value; all is lost.

In Verse 2 the apostle shows that though one makes the greatest sacrifices in benevolence or sacrifice as a martyr, though he have the praise of men (Matt. 6:1-4), he is nothing.

(continued next week)

From *The Knight Arnold News*

*What must I do?*

- Hear the Gospel - Acts 15:7
- Believe the Gospel - Mark 16:15,16 (cont. on p.4)
- 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**

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**Birthdays:**

Elizabeth Grissom	09/12
Josh Harlan	09/12
Daniel Harlan	09/12
Mary Helen Bartley	09/13
Chris Harlan	09/13
Diane Harlan	09/15
Donna Murray	09/15
Jeff Proffitt	09/15
Ainsleigh Bowles	09/18
Karla Cloyd	09/18
Josh Key	09/18
Brenda Rowland	09/18
Tamara Froedge	09/19

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**Lord's Supper Reading: Ephesians 1:3 - 7** <sup>3</sup>Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ: <sup>4</sup>According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: <sup>5</sup>Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. <sup>7</sup>In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace

Elders:

Keith Dyer.....	427-4105
Veachel Harlan.....	487-5727
Roger Deckard.....	487-8544
Steve Carter.....	487-8746

Deacons: Larry Copas, Cass Thomas Froedge, Bobby D. Gerald, Bobby Harlan, Kevin Deckard, Jimmy High, Ray C. Lyon, Michael McPherson, Gary Rowland

Evangelist:

Tim McHenry, 931-258-3494  
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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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