

## Tidings From Timothy

**I**f you missed my report Wednesday to the brethren, then I just wanted to say that the Meeting in Harlan County went well.

We had increasing crowds each night and the brethren are now ready to get beyond the infrastructure and can focus on church growth. Speaking of growth, this morning's lesson is on "Christian Growth." Tonight we normally have a youth service, but they did that earlier in the month at Pleasant Hill, so I will be preaching.

**Nursing Home Service:** This is today at 2pm. You know they want to see you and it would be good to visit in their rooms as well.

**Gospel Meetings:** There are several Meetings coming up. Gamaliel has one starting this week and going through Thursday with different speakers. Pine Branch just inside Clay County has a Meeting with David Hill beginning October 3-8 with 6:30 singing and 7pm preaching. Our own Meeting begins the 10<sup>th</sup> with Brant Stubblefield. I believe we will have big crowds each night for this if we just do our part. The advertisements have been made, and if we can get them distributed then we will set a record for advertisement.

**In Need of Prayer :** Connie's granddad is to have surgery on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Most people are doing better right now.

**Congratulations:** To Steven Dale and Katie Lyon, and Kaitlyn and John Bunt for their marriages yesterday. May each couple have long and happy lives together.

## **A Teacher Who Couldn't Read**

John Corcoran seemed to be a normal high school teacher. He had the qualifications: a bachelor's degree and several additional hours of graduate work. For years he taught

English, social studies and world history. But in time he was overloaded because of a personal secret that could no longer be kept silent: John Corcoran couldn't read.

John had bluffed his way through life. He made it through high school and college by having his girlfriend to type papers for him or by buying essays from other college students. As a teacher - an odd choice for an occupation to say the least - he had his students to read aloud from textbooks and relied on class discussions and oral exams to get by. When he finally realized that he could continue the masquerade no longer, he revealed his hidden problem and went to a center to learn to read.

Isn't it amazing that this man could hide this problem for so long? Not really, because many do the same thing in their spiritual life. Many who are lost pretend that everything is all right. They will not admit to themselves that they are lost and hell bound. They need to listen to the words of Paul: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (Gal. 6:7).

Others are like John Corcoran because they pretend to be what they really aren't: Christians. As someone has said, a hypocrite is someone who is not himself on Sunday. Like the Pharisees of Jesus' day, these pretenders "outwardly appear righteous unto men" but inside they are "full of hypocrisy and iniquity" (Matt. 23:28).

We man fool others, and we may even fool ourselves, but we cannot fool God.

--Kerry Duke--

Heb. 4:13,14 "Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do. Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession."

*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

Birthdays:

Ashley	McGeorge	09/26
Tim	Geralds	09/27
Kaylin	Stinson	09/27
Dana	Harlan	09/28
Rachel	Ford	09/30
Valerie	Geralds	10/01
Laura	Key	10/01
Tammy	Proffitt	10/01
Dane	Bourque	10/02

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**Lord's Supper Reading: Romans 3:23 - 26** <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God set forth *as* a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, <sup>26</sup>to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

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. Geralds, Bobby Harlan, Kevin Deckard, Jimmy High, Ray C. Lyon, Michael McPherson, Gary Rowland

Evangelist:

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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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