

God cannot lie. This morning's lesson will show the importance of this concept in Scripture.

Please do not forget that Wednesday is now going to be at 7pm for Midweek study.

In Need of Prayer: Becky Shaw has been having some difficulties from her procedure on her heart. Brenda Harlan was in the hospital with pneumonia but is now out. Blanche Lyon has been on the local hospital for some therapy in a "swing bed". Shirley Chandler is in the local hospital and is to be moved to the nursing home for therapy. **Phyllis Dyer** is still fighting day by day and has seen some progress. **Bette Scott** is getting treatments for her condition. **Eugene Emberton** is still weak and they are doing tests to get to the bottom of what is wrong. **Vivian Gerald**s has been at the Sarah Cannon Cancer Center with Infectious Disease doctors and others working with her to overcome her recurrent infections in her lung. David Barnett should be in room B-16 in the nursing home by the time you read this. Our complete prayer list is at www.mtgileadchurch.net!

Church Tool Box: Thanks to Jim Stoops, we now have a church tool box. We need to fill it up. Specific tools or household project items that you think would be good to have in it are fine to donate, but you might want to ask Jim or Mike McPherson or someone that often does stuff around the building for ideas.

Church Camp: We really need a class teacher and more staff. Consider what you can do to help and give me a call. Camp is June 17-22.

MAKE THE EFFORT (adapted)
by Kevin Harrington

It was the first day of basketball practice at Wingate High School in Brooklyn, N.Y. The Coach handed a ball to each player. "Boys," he said, "I want you to practice shooting from the spots you might expect to be in during the game." One of the boys (who was there as a substitute for the star players - in fact he was substitute #12) immediately sat down on the bench and began shooting the ball toward the basket from there.

You might say that boy didn't expect to get to play much. And I suppose he was just trying to get a laugh out of his teammates. But, there are some people who sit the bench, because that's where they've gotten used to being. They never strive to more than that, because *they don't believe in themselves enough to put in the extra effort and practice to change their status.* And because of that: they're always going to sit the bench.

It's as if we've made Christianity into a spectator sport. We just sit back in church and listen to the singing and the sermons and never really get involved in the game. We need some Christians today to get off the sidelines and get on the front lines. There is a special position that God has for all those who are in Christ, but we will never discover it as long as we watch safely from the sideline. We need to put action to our faith and get involved in the spiritual battle that is taking place all around us.

It's time we get off the bench and we get to work for the Lord's kingdom. This church has a lot of great and wonderful things that are happening. What are you doing to make sure you are involved with what this church is doing?

Paul tells us that we are all members individually, but together we make up one body of Jesus Christ. If a few people are doing most of the work, then we will get nowhere fast. However, if everyone volunteers to do their part, we can start moving forward with momentum and confidence. It's time we start making an effort. It's time we start volunteering to help. It's time we start asking what needs to be done. It's time we start attending services more. It's time we start living up to our name of "Christian."

Making the effort is sometimes hard to do, but I guarantee that you will not regret getting busy. You will not regret working for the Lord. And I know that God would be proud of the work that you are doing. It's time to get off the bench and get into the game.

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Announcements:	Steve Carter	
Opening Prayer:	Gene Goode	
Closing Prayer:	Larry Copas	
Scripture Reading:	McKale High	
Song Leader:	Bobby Harlan	
Head Table:	Brad Harlan	
Wait on Table:	Carlene Wheeler	Casey Walden
	Dennie Biggerstaff	Jimmie Blythe
Ushers:	Chandler Clements	Ray Cecil Lyon
Main Door Greeter:	Michael MacPherson	
Side Door Greeter:	Jarad Bartley	
Kitchen Dr Greeter:	Tony Harlan	

What Must I do?

-) **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**

**Up Coming
Special
Events**

Ladies Day March 24th
Spring Meeting
April 8-12!

return days

Ella	Massingille	03/11
Frances	McPherson	03/11
Kevin	Sweezy	03/11
Boyd	Copas	03/12
Jeanette	Harlan	03/14
Nancy	Parsley	03/14
Cecilee	Ennis	03/17
Dan	Robinson	03/18

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³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. ³³ And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." **Luke 1:32-33 (NKJV)**

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Larry Copas, Bobby Dale Gerald, Kevin Deckard, Jimmy High, Ray Cecil Lyon, Michael McPherson, Tony Harlan, Jarad Bartley

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Schedule of Services:

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

Wednesday: Bible Study... 6pm

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