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July 24, 2016

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THE NEW MILLENNIUM

Religious leaders around the world made much of the new millennium. The Christian community in particular had a special attachment to the year 2000. Interest in the arrival of the millennium was not a new phenomenon. Frederick Marten, in **The Story of Human Life and Doomsday**, described a period of religious panic in the ten years prior to A. D. 1000. Prisoners were released, debts forgiven, food was given away, possessions were sold, and people resorted to mountain tops to observe the second coming of Christ. On December 31, 999, Pope Sylvester II held a midnight mass so the Pope's followers could witness the end of the world in the presence of the man they considered to be God's leader on earth. Obviously, they were just as mistaken as our contemporaries were sixteen years ago.

I have absolutely no doubt that Jesus Christ will come again. But, I have no idea when that will be, and there is nothing in the Bible to indicate when he will come. Anyone who claims to know when Jesus will return is mistaken. It's just that simple. There was nothing in the Bible to suggest

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SCHEDULE

July 31, 2016

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tim Loughry

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Joe Crone
Harry Ogletree

PM: Brad Forshey
Russ Schramm

PRAYER

AM: Randy Feisley
Close—Randy Hague

PM: Todd Hague
Close: Darrell Hague
8/3—Earl Schramm

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Bill McFarland

PM: Colton Eddy

SONG LEADER

AM: Tim Wells

PM: Brad Pierce

Wed. 8/3—Brad Pierce

STATISTICS—July 17

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| Sunday Bible Class..... | 72 |
| Morning Worship..... | 192 |
| Evening Worship..... | 111 |
| Wednesday Classes..... | 100 |
| Contribution..... | 3,467 |

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PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK — Canned Fruit

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: Besetting Sins
Reading: Heb. 12:1-11

PM: Beware of Covetousness
Reading: I Tim. 6:17-19

PROGRAMS

WJAW FM 100.9—Sunday 8:30 a.m.

WJAW AM 630—Sunday 9:00 a.m.

WMOA AM 1490—Sunday 11:00 a.m.

SEARCH—WTAP—Sunday 7:30 a.m.

SICK

Selby: **Bob Moseley**

OSU James Cancer Center: **Betty Rittenhouse** (**Sharon Anderson's** sister)

Grayce Smith, Roger Nolan, and Randy Nolan were in and out of the hospital.

Betty McCormick (**Marge Schramm's** mother) is now at home.

PRAYER LIST

Steve Beck

Debbie Bickford (friend of **Carla Baldwin**)

Alisha Blevins (**Les Mills** cousin)

Added to prayer list: **Hailley Parsons & Family** (friends of **Lou Fryman**)

It's hard for us to go forward when we're looking back. Jesus replied, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God." Luke 9:62

BIBLE QUESTION/ANSWER

Who took the body of Jesus down from the cross after the centurion told Pilate Jesus had died?

1. Peter
2. James
3. John
4. Joseph of Arimathea

Answer next week/Answer to Last weeks' question: **When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul, _____ shall preserve thee, _____ shall keep thee. Fill in the missing words according to King James Bible - Discretion and understanding—Proverbs 2:10-11**

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Josh Beaver** (**Maurie's** husband). A memorial service was held Tuesday at the building.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Violet Ring**. A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Gary Coil** (**Bob's** brother) who passed away in Florida Monday.

FRIDAY NIGHT SINGS

The Friday Night Sings scheduled for July 29 will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Little Hocking and Nitro churches of Christ.

There is always hope. We just need to know where to find it.

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. Romans 15:4

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that the arrival of the new millennium would have special significance to the disciples of Christ. The message of the New Testament regarding the coming of Christ has been, and continues to be, a call to vigilance.

The Lord, Paul, Peter, and John all spoke of the second coming as an event like the coming of a thief (Matthew 24:42, 43; 1 Thessalonians 5:2; 2 Peter 3:10; Revelation 3:3). Thieves do not make appointments. They strike suddenly and unexpectedly. So it will be with the Lord's return. Jesus warned, "Therefore be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh" (Matthew 24:44).

Time means nothing to God. He is an eternal being. This was the point Peter made when he wrote: "But beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day" (2 Peter 3:8). God is not bound by time. He has no need for a calendar. He does not need to watch the clock. And, unlike us, no matter how much time passes, He never forgets a promise (2 Peter 3:9).

Don't be taken in by all the prognosticators of doom regarding the second coming of Christ. They simply don't know what they are talking about! Get ready for his return! Stay ready! If we are ready we do not have to concern ourselves as to when it will take place.

---Roger

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sundae Sunday—Tonight following evening services

Father/Son Campout—Wolfe Run State Park—August 5-7

Congregational Picnic—Oak Grove Recreational Center—August 13—4-8 p.m.—Dinner at 5:00 p.m.

RAMBLINGS

--By Roger

Due to illness, **Brent Gallagher** was unable to be with us last Wednesday evening. He called and apologized profusely, but obviously it could not be helped. He came down with a very bad sore throat and laryngitis. God willing, our *Summer Series* speaker this Wednesday evening will be **Randy Baker**. **Randy** needs no introduction. As you know, he is the preacher for the Hopewell congregation.

Thanks to **Kurt Harrison** for teaching our class this morning from Acts 2. **Kurt** will teach next Sunday from Romans 6.

We are hosting services at the *Marietta Center* this afternoon. Your help would be greatly appreciated. We will begin this afternoon at 2:00 and conclude promptly at 2:30. **Matt Dunbar** will be our song leader today, and **Brad Pierce** is scheduled to lead our singing next Sunday afternoon.

It was good to have **Nick Rice** with us last Sunday evening to update us on his work with the brethren on the *Navajo Reservation*. I am happy we are a part of that work. I know I have a much better appreciation for the work after being on the *Reservation* and meeting some very talented and sound preachers, and seeing first hand how devoted to the gospel those brethren were.

I hope you plan to be here for our evening assembly and the fellowship to follow. Special thanks to **Tim** and **Kathi Gerber** for all their hard work in organizing our fellowship activities, and to each of you who assisted.

Next Sunday evening our young men will be leading our worship. **Tanner Ogle** will be speaking at that assembly. I hope you will make a special effort to be here for that service.

Don't forget the birthday party for **Mary Niceswanger** is this coming Saturday. **Mary** will be celebrating her 110th birthday!

It's dark out there. You'll need a flashlight. Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Psalm 119:105