

THE REMINDER

BELLAIRE CHURCH OF CHRIST, 07 JANUARY 2018

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Please join us today at 1:30 for our **monthly singing and prayer service!** It is always informative and encouraging!
- **Bob Stark** continues to recover from his heart transplant and the various tests and procedures that have followed. The doctors have said that everything looks great and Bob is doing well. He hopes to be with us today for worship!
- **Deb Haley** will be having a permanent pain pump installed on January 19th. Pray for her strength while she waits for that and success for the procedure!
- **Johnny Martinez** continues to struggle with his health and is receiving regular dialysis treatments. Pray for him and **Dora!**
- **Sharon Alexander** is free of her back pain, and is with her daughter **Holly Ann**, who is recovering from surgery.
- Remember those rebuilding from Harvey: **Banks, Benthalls, Guzmans, Haleys, Starks, Stechs, and Washington.**
- Please continue to pray for **Bethany Moon** and (former member) **Lauren Underwood**, who are both expecting.
- Keep praying for on-going health concerns: **Bob Stark, Deb Haley, Mike Flinn, Janice Kimbrough, Jan Cooper, Curby Stech, Laura Claburn, Anna Miekle, and Pat Butler.**
- **Sermon Title: What Do You Want From Jesus?**

WHO ARE WE?

A group of God's children, striving to maintain the organization, doctrine and worship as taught in the New Testament

ELDERS

Brian Haley
Mark Mann
Mike Pharris

DEACONS

Scott Clanton
David Haley
Mitchell Howell
Dan Kimbrough
Jesse Knapp
John Moon
Alex Morolez
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DIRECTORY UPDATES

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SCHEDULE

Sunday:

9:30 AM Worship
11:00 AM Bible Study

Wednesday:

7:30 PM Bible Study

SERVICE

Welcome - TBD
Song Leader - L. Williams
Opening Prayer - J. Seale
Lesson - D. Broadwell
Communion Talk - R. McDonald
Announcements - M. Pharris
Closing Prayer - S. Camp

BIBLE CLASSES

Isaiah (Auditorium)

- Daniel Broadwell

Parables (Back Room)

- Alex Morolez
- Justin Seale

Classes for children

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Different... and Better!

by: Gary Henry (wordpoints.com)

“Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is” (1 John 3:2)

TO BE IN CHRIST IS TO BE MOVING TOWARD AN EXPERIENCE THAT MUST SURELY QUALIFY AS THE ULTIMATE EYE-OPENER. If we depart from this life in fellowship with Him, we will not have found ourselves on the other side for one instant before we realize two breathtaking things: (1) It is very *different* than we thought it would be, and (2) it is much *better* than we thought it would be.

In our present condition, we are not able to understand much more than the edges of God’s reality. The limitations of our creaturely minds, compounded by the problems resulting from our sin, mean that our vessels are too small to hold more than a little understanding of God and His heavenly abode. God has revealed Himself to us wonderfully, of course, and what He has revealed is objectively true. Our limitation is not in the truth or accuracy of what we can know, but rather in the extent of that knowledge. And concerning heaven, God has said only that it will be like some of the more valuable things that we’re acquainted with in this world.

As we reach forward to eternity, we should hold in our minds the most vivid concepts of God and heaven that the Scriptures will allow us to entertain. But as we hold these concepts in our minds, we need to hold them gently, or even tentatively. The truth is, great surprises are in store for God’s faithful people, and even the most perceptive and wise should expect to have their imaginings corrected and improved by a greater reality when that time comes.

The God who created us for His glory is a God of such great goodness that no earthly visualization can take it in. But eventually, if we’ve yielded to His process of redemption, our eyes will be opened to the full extent of the majesty that we’ve wondered about for so long: “. . . it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.” So while we are eager in our anticipation of heaven, let us also be humble, reverent, and open. Much about God remains to be seen. Little more than this do we really know: *heaven will be better than even our best guesses right now.*

*Earth breaks up, time drops away,
In flows heaven, with its new day.
(Robert Browning)*