

The Montrose family would like to express our sympathy to Sis. Viola Cleaver and the daughters of Bro. Frank Cleaver who passed from this life on Friday November 9th. A service of Remembrance will be held at the Church of Christ in Lancaster, Kentucky on Saturday afternoon November 17th at 1:30 p.m. e.s.t. Bro. Frank was the minister here at Montrose from 1992 until early 2000 before Bro. Larry came in August of 2000. Bro. Glen Reece has stated that if anyone is interested in attending the services he will carry the van.

Also, the annual fundraiser for Taylor Christian Camp was held at the Carthage Church of Christ Saturday evening November 10th. A total of \$18,200 was raised at the annual event.

The Montrose congregation not only supports the Taylor Camp but many of our children attend and support the Jackson-Smith Youth Camp which is held in July each year at Taylor Christian Camp in Holland, Kentucky. Bro. Glen Reece, a Deacon here at Montrose, also serves on the Board of Directors of Taylor Christian Camp.

The Church also received a note of thanks from the Church of Christ in Mexico City Beach, Florida for the money sent to them so they could aid the community in the recovery from the recent hurricane. The church building was one of the few structures on the island that was not damaged or destroyed. 18 congregations from Tennessee, Kentucky, and Alabama donated a total of \$32,000.00 for the effort with Montrose contributing \$2,500.00 to the effort.

—The Eldership

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## **Blessed Are the Peacemakers**

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God.” These are the words of the “Prince of Peace,” Jesus Christ, as found in Matthew 5:9. This beatitude is somewhat different from the rest, such as those who are “poor in spirit,” “those who mourn,” “the meek,” “those who hunger and thirst after righteousness” and “the merciful.” The reason being, the expression, “the peacemakers,” implies an action on the part of the disciples. It is an adjective signifying peace-making. The “peacemaker” is to give “diligence to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace” (Ephesian 4:3). The “peacemaker” has to have “the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding” (Philippians 4:7) in his heart. Paul wrote in Romans 5:1-2, “Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.” We are not only to be peaceful, we are to be peacemakers.

Abraham Lincoln said, “Die when I may, I want it said of me by those who knew me best, that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower would grow.” Today, we need more people who will proverbially plant flowers and pull up the weeds. There is a great need in our world to have more peacemakers instead of peace-breakers! The Lord knows we have too many peace-breakers in His church, in our communities and in our nation. We live in turbulent times. Everywhere we find hatred, bigotry, prejudice, racism and violence, even existing in own nation.

It doesn't take much skill to cause confusion in a family, in the church or in our society. It isn't easy, however, to be a peacemaker, because you will be most likely criticized from every side. Yet, the peacemaker is one who would rather suffer injury than to inflict injury upon others. He prefers to settle difficulties through prayer rather than through force.

This is the first beatitude that shows blessedness pronounced upon a person, not for some personal quality, grace or virtue, but as a work for the sake and the interest of others, whether of family, the world or the church. "For they shall be called sons of God." The apostle Peter wrote in 1 Peter 3:8-11, that if we love life, we should "seek peace and pursue it." Christians are to "Pursue peace with all people" (Hebrews 12:14). Of course, there is not to be compromise when truth is involved. The question is, "Am I am a peacemaker or a peace-breaker?"

—Raymond Elliott, [gospelgazette.com](http://gospelgazette.com), 11/18

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**November 18, 2018**

## **Life's Hardest Lessons**

I don't think anyone really likes to be disciplined. It's interesting, though, that the word "disciple," which we all want to be, looks a lot like the word "discipline." The two words are related. We all seek to be disciples of Jesus. In fact, our call is to go make disciples of the world, and much of discipleship involves discipline. We discipline ourselves to be under Christ's Law. We discipline our flesh. We discipline our desires and wants. As we discipline ourselves, we become better disciples of Jesus and as we apply His Word to ourselves. Today, how can you discipline yourself to be a better disciple? Practically, how would it appear?

—Chad Ezelle, [gospelgazette.com](http://gospelgazette.com), 11/17

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**THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE  
WORSHIP—SUNDAY AM**

**November 18, 2018**

Coordinator.....Steve Anderson  
Announcements.....Kaleb Bush  
Scriptures Reading.....Dallas Eddie  
Song Leader.....Jacky Carver, Jr.  
Opening Prayer.....George Clay

Lord's Supper-Preside: Roger Draper  
Serve: Glen Reece, John Leonard  
Gavin Spurlin, Ethan Leonard  
Closing Prayer.....Jacky Carver, Sr.

Greeter— Jacky & Jacqueline Carver  
Greeter— Glen & Patsy Reece  
Count Offering.....Dallas Eddie  
.....Kaleb Bush  
AM Sermon— Sam Willcut  
PM Sermon— Sam Willcut

**WORSHIP---SUNDAY---6:00 PM**

Announcements.....Kaleb Bush  
Song Leader. . . . .Jacky Carver, Sr.  
Scripture Readin.....Dallas Eddie  
Opening Prayer.....Mitchell Brooks  
Lord's Supper.....Roger Draper  
.....Ethan Leonard  
Closing Prayer.....Glen Reece

**BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY--7:00 PM**

Announcement.....Kaleb Bush  
Song Leader.....Dallas Eddie  
First Prayer.....Justin Draper  
Opening Prayer.....Jacky Carver Sr.  
Invitation(11/21).....Adam Jolley  
Closing Prayer.....Mitchell Brooks

**Prepare Communion for NOVEMBER  
Linda Hackett**

**MONTROSE BULLETIN BOARD**

**NURSING HOME:**  
Opal Agee-Kindred

**THOSE ON THE SICK LIST;**

W. A. Gibbs, Gladys Bowling,  
Jimmie Faye Cole, Sawyer Cole,  
Ramelle Cole, Linda Phillips, Rita Lankford,  
Joyce Williams (Athens, TN), Mary Massey

OUR RECORD OF LOVE FOR CHRIST

11/11/18

Wednesday.....	44
Worship Sunday AM.....	73
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Worship Sunday PM(11/04).....	55

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

<b>Dec. 2nd-</b> Mens' Business Meeting
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**Pantry Item: Canned Fruit**

**READING SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER**

01 John 2-4	11 Acts 13-17	21 I Cor. 3-5
02 John 5-7	12 Acts 18-20	22 I Cor. 6-8
03 John 8-10	13 Acts 21-23	23 I Cor. 9-11
04 John 11-15	14 Acts 24-26	24 I Cor. 12-14
05 John 16-18	15 Acts 27-28	25 I Cor. 15-16
06 John 19-21	Rom. 1	II Cor. 1-2
07 Acts 1-3	16 Rom. 2-4	26 II Cor. 3-6
08 Acts 4-6	17 Rom. 5-7	27 II Cor. 7-9
09 Acts 7-9	18 Rom. 8-12	28 II Cor. 10-12
10 Acts 10-12	19 Rom.13-15	29 II Cor. 13;
	20 Rom. 16;	Gal. 1-2
	I Cor. 1-2	30 Gal. 3-5