

PRAYER LIST

CHERYL BARRON, Stan Raley's sister
JO ANN BROSELL, friend of Kathy St. Clair – surgery, Wednesday 2/22/2017
TED BROWN, Sherri Clopton's dad, home rehab
RAY CANTRELL, brother of Linda Bowen of Waynesboro; Anderson Hospital
MIKE CUMBERLAND, leg issues/home therapy
CHRIS EMOND, Madison family friend; chemo following stage 3 cancer brain tumor excision
ANTORIOS GROVES, Ethel Clark's son-in-law, cancer; 105 Lexington DR, Hattiesburg MS 39402
ODELL GURLEY, Jeremy's (Elizabeth Fair Gurley) granddad; lung cancer treatment
DALTON GUY, flu
THERMAN HODGE, cancer: skin & bone
JERE JENNINGS, Judy's husband – multiple blood clots in lungs
JUDY JENNINGS, former member; cancer recurrence ~ 2027 Green Gate PL ~ Grayson, GA 30017-1857
BETTY JOHNSON, home-bound
WALTER KING, Lamar's dad, post-aneurism surgery recovery at home
JAMIE DIAL KIRKLAND, Livingston, AL, Cindy Harper's friend – breast cancer & in spine
NAN LEGGETT, Brookhaven, MS area; friend of Mike/Renée Cumberland; leg muscle syndrome
GENE & CHARLENE RALEY, Stan's parents
STAN RALEY
AL ST. CLAIR
ZELIA STEPHENS, aunt of Jason Smith; cancer
THELMA TALBERT, Shirley Raley's mom
RUTH TAYLOR, Room 102 at Brookdale Meridian, 4555 35th AVE, Meridian, MS 39305
DICK & SANDY VINSON, continue to suffer flu
DEWEY WALL, recent stint replacement
ROB WARREN
WAYNE WARREN, Rob's dad cardiac issues
VELMA "DUCK" YATES
MEMBERS of our ARMED SERVICES CHURCH MISSION WORK WORLDWIDE

ANNIVERSARY & BIRTHDAY

February 8 : Albert & Kathy St. Clair

NOTE:If you are new to our family, or have changes to your info, please see Renée Cumberland.

Elders ~ Deacon ~ Preacher Meeting Today.. Time To Be Announced

Wresting the Scriptures

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He continues in His sermon by saying, "Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits" (Matthew 7:15, 16). How can this be done except by making a judgement? Christians are commanded to judge, but only by the proper standard – the Word of God (Matthew 7:21; Luke 8:21; Luke 11:28; James 1:25).

2) **JOHN 8:7** The verse states, "He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her." Some would say, since Jesus did not condemn this woman of ill repute for her sin, neither should we be condemned for sin. Again, the context of the passage deals with hypocrisy. Jesus' attitude toward the woman was not toleration for her sin, but sympathy and compassion in light of her condemnation by even more despicable characters, the self-righteous Pharisees. Jesus made it clear that this woman was to "go and sin no more" (John 8:11). The Savior here teaches that while we are to despise sin, we love the sinner.

3) **MATTHEW 23:23** Matthew records our Lord as saying, "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin in, and have omitted the weightier matters of

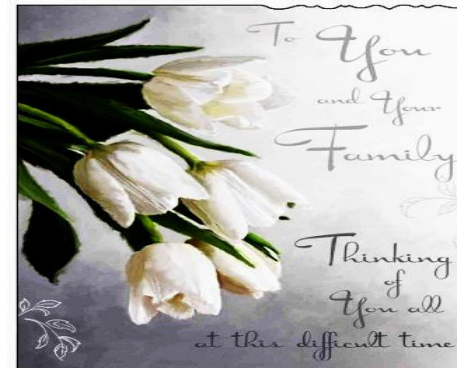
the law, judgement, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone."

The world's religious liberals almost make it a crime to obey God. This verse is often cited as a "proof" that what really matters in service to God is judgement, mercy, and faith; and we should not become absorbed with mere forms and outward devotions. To the contrary, this passage teaches that judgement, mercy and faith are more difficult to put into practice than tithing mint, anise, and cummin; thus, these weightier matters had been neglected by the Pharisees. The man who walks by faith and loves God with all his heart will not forsake any of the commandments of God. It is always right to obey Him, for Jesus says, "these ought ye to have done, and not leave the other undone."

CONCLUSION

Brethren, let us never be guilty of wresting the Scriptures to prove something false or to gain some kind of advantage for ourselves. Let us take the totality of the Scriptures (Matthew 4:4; Psalm 119:160; Psalm 139:17), making application of them in our lives (Deuteronomy 6:6; Psalm 37:31; Psalm 119:11).

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Our Deepest Sympathy

is Extended to

Betty McKenna & Family

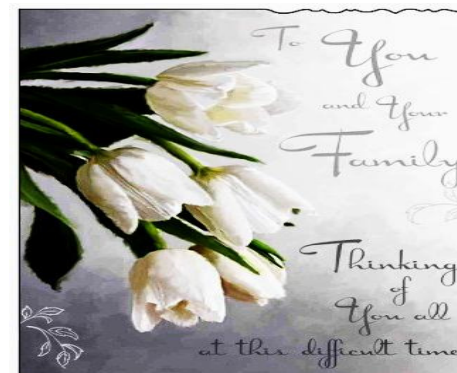
In the passing of her beloved husband & best friend,

Steve McKenna

Sunday, January 28, 2018

Celebration of Life was held at the Ranch

Wednesday, January 31, 2018



Our Deepest Sympathy

is Extended to

Mike Cumberland & Family

In the passing of his mother,

Peggy Jean Watkins Cumberland

Wednesday, January 31, 2018

Funeral Service was held

Friday, February 2, 2018