## 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 THERMAN HODGE, cancer; skin & bone JERE JENNINGS, Judy's husband - multiple blood clots in lunas 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 PERRY TUBBY. Work-related accident: home recovery following surgeries in Alabama DICK & SANDY VINSON, continue to suffer flu **DEWEY WALL**, recent stint replacement **ROB WARREN** WAYNE WARREN, Rob's dad cardiac issues **VELMA "DUCK" YATES** 

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**CHURCH MISSION WORK WORLDWIDE** 

ANNIVERSARY & BIRTHDAY

February 18: Randy & Glenda Rives

February 20: Sandy Vinson

February 24: Byron & Brandie Madison

## "Without Me You Can Do Nothing"

~continued from cover ~

For example, there are more people in this world who are presently under psychiatric care than at any time in history. Suicide is becoming the prevalent "out" for troubled teenagers as well as for seniors.

More people are less able to cope with the pressures and problems of life than at any time in man's history.

However, those folks who are branches of the true Vine, face hard times knowing that they are only sojourners in this world (1 Peter 2Z11; cf. Hebrews 11Z13, knowing that their citizenship is in Heaven (Philippians 3Z20). Those who "abide" in the true Vine [Christ – John 15Z1; John 15Z5), can face the trials and tribulations of this life with the "peace of God, which surpasses all understanding" (Philippians 4Z7; cf. Romans 5Z1; Colossians 3Z15).

The Christian knows that without Christ, he can do nothing (John 15Z5). Conversely, he also knows that with Christ, he can do "all things" (Philippians 4Z12-13).

Brethren, with this blessed assurance, let us be found "reaching forward to those things which are ahead" — always "pressing toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3Z13-14).

Mike Riley \$\Phi\$ January 25, 2018

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## DRUGS (author unknown: from the web)

"I destroy homes, tear families... apart - Take your children, and that's just the start. I'm more costly than diamonds, more costly than gold - the sorrow | bring is a sight to behold. And if you need me, remember I'm easily found. I live all around you, in schools and in town. I live with the rich, I live with the poor, I live down the street, and maybe next door.

My power is awesome - try me you'll see. But if you do, you may never break free. Just try me once and I might let you go, but try me twice, and I'll own your soul. When I possess you, you'll steal and you'll lie. You'll do what you have to just to get high. The crimes you'll commit, for my narcotic charms, Will be worth the pleasure you'll feel in your arms.

You'll lie to your mother; you'll steal from your dad. When you see their tears, you should feel sad. But you'll forget your morals and how you were raised. I'll be your conscience, I'll teach you my ways. I take kids from parents, and parents from kids, I turn people from God, and separate from friends. I'll take everything from you, your looks and your pride. I'll be with you always, right by your side.

You'll give up everything - your family, your home, your friends, your money; then you'll be alone. I'll take and I'll take, till you have nothing more to give. When I'm finished with you you'll be lucky to live. If you try me be warned this is no game. If given the chance, I'll drive you insane. I'll ravish your body; I'll control your mind. I'll own you completely; your soul will be mine.

POTLUCK DINNER-

The nightmares I'll give you while lying in bed. The voices you'll hear from inside your head. The sweats, the shakes, the visions you'll see. I want you to know, these are all gifts from me. But then it's too late, and you'll know in your heart, that you are mine, and we shall not part. You'll regret that you tried me, they always do. But you came to me, not I to you.

You knew this would happen. Many times you were told, But you challenged my power, and chose to be bold!

You could have said no, and just walked away. If you could live that day over, now what would you say? I'll be your master; you will be my slave. I'll even go with you, when you go to your grave.

Now that you have met me, what will you do?

Will you try me or not? It's all up to you. I can bring you more misery than words can tell. Come take my hand, let me lead you to hell."

Fourth Sunday Fellowship Next Sunday...

..following morning service.

Our Evening worship service will follow at 12:30.

As always, our visitors are our most honored guests. Please plan to join us!

Signed, DRUGS