THOSE TO SERVE

AM Service

Song Leader Ray Reynolds Opening Prayer Casey Tomecek

Lord's Supper

Head: Ben Coxwell Wayne Herring Tim Rider Alan Little **Buddy Waters** Eric Butler Landon Butler Jeome Little

<u>Speaker</u> Ken Forrest Closing Prayer Benn Keevan Sound System Casev Tomecek

PM Service

Song Leader Rav Revnolds **Opening Prayer** James Anderson Ken Forrest Speaker Closing Prayer Tim Rider

Van Driver - Carolyn Till North Side South Side—

Wednesday Service

Song Leader for Wed., Mar. 11: Chase Joiner Prayer for Wed., Mar. 11: Hayden Joiner

Communion This Month: Louise Lambert

Greeters This Month: Gerald and Ann Holcomb

365 Days with the Word

Sunday 8-Mar Numbers 33-34

9-Mar Numbers 35-36 Monday

Tuesday 10-Mar Deuteronomy 1-2

Wednesday 11-Mar Deuteronomy 3-4

Thursday 12-Mar Deuteronomy 5-7

13-Mar Deuteronomy 8-10 Friday

14-Mar Deuteronomy 11-13 Saturday

PRAYER LIST

Members Younce Family Darlene Herring Daryl Thompson *Dotty West Don Lambert Eunice Whitaker Gav Black Hellen Hendrix Hilda Vickers Johnny Vickers Johny Mancill *Linda Daugherty Linda Pledger Linda Smith Linda Widder Mae Smith Marion Thompson Natalia Gill Pat Cieloha Patty Waters Paul Kitchens Ralph & Glynda Jennings Rosemary Kitchens

Friends & Family:

* Brian Hall, brother of a Guvana Team Member

*Catherine McNeil (friend of Paula Dill)

* Jean McCallough (Hilda's Sis-

*Jennifer Calloway (Lynda Daugherty's Niece)

*Linda Williams (Myra Wrights Neighbor)

*Jennette Gashaw (Joe's Sister)

* Malinda Sanford's Mother *Mike Simmons (Farley's Friend) * = Cancer

Nancy Miller

*Tina Hubbard (friend of

Tyree's)

Aiden Daugherty (Paula Dill) Alyne Byrd (Sandy Daugherty's

Friend) Amie H Day-Heckermann (Steve Norris's Granddaughter)

Annie Werner (Bertha's Sister) Brayleigh Willis (Goes to Snook) Brian Davis (Christina's Brother)

Bruce Whitaker (Roy and Eunice's Son)

Charles and Angie Monarch Chris Dill (Paula's Son)

Donna Harbin (Sandy's Sister) Emma Gene Thornhill (Iris's Sister)

Glynda Jennings Son, Gregg Jan Tyree's Mother

Janelle Davis (Glenda Skogland's Sister)

Jax Nicely (Younce family) Iennifer Houston (Louis's

Daughter) Joe Hudson (Gypsy Hall) John and Kayla Allen (Friends of

Tomeceks) Ken Forrest's Mother

Lynn Hobbs (Bertha Enfinger's

Brother) Marlin Gashaw (Brother-n-Law

of Joe and David Gill) Mary Younce

Michael Parker (Friends of Sandy Daugherty's) (Stroke) Tammy Crother's Family Wanda Hopper (Health Issues-Sandy Daugherty's Friend)

Will Blevin's (Brady Long's Friend)

Military:

Codie Harbison, Andrew Gill. Tanya Mixson, Bill Miller, Alex Hartsell, Wayne Kendrix, James Paul Methvin, Dana Kirchharr, Jonathan and Zack Kalinauskas, Chris Rumbley, Jeremy Redding, Stuart Kolkman, Justin Richardson, Austin Ates,

(please send changes for this list to SummerdaleChurchOffice@gmail.com)

Cindy Warren is a Christian Marriage Therapist. Cindy's office number is 251-263-3100 and is on site. Call for a confidential appointment. www.warrencounselingservices.com.

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Times of service:

Sunday:

Bible class 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Joe Gill

Wednesday: Bible study

10:00 a.m. And 6:30 p.m.

Elders & Staff

Elders:

Billy Lambert Jerome Little

Deacons:

Ben Coxwell

Wayne Herring Charles Schwartz Michael Hall Owen Farley James Anderson **Buddy Waters** Tim Rider Benn Keevan

Special Ministry Leaders:

David Howell Casey Tomecek

Preachers:

Ken Forrest - Pulpit Minister

Billy Lambert - Getting to Know Your Bible

Secretaries:

Sandy Daugherty Christina Little Carolyn Till

Services streaming live every Sunday morning! We are also on YouTube and Facebook

KEN'S PEN

Hindrances to True Discipleship

March 08, 2020

"Now it happened as they journeyed on the road, that someone said to Him, 'Lord, I will follow You wherever You go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.' Then He said to another, 'Follow Me.' But he said, 'Lord, let me first go and bury my father.' Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God.' And another also said, 'Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go and bid them farewell who are at my house.' But Jesus said to him, 'No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God'" (Luke 9:57-62).

As Jesus was making His way to Jerusalem for the Feast of Tabernacles, He took the opportunity to pinpoint certain hindrances in the lives of three prospective disciples. The first candidate (vv. 57f) was full of zeal, but had not adequately considered the cost. Discipleship involved an active participation in Christ's work with no promise of temporal comforts. Like this man, many people only see the benefits of Christian living, but are unwilling to pay the price that is required; to take the good with the bad.

The second candidate (vv. 59f) was personally called by Jesus, but was unable to set his priorities in order. One of the greatest difficulties in life is the constant juggling of responsibilities. Even the very pious act of burying one's own father becomes an obstacle to growth when it preempts duty to God. To neglect that which one is reasonably equipped to do; is to carelessly substitute lesser activities for kingdom responsibility (cf. Luke 14:18-20; 2 Tim. 2:3f).

Similarly, there is nothing inherently wrong with the third man's request to return home (vv. 61,62). However, Jesus emphasizes that true discipleship calls for one to keep his mind focussed on the task at hand. Those who begin with the work of God must resolve to go with it, or they will make nothing of it (Luke 8:13).

Jesus is not simply seeking followers; He is seeking disciples who are genuine and determined to serve. Serious adherents will be resolved to free themselves from life's diversions, with a commitment to serve Christ to the fullest extent of their being.

If you would like to drive the van and help pick up those who can not drive please see Michael Hall!!

- ⇒ If you have something that needs to go into the bulletin please have that emailed to me by Thursday at noon. You can email it to summerdalechurchoffice@gmail.com
- ⇒ Brother's Keeper is the 2nd Sunday of the month
- ⇒ Rock–n-Rollers is the 3rd Thursday of the month
- ⇒ Drivers Request!! Riders please call before the day to pick up for church services so the drivers are not making an unnecessary trip. Thank you!
- ⇒ There is a calendar in the hallway in the fellowship hall. Please make sure if you are wanting to schedule an event at the church let Christina know and mark it on the calendar.
- ⇒ 5th Sunday March 29th—Guest speaker!! David Sargent
- ⇒ Coin Cans for the NACC (Children) if you would like to donate your spare change see Hazel Rands

Announcements...

Junior Leaders (K-6) - Every Sunday night @ 4PM
L2L Boys lead worship - 4th Sunday nights
Bible Bowl Practice - Wednesday 3/18, 3/25, 4-1
L2L Convention in Orlando, FL - April 8-12



Teen News! See Mr. Little if you have any questions.

- Area Wide—Mar. 15 at Rocky Creek church of Christ
- Area Wide—April 19 at University church of Christ

- Linda Marshall, Dianne Anderson's sister, is battling cancer.
- Naty Gill suffers from chronic pain related to her sickle cell.
- Casey Tomecek's grandfather is on dialysis with kidney failure.
- Ken Morgan's mother, Audrey, has heart related issues, dialycir.
- Linda Smith is sick at home.
- Barbara Williams is homebound, living with Maxine and Roger.
- Roy and Eunice Whitaker.
- Dottie West is undergoing cancer treatments.
- Mike Simmons, friend of the Farleys, has stage 3 cancer, very bad shape.
- Daniel Johnson (Patrick and Melissa Crumley's son) is continuing treatment in Atlanta.
- Linda Widder is recovering from knee surgery at home.
- Diane Keevan is recovering from back surgery at home.
- Pam Wimberly is undergoing therapy for her back
- Jolene Rogala, friend of Virgil Wilson, has cancer.
- Michael Presley "Pres" Holcomb, Gerald's grandson, has cancer. Evaluation after 4th treatment.
- Iris Irwin's sister, Jean, is not doing well.
- Dianne Anderson is recovering from hip surgery at home.
- Brandon Jones' aunt, Susan, has thyroid cancer.
- Shannon Malone's grand daughter, Tristen, is having some serious health issues. Tests revealed a brain aneurysm.
- Tim Rider is recovering from knee surgery. Additional surgery on May 4.
- Carla Burleson, a friend of the Farleys, had knee and hip surgery and has developed an infection.
- Tammy Crothers' mother, Laura, is not well.
- Chris Houston, Lewis Smith's son-in-law, has a tumor on his thyroid and spinal column.
- Caroline Hayes, a friend of the Waters, is in rehab and very sick.
- Susan Cochran, cousin of Billy and Don Lambert, is very ill and under hospice care.
- Lisa Rider's mother, Susan Stewart, is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- Nikoli very sick, Ukraine, friend of Farleys.
- Linda Pledger's brother-in-law has cancer that has spread.
- Summer Jackson Beavers, surgery for growth, possibly cancer.
- Barry Smith, son-in-law of Lamberts, severely injured a muscle in a weightlifting accident. Surgery successfully reconnected the muscle.
- Patti Waters was in the hospital overnight one day last week.
- Tornados in Nashville Pray for all families.
- Alan Little was involved in an automobile accident. He was not seriously injured.
- Denise Fain is having health issues and undergoing tests.
- Misty Long's friend, Jack Cameron, has cancer and is struggling.
- Barbara Williams went home from the hospital on Wednesday
- Luverne Younce has died. She is Darlene's mother, Rhonda Butler's grandmother, Mae Smith and Margie Snook's sister-in law, and aunt of Jerry, Carolyn, Louise, and Leonard.

Hindrances to True Discipleship

Luke 9:57-62

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- 1. As Jesus was making His way to Jerusalem for the Feast of Tabernacles, He took occasion to pinpoint certain hindrances in the lives of three prospective disciples.
- 2. Since there is a danger in possessing the qualities exhibited in the lives of the three men mentioned in our text, let us identify some of the hindrances to true discipleship.

Discussion:

I.	True Disci	pleship Is	s Hindered b	y Lofty l	Expectations ((vv. 57	,58)).
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II. True Discipleship Is Hindered by Conflicting Duties (vv. 59,60).

III. True Discipleship Is Hindered by Divided Loyalties (vv. 61,62).

Conclusion:

- 1. Jesus is not simply seeking followers; he is seeking disciples who are genuine and determined to serve.
- Based upon our identification of some of the hindrances to true discipleship, let us be resolved to free ourselves from such burdens (if they exist in our lives) with a determination to serve Christ to the fullest extent of our being.
- Thursday morning ladies' prayer meeting, 10:00am. See Jan Tyree or Hazel Rands for details.
- Friday morning men's prayer meeting, 8:30am. See Casey Tomecek for details.
- We need van drivers.
- Visitors, please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the collection plate.
- We are the home of "Getting to Know Your Bible."