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It May Be You!

You're wondering why everybody is always hating on you, it might just be you. Yea, it might be. Everybody don't hate on you when they all have the same issue with you. If you're always gossiping, lying, backbiting, think you know everything, stay meddling in folks business and just plain ole rude; you may be the problem. No, they ain't your enemy and God didn't remove them from your life but they removed themselves because they are tired of hearing you complain about any and everything. You can't even go eat without you sending your food back three times or complaining about the drink and then you have the nerve to be on your cell phone talking loud and cursing. That's why folks are ignoring your call.

You're wondering why your gift hasn't made room for you, it might be you. Oh but you think it can't be, right? Well, if you never use your gift it won't make room for you. If you're never thankful for your gift, it won't make room for you. If you keep dipping your hands in worldly mess, it won't make room for you. You want God to open doors for you but in your mind you're too scared to walk through them or you still have a little doubt about your abilities, it won't make room for you. No, there is nothing wrong with being nervous but there is everything wrong with being afraid of the gift that God has given you. Stop being scared, stop doubting and allow your gift to take you places man can't. (I may just be talking to myself!)

You're wondering why your prayers aren't being heard, it might be you. Yea, you got the nerve to wonder why your prayers are stalled when you just used that same mouth to curse out your husband and then turn around and ask God to bless you. You were just on the phone talking about the same person who clicked in and asked you to pray for them and you're wondering why your prayers aren't being heard. Baby, God doesn't deal in messy folk. Start by helping yourself and then you'll be able to help others. The Bible says in James 5:16 *"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective."* The prayers of the righteous are powerful and effective which means those who act in accordance with God's word.

So, if you're having any doubt about the things that are going on around you, look at yourself first. No, God isn't punishing you for what you did in your past, what you did on last night or even what you're thinking about doing on lunch because He doesn't work that way. Yes, you will have trouble but that was promised before you were even born so it didn't just start with you. The mess you're in may just be because of the mess you're in. Look at yourself first because it may be you.

Lakisha Johnson
Hollywood, MS

Editor's Note: I ran across this while looking for bulletin articles yesterday. It's not typical of the kind of articles I normally use, but the tone and straight-forwardness of the lady's message just made me smile and I thought some of you might enjoy it. —Al

Please Pray For:

For our nation as we are going through troubled times
For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their respective nations.

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

For the innocent who are suffering in the midst of war.

For the "people in the box"-- the lost in our families and community.

For those who are being martyred and persecuted for Christ in our own time.

For marriage to stand in our laws as God ordained it.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chhetri and Ashok Basfor.

For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel.

Doris Wallace (Kandy Cooper's sister) being transferred to Bristol Village in Piketon.

Henry Mason (Gene and Esther Crisp's son) in between treatments but having trouble with appetite and lesions in the mouth. Cards and prayers needed.

Tom Kallner taken to SOMC Wednesday afternoon with chest pain. Had a heart attack but do not know as yet the extent of damage. One stent placed on Thursday, another to follow in a few weeks. Still in SOMC.

Jeff Lindeman recuperating from knee surgery at home.

Ronnie Hardin (Ike & Sharon's son) scheduled for tests on his pancreas at Holzer on Wednesday.

Brenda Robbins has been diagnosed with cancer. Prayers requested.

Angie Arnett (friend of Laryssa Grashel, mother of 2 children) fighting cancer.

James Young (Terri's husband) had his second round of chemo treatments this week.

Jim Cunningham able to return to limited work after surgery.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Harold Smith** (Dewey and Tracy Cordle's grandfather) who passed away early Saturday morning. Arrangements are pending.

Shower for Cricket

On Sunday, September 29, 2:30 pm, all are invited to a baby shower for Cricket Cram (aka as An Meng He). She is scheduled to arrive at the Cram home sometime in November and/or early December. She now weighs 15 lbs and wears size 9-12 months. Everyone is invited to the Shower, so spread the word.

100 Wishes Quilt for Cricket

There is a wonderful tradition from northern China called a Bai Jia Bei, 100 Good Wishes Quilt, created to celebrate a new life. It is customary to invite 100 people to contribute a single patch of cloth to the family welcoming this new life. The 100 patches are sewn together into a quilt that contains the good wishes from all the family and friends who contributed a piece of fabric. The quilt is then passed down from generation to generation. To participate in **Cricket's 100 Wishes Quilt**, please bring a 9 inch square of any fabric to Karren Griffith or to Kendra's shower. You can bring it from your fabric scraps, cut from a piece of old/special clothing, or pick it from Wal-Mart or Hobby Lobby (fat quarters will work fine). You will need to get your photo taken with your fabric and a piece of paper that states your wish boldly written.

Sunshine Helping at the Game

Friday, October 11, the Minford football parents have asked Sunshine to "man" the concession stands at the football game. We need to be there by 6 pm. Free admission for volunteers. If you are willing to help please sign the sheet in the foyer. FYI, this is the homecoming game.

Girls Youth Rally

Fishinger & Kenny Church of Christ in Columbus is having a girls youth rally, Saturday, October 5 at their location. Theme: Molding Girls of Integrity. Ages: 10-18. Speaker: Sue Darby. Details posted on the bulletin board.

Round Lake Men's Retreat

September 27-28, Lakeville, Ohio. Sponsored by the Richland Road church of Christ in Marion, Ohio. Theme is Mighty Men. Details are posted in the foyer. Cost is \$55/person. Sign up deadline is September 20.

Song Leaders Class Resumes

Sunday's at 5 pm the song leading class is meeting in the Annex. Class is open to any male Christian who wants to develop their song-leading skills for the Lord. If you did not attend the sessions back in the spring, you are still welcome to the class. There will be some review before moving forward with the class. See Judy Allison for details.

Looking Ahead

9/27-28	Round Lake Men's Retreat
9/29	Shower for Cricket
10/5	Girls Youth Rally—Columbus
10/6-27	Sunday PM Home Groups
10/11	Concession Stand Work
10/12	Baby Shower for Melissa, 2 pm
10/13	Congregational Potluck after AM
10/25-26	Sunshine Men's Retreat FHCYC
10/27	Dr. Lou Butterfield at Sunshine
11/3	Orphan Sunday
11/8-9	Sunshine Ladies Retreat
11/10	Veterans Honored

Food for the Weekend

We are again sending food home on the weekends for some needy students in our community. We would appreciate donations of single-serving, non-perishable food items that can be easily opened (and that does not need to be heated or refrigerated); Such items may include fruit cups, breakfast bars, Vienna sausages, pudding, juice pouches, etc. Any questions, see June Book. Thank you and God bless!

Sunday PM Home Groups



We will be using four sessions from a DVD by Francis Chan, "Crazy Love, as the basis of our Bible study/discussion in the groups. Next Sunday we will have a basic information sheet for hosts and leaders available. Also, next

Sunday we will have the DVD's and the discussion questions for the four session. Group leaders should take the DVD's and questions and prepare.

• Hosts Needed

We are still needing 6 or 7 more host homes for the Sunday PM Home Groups in October. Let Steve Miller know today if your home could be available for those 4 Sunday nights.

• Signup Begins Today

On the table in the foyer the pads for specific home groups have been laid out. Go ahead and sign up for the home you would like to go to. If you sign up by family, please indicate the number in your family. Please be careful not to overcrowd a particular home. We'll be adding more pads this week. **Deacons, elders and ministers**, you are the group leaders for these groups. Pick a group without a leader and sign up for that group.

Congregational Potluck



Sunday, October 13, after the AM service the entire congregation is invited to participate in a potluck dinner here at the building and on the grounds. The church will be providing a couple big hams, iced tea and cool aid, and all the cups and plates, etc. We are relying on the

congregation to provide the rest of the food. Please sign up on the pad in the foyer and indicate what you will be bringing to the potluck, desserts, bread/buns, salads, meats, vegetable dishes, casseroles. We will have a great time together. See Nick Davis for details.

Orphan Sunday

November 3 has been designated as Orphan Sunday here at Sunshine. We have been observing the first Sunday of November in this way for the last few years. This year we are doing something different. We would like to dedicate all of our contribution on Orphan Sunday to helping in some form or fashion orphans in our world. Whatever the contribution is on that day we would like to divide it in equal parts between Hope for Haiti's Children which operates two or three orphanages in Haiti, Breaking Chains which operates an orphanage in Honduras, and the establishment of a fund here at Sunshine that would help families with the expenses of adoption. We are encouraging all of our members to be especially generous on that day. To God be the glory.

Veterans Honored

Sunday, November 10, we will be honoring all who have served in our nation's armed forces with a special music/picture presentation at the conclusion of the AM services. We are in the process of updating the pictures which we use. If we need to add someone or a picture needs to be changed, please contact **Al Graff** no later than November 3.

Sweet Monday Returns!

October 7 at 7:30 we will kick off a new year of Sweet Monday! This year we will be crafting for those that are interested! Our first craft will be a wreath-check out the bulletin board for the supply list and a look at the finished product! Even if you aren't interested in completing a wreath please come join us for some Sweet Fellowship!

Baby Shower for Melissa

A baby shower for **Melissa Hayward** on Saturday, October 12, at 2 PM. It will be held at Minford High School. She is registered at Wal-Mart. Also for anyone who brings a package of diapers, their name will be entered in a raffle for a prize. For details see Ashley Parker.

Elizabeth's Hope Deadline

Sunday, September 29 is the deadline for turning in your filled baby bottles. Turn in filled bottles to one of the deacons and they will keep them safe until they are picked up.



Directory Change

Please add the following new information to your fellowship directories.

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PG Men in an X-Rated Society

We originally set the date for this event in November, however due to conflicts, **the date has been changed** to October 25 - 26. All of the Sunshine men from age 14 on up are invited to be a part of our men's retreat at Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp. Our guest speaker this year will be Dr. Lou Butterfield of the Center for Christian Broadcasting based in Searcy, Arkansas. There will be good food, great fellowship and thought-provoking presentations on how to be a PG man in our society. More about the retreat will be coming soon, but please mark the date. Also, on Sunday, October 27, Dr. Butterfield will be speaking to the whole congregation in the AM and possibly in the PM.



THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Worship Leaders

Message

September 22

Don Coriell
Aaron McCray
Aaron Kallner
Mark Gampp
Steve Miller

September 29

Jon Coriell
Nick Davis
Zach Coriell
Tim Coriell
Steve Miller

Sunday Evening

Song Director
Scripture Reading
Lord's Supper
Assist
Prayer

Shawn Gragg
Troy Gahn
Mike Gampp
Mike Coriell
Don Ramey

Gabe Coriell
Jim Cunningham
Dale Kuhn
Caleb Miller
Dewey Cordle

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer

Aaron McCray
Jason Coriell

Mark Gampp
Tim Gampp

Regular Service Times

Sunday

Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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A verse from Matthew 3 has been scrambled below using a letter substitution code. Replace the letters with the correct ones to reveal the scripture. Solution is at the bottom of page 2. Hint: P=D, M=T

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"MHZI ZI TS ICA, DHCT Z WCFG;

DZMH HZT Z ET DGWW KWGEIGP."