



Morning Star Church of Christ

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Welcome to The Morning Star Church of Christ. Our church meets at The Willoughby Christian Church. Sunday Bible classes are at 11:00 a.m. and services are at 12:15 p.m. Thursday Bible classes are at 7:00 p.m. for adults and children.

Food for the Journey

Last week in my sermon series *The Renewal of Hope*, I began outlining the specific steps involved in a life review, a period of time when we examine our lives, determine where our strengths and weaknesses lie, and submit ourselves to God for renewal and transformation. In this week's article, I would like to list those initial steps in a shortened form. This way, you may have them readily available for when you begin your personal life review.

1. Begin the process with prayer and ask God to lead you through it and to show you what you need to see and understand and to show you what you are ready to see and understand.
2. Realize that this process may take days, weeks, or even months. Spend time regularly in this process until your life has been reviewed – don't try to do it in one day or one sitting. It happens in stages, in parts, and in pieces.
3. Understand that you will see things and realize things that will make you uncomfortable, that will hurt, that will be embarrassing and shameful, and that will induce guilt and even fear sometimes.

Don't run from those feelings. Allow yourself to feel them and give them to God. Confess them to him and let them go. Don't allow them to control you, paralyze you, or stop you.

4. Realize that you will not see everything there is to know about yourself and you will not always see it in an objective light.
5. Finally, resist the temptation to focus on what others have done to you and how they've hurt you. Acknowledge what has happened, but turn it over to God. Others' actions are their responsibility. Your life review is seeking to understand how you reacted and dealt with situations, even unfair ones, in your life and whether those reactions were right or healthy.

THOSE SERVING FOR TODAY'S SERVICES:

Today's preaching will be done by Micheal West. The usher will be Larry Wilhelm. Song leader will be Jim Zukoski. Ken Allen has opening prayer, Micheal West has prayer of intercession and Dan Spence has closing prayer. Mike Tankersley has communion and Larry Wilhelm, Ken Allen and Josh Meeks will assist him. Alternate assistant will be Aaron West.

IMMEDIATE PRAYER REQUESTS

- ?? Larry Wilhelm's Aunt Sue took a turn for the worst.
- ?? Marge Tennant hurt her knee and may need surgery.
- ?? Lisa Labonette (Jean Addison's niece) passed away.
- ?? Eugene Price has been diagnosed with lung cancer and will be going for further testing next week.
- ?? Danette (friend of Amy Burwell) will be having a biopsy on her thyroid.
- ?? Steve Cirino (friend of Bob Bonnell and Norm Meeks) cut off his index finger.
- ?? Flo Wilhelm has been diagnosed with facial neuralgia.
- ?? Kathe Addison is having some health problems.
- ?? Alice Addison is recuperating from hip replacement.
- ?? Augie Bruno (friend of Dan Spence) had surgery and the doctors think they got all the cancer.
- ?? Daisy Tankersley is having surgery March 28.
- ?? Matt and April Adaire (Daisy Tankersley's daughter and son-in-law) are looking for employment.
- ?? Dennis Tankersley (Daisy's husband) will be transferred this week.
- ?? Myndi Allen's mother is still experiencing some health issues and will be going to see a doctor at the Cleveland Clinic .
- ?? Rachel Wiant (Dan's niece in law) has been diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis.

ON-GOING PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following people who are suffering from cancer:

Nancy (sister of Flo Wilhelm's sister in law, Valerie Evans' stepsister (Mary), Marge Tennant's brother-in-law, Dave Wojcik (friend of Ken Allen), Myndi Allen's Uncle Sherm and Aunt Peg, David Ward (friend of Norm Meeks), Eddy (friend of the Wilhelms), John Russell's wife (friend of John Addison), Harold Tidd's daughter, Bob Glover

Please pray for the following people who are having health problems:

Arturo Rea, Valerie Evans' father, Glenn Dunlop (friend of Norm Meeks), Norm Meeks' father, Jim Zukoski, Mike Lackner's sister, Marge Tennant's niece, Bryn Wolanski, Ruth Bell, June Young, Florence Nichols, Rachel and Brian Petti, Myndi Allen, Gladys Skidmore, Ruth Glover, Mike Lackner

Please keep Chris Zukoski in your prayers as he is in Iraq again.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- March 18: Potluck at Cici's after services
- March 20: Rusty Bell's birthday
- March 20: Rachel Petti's birthday
- March 20: Eugene Price's birthday
- March 21: Larry Wilhelm's birthday
- March 21: Jerad Allen's birthday
- March 22: Amy Burwell's birthday
- March 25: Regular potluck after services
- March 29: Jim Zukoski's birthday
- March 31: Rick Takac's birthday
- March 31: June Young's birthday

MISCELLANEOUS:

- ?? The food pantry needs restocked. Please bring in any non-perishable items.
- ?? The amount collected on March 11, 2007 was \$731.00 and there were 35 people in attendance.
- ?? The website for Morning Star Church of Christ is www.morningstarchurchofchrist.org.

Please give the following prayer request or concern to the person with prayer of intercession:

Please put your suggestions on improving the worship services below and place in the can by the song books.
