

**SICK LIST:****HEALTHCARE CENTERS:**

Bertharine Burton, Ruby Harrison

**HOME:** Freddie Alexander, Gloria Windham, Ed & Bettie Barrett, H.C. & Jimmie Nell Brown, Fred & Romaine Elliott, Bessie & Michael Files, Cynthia McMeans, Henry McDonald, Willie Nelson

**PRAYER LIST:** April Lazenby, Sue Hinds, Harold Walton, Louise Alexander, Donnie Bryant, Joshua Jackson, Elmer Williams, Debra Webb, Sharon Lawson, James & Wilma Howell, Patsy Tucker, Rhonda Poe, Debbie Odom, Michael Pope, Robert Turner, Wonda Ivie, Bobby Holloway, Ricky McDonald, David Brown, Kim Elliott, James Felton, Tommy Pope, J.D. Dailey, James Horsley, Brenda Holloway, Kathy Pate, Jake & Diane Chambers, Donna Laratta, Robin & Brandon Mullis, Angie Johnson, Kathy Windham, Lane Clark

AM - BEN WRIGHT - "KEEP THE FAITH"

PM - BEN WRIGHT - "HEIRS OF GOD"

**SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO CHRIS ROBBINS DUE TO THE DEATH OF HIS GRANDMOTHER, CHRISTINE ROBBINS. SERVICES WERE WEDNESDAY.**

**SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO STEPHEN PHILLIPS, KRISTEE MCDONALD AND THEIR FAMILIES DUE TO THE DEATH OF THEIR GRANDFATHER HERSHEL PHILLIPS. VISITATION IS TODAY AT 12 AND THE FUNERAL WILL BE AT 2 AT COLLINS BURKE FUNERAL HOME.**

**GOSPEL MEETING AT FAYETTE OCT 13-16**

**GOSPEL MEETING AT ADAMSVILLE OCT 13-16**

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Oct. 16: H.C. & Jimmie Nell Brown

19: Willie & Nelda Nelson

# THE WEST WALKER WELCOMER

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## TIMES OF SERVICES

### **SUNDAY MORNING**

Bible Class 9:30

Worship 10:20

### **SUNDAY EVENING 5:00**

### **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00**

#### **ELDERS:**

Gene McDonald 924-4827  
Carlton Myers 221-0637  
Neil Myers 924-9289  
Bruce Windham 221-2348

#### **DEACONS:**

Danny Busby 387-0213  
David Preston 300-1927  
Kevin Richardson 295-8864  
Chris Robbins 388-1354  
Vince Roden 924-4062

#### **MINISTER:**

Ben Wright 522-8004

## KEEP THE FAITH

### I. \_\_\_\_\_ the kingdom first.

- A. I believe children are born with a \_\_\_\_\_ sniffer.
- B. If we teach them to \_\_\_\_\_ God and we aren't doing it ourselves, they are going to see that.
- C. They may have better sense than to call us on it and point it out to us, but they are \_\_\_\_\_ it away for future use.
- D. There needs to be no doubt \_\_\_\_\_ in the minds of our children about our having God first in our lives.
  - 1. They need to see us dwell on \_\_\_\_\_ things (Philippians 4:8).
  - 2. They need to see us at \_\_\_\_\_ even if there is a conflicting event.
  - 3. They need to see us \_\_\_\_\_ and read God's word.

### II. \_\_\_\_\_ the seed in their lives.

- A. How often do we refer to \_\_\_\_\_ with our children?
- B. We can't \_\_\_\_\_ the moral and spiritual training of our children to their Bible class teachers.
- C. Bible school should be a \_\_\_\_\_ to what is being taught at home.
- D. Everybody is busy, but we better not be too busy for Bible study or we will \_\_\_\_\_ our children.
- E. Our children are on loan to us from God and we are going to have to answer for our \_\_\_\_\_ of them.

### III. \_\_\_\_\_ time with our children.

- A. We create \_\_\_\_\_ for them by being with them and doing things with them.
- B. They will look back on the things we did or did not do with them and use those things as \_\_\_\_\_ for their parenting.
- C. When we spend time with our children, we are letting them \_\_\_\_\_ we love them in a far greater way than telling them we love them.
- D. We help them better \_\_\_\_\_ God's love for them by doing this.
- E. When our children come to \_\_\_\_\_ how much God loves them, it will be much harder to leave the church.

### IV. **Speak highly of the church.**

- A. There is no greater \_\_\_\_\_ on the face of the earth.
- B. The church is made up of \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Corinthians 12:12-14).

- C. We need to make sure that we do our best to keep a \_\_\_\_\_ image of the Lord's church in the minds of our children.
- D. We need to do all we can to help our children \_\_\_\_\_ a love for the Lord and His church.

**A Mom Turns In Her Children For Robbery  
Brett Petrillo**

A few months ago in Milwaukee, a surveillance video captured many teenagers swarming a BP gas station and stealing anything they could get their hands on. When one particular mother watched the news that evening, she was shocked to see her 13-year-old daughter and 15-year-old son on the surveillance tape. She now had a tough decision to make. After sleeping on it she talked with her kids the next morning and confronted the situation. She then got everyone into the car, drove down to the police station, and turned in her own kids.

I admire this mother because she did something that many parents struggle with: making tough choices. Whether we like it or not, parenting is about making tough decisions. Look what Scripture tells us as parents to do.

"Train up a child in the way he should go, even when he is old he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6).

"Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4).

"The rod of correction imparts wisdom, but a child left to himself disgraces his mother... Discipline your son, and he will give you peace, he will bring delight to your soul" (Proverbs 29:15, 17).

"Do not withhold discipline from a child; if you punish him with the rod, he will not die. Punish him with the rod and save his soul from death" (Proverbs 22:13-14).

None of these Scriptures are easy to accomplish. Being a parent isn't for the weak at heart. It can be very taxing, discouraging, depressing, and downright torturous for the parent. But again, parenting is about making tough decisions and doing hard things that will ultimately direct the child towards heaven. Even if this means confronting a child, enforcing a rule or decision, disciplining, or driving a child to the police station. More than

ever, today's parents must be willing to stand up and make the tough choices. Our children's souls depend on it.