

Thoughts For Our Senior Day

My Eight Hopes As I Grow Older

1. Keep me from the habit of thinking that I need to say something on every subject and on every occasion.
2. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody else's affairs.
3. Make me thoughtful but not moody, helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity to not use it all.
4. Keep my mind from the recital of endless details. Give me what I need to get to the point.
5. Keep me from constantly publicizing my aches and pains. They're increasing and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by.
6. Give me growing humility.
7. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.
8. Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places and talents in unexpected people. Give me the grace to tell them so.

- *Beltline Beacon*, Decatur, AL (*Bulletin Digest*) -

Ten Mistakes To Avoid

- ◆ Remorse over yesterday's failure.
- ◆ Anxiety over today's problems.
- ◆ Worries over tomorrow's uncertainty.
- ◆ Waste of the moment's opportunity.
- ◆ Procrastination with your present duty.
- ◆ Resent of another's success.
- ◆ Criticism of a neighbor's imperfection.
- ◆ Impatience with youth's immaturity.
- ◆ Skepticism of our nation's future.
- ◆ Unbelief in God's providence.

- *The Biblical Messenger*, San Angelo, TX -

Things As They Really Are

My face in the mirror
isn't wrinkled or drawn.
My house is not dirty;
the cobwebs are gone.
My garden looks lovely,
and so does my lawn.
I think I might never
put my glasses back on.
*Sometimes it is easier to see things as
we'd like to see them — rather than as
they really are.*



- Author Unknown -

Another Chance

*How often we wish for another chance to make a fresh beginning.
A chance to blot out our mistakes and change failure to winning.
It does not take a new day to make a brand new start.
It only takes a deep desire to try with all our heart.
To live a little better and to always be forgiving
And to add sunshine to the world in which we're living.
So never give up in despair and think that you are through
For there's always tomorrow and the hope of starting new.*

- Helen Steiner Rice -

The Three Terms of Life

Life is divided into three terms — *That which was, which is and which will be.*
Let us learn from the *past* to profit by the *present*, and learn from the *present*
to live better for the *future*. - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

You don't stop laughing when you grow old, you grow old when you stop laughing.

- George Bernard Shaw -

News & Notes

NEW ADDRESS: Jenny Rhodes, 4687 Ridge Point Dr., Dallas, TX 75211

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Each Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

TO HAVE SURGERY: Becky McKittrick (colon cancer), next Thursday, April 7th. Remember Becky and her family in prayer.

OUR SENIOR DAY: Next Saturday, April 9th, 9:30 a.m. to Noon. Speakers: John Keith and Noah West. Lunch provided. See Willard or Rosie Burdine to give monetary donations or whatever is needed for the luncheon.

LADIES DAY: Saturday, April, 23rd at Steelton. Details on the bulletin board.

OUR LADIES DAY: Saturday, May 7th, 9-9:30 a.m. Registration & continental breakfast. 9:45 a.m. Program begins. Lunch provided. Topic: "Mirror, Mirror On the Wall, Do You See Christ In Me At All?" Speakers: Elaine McClung & Docie Moore.

PANTRY: Peas.

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS: Randy & Susan Beagle's grandson, Grant is scheduled for a Cat Scan & possible surgery, Tuesday, April 5th at Ruby Memorial Children's Hospital, Morgantown, WV.

SICK & SHUT-IN: UPMC: Melissa Rosohac. **Calcutta Health Care:** Sam Burdine (Willard's brother). **At Home:** Michelle Helton (Pat Allison's daughter), Trisha & Brodi Barile, Scharlotte Jones, Beulah Walker, Bob Riley, Mike West, Barbara DeLong, David McCoy, Marlene Evans, Russell Martin, Claudette Miller, Cheryl Renfro Walker, Lori Rowand. **Weston, WV:** Rick Beck.

GOSPEL MEETINGS

N. Martinsville	----- Apr. 3- 6 -----	Steven Haguewood
Steelton	----- Apr. 3- 7 -----	Tim Hatfield
Weirton Heights	----- Apr. 3- 7 -----	Brent Gallagher
CHESTER	----- Apr. 24-28 -----	Eddie Cooper

Facts We Hate To Face

1. We are growing old.
2. We reap what we sow. Galatians 6:7.
3. We must die. 1 Corinthians 15:22; Hebrews 9:27.
4. There is a judgment. Hebrews 9:27; Ecclesiastes 11:9.

We all hate to face these four disturbing facts. But we must face them. Therefore, let us meet them honestly so that we may:

- Grow old happily.
- Reap a good harvest because we have sown good seed.
- Face death fearlessly because we trust Christ completely.
- Stand at the judgment confidently because we have lived righteously.

- Russell V. DeLong -