

## While Shoveling Snow

While shoveling snow this winter I have reflected several times on a promise God made to Noah after the Flood. He said, "While the earth remains, seed-time and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease" (Genesis 8:22). Considering all the hysteria about global warming and climate change which has engulfed much of the world, it is reassuring to know that God is still in charge and will be for as long as the earth stands. Spring follows winter as day follows night. From a Christian perspective, about the only predictable thing about the weather (and climate) is its unpredictability. I continue to be amazed that a scientific community which remains unable to predict next week's weather with any real degree of certainty can be so certain about the world's climate in a hundred years. When I was in elementary school the experts were warning of a coming ice age, and though I will not be around to know, I am curious as to what the experts will be predicting fifty years from now.

I have also given a lot of thought lately to how attitudes toward our Constitution and attitudes toward the Bible parallel one another. Many constitutional "scholars" argue that the Constitution is a living document which changes with the times. By way of example, the original intent of our founding fathers to provide for a nation where there would be "freedom of religion" is now interpreted to mean "freedom from religion." This nation's history has deep roots in the quest for religious freedom. Those first pilgrims fled to the New World in search of religious freedom. That desire was enshrined in our founding document, yet our religious freedoms are slowly being eroded away because the Constitution is being reinterpreted to produce a secular society where religion is relegated to the margins.

Among many liberal Biblical "scholars" a similar attitude prevails. For liberals the Bible is a living document which must change and adapt to a changing culture. Rather than the Bible serving as a transformative force to change culture, culture is seeking to reinterpret the Bible to support changing morals. Thus, because culture demands it, women must be given a greater leadership role in the church, homosexuality must not simply be tolerated, but openly embraced, giving us "gay marriage" and a "fluid concept of gender." The sanctity of life is denied, and women are given free reign to have their babies killed in the womb in the name of choice. And there is no such thing as chastity anymore!

The politically correct crowd now call the shots. As a result, both the Constitution and the Bible are being watered down. This will lead to decay and then destruction. We would all benefit by following God's mandate for Scripture: "Everything that I command you, you shall be careful to do. You shall not add to it or take from it" (Deuteronomy 12:32). Our judges and politicians would be well advised to apply the same principle to our Constitution.

- Roger Rush, Sixth and Washington Sts., Marietta, OH (May 2, 2021) -

*All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing.* - Edmund Burke

## News & Notes

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES: Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.** The Covid-19 restrictions apply (masks & distancing).

**SUNDAY EVENING SERVICES WILL RESUME: Beginning next Sunday, June 6th at 5:30 p.m.** The Covid-19 restrictions will still apply (masks & distancing).

**PANTRY:** Peanut butter & jelly.

**GRADUATION PARTY:** For **Ella Haught** (granddaughter of Skip & Sue), **Saturday, June 12th, 2 to 6 p.m. at the Weirton Heights Church of Christ Fellowship Hall.** RSVP at 304-479-3716.

**CELEBRATION PARTY:** For **Ethan Haught** (grandson of Skip & Sue), **Saturday, June 19th, 2 to 6 p.m. at our Fellowship Hall.** Ethan has been invited to play soccer for the Greater Allegheny Division of Penn State.

**CONTINUE TO SEND CARDS:** **Josh Morrison**, 428 Burnside Rd., Cansonsburg, PA 15317. **Cheryl Renfro Walker** (Cheryl has cancer), 229 Belgium Lane, Chester, WV 26034.

**SICK & SHUT-IN: AT HOME:** Tim Martin, Shirley Beagle, Jim Hadley, Barb DeLong, David McCoy, Marlene Evans, Russell Martin, Emma Rine, Alex Harless, Rick Beck. **FOX of ELO (Rehab Suites):** Marilyn Miller. **CALCUTTA HEALTH CARE:** Sarah Miller (Room 6). **VALLEY OAKS CARE CENTER:** Fred Larrimore (Room 210). **IN TENNESSEE:** Steve Higginbotham. **IN FLORIDA:** Ilene Rayl.

## Life, Time, Faith, Love and Hope

Mark N. Posey

- Life is precious.** In a world filled with racism, abortion, murder and hatred, we need to stress the sanctity of life.
- Time is fleeting.** Every moment is important! May the cares of this world never cloud our vision and steal the simple moments that bring about the bigger picture.
- Faith is powerful.** Faith makes things possible! Strong faith in Jesus Christ is **the rock** upon which to build a happy, successful and peaceful existence.
- Love is needed.** The world is starving for love. Since, "God is Love," the truth is the world is starving for God. Remember, love is the "greatest" and love never fails!
- Hope is strong.** Hope is strong enough to anchor our souls in rough seas and calm waters. Hope is the greatest of all things.

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### GOD'S WORD ENDURES

*All efforts to destroy are vain —  
God's Holy Word will remain;  
So hammer on, ye hostile hands,  
Your hammers break, God's anvil stands.*



*Psalms 119:89, 152;  
1 Peter 1:25*

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