

Prayer List of the Sick and Afflicted:

Ray Sturgill fell at home recently without injury and he is suffering from dizziness. Sean Mathews will have additional blood work performed in 6 months to monitor his prostate cancer condition before determining next steps.

Linda Jones is being treated for Parkinson's disease.

Glenda Coons is back home and recovering following back surgery to remove bone spurs on her spine.

Karen Sprole's son-in-law has serious heart issues and internal bleeding.

Iris Hash's son Bobby Eppards is back home and doing better after being treated for fluid around his heart.

Delores Hendrickson continues to need our prayers for sustained health.

Charlie Henard's niece, Brittany Henard, is battling terminal cancer. Her condition has worsened and she is now under hospice care. We are thankful that Brittany was recently baptized into Christ.

Pray For Our Shut-Ins:

Gloria Hale, Karen Sproles, Iris Hash, Terry Richardson, and Kathy Malowitz

Pray For The Mission Works We Are Supporting:

John Grubb and his wife (Mission work in Asia), Daniel Goshorn and family (Mission work in Peru). See latest mission reports on the bulletin board.

Prayers of Sympathy:

One of sister Tina Knoy's cousins, Gloria Jones, was killed in an automobile accident last Monday. Gloria's husband, Lindsay Jones, suffered non life-threatening spinal injuries and is recovering. Arrangements for Gloria are pending.

Benevolent Opportunities:

We are now collecting cereals. These items will be donated to the MSD food pantry.

Fall Gospel Meeting:

Our fall gospel meeting will be held September 12 – 14. Our speaker will be brother Donnie Vick of the Shelbyville Rd. Church of Christ in Indianapolis. The lesson theme will be: "The Bible and Me!"

Monthly Pitch-in Dinner:

Our next pitch-in dinner will be Sunday, September 14 during our gospel meeting, following the AM services.

Fish Fry:

Our annual fish fry will be held on September 27 at 5:00 PM at the Martinsville City Park shelter house No. 5.

Men's Business Meeting:

The next men's business meeting will be Wednesday, September 3rd, at 5:00 PM.

Radio Program:

Please remember to tune in every Sunday morning at 8:00 AM to WCBK 102.3 FM to hear our radio program which is entitled: "Preparing For Eternity".

God's Plan For Our Salvation

Hearing the word of God (Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32).

Believing what is taught (Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6).

Repentance (Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30).

Confession (Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37).

Baptism (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; I Peter 3:21; Romans 6:3, 4).

Faithful Christian Living, after the above five steps (I Peter 2:11, 12; Rev. 2:10).

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MORGAN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Martinsville, IN 46151
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Schedule of Services:

Sunday

Bible Study – 9:30 AM

Worship – 10:30 AM

Evening Service - 6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study – 6:00 PM

Thursday

Ladies' Bible Study – 11:00 AM

Radio Program:

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Website:

www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

WHAT IS ASTROLOGY?

Jon Gary Williams

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Astrology is not to be confused with “astronomy.” Astronomy is the research of celestial objects in space. However, astrology is the divination of the supposed influences of the stars upon human affairs and terrestrial events by their positions and aspects. The Encyclopedia America defines it as, “The belief that stars can influence one’s thoughts, attitudes and actions. Depending on the position of the stars and one’s date of birth, practitioners claim to discover clues to future events, including predicting occurrences in one’s life.”

ASTROLOGY IS AN OUTGROWTH OF PAGAN SUPERSTITION

It is merely a revision of ancient practices reaching back several thousand years. The first known astrologers were in Mesopotamia (the Akkado-Sumerians, 2000 BC). It was later seen among the Persians, Assyrians and Egyptians. It was then passed on to the Greeks by the Persians. In the first century A.D. the Roman world inherited it from the Greeks.

ASTROLOGY IN MODERN TIMES

In the 21st century astrology holds sway over the minds of multiplied millions. It has become so widely accepted that many treat it as a “science.” A large percent of newspapers carry astrological columns. Many novels have astrology as an underlying theme. Scores of toll-free numbers peddle astrology. Hundreds of astrology web sites traverse the cyberspace.

THE TRUTH ABOUT ASTROLOGY

Astrology prospers in times of uncertainty and confusion. It drags people downward into superstition, fear and ignorance. Practitioners deceive people with flagrant, fraudulent claims. With many, astrology has become a virtual “religion.” Though many try to make astrology respectable, it remains pagan to the core. Hence, Christians can have no part in it.

THE BIBLE CONDEMNS ASTROLOGY

Deuteronomy 18:10 speaks of this with the words, “*the observer of times*” (ASV —“augury” and NKJ —“soothsayer.”) This is one who claims to foretell the future. Second Kings 23:5 speaks of those who, “*burned incense...to the sun, and to the moon, and to the planets*” [the twelve signs]. Isaiah 47:13 mentions, “*astrologers, stargazers, monthly prognosticators.*” And Jeremiah 10:2 says, “*Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them.*”

All such as this is sternly condemned by God.

THE SCRIPTURES ALONE ARE ALL SUFFICIENT

Peter said, “*According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue*” (2 Peter 1:3). And Paul said, “*All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works*” (2 Tim. 3:16-17).