Prayer List of the Sick and Afflicted:

Joni McConnell was scheduled to come home Saturday following rehab after her fall. She also has been suffering from cellulitis in both legs.

Iris Hash is recovering from her hip replacement surgery and doing much better.

Delores Hendrickson is still struggling with a bad cough but is better.

Charlie Henard's niece, Brittany Henard, is battling terminal cancer.

Karen Sproles is still dealing with pain in her knee.

Jean England, daughter of Karen Sproles, is still having stomach issues.

John Richardson is battling with bloating and stomach issues.

Pray For Our Shut-Ins:

Gloria Hale, Karen Sproles, Iris Hash, John & Terry Richardson

Pray For The Mission Works We Are Supporting:

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

Rejoicing:

We rejoice that sister Sheila Eyster has repented of unfaithful attendance and asks for prayers on her behalf. Please keep her in prayer as she continues her Christian walk.

Benevolence Opportunity:

For the month of September, we are asked to bring in canned soup and ramen noodles. These items will be donated to the Metropolitan School District of Martinsville food pantry.

Gospel Meeting:

The Shelbyville Rd. Church of Christ will be hosting a gospel meeting September 29 – October 3. Brother Ronnie Whittemore will be doing the speaking. Services times are 10, 11 AM and 5 PM on Sunday and 7 PM Monday – Thursday.

Men's Business Meeting:

The next men's business meeting will be Wednesday, October 2nd at 5:00 PM.

Monthly Pitch-in Dinner:

Our next pitch-in dinner will be Sunday, October 6th, following the AM services. Following the pitch-in, at 1:00 PM, we will have a service in song.

Ladies' Day:

The ladies of the congregation will be hosting a ladies' day on Saturday, October 5th starting at 9:00 AM at the church building. The theme is "Mirror, Mirror" and the guest speaker will be sister Beverly Blair of the Stop 11 Rd. Church of Christ in Indianapolis.

Annual Fish Fry:

We will be having our annual church fish fry on Saturday, October 12th 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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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 (March through October)

Radio Program:

"Preparing For Eternity" Sunday Mornings 8:00 AM, WCBK 102.3 FM

Website:

www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

THE GOSPEL IN FIVE POINTS

Marlin Kilpatrick

In Romans 1:16, the apostle Paul wrote, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." The Gospel of Christ is good news for man. It is good news because it reveals God's love for mankind. So great is that love, that he sent his Son into this world to save man from his sins (John 3:16; Luke 19:10). The simplicity of the Gospel makes it possible for all to understand. In our text, there are five points, worthy of our consideration.

The apostle Paul wrote, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel..." (Rom. 1:16a). Here is the **PRIDE** of the Gospel. Paul was proud of the Gospel of Christ. Perhaps this is one reason for his tireless work in preaching the message of salvation. We need the same attitude today. How proud of the Gospel are we when we're reluctant to mention it to our friends? Can you imagine the apostle Paul or any apostle being reluctant to tell the "story of the cross of Christ?" No doubt their being proud of the Gospel is one reason for it being preached to every creature under heaven by the time Paul wrote his letter to the church at Colosse (cf. Col. 1:23).

Another reason why Paul was "not ashamed of the Gospel" is because of its **POWER.** Concerning the Gospel, Paul wrote, "...for it is the power of God..." (Rom. 1:16b). The word power is translated from the Greek *dunamis*. It is from this word that we derive several of our English words, e.g., dynamic, dynamo, and dynamite. The Gospel is not God's only power, but it is the only power he uses to save man from his sins. The Gospel is God's "dynamite" which he uses to blast away our sins! The greatest spiritual power the world will every experience is the Gospel of Christ.

The salvation of man's soul is the **PURPOSE** of the Gospel.

Paul wrote, "...for it is the power of God unto salvation..." (Rom. 1:16c). Jesus came to save man from his sins (Luke 19:10). The message of Christ, the Gospel, has but one purpose — to save our souls. Jesus asked, "For what is a man profited if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul..." (Matt. 16:26a). Friend, your soul is worth more than the whole world. If we lose our soul, we will have lost everything. This is why Jesus gave us the Gospel plan for our salvation (Mark 16:15,16).

The Gospel is "...to everyone that believeth..." (Rom. 1:16d). Here is the **PLAN** for man's redemption. Yes, the Lord has a plan for our salvation. The Gospel of Christ is God's plan for man's righteousness. It is the theme of the book of Romans. When we obey the Gospel, our sins are washed away by the blood of Christ (Acts 22:16; Rev. 1:5). The word "believeth" is a figure of speech where a 'part' is put for the 'whole.' It encompasses the commands to believe in Christ (John 8:24), to repent of our sins (Acts 17:30), to confess the sonship of Christ (Acts 8:36,37), and to be baptized in water for the remission (forgiveness) of our sins (Acts 2:38; 10:47,48).

The Gospel was preached, "...to the Jew first, and also to the Greek" (Rom. 1:16e). Here we have the **PEOPLE** to whom the Gospel is preached. The Gospel is for all! Through the Gospel we can see God's love for man, and man's opportunity to be saved and enjoy a home in Heaven, one day.

Friend, if you haven't obeyed the Gospel, why not do so today? Tomorrow may be too late. Please contact the nearest church of Christ and allow them to assist you in your obedience. You will be glad you did!