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Sweet Old People

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Today, I talked with some godly, sweet, and loving elderly people. They are people I respect and admire. They are full of rich memories, have vast experience, and profound wisdom. You are drawn to them. The people I'm referring to are neither superhuman nor necessarily those whose lives have been easier. Their sweetness is a product of their good attitudes. Not every elderly person I talk to are those I'd consider godly, sweet, or loving. They are bitter, rude, mean-spirited, selfish, and even, at times, belligerent. While dementia might transform the occasional person's personality, there is a simpler explanation for how some old people get to be unpleasant. They were that way when they were younger.

Life is about the sum total of the choices we make, the way we bend our will, and our reaction to the adversities of our lives. We are building character, one day at a time, one reaction at a time. As I think about it, I know some godly, sweet, and loving children, teens, young adults, and middle-agers. I also know too many who are none of these things. If they live long enough, they'll grow into more hardened, exaggerated forms of themselves. Gossips can become worse gossips in the golden years because they may have more time and have had more practice. Grouches seem to grow worse with time and opportunity. The impure of heart, after years of harboring filth, allow it to spill over far more often in words and deeds (how many of us have encountered a "dirty old man"-a more elderly form of the "dirty young man"). Worriers in youth make fretful worriers in the twilight time of life. So many traits of character and attitude in the old have been in the making in the young.

In Psalm 119:9, David asks, "How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to Your word." Solomon saw among the youths a young man lacking sense (Prov. 7:7). He also counseled one to remember his creator in days of youth (Ecc. 12:1). God can be our confidence from our youth (Psa. 71:5). These and so many other admonitions aimed at those in days of youth will also protect and preserve those who reach old age. What can I do to make sure I am a sweet old person?

- Be intentional. Take steps to be sweet. It's not many people's natural mode of operational. Spending much time with God and learning to imitate Him helps with this.
- Be introspective. Take time and effort to examine yourself. Are you ill-tempered, impatient, easily irritated, easily put out, and the like? Warning! You're well on your way to being a crotchety curmudgeonly coot!
- Be interested. Selfishness is behind those traits that lead one to be unpleasant in the winter of life. Be genuinely, actively interested in the welfare, needs, and interests of others. Taking the focus off self will aim you toward sweetness.

We could probably think of more suggestions, but here's a good start. Surely, we'd all like to be sweet old people when the day comes. But, don't wait! Start now!

—Neal Pollard

Dates to Remember:

June 25—Blood Drive @ AB
June 28-July 3—Middle School Week @ WKYC
June 30—SYS @ Northside, Mayfield
July 5—Youth Devo
July 5-10—All-Age Week @ WKYC
July 7—SYS @ Benton
July 13—MNftM
July 22—Menifee Co. VBS & Giveaway

A Pause . . . And Reflection

The summer continues to go well and people are busy doing good things! This coming weekend marks the halfway point of the year of 2015—there are 26 more Sundays in the year. It reminds us all how fleeting time can be.

I hope you are aware of the fact that our gospel meeting will be held September 20-23. **Bryan McAlister** will be holding the meeting this year. Brian preaches in Centerville, TN and has spoken on our WNES several times in the past. We look forward to that meeting! And if you have not looked over the events sheet lately, now would be a great time to do it and mark those dates of importance.

Also, the Area Wide-Gospel Meeting will be held again at the Carson Center in Paducah. The dates are: **July 25-27. John DeBerry**, from Memphis, TN will be the speaker for the meeting. There are a couple of major changes with the meeting that we will be emphasizing in the coming weeks. Briefly, for now, they are: Meeting times are Saturday, Sunday and Monday nights; There will be a youth rally held at the Carson Center on Saturday morning, July 25th.

I hope you have a great week. —Lance

Don't Forget!

Blood Drive

Thursday, June 25

12:30-5:30 @ Activities Building

Ancient Truths for Modern Times

WCKK, FM—95.7

Sundays 9:00 a.m.

Speakers: Lance Cordle & Gary Knuckles

Birthdays: June 28-July 4

- ♦ June 30—Don Whirley
- ♦ July 1—Tracy Henderson
- ♦ July 2—Addilyn Fortner

WORD SEARCH!

Genesis 18:19

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COMMAND

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BRING

HOUSEHOLD

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RIGHTEOUSNESS

CHILDREN

JUSTICE

LORD

SPOKEN

—BULLETIN DIGEST

Remember in Prayer:

Robert Hall—Murray Calloway Co., 2527

Mark Hall (Ruth Davis' brother)— Lourdes Hospice

At Home:

**Nelda Beth, Kenneth Counce,
Tom Higginbotham, Jon Sievertson, Danny Sloan, Dorothy Steury, Wanda Thompson**

Nursing Home/Assisted Living:

CCC—Betty Clark, Nell Dobesh, Eedra Dossett, Sue Owen

Brookdale (Emeritus-Paducah)—John Main, Mary Deane Swann

Lake Way Nursing & Rehab—Dora Davis

Stilley House—Ed Odell, Ralph & Dorothy Steury

2015 Summer Youth Series

Collide:

Faith + Culture

June 30 at Northside

“Marriage and Sexual Morality”

I Thessalonians 4:3-5

Speaker: Austin Johnson

Record: Week of June 28, 2015

Mid-Week (June 17)	151
Sunday Bible Study	136
Sunday Morning Worship	209
Sunday Evening Worship	127
Contribution	\$7,932

Youth & Family News



SYS:

The bus will leave for Northside in Mayfield at 6:15.

West KY Youth Camp

The young people who regularly attend the services of this congregation will have their camp fee (one week per child) paid. For instructions on the application process for this benefit, or to ask questions, contact one of the youth deacons or call the office. For information about the camp and to submit applications, go to wkyc.org. The remaining schedule is as follows:

- ♦ June 28-July 3—Middle School Week
- ♦ July 5-10—All-Age Week
- ♦ July 12-17—8,9 and 10 Year Old Week
- ♦ July 19-24—All-Age Week

Upcoming Youth & KFC Events:

- ♦ **Summer Youth Series**—Tuesday Nights
- ♦ **July 5**—Youth Devotional
- ♦ **July 17**—Youth Camp Out @ the Hunts'
- ♦ **July 20**—Holiday World trip
- ♦ **August 8**—Back to School Bible School

PEW PACKERS

Sunday, June 28th, 5:45 p.m.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study — 9:15 a.m.
Worship — 10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship — 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Mid-Week Bible Study—7:00 p.m.

Bible Classes For All Ages

Those Who Are To Serve:

Sunday, June 28, 2015

10:00 A.M.

Song Leader: Dale Roberts
Opening Prayer: Leslie Bean
Closing Prayer: Ronnie Cox
Convalescent Ctr. Devo: David Lineberry
Billy Walker

6:00 P.M.

Song Leader: Jared Higginbotham
Opening Prayer: Pat Croley
Closing Prayer: Aaron Cox

Wednesday, July 1, 2015

Announcements: Nick Darnell
Song Leader: Jared Higginbotham
Opening Prayer: Glenn Davis
Closing Prayer: Larry Davis