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A Profile of Growth

The plans of the heart belong to man, But the answer of the tongue is from the Lord. ² All the ways of a man are clean in his own sight, But the Lord weighs the motives. ³ Commit your works to the Lord And your plans will be established.

Proverbs 16:1-3

The Eastside church of Christ had its beginning in a little store building on Mapleash Avenue on May 10, 1953. Approximately 50 people were present and the contribution was approximately \$150. This all started when a few members of the Riverside congregation (now North View) made the decision to go to Ninth Street and vicinity with the Gospel. Brethren Wayne Ball, Clarence Holman, J.C. Cheek, Howard Maxwell and Jimmy Wilson volunteered to go to do the work. God used the faith of the Riverside congregation, coupled with the work of these fine men and their families to bring about the South Gate Church of Christ. We stand now on the backs of many faithful Christians and their dedication to the Lord's work.

This is our history and it can be used to guide us to focus on our future. These men were not focused on the past, but were focused on the future and what our God can do when we step out in faith on His behalf. This Sunday as we celebrate our homecoming, we will look at what caused the growth of the Eastside congregation. In looking at what they did we can also consider how God can use our faithful obedience to His will to continue growth in His kingdom. If we will "commit our works to the Lord our plans will be established!" I look forward to seeing you Sunday.

A Successful Family

Ephesians 6:4 Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

Successful parents train their children to live according to Biblical directions. As they mature into adults they should be an example and a spokesman for God to the world around them. While this verse is directed to fathers, it applies to both parents. Four thoughts are found in this verse.

1. Do not embitter your children.

We must be careful about controlling everything about our children. They must be allowed to become self-reliant and independent. Controlling their every move can likely cause embitterment and a desire to escape.

2. Foster a nurturing environment in your home. We are to bring them up. Provide for your children many opportunities to grow in the spiritual realm. Lead them and guide them closer to God.

3. Train your children to follow God's teachings. Train is the word discipline. We must discipline carefully and lovingly. The child must easily see that we have unconditional love for them and only want what is best for them. Love them unconditionally even when you do not like the way they act. Help them to become a better person.

4. Teach continually, not just in times of failure. Teaching is around the clock, not just when a mistake has been made. Set the proper example and show the way. Let them know why we do what we do. Help them make God honoring decisions in their lives.

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: OUR MEMBERS

| \triangleright | Mike Andrews |
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| \triangleright | Jerry Barber |
| Ś | Alice Bolton |
| Ś | Ann Brady |
| 6 | Bernice Bratton |
| 6 | Joy Brown - MRMC, Rm. 686 |
| 6 | Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail |
| 6 | Mary Chumbley - Life Care, Rm. 104 |
| 6 | John Churchwell |
| 6 | JoAnn Coleman– recovering from eye surgery |
| 6 | Dave Coleman |
| 6 | Athaleen Cox-Life Care, Rm.218-B |
| 6 | Vera Daniels |
| 6 | Corrine Goetz |
| 6 | Tal Gray |
| 6 | Billy Ray Hardison |
| 6 | Clayton & Myrna Jett |
| 6 | Margaret Johnson |
| 6 | Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215 |
| 6 | Danny Lasater |
| 5 | Linda Luna |
| 6 | Frances Petty - NHC Columbia, Rm. 111-A, 375-4887 |
| 6 | Elaine Pope |
| 6 | Gene Porter |
| 6 | Jimmy Quirk |
| 6 | Dennis Thomason - recovering from surgery |
| | Virginia Staggs - Poplar Estates, The Gardens, Rm. 6 |
| Ś | Donald White– Health South, Rm. 212 |
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Elaine Whitehead

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Buddy Morrow - brother of Myra Thomas, Helen Deen mother of Sharon Davis, Barbara Skelley, mother of Tommy, Tony Rummage - brother of Ray, Linda Hanback, friend of the Mobley's - cancer, Linda Collier sister-in-law of Linda Mabry, Alene Cox - sister of JoAnn Coleman, Stacey Brown - niece of Cindy Hargrove double lung transplant, Marie Skelton, Jean Posev - sister of Jean Sims, Natalie Kuykendall - undergoing chemo, June Crigger, 108 Riverside Dr., Eunice Oliver - Life Care, Rm. 217, Aaron Way - great nephew of Barry Brown - 5934 Ash Hill Rd., Spring Hill 27174, Claire Miller, Hannah Haywood, Shawn Skelton brother-in-law of Roberta Bolton, Shannon Buchanan friend of Abby Smith, Beatrice Baker - NHC Walnut Ln., Rm. 104-B, William Nicholson - brother of Larry, Carson Vitrano 13 yr. old friend of the Barbers - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Ctr., 3333 Burnett Ave., Unit A5S, Rm. 5541, Cincinnati, OH 45229, J.C. Gray - cousin of Kay Beard, Cynthia Cheek Spicer sister of Myrna Jett, Shirley Sharp - lung cancer, Glenda Collins - sister of John & Eldridge Mayberry - Life Care, Rm. 141A, Clarence Weaver, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Mary Robb - Poplar Estates, The Gardens, Rm. 8

WORSHIP LEADERS MAY 21, 2017

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M

| Welcome | Richard Farris |
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| Song Leader | Greg Lusk |
| Prayer | Mike Lyle |
| Lord's Supper: Presiding | Tommy Hight |
| David Thomas | Cheyenne McNeese |
| Daniel Thomas | Benny Bolton |
| John Allen Thomas | James Bolton |
| Brennan McNeese | Blake Daniels |
| Read: Proverbs 16:1-3 | Ryan Grice |
| Sermon: A Profile of Growth | John Thomas |
| Announcements/Closing Prayer | Richard Farris |

SUNDAY 12:30 P.M.

| Welcome/Song Leader | Trent Thomason | | | |
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| Prayer | Eric Hixson | | | |
| Read: Ephesians 4:24-32 | Mike Kinzer | | | |
| Sermon: Home Improvement 101 - Proper Maintenance | | | | |
| | John Thomas | | | |
| Presiding | Gary Boyd | | | |
| Announcements/Closing Prayer | Barry Cross | | | |
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Wednesday, May 24 - Singing (no classes) Wednesday, May 31 - Regular classes

Ushers: Corey Smith, Bryan Farris, Sonny Hargrove Greeters: Bobby & Dana Daniels, Jim & Myra Thomas Visual: Lee Winchester & Jerry Thornton Security Team: A.M.& P.M. - Chris Mobley, Lenny Davis If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (446-0668) or Joe Williams (388-9183) Or go to our website and follow the "Unable to Serve" link and submit the information.

NURSERY CARE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 6:30 P.M.

| A.M | Angie Massey, Reba Jones | Song Leader | Conner Arnett |
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| P.M | Kim Morgan | Prayer | Mike Lyle |
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