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# Informer

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## Connection Challenge!!

During the month of September the elders have challenged each of us to plan a time to make a connection with an individual or family that you need to get to know in a better way. When you have met this challenge please let us know by checking a box in the foyer. This is a great way for us to grow closer as a family.

The verse I want us to consider this week is an interesting one considering our theme of hospitality.

*Show hospitality to one another without grumbling.*

I Peter 4:9 ESV

Isn't it interesting that the apostle Peter wanted to remind us to show hospitality and to resist the temptation to grumble while we do it? I believe we have all made efforts to be hospitable that didn't work out the way we wanted. Many things can occur. Others don't accept the invitation, or they accept and then don't show up. There might be trouble with the food, the house is a mess and you run out of time cleaning, on and on it goes. The devil wants us to say forget it I am not going to try. Being hospitable is not worth it. He wants us to focus on the negatives and start to grumble.

Instead Peter encourages us to love and serve one another. He says to use hospitality as a means to show your love. He says that love covers a multitude of sins, and with the right combination of love and hospitality connections will be made. I hope we can all follow this great advice.

John

## How Have We?

Malachi 2:17 You have wearied the Lord with your words. "How have we wearied him?" you ask. By saying, "All who do evil are good in the eyes of the Lord, and he is pleased with them" or "Where is the God of justice?"

We do not often think of God growing tired. He is the one who had the strength, energy and power to create the universe. He continues to keep this world in motion to this day. When he can run the universe, what could possibly make him tired? The answer is sin. Malachi specifically mentions in this verse two aspects that just wear God out after a period of time.

The first is calling evil good. In our society we see this prominently displayed today. Behavior that just a few years ago was seen as immoral and was not even spoken about is now openly flaunted and well spoken of by the majority. Things spoken against within the Scriptures have been twisted so that people now proclaim the Bible has been misunderstood and evil behavior is acceptable. The human mind somehow always manages to invent ways to say my behavior is fine with God. God grows tired with this type of thinking. He has clearly revealed his will and he expects and demands that we conform to his will. Is there a sin in your life that you are trying to justify? If so, it is time to repent and simply do as God demands.

The second is to accuse God of injustice. Atheists as well as some Christians blame God for all the evil in this world. If you will listen, you will hear people and all forms of media claiming God is not fair. God grows weary hearing such things. These accusations against God are unfounded and actually an insult towards God. These types of comments weary God. Have you said anything like this?

Joe

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**OUR MEMBERS**

- Iris Anderson - undergoing chemo
- Mike Andrews
- Charlotte Attkisson-NHC Hillview Rm. 221
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Rebecca Brown
- Terry Burgess - recovering from eye surgery
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Ruth Childress - NHC Hillview, Rm. 200
- Mary Chumbley
- John Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox
- Austin Gilmer
- Ila Goodman - NHC Columbia, Rm. 122-B
- Charline Gossett - MRMC, Rm. 365
- Hannah Hill - gallbladder surgery 9/23
- Margaret Johnson
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Linda Luna
- Helen & Elmer Lusk - Life Care, Rm. 217
- David Morgan
- Libby Moss - dislocated hip - to have surgery soon
- Frances Petty - Brookdale, Rm. 403
- James Ed Pollard - NHC Hillview, Rm. 206
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview, Rm. 101B
- Betty Roland
- Albert & Ethel Spears
- Virginia Staggs-Poplar Estates 101
- Myra Thomas - Home
- Elaine Whitehead

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

Jay Morgan - father-in-law of Kim, Elvis Frierson - friend of John Mayberry, Glenda Collins - sister of John Mayberry, Katherine Jones - mother of Alice Bolton, Scott Brown - brother of Barry - NHC Walnut Ln., Rm. 149B, Daniel Harrington, Mike Primm -Vanderbilt, Tommy Hight, Sr., Darrell Brown, Ginger Chesnut - cancer, Melissa Stutts - home, Nick Tank - student at Baker - leukemia, Anita and Dwight Brown - NHC Scott, Rm. 227, 2380 Buffalo Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464, Clara Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage, Clarence Weaver - Poplar Estates, Rm. 219, Joan Hermsdorfer - aunt of Robin Weaver, Stacey Brown - cystic fibrosis, Billy Oliver (Poplar Estates, Rm. 201) - brother of Corrine Goetz, Evan Rector, Lou Miller NHC Columbia Rm 152, Sherry Pritchett - mother of Jody, Dorothy Rea - sister/Elmer Lusk, Evelyn Felker, sister/Benny Bolton, Doris McKennon - sister/Edna Hardison, JoAnn Anderson, Alice Lovett - aunt/Cheyenne McNeese, Ann Graham - Morning Pointe, Rm. 113, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Jane Davis - sister of Nell Hood, Allen Brown, Ronnie Springer-leukemia, friend of John & Debbie Massey, Stormy Lyle - 1305 Old Mill Road, Moore, OK 73160, Claude Crowe - Debbie Massey's dad, Richard Johnson - cousin of Ed Johnson, Josh Jones, David Luther

**Youth4Christ Kick Off is Sunday, September 20 with a potluck lunch following morning services.**

**WORSHIP LEADERS SEPTEMBER 20, 2015**

**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M**

Welcome.....Jerry Wilson  
 Song Leader.....Kevin Mick  
 Prayer.....Byran Farris  
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Gary Boyd  
     Barry Cross                      Donnie Davis  
     Rhett Heflin                     J.W. Gilliam  
     Jerry Williams                 Jonathan Macer  
     Dave Coleman                 Lee Winchester  
 Read: Genesis 18:1-5.....Dennis Thomason  
 Sermon: A Picture of Hospitality.....Joe Macer  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Jerry Wilson

**SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.**

Welcome/Song Leader.....Greg Lusk  
 Prayer.....Tommy Hight  
 Read: I Peter 4:7-10.....Bobby Daniels  
 Sermon: Connected by Service.....John Thomas  
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....DeWayne Hickman  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Donnie Davis

***Responses:***

*We commend Lori Hill for asking for prayers that she would allow God to have more control of her life.*

Ushers: Sonny Hargrove, Brennan McNeese, Byran Farris

Greeters: Robin Weaver, Dennis, Jan & Emily Thomason

Audio/Visual: Jimmy Quirk

Security Team: A.M. Jason Kelley, Benny Bolton P.M. Corey Massey, Greg Lusk

**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**

A.M.....Christie Skelley, Jan & Emily Thomason  
 P.M.....Dana & Jessica Daniels

**WEDNESDAY September 23, 2015 - 6:30 P.M.**

Announcements.....John Thomas  
 Song Leader.....Greg Lusk  
 Prayer.....Randy Jones  
 Speaker: .....David Stofel