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# Informer

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## Give Thanks

In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

### I Thessalonians 5:17

I love this time of year as the seasons change, and we come to a time that our country has set aside to give thanks. It is God's will that we give thanks in everything. When we do, it gives us an opportunity to focus on what is good and to give honor to the God who has done so much for us. Below I have listed 8 ways that you can determine to be more thankful to God during this special season and all year round.

1. Verbally tell God you are thankful in your prayers.
2. Write down with your family the physical things you are thankful for and keep the list on display.
3. Do the same with the spiritual blessing of God in your life.
4. Come to worship with the mindset that you will express thanks to God for what He has done.
5. Tell others how thankful you are for what God has done and is doing in your life.
6. Write a note to someone who has blessed your life and let them know you are thankful to them.
7. Determine to verbally tell someone how much they mean to you and how thankful you are to them.
8. Live a life that shows God and others how thankful you are by eliminating complaining and negative attitudes from your speech and actions.

I am thankful for each one of you!

John

## What She Has Done Will Be Told

Matthew 26:7 a woman came to him with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, which she poured on his head as he was reclining at the table.

In Bethany, Jesus was at the home of Simon the Leper. Mary, the sister of Martha and Lazarus took this perfume and poured it on Jesus. She poured it on his head and John recorded that she also poured it on his feet. This was an act of love. This family cared deeply about Jesus. The expensive perfume was given as a gift of sacrifice for the Lord.

Jesus' disciples reacted much differently than Mary. They considered this act a waste. The value of the perfume was great. The men, especially Judas, wanted to know why it wasn't sold and the money given to the poor. Of course Judas had other thoughts in mind for this money as well. When we consider who Jesus is, how do we react to him? Are we willing to give him that which is costly and precious or are we like the disciples and complain about what is given to him? We would do well to imitate Mary in our declaration of praise.

Jesus declared that what she did was a beautiful thing. This act would be told wherever the gospel was presented. To this day this story is being told around the world. Let's find ways to praise our Lord. He has done so much for us that we should want to do all that we can to glory him.

Joe

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**OUR MEMBERS**

- Iris Anderson - undergoing chemo
- Mike Andrews
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Ruth Childress - NHC Hillview, Rm. 218B
- Mary Chumbley
- John Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox
- J.W. Gilliam
- Margaret Johnson
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Linda Luna
- Libby Moss - NHC Place, Rm. 1210
- Rita Pace - broken wrists
- Frances Petty - NHC Columbia, Rm. 137-A
- Elaine Pope - home
- James Ed Pollard - NHC Hillview, Rm. 206
- Jimmy Quirk
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview, Rm. 101B
- Ethel Spears
- Virginia Staggs-Poplar Estates 101
- Melissa Stutts - undergoing chemo
- Elaine Whitehead

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Mrs. Ila Goodman, whose funeral will be tomorrow at Williams Funeral Home at 1 p.m. Mrs. Goodman was a member of our congregation who had been shut-in for many years.

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

Billie Andrews - sister of Lorene Hickman, Kathy Reed - friend of Linda Mabry, Tracey Davis Baker, daughter of Donnie & Sharon, Sherry Pritchett - mother of Jody - home, Dora Bolton - mother of James - 201 3rd Ave. Mt. Pleasant, JoAnn Anderson - mother of Katherine Nicholson, Ginger Chesnut - cancer, 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, Daniel Harrington, Mike Primm, Nick Tank - student at Baker - leukemia, Clara Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage, Clarence Weaver - Poplar Estates, Rm. 219, Joan Hermsdorfer - aunt of Robin Weaver - Home, Stacey Brown - cystic fibrosis, Billy Oliver (Poplar Estates, Rm. 201) - brother of Corrine Goetz, Evan Rector, Lou Miller NHC Columbia Rm 152, Dorothy Rea - sister/Elmer Lusk, Evelyn Felker, sister/Benny Bolton, Doris McKennon - sister/Edna Hardison, 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, Josh Jones, David Luther, Jacqueline Potts., Mary Blocker, NHC Hillview Rm. 106, Myrna McAdams - knee surgery Dec. 16

**WORSHIP LEADERS NOVEMBER 22, 2015**

**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M**

Welcome.....Richard Farris  
 Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson  
 Prayer.....Donnie Davis  
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Blair Keeling  
     John Allen Thomas      Blake Daniels  
     Sam Quirk                 Danny Lasater  
     David White             Jonathan Macer  
     James Bolton            Jerry Williams  
 Read: Psalm 95:1-8.....Nathan Hixson  
 Sermon: Give Thanks.....John Thomas  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

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

Welcome/Song Leader.....Joe Macer  
 Prayer.....Boyd Wood  
 Read: Ephesians 6:1-4.....Duane Allen  
 Sermon:  
 Raising my family to be faithful church members...John Thomas  
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....DeWayne Hickman  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Charlie Willis

**5th Sunday  
 Contribution  
 November 29  
 Goal - \$24,000**

Ushers: John Massey, Jim Anderson, Brennon White

Greeters: Mike & Teresa Lyle, Linda Weaver

Audio/Visual: Chase Thomason

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

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 Or go to our website and follow the "Unable to Serve" link and submit the information.**

**NURSERY CARE**

A.M.....Kelley & Allie Lusk  
 P.M.....Janice Smith, Marisa Massey

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2015 - 6:30 P.M.**

Song Leader .....Trent Thomason  
 Prayer.....Benny Bolton  
 Announcements/Speaker.....Joe Macer