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Sunday AM Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday PM Worship	5:30 PM
Wednesday Bible Class	7:00 PM

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Welcome

The Pippin church of Christ extends to you a cordial welcome. We hope the services have been uplifting, and you will want to return at every opportunity.

Our purpose in meeting is to worship God in Spirit and in truth. God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and Truth. John 4:24

How to Become a Christian

Hear the Word - Romans 10:17
Believe - Mark 16:15
Repent of Past Sins - Luke 13:3
Confess - Romans 10:9
Be Baptized - Acts 2:38
Remain Faithful - Revelation 2:10

Radio Programs

The Lord's Way
AM 920 WLIV - Tuesdays @ 10:10AM

A Challenge to Think
AM 1400 WHUB - Sundays @ 9:05AM

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5 Things Elders Need to Hear Regularly

- Adam Faughn
taken from A Legacy of Faith

If it were not tragic, it would be funny. That is this: often, the only thing elders ever hear from the congregation is complaining.

If things are going well, we just assume the elders know we appreciate it. But let things start going downhill—even just a little bit—and we have no problem talking to our shepherds.

Part of being in a position of leadership is understanding that you will hear complaints at times. It comes with the territory. But it really is tragic that too many elders only hear complaints, though they are striving to help people grow closer to the Lord and reach heaven.

Elders are not perfect men, but those who are in this position of leadership are worthy of our consideration and kindness. Additionally, they need to be built up through our words on a regular basis.

To that end, here are 5 things that elders need to hear from each member on a regular basis.

*** I Pray for You.** Carrying the weight of watching over the souls of a congregation is a very heavy task, indeed. Elders need to know that members are regularly bringing their names and concerns before the throne of God.

*** I Trust You.** Our society always leans toward distrust of anyone in any position of leadership. Yes, that bleeds over into the church. Elders need to hear that the members trust their wise judgment. Even if the elders make mistakes, their intent is not to be harmful or disruptive. They need to know that you know that!

*** I Pray for Your Wife.** One of the hardest roles in the church is that of being the wife of an elder. When something is heavy upon the heart of her husband but, due to confidence, he cannot share that with her, it weighs on her heart and mind, as well. She needs your prayers, too, and elders need to know that the members do not treat their wives as some group of "others," but as ladies who need our prayers.

*** I Think Our Future is Bright.** Elders are constantly hearing from people about how things "used to be." "Back when we were..." is a very common beginning to many conversations with elders. While that certainly has its place, elders need to know that you think the congregation has a bright and God-glorifying future. While they do not seek nor want the credit, it helps put wind in their sails to know that their vision of what—with God's help—could be is being shared.

*** Thank You.** Those two words mean the world to anyone, but especially to those in positions of leadership. Long hours, heart-wrenching prayers, and sleepless nights are the parts of the work that most people do not see. All we see is the fruit of all those things. For those things we should be grateful, and that gratitude needs to be regularly expressed.

Elders hold an office that simply is unequalled in its importance. These pastors love souls, and want the church to grow in number, spirit, and unity. They understand the depth and breadth of their position, and they also know the pressures that come with it.

Just a few words, regularly and honestly spoken by the members, will help these men lighten their load and bring more joy to their lives.

(Next week's article will be the follow-up: 5 Things Members Need to Hear from Elders Regularly)

SERMON TOPICS

Morning	Suffering and Christianity	I Peter 4:1,2
Evening	Debate Issues - Steps of Conversion	Ephesians 4:4-6

PRAYER LIST

Sympathy is extended to the family of Doyle Wilmoth. His wife passed away last Saturday.

Cathy Gregory - sister of Stella Smith, has been ill with issues from high blood sugar.

Debra Chaffin - cut her hand badly this past week and required several stitches.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations

There are several reasons to celebrate at the Pippin congregation!

- On Tuesday, Josh & Samantha Lawson welcomed their new daughter Alaina Lee. She was 7lbs 15oz, and 19.5 inches long. All are doing well.

- On August 18th, Mike & Betty Martin were blessed with their first great-granddaughter. Sutton Avery Harp was born to Hunter and Mindy Harp.

- Lindsay Frizzell and Andrew Pippin were happy to announce their engagement last Sunday.

RUSH at Freed Hardeman

Several young men in the congregation will be going to RUSH at Freed Hardeman on September 16-18. Please pray for this work as many young people across the South will come together to fellowship, worship, and build relationships.

September 17 - Men's Conference

The Sycamore and Jefferson Avenue congregations are hosting a Men's Conference on Saturday, September 17, at Jefferson Avenue with a theme on "Exploring Biblical Manhood". Breakfast and lunch will be provided. There is no charge to attend.

September 23-25 - Bible Lectureship (Findlay church of Christ)

Findlay church of Christ will host a Bible lectureship September 23-25 with guest speakers Randy Bybee (9/23), James Rogers (9/24), and Will Hanstein (9/25).

New Books in Library

Several new books have been added to the library. The library is a valuable asset to the Pippin Congregation and we encourage the members to make use of it. Books range from basic commentaries, to in depth studies on specific Bible topics.

Electronic Bulletins

If you are interested in receiving an electronic copy of the bulletin prior to Sunday via email, you can sign up at www.pippincoc.com and enter your email address in the box on the right of the page.

Answer to Previous Question

He the commits sin is of the _____.

Devil; 1 John 3:8

All Month - August

Table	Colonel Wheeler
Tray Preparation	Carol Vinton
Table Assist	Dennis Chaffin Joe Brown John Jones Lucas Frizzell

Sunday AM Worship

Announcements	Lester Boles
Lead Singing	Jonathan Medley
Read Scripture	John Jones
First Prayer	Mike Martin
Last Prayer	James Scott
Greet at Door	Betty Boswell Margie Dyer
Slide Production	Matt Donegan

Sunday PM Worship

Announcements	Lester Boles
Lead Singing	Jonathan Medley
Read Scripture	James Gravelle
First Prayer	Joe Brown
Last Prayer	Larry Jackson
Slide Production	Matt Donegan

Wednesday Bible Class

Announcements	Lester Boles
Lead Singing	Jonathan Medley
Read Scripture	Kale Burchett
First Prayer	Allen Cantrell
Last Prayer	Jeremy Castle
Slide Production	Matt Donegan

Happy Birthday

Margie Dyer	9/6
Eddie Frizzell	9/10
Malissa Mayberry	9/11

Happy Anniversary

Bill & Mary Martin	8/28
Greg & Stephanie Frizzell	8/30

Daily Bible Reading

2 Chronicles 7-9; Romans 11:1-18	8/28
2 Chronicles 10-12; Romans 11:19-36	8/29
2 Chronicles 13-14; Romans 12	8/30
2 Chronicles 15-16; Romans 13	8/31
2 Chronicles 17-18; Romans 14	9/1
2 Chronicles 19-20; Romans 15:1-13	9/2
2 Chronicles 21; Obadiah; Romans 15:14-33	9/3

Question for the Week

Besides Jesus, who did the chief priests want to put to death?