#### Building/Communion Schedule

Gomez May 8 Peyton May 15

### Children's Bible Time

Peyton Month of May Sheldon Month of June

" My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me."

John 10:27 (NKJV)

### Preacher Cecil Belk

# Ministers (Servants)

Every Member

# Times Of Assembly

### Sunday

Bible Class & Nursery... 9:30 a.m.

Morning Assembly...... 10:30 a.m.

Evening Assembly...... 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

#### **National TV & Radio Programs**

#### In Search Of the Lord's Way

DirTV channel 364 — Sundays at 7:30 a.m. EST

INSP Network: Galaxy 1R — Transponder 17 — Orbit Position 133 West Sundays-7:30 a.m. EST — <u>Dish</u> Channel 259, Sunday 7:30 a.m., EST <u>Gospel Broadcasting Network</u> (GBN) Sun. 7:00 p.m. EST Mon. 2:00 a.m./2:00 p.m. EST Thurs. 5:00 a.m./5:00 p.m. EST

#### **Daily Program Streaming & Printable Bible Studies**

Web Sites: www.thegospelofchrist.com—www.searchtv.org

#### Gospel Broadcast Network (GBN) Satellite Dish Broadcasts

24/7 on www.gbntv.org or by a home satellite dish (K band) and receiver. See their web site www.gbntv.org for details.

"Good News Today," — Sundays, 7:30 a.m. EST,

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Dish Network, ch. 267, Direct TV, Ch. 376,

Glorystar Ch. 117, & SkyAngel ch. 136

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# I Taught Him To Obey

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A French officer once asked George Washington's mother how she managed to rear such a splendid son. She simply replied, "I taught him to obey."

Obedience is something that must be taught. In the perilous times, there will be those who are "disobedient to parents" (2 Timothy 3:2). The whole idea of rebellion against parents and authority is ungodly.

Children are told to honor their father and mother, obeying them in the Lord (Ephesians 6:1-2). We must teach them to obey, or they will have to answer for it.

We should set the example in showing obedience to our Father (Hebrews 5:9; 1 John 5:3).

T. Doy Moyer, The South End Expounder

# A Mother Is ...

**Artist** - she beatifies the home and colors endless coloring book pictures.

**Information Bureau** - she answers thousands of youthful questions.

**Dietician** - she plans endless menus and makes vegetables tasty.

**Engineer** - she keeps the home's wheels well oiled and running efficiently.

**Guardian** - of the virtue of her family unit.

**Judge** - she is called upon to settle daily disputes among her children.

Nurse - she treats a variety of ills.

**Organizer** - she arranges birthday parties, ball games, shopping expeditions, and time outs.

**Teacher** - she teaches little minds the first lessons of life.

**Keeper of the home** - she functions in a role only she can master. (Titus 2:5)

Thought for the week: "A woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised." Proverbs 31:30

# You Can't Scratch Out The Eyes of God

Once there was a little girl who lived on a large farm way out in the country. Almost everything the family ate was raised on the farm. Apples in the fall were a great treat. To preserve them for the winter, the mother used to peel and hang them on long strings to dry in the attic.

This little girl was very fond of dried apples. Yet, they were for winter and spring and so the mother forbad her to eat them when she went into the attic to play. The child would walk all around the apples, touching and smelling them, but she did not dare take any of them.

And why do you suppose that she didn't take them? It was not really because of mother, but because of a picture hanging on the wall. It was one of an old man, and his eyes seemed to follow her no matter where she went in the attic. When she was among the apples, she could feel his eyes gazing right at her. His eyes seemed to stop her each time she was tempted to pull a string and eat the slice of apple that was on it.

The little girl soon became very unhappy and then very cross with the old man in the picture. If only he wasn't around she could just dive right into the apples and eat her fill. So what do you suppose she did? One day when mother was away she went up into the attic and scratched out the eyes of the old man with a pair of scissors. Then she ate the apples.

When the mother found what was done,

she took the little girl on her knee and carefully explained that there were other eyes that were watching her besides those in the picture, eyes that could see everywhere and knew what each child was doing whether in the cellar or attic. These were the eyes of God.

Can I scratch out God's eyes? the little girl asked. No, replied the mother. People try it all the time. Yet, they only fool themselves. Little by little they grow blind to God and to His standard of right. So, when they finally go blind themselves, they think they have succeeded in scratching out God's eyes.

But I can still see just as well as I always could, replied the little girl. I know you can still see well, explained the mother, but we have eyes in our souls as well as in our heads. The first time we do wrong, we feel very bad yet if we continue to do that same wrong, eventually we don't even give it a second thought. When our soul loses its sight, we then grow very dark inside, for there is no light.

We lose our way, and things that used to be right and wrong get all mixed up. No one is blind as the one who puts out his own eyes. That was the mistake you made in scratching out the eyes of the old man in the picture. You wouldn't have been troubled with those eyes if it hadn't been for the eyes within you that saw you doing wrong.

So the lesson is a good lesson for us all. Let us live and pray knowing that He not only leads us, but watches over us every step of the way.

Notes, Great Oaks church of Christ

# FAMILY NEWS



A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS. YOU ARE HONORED GUESTS!

# PRAYERS & THANKSGIVINGS



Pray earnestly for more souls to be saved, and more Christians to be involved in the work!

Our Military: Prayers for <u>Doug Wilson</u> and <u>Zac Donaldson</u> and their families as they serve in the mid-east for several months.

We praise our God for His bountiful blessings showered upon this congregation.

We praise our God for the powerful preaching of God's word at the Jackson Community Rd. Church of Christ during their homecoming and gospel meeting this past week.

We pray to our God for:

The recent tornado and flood victims. Jack Mullins, health, prayers.

Ben Cisneros, Audrey Otto, Sherri Belk, Jane Powers, Billy and Betty Clepper, health, prayers.

Sarah Gomez, Deloris Peyton, Catherine Stewart, Bruce & Vickie Bishopric, guidance, strength, and blessings.

Rebecka Baker, carrying twin boys, prayers.

Tom & Peggy Stripp, (Joyce Lee's aunt & uncle),

Bob Sheldon (Skip Sheldon's brother), bypass surgery, and Jim Sheldon (Skip Sheldon's brother), who is caring for his wife Marilyn, prayers.

<u>Bobby Lingly</u>, (chemotherapy). <u>Franklin King</u>, (Deloris' Peyton's father), prayers.

**Estelle Drisco**: (June Curran's grandmother), and **Lorraine Blackstone** (June's mother), prayers.

Carl & De Griffith, as they travel.

# **May Events**

\_Women's Bible Study, Friday, May 6th, 10.00 a.m. Study in Proverbs, at the church building

Re-scheduled Quarterly Church Planning Meeting -

Our meeting has been moved to Wednesday, May 11th, at 6:00p.m.

Men's Work Projects Saturday, May 14th, 9:00a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Exterior and interior projects, contact Cecil for coordination (226-3770, or 651-2403)

# Sunday, May 29th 5th Sunday Special Collection

Our 5th Sunday special collection will be taken up during the May 29th morning assembly. We praise God for the resources and work this collection enables and sustains to His glory!

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth ... but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven."

Matthew 6:19-20

# **May Birthdays**

11th Eric Phillips 23rd Bonnie McIntosh 24 Dan Curran