



“The LORD Is a Man of War”

Exodus 15:3

The Bible states in Exodus 15:3, “The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name.” His power and might was certainly seen when the Egyptians were destroyed in the sea. Moses gives God the praise for the victory over the enemy.

The Lord, as a man of war, has never lost a battle, past, present, or future. Isaiah even mentioned the victory of this “Man of war.” “The LORD shall go forth as a mighty man, he shall stir up jealousy like a man of war: he shall cry, yea, roar; he shall prevail against his enemies.” – Isaiah 42:13

This “Man of war” will win the last great battle. “And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.” – Revelation 19:14-16

This Man of war, conquered sin in my life is 1968 when I came as a trembling sinner to the cross. It was then that I raised the white flag of surrender and fell in step to His supreme leadership. I saluted Him for the first time and left the service wearing the new uniform of His imputed righteousness.

This “Man of war” won the greatest battle at Calvary when He made provision for our sins by the sacrifice of Himself as the Lamb of God. He alone can conquer sin in the life of the sinner for He alone defeated death, hell, and the grave! The only proper way to fall under His command is to yield to the enlistment terms of Scriptures. One must receive Christ as personal Saviour. The person saved is equally then one of His enlisted soldiers. “No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.” – II Timothy 2:4

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PROVERBS 25:13

As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to them that send him, for he refresheth the soul of his masters . . .



- Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
- Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
- Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

- NURSERY PROVIDED -

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

SMITH GROVE SENIORS

Louise Byrd	Pat George	Raynelle Shields
Wilma Farrington	Shirley Crouch	Louise Smith
June Freeman	Bud McCurdy	Clarence Tucker
Ernest Fulk	Mary McCurdy*	Hettie Westmoreland
	J. D. Shields	

OTHERS IN NEED OF PRAYER

Marilyn Alston	Cheryl Holt	Claude Royal
Fred Bame	Reva Holt	Wade Sheilds
Merl Blake	Raleigh Hunt	Jamie Shell
Roy Boody	Daniel Idol	Walter Tate
John Carter	Glenn Johnson	Glenn Tedder
Bonnie Clark	Lawrence Jones	Eddie Thomason
Cody (13-yr old in Thomasville)	Bessie Kendrick	Melissa Thomason
Aaron Cole	Leighann Kincade	Barbara Tucker
Lib Cooper*	Napha Klepper	Hettie Westmoreland
Gordon Crouch	Rose Matthews	Kenneth Westmoreland
Shirley Crouch	Richie McCormick	Gordon Wilkey*
Louise Davenport*	Mark Midkiff	Gerry Williams
Adam Easter	John & Dolly Miller	Arry Wilson
Iris Farrington	Laura Nuckles	Jessi Wright
Clyde Gray, Sr.*	Don Peterson	New converts
Debbie Harden	Miranda Petkis	The Unsaved
Ronnie Holcomb	Norma Pilchett*	
	Donnie Redmon	<i>*Special Needs</i>

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

- Those on our Youth Prayer List
- Pastor Chuck Peters
- Wade and Nora Smith (Virginia Beach, VA)
- All the missions & missionaries we support.
- Youth Program Directors
- Preachers, teachers, singers, & workers of our church & Discovery Clubs.

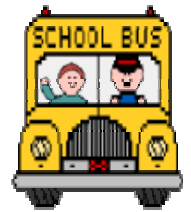


SERVICES EACH WEEK

Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Service	11:00 a.m.
<i>Children's Church</i>	11:00 a.m.
Sunday evening Service	6:00 p.m.
Wendesday Services:	
Discovery Bible Clubs [Will not meet during the summer]	7:00 p.m.
Prayer Service	7:00 p.m.
Thursday visitation	7:00 p.m.

August 2009

Remember all of our regular services,
and enjoy the rest of your summer!



Looking Ahead:

Sept. 20-23

Prophetic Conference with
Dr. Hoyle Bowman

Law of the Garbage Truck

One day I hopped in a taxi and we took off for the airport. We were driving in the right lane when suddenly a black car jumped out of a parking space right in front of us. My taxi driver slammed on his breaks, skidded, and missed the other car by just inches! The driver of the other car whipped his head around and started yelling at us. My taxi driver just smiled and waved at the guy. And I mean, he was really friendly.

So I asked, 'Why did you just do that? This guy almost ruined your car and sent us to the hospital!' This is when my taxi driver taught me what I now call, 'The Law of the Garbage Truck.' He explained that many people are like garbage trucks. They run around full of garbage (frustration, anger, and disappointment, etc.). As their garbage piles up, they need a place to dump it and sometimes they'll dump it on you. Don't take it personally. Just smile, wave, wish them well, and move on. Don't take their garbage and spread it to other people at work, at home, or on the streets.

The bottom line is that successful people do not let garbage trucks take over their day. Life's too short to wake up in the morning with regrets, so... 'Love the people who treat you right. Pray for the ones who don't.'

Life is ten percent what you make it and ninety percent how you take it!

August Birthdays

02 Sandy Westmoreland	12 Gerald Pitts	23 Curney Matthews
03 Taylor Westmoreland	13 Darrell Jordan	23 Allen Westmoreland
04 Gordon Wilkey	17 Jay Pitts	24 Maudean Nuckles
04 Lorene Robertson	19 Patsy Pendry	24 Mary Westmoreland
05 Laura Nuckles	20 Sarah Hendrix	25 Annie Nuckles
06 Spencer Holt	21 Tori Kennedy	27 Patrick Clark
07 Mike McCollum	21 Trudy Nuckles	27 Lindsay Owens
07 Audrey Nuckles	22 Jeanette Dillon	28 Doris Nuckles
08 Allen Pitts	22 Stephen Hutton	28 Ethan Nuckles
09 April Owens	22 Carol Peters	30 Scott Crump
12 Cleo Holt		Spencer Dowd Daniel Vaughn

September Birthdays

01 Heath Bryant	14 Trevor Westmoreland	26 Melissa Briggs
01 Evelyn Mickey	15 Donnie Campbell	26 Michelle Hendrix
02 Glenn Blackburn	15 Bob Ingold	27 J. D. Shields
04 Lala Pitts	17 Clarence Redmon	28 Roscoe Johnson
05 Brandon Nuckles	18 Linda Hooker	30 Chuck Peters
05 Kasie Powell	18 Andrea Nelson	Ann Baker
05 Sherrill Vanderburg	20 Louise Davenport	Robert Cisom
05 Helen Jones	21 Raynelle Shields	Patricia Fulk
06 Lillie Mae Ward	22 June Freeman	Sandy Hancock
07 Billy Pendry	23 Lib Cooper	Mike Poindexter
13 Courtney Forbes	23 Don Sealey	Gary Sechler
14 Landon Ramey		

August Anniversaries

25 Andrew & Lydia Beeson
Dave & Kathy Mros
Raymond & Mattie Nuckles
Charles & Peggy Vaughn

In The Service of Our Country

Matthew Bennett (Jacksonville, SC)
A1C William Holt, US Air Force
Sheppard AFB, TX
Chief Warrant Officer 3 Michael Maine, US Army
[stationed in Korea]
Corporal Mel Wright, US Marines, California
(nephews of Clarence Redmon)



"Our Honour Roll"

Smith Grove's ministry to our widows and widowers

"Honour widows that are widows indeed."

Listed below are August and Sept. Honour Roll Gang members. Please take a moment to send a card, make a telephone call, or do something extra special for our special saints.

Lorene Robertson 2410 Sandy Ridge Rd. High Point, NC 27265 668-2372 ~ August 04	Laura Nuckles 7924 Highfill Road Summerfield, NC 27358 6433523 ~ August 05	Louise Smith 8330 Tyner Loop Road Colfax, NC 27235 662-0951 ~ August 06
Mary Westmoreland 2705 Sandy Ridge Rd. Colfax, NC 27235 668-2818 ~ August 24	Annie Nuckles 8712 Staples Rd. Colfax, NC 27235 993-5297 ~ August 25	Doris Nuckles 8324 Tyner Loop Road Colfax, NC 27235 668-2332 ~ August 28
Evelyn Mickey 9024 County Line Road Kernersville, NC 27284 ~ Sept. 01	Lillie Mae Ward 308 Oakview Road High Point, NC 27265 885-2281 ~ Sept. 06	Linda Hooker 463 Macy Grove Rd. Kernersville, NC 27284 993-5789 ~ Sept. 17
Louise Davenport Skeet Club Manor - 1560 Skeet Club Road High Point, NC 27265 ~ Sept. 20	Raynelle Shields 170 Tracie Lane Winston-Salem, NC 27107 769-1333 ~ Sept. 21	June Freeman 803 El Toro Dr. Kernersville, NC 27284 996-3209 ~ Sept. 22
Lib Cooper 9000 Foxlair Drive Kernersville, NC 27284 993-8296 ~ Sept. 23	J. D. Shields 8705 Boylston Road Colfax, NC 27235 996-2655 ~ Sept. 27	

The Window Through Which We Look...

A young couple moves into a new neighborhood. The next morning they are eating breakfast and the young woman sees her neighbor hanging the wash outside. "That laundry is not very clean", she said. "She doesn't know how to wash correctly. Perhaps she needs better laundry soap." Her husband looked on, but remained silent.

Every time her neighbor would hang her wash to dry, the young woman would make the same comments. About one month later, the woman was surprised to see a nice clean wash on the line and said to her husband, "Look, she has learned how to wash correctly. I wonder who taught her?"

The husband said, "I got up early this morning and cleaned our windows." And so it is with life. What we see when watching others depends on the purity of the window through which we look.



Gary & Friends Missionary Outreach Ministry

I Cor. 7:22-24

Greetings to all our church members, and readers of this Christ-centered newsletter from members of Smith Grove Baptist Church. The work with seniors is going very well. I am so thankful to have Carolyn Williams helping us in this ministry — she is willing to go as we go for Christ. We need our church family praying as we start a new ministry at River Landing. We will be going over each Sunday morning with one of our church vans, and picking up people for our 11:00 am worship services. Then back to River Landing with them. Please pray that God will touch hearts and that someone will be saved because you prayed. (James 5:16) I am in Christ, happy, and satisfied, in Him.

Gary Smith ~ I Peter 5:7

“Change of Address”

Can't remember if I told you that:

I have moved out from Beggars' Alley, located at 2 Poverty Lane at the corner of Down and Out Circle. As of today, I have a brand new home.

My new address is Living Well on 231 Abundance Terrace, located at the corner of Blessings Drive and Prosperity Peak. It's in the God Can neighborhood. No longer will I allow myself to travel to the other side of town on Begging Peter to Pay Paul Route, located at a dead end intersection called I Don't Have, which connects with Borrowers Junction!.

I no longer hang out at Failure's Place, near Excuses Avenue, next to Procrastination Point... I've moved to an upscale community called Higher Heights with unlimited potential and opportunities for me to succeed. I can do ALL things through CHRIST who strengthens me!

Life is good because God is good! Care to change your address? There are many vacancies!

Great is thy faithfulness oh Lord! I am well blessed and so are you, in spite of temporary circumstances !

Don't tell God how big your storms are: tell your storms how big your God is!

The Whittemores ~ Duain & Faye

We pray that this letter finds everyone enjoying the full blessings of our Saviour. What a day to live in just before the coming of our Lord! We have wondered what it would be like, but I feel that we are seeing it revealed before us day by day. I heard a famous prophecy preacher say recently that more has happened in the past ninety days than had happened in the past ninety years as far as fulfillment of scripture pointing to the second coming of the Lord. I say Come. Lord Jesus!

I truly believe that we are seeing the latter rain. I have seen more of the moving of God in the last ninety days than I have ~ seen in my life. I know the world will wax worse and worse, but I believe with that, the church will experience more of the grace and glory of God than ever. The church started with a shout and I believe we are going out with a shout!

We truly appreciate your prayers and support for me personally and for the work. I know that we are in an economic down turn, but God is in no financial bind. If we will just live right and trust Him, He will supply our needs. Philip-
pians 4: 19 of course is in a missions giving context.

MISSIONS TRIPS: We had a wonderful trip to Bolivia! Several were saved and many moved up closer to the Lord for service. We helped missionary Steven Fanning organize the first independent Baptist church in the capitol city of La Paz. What a blessing! The Lord has provided for this congregation money to buy property and a building in a much better location. Thank you to all who contributed to this project. I was able to preach in five different churches while I was there. We had a mission conference in Villa Fatima, Steven's church, where they took on three missionaries for monthly support. To God Be the Glory!

I trust to be able to go the Philippines in August, India in September and Egypt in November. Please pray that the Lord will provide the health and finances for these trips.

Pray for Operation Saturation Alaska trips this summer. There have already been fifty-seven saved!

TRUCKS: As I write this letter, we have a truck en route to Alaska. The truck contains two twenty foot containers with supplies for missionaries Kevin Smith and Earl Malpass. We have just recently had a four wheeler with accessories delivered to a missionary in one of the villages in Alaska that we visited last year, Thanks to all of you who helped with this project.

SPECIAL NEED: The Lord has burdened my heart with a special need in the Philippines. Pastor Rex Llavore has pastored a small church for several years and the Lord has blessed. Now the building is too small and the roof is worn out. He needs to build another story and put a new roof on. He can do this for \$2,500. Please pray about this. Rex has very little financial support.

Please know that we appreciate you and all that you do and have done for us and the work of the Lord for these many years. We wish that all of you could come visit the work. I believe it would encourage you to see what God is doing because of your help!

In His Service, *Duain & Faye Whittemore*

WET PANTS

Come with me to a third grade classroom..... There is a nine-year-old kid sitting at his desk and all of a sudden, there is a puddle between his feet and the front of his pants are wet. He thinks his heart is going to stop because he cannot possibly imagine how this has happened. It's never happened before, and he knows that when the boys find out he will never hear the end of it. When the girls find out, they'll never speak to him again as long as he lives.

The boy believes his heart is going to stop; he puts his head down and prays this prayer, 'Dear God, this is an emergency! I need help now! Five minutes from now I'm dead meat.' He looks up from his prayer and here comes the teacher with a look in her eyes that says he has been discovered.

As the teacher is walking toward him, a classmate named Susie is carrying a goldfish bowl that is filled with water. Susie trips in front of the teacher and inexplicably dumps the bowl of water in the boy's lap.

The boy pretends to be angry, but all the while is saying to himself, 'Thank you, Lord! Thank you, Lord!'

Now all of a sudden, instead of being the object of ridicule, the boy is the object of sympathy. The teacher rushes him downstairs and gives him gym shorts to put on while his pants dry out. All the other children are on their hands and knees cleaning up around his desk. The sympathy is wonderful. But as life would have it, the ridicule that should have been his has been transferred to someone else - Susie.

She tries to help, but they tell her to leave it alone. You've done enough, you klutz!'

Finally, at the end of the day, as they are waiting for the bus, the boy walks over to Susie and whispers, 'You did that on purpose, didn't you?' Susie whispers back, 'I wet my pants once too.'

May God help us see the opportunities that are always around us to do good. Remember.....Just going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in your garage makes you a car.

Let Us Be Alert and Sober

1 Thessalonians 5:1-8

1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. 7 For they that sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. 8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.

Many people are snoozing through life. They tell themselves that the earth's troubles will eventually end: leaders will somehow bring harmony to war-torn lands, provide food for all, and create economic stability. However, true peace and safety aren't possible in a world ruled by Satan and inhabited by fallen man.

The church must stay alert and monitor world events through the lens of biblical prophecy. Jesus warned of widespread trouble preceding the tribulation and His second coming (Matt. 24:6-14). He offered signs rather than dates so His followers would be watchful and ready to go at any moment. But we're not to neglect our kingdom duties. We should be building, serving, even while anticipating His return.

Nominal Christians run the risk of being unprepared for the troubling times ahead. These are people who come to church if the weather is good, read the Bible only when they're worried, or allow worldly pleasures to distract them from heavenly things. We're no better than drowsy watchmen if we adopt such attitudes. The wise believer is consumed by Christ—empty of his or her own wishes and pursuits and fully surrendered to the Lord's plans and desires. Only a servant completely focused upon God can be useful in His kingdom.

When God shifts things about on the world stage, people get anxious. We can encourage one another by sharing how He has worked in our life. We can also reveal the Source of our assurance and peace to a world in dire need of both. As the end draws near, realize now is not the time to be quiet.

Quotable Quotes on Learning

- Being a child at home alone in the summer is a high-risk occupation. If you call your mother at work thirteen times an hour, she can hurt you. ~Erma Bombeck
- The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows. ~Sydney J. Harris
- You send your child to the schoolmaster, but 'tis the schoolboys who educate him. ~Ralph Waldo Emerson
- Holidays are enticing only for the first week or so. After that, it is no longer such a novelty to rise late and have little to do. ~Margaret Laurence
- The simplest schoolboy is now familiar with truths for which Archimedes would have given his life. ~Ernest Renan, *Souvenirs d'enfance et de jeunesse*, 1883
- Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself. ~John Dewey
- The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives. ~Robert Maynard Hutchins
- As long as there are tests, there will be prayer in schools
- I like a teacher who gives you something to take home to think about besides homework. ~Lily Tomlin as "Edith Ann"
- The best teachers teach from the heart, not from the book. ~Author Unknown
- Often, when I am reading a good book, I stop and thank my teacher. That is, I used to, until she got an unlisted number. ~Author Unknown
- There are three good reasons to be a teacher - June, July, and August. ~Author Unknown
- When a subject becomes totally obsolete we make it a required course. ~Peter Drucker
- Education is the movement from darkness to light. ~Allan Bloom
- Much education today is monumentally ineffective. All too often we are giving young people cut flowers when we should be teaching them to grow their own plants. ~John W. Gardner
- The larger the island of knowledge, the longer the shoreline of wonder. ~Ralph W. Sockman
- What we want is to see the child in pursuit of knowledge, and not knowledge in pursuit of the child. ~George Bernard Shaw
- The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet. ~Aristotle
- A professor is someone who talks in someone else's sleep. ~W.H. Auden
- An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest. ~Benjamin Franklin
- A cross-eyed teacher can keep twice the number of children in order than any other, because the pupils do not know who she's looking at. ~Four Hundred Laughs: Or, Fun Without Vulgarity, compiled and edited by John R. Kemble, 1902
- Anyone who thinks the art of conversation is dead ought to tell a child to go to bed. ~Robert Gallagher
- I have never let my schooling interfere with my education. ~Mark Twain
- Education is what remains after one has forgotten what one has learned in school. ~Albert Einstein
- If you think education is expensive, try ignorance. ~Attributed to both Andy McIntyre and Derek Bok
- Education is a better safeguard of liberty than a standing army. ~Edward Everett
- He who opens a school door, closes a prison. ~Victor Hugo
- Education would be much more effective if its purpose was to ensure that by the time they leave school every boy and girl should know how much they do not know, and be imbued with a lifelong desire to know it. ~William Haley
- Home computers are being called upon to perform many new functions, including the consumption of homework formerly eaten by the dog. ~Doug Larson
- Did you know America ranks the lowest in education but the highest in drug use? It's nice to be number one, but we can fix that. All we need to do is start the war on education. If it's anywhere near as successful as our war on drugs, in no time we'll all be hooked on phonics. ~Leighann Lord
- Children have to be educated, but they have also to be left to educate themselves. ~Abbé Dimnet, *Art of Thinking*, 1928