

KIDS EXPLAIN THE BIBLE Can you imagine yourself to be the nun that is sitting at her desk grading these papers all the while trying to keep a straight face and maintain her composure! (Just as they wrote it)

21. the people who followed the lord were called the 12 decibels.

YORK RITE PRAYER LIST:

Vernon & Violet Amick

Sharon Axon – wife of David Axson from Carolina Lodge has had a hospital stay but seems to be doing better. Julie

Buster Babb

Joyce Bennett the Daughter of Henry and Nettie Leese Brown

James Benenhaley ^{sr}

Alexander and Katherine Bizakis

Bob Bodenhamer - Please keep Brother Bob in your hearts and prayers.

Mozelle & Gary Bodie

Jesse Branham

Nettie Leese Brown

Ethel Brunson, Bob's widow is doing so-so. She is in assist living and being moved to a one bedroom unit since Bob died.

Julie

Marvin & Polly Burton

Sue Carver

Joel Casey

Mrs. Emma Christopher – Mom is doing ok right now. Lloyd

Ollie Mae Crosby - had an acute stroke yesterday. She is at Richland Memorial Hospital. I was at the emergency room last night after K.O.P. meeting until about 10:15 and it has affected her left side. I will go by and see her in the morning and hopefully find out the extent of her stroke. Please keep her and her family in your prayers. GOD Bless, Willis J

Frank Dancy -

Candi Datnoff will be moving into an assisted living home soon and I will update with details as soon as she lets me know.

(Willis)

Walt Davis

Jay Epting – Tommy Epting son Jay is back in the hospital. Julie

Sam & Edith Grant

Truman Fallaw

Alan Ferguson (BJ's son-in-law) was burned over 40% of his body. He is in the Med center burn unit in Memphis TN.

Remember his entire family, especially his wife Penny who is not in the best of health herself. Ant Mo

Hank Garnett – I still having problems getting around but he still keeps going. We were at a meeting last night and he said that he and Charles Schofield had something in common, that they had 2 good legs... between them! (Hank Garnett's Father-In-Law), is at the Providence Hospital with 4 broken ribs and a punctured lung.

Peggy Garnett – Had Cataract Surgery Monday and doing well.

Frank Gilliland

Hulon Graves

Jim & Emma Hammell ^{nyr} I saw Jim Hammell today at N.H.C. on Parklane Drive. He did not know who I was but was in good spirits. His wife Emma will have hip surgery on Dec 4th at 11:00 am. (Willis)

Richard & Jane Harding

Floyd Holmes

Margaret & Mike Hubbard

Vickie Humphries

Laura Jenkins, my daughter-in-law, was diagnosed with Chronis Disease. She is 24 years old and is looking at having colon surgery soon. She has given me 2 beautiful grand daughters, ages 2 and 1 years old. Please keep these folks and there family in your prayers. Willis

Nola Morris Johnson

Arnold Jones - The folks at MUSC have told him that the transplanted kidney has **FAILED**, and he is returning to life with dialysis. Unless and until he can regain strength and energy, he will not be relisted as a candidate for a new kidney. He says that he is depressed by the news, but that these things happen, and he will take each tomorrow on as it comes. It is uncertain how long he will be held at MUSC. WB Arnold has taken action to designate an individual in Aiken to execute his affairs (POA) and I expect that she will call me to communicate to the Brethren with what things (work, activities) she desires our assistance. WB Jones' property likely needs some upkeep, given his challenges over the past year. I will keep the Lodge and appendant bodies informed as I am able. Rex L

Doug Knauer is in the heart center at Spartanburg Regional Hospital, room number 8421. He is scheduled to have a double by-pass and heart valve replacement on Friday but does not know what time the surgery will take place. He sounded very positive and cheerful on the phone and looks forward to being better than he was. Let's all keep Doug in our prayers and pray for a speedy recovery. Phone number for that room is 864.560.8421 Walt J

Francis & Mary Frances Lee

Laland Lowie

Mary McGee – Talked with Mrs. Mary late Saturday afternoon and she said she was feeling well after her Gall Bladder surgery yesterday.

Mary W. McGee, the wife of my oldest son Robbie (Grandson of Joe McGee) was just diagnosed with cancer. They have been married less than 3 months. Robbie is an E.A. here in North Carolina at Fuquay Varina Lodge. Mary will undergo surgery this Friday. Wayne McGee

John Martin

Wayne McKee

Betty Jean Meace

Homer Monts

Gregg Morris

Thomas Morris

Alice Pearson, John Pearson's daughter-in-law, had a stem cell transplant and now the cancer is back. Julie

Nelson Phillips

Betty Pinkston - Just a little update on my situation, as you know Betty will be on Dialysis, as far as we know the rest of her life, and we thank all of the prayers from the members all over the state. She does have some good days and some not so good. This past weekend we were in Salisbury NC for a funeral, and she took her dialysis up there while I was at the funeral, and she did have one of those bad times. We came home on Sunday and she is much better today, and will take her to dialysis again tomorrow, here in Beaufort.

As for me and my family, we had a sister in Salisbury, NC and a brother in Williamsburg VA that had been having very bad health problems for the past month or more. My Sister passed away on Wed.22, and her funeral was on Sat. 25th, 11:00. Shortly after the funeral, we learned that our Brother in Williamsburg passed away at 5 min. to 11:00 Sat. morning. His service will be we think on the 7th of Nov. in Salisbury in the National Cemetery. I still have 3 sisters up home in Salisbury, and 1 younger brother in Wilmington NC.

We never know when our Father will call us home; I ask that all will keep Betty and my family in your prayers. We do thank all of our Friends Sisters and Brothers for all of the prayers since Betty has been on dialysis. We do have all of the memories of the times we have been together over the years.

Ken Queen ^{nyr} who is at Heartland on Forest Drive is doing better, and when I saw him on Thursday he says if all goes well, he will go home next Thursday. Willis

Jack H. Ratliff

Mrs. Jessie Rickman

Charles Rogers I'm sorry to inform you that recent Doctors Reports indicate my Cancer has returned. I have to see a Surgeon on Tuesday, June 4th, 2008 in an effort to try to decide on a plan of attacking the Cancer. It is now located in my Lower Liver, Upper Colon, Audural Gland, and my Right Kidney.

Noel Rogers Jr

Jim Ruckman

Joe Rush

Sybil Russell

Charles Schofield

Elaine Sealy

George & Jean Seyle – are both in an assisted living home – They have been moved to room 45 still the same nursing center. They are not well and Geo comes and goes with memory. He wants to go to a meeting or breakfast, so will have to see what the nurse or Dr says about his leaving. He has on an ankle bracelet in case he wanders off. Julie

Troy Shealy

Paul Simpson is a member of Acacia Lodge #94. A Brother visited him recently in Room 302, Lexington Medical Center. Brother Paul has been having chest pains and turned himself into the hospital. He is scheduled tomorrow to have a heart cauterization at Providence Hospital and an ultrasound of his lower extremities. We need to pause in our busy day and offer up unceasing prayer for our Brother that if it is His will, that His Healing Hand May Touch, Brother Paul. Wayne Smith

Mel Sinclair I haven't written to you all in a while. With two knee replacements and other obligations, it has been quite a busy time.

Dennis Skinner is having problems with A-fib and was fixing to have a heart shock as we spoke. Willis

Charles Skipper (Pacific Lodge) is not doing well, this is what I heard at Square & Compass meeting tonight, he is at the V.A. Willis

Johnny Smith

Sandra Smith, daughter of JO and sister of Charlie Smith

Frances Taylor wife of Al Taylor has cancer; needs much prayer. Julie

Brenda Truesdale – Had a MRI last Friday and found four masses. Have referred her to another doctor but don't know what they are going to do yet.

Brenda & T Henry Waldrep

Ken West ^{sr}

William "Bill" Wicker – Since March he has had a heart attack and had a pacemaker put in, has had the Flu and has been diagnosed as having Leukemia and is taking Chemo, has had a heart attack,

Dick Wooden's son – is some better. Julie

Remember Brandon in your prayers. According to the weather reports, its 122° in Iraq -- and the low will be 111°! Our troops need our prayers for strength, endurance, and safety. If it be God's will, give these men and women the strength they need to prevail.

David Doll – from Johns Island died and the funeral was Wed. Julie

FROM UPDATE REPORTS:

Anderson – John C. Payne and Melvin J. Shirley

Charleston – Robert M. Brunson and Harland P. Osborne

Chester – Johnny M. Holley and Earl B. Thompson, Sr

Florence – Robert B. Bodenhamer

Greenwood – George H. McKinney and Harry W. Chandler

Newberry – Guilford Edwards, Jr. and James B. West

Orangeburg – Durward C. Cromer, Sr. and Danny D. Syfrett, Sr

Rock Hill – Ernest G. Matthews and Jack M. Collins

Spartanburg – Ray B. Page.

You are My Sunshine, My only Sunshine' (Be prepared to get watery eyes!) Like any good mother, when Karen found out that another baby was on the way, she did what she could to help her 3-year-old son, Michael, prepare for a new sibling. They found out that the new baby was going to be a girl, and day after day, night after night, Michael sang to his sister in mommy's tummy. He was building a bond of love with his little sister before he even met her.

The pregnancy progressed normally for Karen, an active member of the Panther Creek United Methodist Church in Morristown, Tennessee. In time, the labor pains came. Soon it was every five minutes, every three, every minute. But serious complications arose during delivery and Karen found herself in hours of labor. Would a C-section be required? Finally, after a long struggle, Michael's little sister was born. But she was in very serious condition.

With a siren howling in the night, the ambulance rushed the infant to the neonatal intensive care unit at St. Mary's Hospital, Knoxville, Tennessee. The days inched by. The little girl got worse. The pediatrician had to tell the parents there is very little hope. Be prepared for the worst. Karen and her husband contacted a local cemetery about a burial plot.

They had fixed up a special room in their house for their new baby but now they found themselves having to plan for a funeral. Michael, however, kept begging his parents to let him see his sister. I want to sing to her, he kept saying. Week two in intensive care looked as if a funeral would come before the week was over.

Michael kept nagging about singing to his sister, but kids are never allowed in Intensive Care. Karen decided to take Michael whether they liked it or not. If he didn't see his sister right then, he may never see her alive. She dressed him in an oversized scrub suit and marched him into ICU. I looked like a walking laundry basket.

The head nurse recognized him as a child and bellowed, 'Get that kid out of here now. No children are allowed.' The mother rose up strong in Karen, and the usually mild-mannered lady glared steel-eyed right into the head nurse's face, her lips a firm line. 'He is not leaving until he sings to his sister' she stated. Then Karen towed Michael to his sister's bedside. He gazed at the tiny infant losing the battle to live. After a moment, he began to sing. In the pure-hearted voice of a 3-year-old, Michael sang: 'You are my sunshine, my only sunshine; you make me happy when skies are gray.' Instantly the baby girl seemed to respond. The pulse rate began to calm down and become steady. 'Keep on singing, Michael,' encouraged Karen with tears in her eyes. 'You never know, dear, how much I love you, please don't take my sunshine away.' As Michael sang to his sister, the baby's ragged, strained breathing became as smooth as a kitten's purr. 'Keep on singing, sweetheart.' 'The other night, dear, as I lay sleeping, I dreamed I held you in my arms'. Michael's little sister began to relax as rest, healing rest, seemed to sweep over her. 'Keep on singing, Michael.' Tears had now conquered the face of the bossy head nurse. Karen glowed. 'You are my Sunshine, my only sunshine; Please don't take my sunshine away...'

The next day...the very next day...the little girl was well enough to go home. Woman's Day Magazine called it The Miracle of a Brother's Song. The medical staff just called it a miracle. Karen called it a miracle of God's love.

NEVER GIVE UP ON THE PEOPLE YOU LOVE. LOVE IS SO INCREDIBLY POWERFUL. Life is good.

This is the day that the Lord hath made. Rejoice and be Glad in it. Psalms 118:24