PEOPLE OF PRAYER

Isn't it strange, that men are constantly looking for new plans, new methods, new organization in the church to reach people with the Gospel? The trend today is to entertain people into the church. We have lost sight of man in God's plan to reach the world. God's plan is to make the most of His people in this out reach. People are God's method. The church is looking for better methods; God is looking for better people.

What the church needs today is not new plans, better organization or, more novel methods, but people whom the Holy Spirit can use – people of prayer, people might in prayer. The Holy Spirit does not flow through methods or plans, but through people

It is not great talents or greater knowledge, or great preachers that God needs, but people great in holiness, great in faith, great in love, great in faithfulness, great for God!

God can work wonders through people who want to be lead by Him. People of prayer can turn the world upside down. Yes, God

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THE REMINDER

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June 10, 2018
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES SUNDAY

| Rible Class | THURSDAY | Ladies' Bible Class11:00 A.M. | WEDNESDAY | Afternoon 1:30 A. M. | Worship | Bible Class10:00 A. M. |
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| 6.30 D M | DAY | 11:00 A.M. | DAY | 1:30 A. M. | | 10:00 A. M. |

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NEWS AND NOTES

WELCOME VISITORS! Please fill out a visitor's card so we will have a record of your visit.

PRAYER LIST: Ryan (Jessica's son – neurofibromastosis, Kyle and Brad Young-health issues, Deby Maldonado, also her son Michael- health issues, Verdos & Wanda Mullins-heart issues and cancer, also John and Dorothy Callahan their care giver, Rita Blair, JoAnn Robertson, Dub Holland, Sarah Hickman, Dick Keith, Cathy Parker and her brother.

DON'T FORGET, that next Sunday a brother from The Church's Relief Effort will be making a presentation. Please make a plans to be present for this presentation.

July 8th, presentation on World Bible School.

July 14th, NM Children's Home truck. (Need paper towels).

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| JUST FOR THE RECORD | Last Week Last Year | Last Year |
| SUNDAY: | | |
| Bible Class | 20 | 13 |
| Worship | 32 | 30 |
| Evening | 12 | n/c |
| THURSDAY EVENING | | |
| Bible Study | 15 | n/c |
| CONTRIBUTION | \$1530.00 | \$1240.00 |
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WORDS OF WISDOM

Many of us spend half our time wishing for things we could have if we didn't spend half our time wishing/

A gossip is a person who will never tell a lie when the truth will do more damage.

REBUILDING THE ARK

He was a God of grief when Jesus was at the tomb of Lazarus; when Jesus wept over Jerusalem and said, "Oh, Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how often I wanted to gather you in, but you said no." God was God of grief when the widow woman came out of the city with her dead child and Jesus felt compassion on her. Jesus gave her son back to her alive. Jesus knew grief. It was said of God in Genesis 6:6. He looked at the world and He was grieved. The literal meaning was God's heart broke in two.

God's grief is an expression of His divine love, the love of a father who, knowing the potential of his rebellious child, is moved with grief as again and again and again. He sees his child reject righteousness and give in to sin.

God sees scoffers, immorality, decadence, apostasy, violence, contempt, and business as usual. The heart of God is broken. If God is grieved to tears over the sinfulness of the world, and you and I have the mind of Christ, how can we go on living as though it were business as usual? As though God's standards have changed? The church of our Lord ought to come before God, not joining in the pursuits of the world, but setting apart the whole of our lives before a holy God. God had a plan for Noah, God has a plan for the church today. He wants us to build the ark. Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord because Noah walked with God. He wants us to walk with Him.

We have the privilege of being the Noahs of our day. We have the plans for the ark, etched in the eternal scrolls of God's Word. We have the enabling power of His Spirit to comfort us, to guide us, and to lead us. We have the examples of Noah's world and Lot's world to remind us. We have it all. And all we have to do is come before our precious God and make ourselves totally available just as Noah did. There is no time to waste. For as it was in days of Noah then, He desperately needs Noahs now. Dear God, may we become the Noahs you need today!

--Russell Keifer