



Life Lines

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MY LINES

Micah Williams

“Teacher of the Year”

*Presented by:
Merrell Shoptaw*

As the recipient of last year’s award, it was my honor to introduce this year’s “Teacher of the Year” award winner.

Let me begin by first thanking you again for honoring me with this award last year because it truly is one that I will always be proud of, and I’m confident that this year’s winner will have a similar appreciation for it’s importance.

When the award selection committee informed me that I would be making this presentation, I was a little apprehensive that it would be difficult having enough material to talk about, but that changed immediately when I found out who was this year’s awardee.

Proverbs 31:10,20,30b says, *“Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies. She extends her hand to the poor, yes, she reached out her hands to the needy. But a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised.”*

The person we have honored fits well this scripture. You will probably recognize who I’m talking about immediately but please listen to just a few of the characteristics and accomplishments of this lady.

She is not a native of Dover, but moved here in December 1986 to assume the job of Postmistress of our local post office. She reportedly said that she wanted to attend the church of Christ in Dover so that she could meet and know

her customers in the town where she worked.

It did not take her long to integrate into our church. She began teaching almost immediately, and over these 19 years now, she has taught just about all ages. She even agreed to teach her own son, Richie, when he was the only student in the Wednesday night class. Most people would put one student into another class, but not her!

No one could remember exactly when she began teaching the Ladies’ class on Wednesday evening, but it’s been quite a long time now. I think it’s a universal opinion that her influence on this class has been tremendous because of her extensive knowledge of God’s Word and her untiring dedication to preparing to teach.

She also presently teaches the nursery class on Sunday mornings and made a commitment to learn all the little kids’ songs from Joyce Walters so she can teach and entertain them with one of her assets . . . her beautiful voice!

You can always count on her to be an integral part of anything going on at Dover. For example, she’s instrumental in planning the annual Ladies’ Day activities by scheduling the speakers, forming committees, providing entertainment and doing anything else that needs to be done.

One of the things that you notice most about this lady is that she has a really good grasp of the true nature of a Christian! By that I mean that she understands that just being a dedicated and dependable participant in activities of the church is not the complete person that Christ expects, but reaching out to those folks around us who are in need is truly the essence of Christ’s nature.

Here are just a few things she does:

She began the idea of taking personal items to the women and children at the Battered Women’s Shelter each December.

She visits shut-ins, makes phone calls and sends cards. She helped the teens prepare and deliver food baskets to the elderly at Thanksgiving. She used her vacation time from work to go on two mission trips in foreign countries, and she was one of the two ladies who recently volunteered for several days of hard work to help the victims of Katrina when our group went to Louisiana.

I remember her making the comment once that she believed that helping people up who were down was our greatest accomplishment as God’s people.

If you asked her about any of these things she probably wouldn’t want to talk about it much because she goes about her business in a quiet way.

She doesn’t seem to need recognition from us for the good things that she does, but I think you’ll agree that she’s getting plenty of recognition from God – that’s all that really matters!

Please join me in saluting a genuine nice lady and our Teacher of the Year for 2006!

CHARLENE CLARK!!!

“It is true that you can succeed best and quickest by helping others succeed.”

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

"I haven't lost my mind . . . it left on its own accord." Have you had days like this? You feel as if you have actually lost your mind. It seems as if these days are coming more frequently now.

Usually I get my coffee ready each night so I can just turn it on the next morning. I turn it on and then go take my shower. This supposedly works. However, a couple of times lately, I've gone into the kitchen to get a cup and all I have is a hot coffee pot and no coffee. You should not do this more than once, right?

Most of us have gone into a room, forgot why, then have to return to where we were to try to remember why we went there in the first place. This must be pretty common with most of us.

A good thing about these things is, they happen in our homes where no one knows about them unless we tell them. I did something not long ago that didn't happen at home. It hap-pened where people know me, so it gets more embarrassing. I pulled up to the store, waiting for my sister to go inside and get a coke. At first I didn't intend to get gas but changed my mind. I turned around and pulled to one of the pumps, got out, only to find that my gas tank was on the other side. I get into my van and pull around to the other side. Again, my gas tank is on the other side. It act-ually takes me three times to get it right. After the second try I wanted to leave, just pretend that I didn't want gas, but I couldn't leave my sister.

Later my sister says someone inside asked if I was driving a different vehicle. Actually, I've had the van for three or more years and we were at my store! I had to go in and see how many of the employees saw me. We all had a good laugh. It seems that I am not the first to do this.

The Scriptures tell us that we can pray for wisdom to help us understand the Word. I needed to pray for wisdom just to get me out of town!

Remember Our Sick

Alice Hollis – still in Little Rock Heart Hospital, serious gall bladder and pancreatic problems. Listed as critical, but family hopeful.

Jerry Martin – cousin to Marion & Joan, hospitalized with blood clot, Joplin, MO.

Troy Meadows – had triple by-pass surgery, home, slow recovery.

Kaitlyn Schwartz – reducing fluids, final stages. Prayers are so needed for this child, her parents and family.

Shut-ins: Needs prayers and visits.

Dover Area:

Bernice Brown

Evelyn Burton

Mae Vanzandt

Russellville Nursing and Rehab Center:

Thelma Hatcher

Esther Sparks

Stella Manor:

Louise Killer

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Susie Boley, Tom Cloud, Jamie Churchill, Jeff Davis, Barbara Forehand, Virginia Grant, Grady Gregory, Vickie Gregory, Brian Holloway, Robert and Rose Lee, Bill and Mary McAlister, John and Jannie Myers, Joe Miller, Nolan Passmore, Teresa Phillips, Tanya Smith, Matt and Nikki Tackett, Pauline Whorton and Valentina.

Special Children: Emmy May, Gabriel Ross Finlayson, Keith Martin, Zachary Shelton and Noah Williams.

Military: Jon Allen, Darus Brown, Greg Davis, Johnny Ragsdale and Rudy Will. Cole Wetzal is stateside waiting for his next assignment.

Dover Church of Christ New Member-ship Get-To-Gether!

**Sunday, February 26th
Fellowship Hall
12:00 Noon
Food Furnished by
Visitation Committee**

Dover Church of Christ

Just living in this part of the world, we are awarded the luxuries that most of the world's population cannot receive without actually moving here.

We are so richly blessed, that sometimes we can't look out of our small cubicle and see everything that is before us!

Our congregation is abundantly blessed with:

Loving elders.

A minister who has the ability to reach out to us, make us feel the need to put God first in our lives.

Hard working deacons.

Dedicated teachers.

Talented members . . . who take it upon themselves to do works that go unnoticed – not for the glory, but because they love the Lord and care about those around us.

Isn't it great to be a part of the Dover Church of Christ?

By Robert Lee (A Member)

Sympathy & Prayers

For the family and friends of **Sid Karnes**, age 91 who passed away Sunday, February 12, 2006 at the Mitchell Nursing Home in Danville, AR. He was the brother of Esther Sparks. Memorial service was Wednesday, February 15th at Havana, AR.

Events

Dover Church of Christ Children's Church

Every Sunday

11:15 - 12:00 Noon
Ages 2 to 8

Story for February
"God Chose Abraham"
(Genesis 12:1-20)

Memory Verse:

*"I will bless you and make
your name great."*
(Genesis 12:2b)

Christeens 2006

February 24th thru 26th

"The Price Is Right"

For more info:
Ph: 479-968-1121
or
E-mail: wsyouth.org

Ladies Day!

Dover Church of Christ
Saturday, April 8th, 2006
8:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Speaker: Barbara Knight
*"As for me and my house we will
serve the Lord."* (Josh 14:15)

Mark Your Calendars

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Sunday, March 12th
6:00 PM

Clarksville Church
Of Christ
2211 West Main
Clarksville, AR

Singing, Devotional and
Dinner Provided.

GOSPEL MEETING

Center Ridge Church
Of Christ
Center Ridge, AR

February 26th
Thru
March 2nd

7:00 PM Each Evening

Speakers: Tommie Boles
David Dawson
Jay Crow
Ed Myers
Carl Cook

Men's Business Meeting

March 6th, 7:00 PM
Dover Church of Christ

Men's Devo

March 9th, 7:00 PM
Dover Church of Christ

March Birthdays

- 02 Kelly Williams
03 Bryan Bates
Keaton Creel
Rick Hollis
07 Harold Turner
Colton Williams
08 Adam Land
12 Carl Lawley
13 Matthew Moss
17 Jim Killer
18 Ryan Whiteside
21 William Boley
22 Alan Herron
25 Blake Brown
26 Mike Creel
Jessalyn Davis
Wilma Johnson
Shelby Statler
28 Kaeli Miller

If we missed your birthday,
please let us know so it won't
happen again.

Dover Church of Christ
Singles' Breakfast
Every Saturday, 9:00AM
Bayou Café

Ladies Day

Saturday, March 4th
Registration: 8:30 AM
Overcup Church of Christ
Speaker: Juanita Felts
Theme: "Showers of Blessings"

THOSE TO SERVE

February 26, 2006

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

John Myers
Lawrence Boley

Communion

Podium: Chris Loper
Serve: Blake Walters
Brett Walters
Brent Hottinger
Dennis Whiteside

Scripture Reading

Donny Forehand

Sunday P.M. Prayers

Marion Helton
Merrell Shoptaw

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.
Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.
Micah Williams

Prepare Table for Communion

Marion and Joyce Helton

Communion to Shut-Ins

Troy Curtis
William Boley

Greeters

Troy and Rachel Curtis

Wednesday Night Devotional

March 1, 2006

Donny Forehand

Meeting Times
Sunday Morning Bible Classes
9:45 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship
10:45 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship
6:00 P.M.
Ladies Tuesday Bible Class
10:00 A.M.
Wednesday Bible Classes
7:00 P.M.

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Jim Killer 331-2802
Allen Veasman 331-2156
Sid Womack 967-2367

Deacons:

Chris Besterfeldt
Donny Forehand
Brent Hottinger
Chris Loper
Rex McDaniel
Chris Moss
Joe Miller

Nursery Attendants:

Sunday Class: Charlene Clark
Patsy Wisbrock
Wednesday Class: Carin Chance

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