



Life Lines

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MY LINES

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The Price of Donuts

A certain Professor of Religion named Dr. Christianson, was a studious man who taught at a small college in the western United States. Dr. Christianson taught the required survey course in Christianity at this particular institution. Every student was required to take this course his or her freshman year, regardless of his or her major.

Although Dr. Christianson tried hard to communicate the essence of the gospel in his class, he found that most of his students looked upon the course as nothing but required drudgery. Despite his best efforts, most students refused to take Christianity seriously.

This year, Dr. Christianson had a plan and asked a very special student named Steve to assist him in his plan. Steve was only a freshman, but was studying with the intent of going onto the seminary for the ministry. Steve was popular, well liked and he was an imposing physical specimen. Also, he was the starting center on the college foot-

ball team.

It came down to how many push-ups Steve could do. The exercise would require about 300. Steve said he did 200 every night and he thought he could do the 300.

The next Friday was the last day of class. Dr. Christianson brought in a large box of fancy donuts with cream centers and topped with frosting swirls. Everyone was excited that they were going to have a party.

Dr. Christianson started with the first girl in the first row asking, "Cynthia, do you want to have one of these donuts?"

"Yes," Cynthia answered.

Dr. Christianson turned to Steve and asked, "Steve, would you do ten push-ups so Cynthia can have a donut?"

"Sure," Steve said, and quickly complied.

Dr. Christianson continued down the first row, second, third, etc.

Some of the students began to worry about Steve doing all these push-ups and refused the donuts.

Dr. Christianson said, "That's okay, but whether you accept the donut or not, Steve still has to do the push-up for each donut."

Steve had put forth a lot of effort to do these push-ups and was beginning to tire.

By the time Dr. Christianson had finished giving out donuts to his entire class he noticed that other students from other classes were starting to line the walls of the class room.

By the time he gave out donuts to the extra students this meant that Steve had done about 350 push-ups. He was totally exhausted and two students had to help Steve up and to a chair.

Dr. Christianson turned to Steve and said, "**Well done, good and faithful servant.**" Then added, "Not all sermons are preached in words."

The professor addressed his class, "My wish is that you might understand and fully comprehend all the riches of grace and mercy that have been given to you through the sacrifice of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. God spared not His only Begotten Son, but gave Him up for us all, for the whole Church, now and forever.

"Whether or not we choose to accept His gift to us, the price has been paid.

"Wouldn't you be foolish and ungrateful to leave it lying on the desk?"

Sent in by: Carolyn Clark
Dover Church of Christ
Dover, Arkansas

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlistar

MY DAY

By: *Melissa Prichard Lester*

Monday morning - woke up late.
Talking to God will have to wait.
A busy schedule, things to do.
Sorry, God, no time for you.
Errands to run. Bills to pay.
Not a moment to stop and pray.
People to see, and calls to make.
I'll think about God when
I get a break!
Lunch time's here; I'm
far behind.
No time yet, but He won't mind.
Five o'clock now;
at work I must stay.
But I'll talk to God
sometime today.
Met with the boss; got the raise!
But no time to speak
a word of praise.
Stopped by the store,
made dinner for two.
I'll talk to God when
the day is through!
Clothes to wash,
and floors to mop.
I'd love to pray,
but I just can't stop.
The day is done. I fall into bed.
Sleep takes over;
dreams fill my head.
Tomorrow will be a brand new day –
Maybe then I'll find time to pray.

*From Christian Woman
March/April 2006*

Dover Church of Christ Lawn Schedule

June 3 **Chris Moss**
 Chris Besterfeldt

Remember Our Sick

Lawrence Boley – still having heart problems and blockage. Doctors are promising a good outcome.

Gail Brewer – niece to Robert Bird, still receiving treatment for cancer.

Donny Forehand – had shoulder surgery Friday, May 5th. Doing well.

Clifton Gamble – nephew to Juanita Whitted, heart attack.

Hiroko Hatcher – Juanita Whitted's sister-in-law, diagnosed with cancer.

Alice Hollis – finally home following gall-bladder surgery. **Juanita Whitted** – health problems, no diagnoses, yet.

Shut-ins: Need 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:

Walter and Thelma Arcynski, J. D. Bates, Lloyd Boley, Susie Boley, Dora Dean Cloud, Jamie Churchill, Lloyd Collins, Tom Collier, Jeff Davis, Hoyt Ensey, Barbara Forehand, Virginia Grant, Grady Gregory, Vickie Gregory, Sue Griffin, Chris Henderson, Brian Holloway, Ray King, Robert and Rose Lee, Bill and Mary McAlistar, Troy and Bennie Lou Meadows, John and Jannie Myers, Joe Miller, Nolan Passmore, Teresa Phillips, Laurie Ann Robey, Reddie Smith, Tanya Smith, Virgil Turner, Sue and W. T. Williams, Pauline Whorton, Valentina, and Elsie Youngerman.

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

Military: Jon Allen, Darus Brown, Greg Davis, Johnny Ragsdale, Cole Wetzell and Rudy Will.

FANNY CROSBY

The grave of Fanny Crosby, in Bridgeport, Connecticut, has a simple marker that reads, Aunt Fanny – She Hath Done What She Could.”

Fanny Crosby was blind from six weeks of age because of a mistreatment by a man claiming to be a doctor. Yet she wrote more than 9000 hymns such as:

Blessed Assurance
All The Way My Savior Leads Me
I Am Thine O Lord
Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross
Praise Him, Praise Him
Rescue The Perishing
To God Be The Glory
Tell Me The Story Of Jesus

... to name a few.

Although blind, she was the guest of six presidents and a personal friend to Glover Cleveland.

Her 9000 hymns were set to music by every popular American tunesmith of the nineteenth century and still blesses the Church of Jesus Christ in our day.

Someone has said, “It doesn't take much of a man to be used of God. It just takes all of him.”

Bulletin Digest

One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people.

He said, “My son, the battle is between two ‘wolves’ inside us all.

“One is Evil. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority and ego.

“The other is Good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith.”

The grandson thought about this for a minute and then asked his grandfather, “Which wolf wins?”

“The one you feed,” replied the grandfather.

Sent In By: Susie Boley
(Dover Church of Christ)

Events

Dover Church of Christ
Children's Church

Every Sunday

11:15 - 12:00 Noon

Ages 4 thru 8
Bible Story and
Activities

Ages 1 thru 3
Nursery Class

CAMP CAUDLE
May 28 thru June 3
Servant Week

Director: Scott Roderick
Ages 16 and up
(Bring work clothes)

In SEARCH of the
Lord's Way

Little Rock's KARK-TV 4
(Sunday 8 AM)

Mark Your Calendars

YOUTH DEVO

Sunday, June 4th
Dover Church of Christ's
Youth will meet after
Sunday evening services at
Sid and Karen Womack's,
Russellville, AR

Men's Regular Business Meeting

Monday, June 4th, 7PM
Dover Church of Christ

Men's Devo

Thursday, June 8th, 7PM
Host: Allen Veasman

Ladies' Night

Thursday, June 15, 7PM
Hostess: Marilyn Veasman

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Steve and Crystal Ramirez are
the proud parents of a little girl
born Tuesday, May 16th.
Great-Grandparents, James and
Shirlie Chadwick and a first-time
uncle, Chris Ramirez are elated.

June Birthdays

- 01 Sandra Boatright
- 02 Chase Chance
- 03 Allen Veasman
- 04 Michelle Helton
- 05 Eugene Qualls
- 07 Bob Bennett
Victoria Mitchell
- 10 Leanna Mullins
- 11 Joe Miller
- 12 Ashlee Wilson
- 14 Kenna Rae Jackson
- 15 Jacqueline Helton
- 21 Caitlyn Straight
- 22 Nina June Qualls
- 25 Ashley Anderson
Pat Holloway
Iris Lawley
- 28 Tanya Smith
Joyce Walters

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

Dover Church of Christ's
Singles Breakfast
Every Saturday
9:00 AM
Bayou Cafe

Gospel Singing
Mars Hill Church
of Christ
Vilonia, Arkansas
Saturday, June 3, 7PM

THOSE TO SERVE

May 28, 2006

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters

Song Leader: Jim Killer

Prayers

Blake Walters

Chris Loper

Communion

Podium: Allen Veasman

Serve: Jim Killer

John Myers

Lawrence Boley

Marion Helton

Scripture Reading

Rex McDaniel

Sunday P.M.

Prayers

Donny Forehand

Earl Whitted

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.

Sid Womack

Sunday P.M.

Sid Womack

Prepare Table for Communion

Lois Boley

Communion to Shut-Ins

Jim Killer

Earl Whitted

Greeters

Earl and Frances Kennedy

Wednesday Night Devotional

May 31, 2006

Brett Walters

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.

Minister: Micah Williams

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Or Cell: 479-264-9244

Elders:

William Boley 858-7131

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 Vaughn

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