



Life Lines

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A Tribute to Charles Hickey

Charles was an avid learner. He loved to read, to write and have discussions about what he had learned. A glimpse at his arsenal of books would tell you this, even if you did not know him. He had a great knowledge of the Bible from his studying over the years.

As a young man he served in the U. S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He served in six major campaigns, receiving medals in each. Some of these were the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Air Medal and the Army Good Conduct Medal. On July 15, 1945 his bomber was shot down. Charles was one of the five to survive of this ten member crew. He was instrumental in saving their lives by using a mirror to bring attention to their floating devise. He was a war hero. During his fighting days he received some injuries that would haunt him the rest of his life.

In 1950 he began his career with the U. S. Department of Agriculture as a county conservationist. After twenty years, he retired, but he didn't stop. He continued his education. He must have been a driven man. At the funeral service his son, Bill, said he was a type A person. Throughout the next years he continued his quest for knowledge. He received a master's degree in counseling, then later a doctorate in ministry.

Charles was a family man also. He and Leota raised three children. They had a good, long marriage but it was not without some ups and downs. They went through the toughest times when they lost a son, and then later a grandson. Only those who have experienced this loss can truly understand what pain they had. But,

Charles and Leota survived, because of their faith in God.

Charles called his beloved Leota, "Ota." In fact, he wrote an "Ode to Ota." In this ode he told of his love for her. He wrote about their life together. Bill read this at the funeral service. This gave the friends and family a look into the heart of Charles.

Bill had some very good things to say about his dad. Some of it brought tears. Some of it brought laughter. He told a story his dad told them. His dad was young, about 7 or 8. During recess at school, for some reason, he and another boy had a disagreement that came to blows. The other boy was bigger, but that didn't stop Charles. There were a couple of hits and then as the bigger boy was about to clobber Charles, he saw a shadow pass by out of the corner of his eye. His older sister, Pauline, came to the rescue. She hit the boy. Charles was not happy! He wanted to fight his own battles. She had embarrassed him. Little did he realize that she probably saved him from a bloody nose!

Charles was an elder at the Dover Church of Christ for many years. During part of this time he offered free counseling to anyone in need. He was a very generous person. In fact, he and Leota were probably the most generous people I have ever known. He didn't wait for the church to help; he would take money from his own pocket to help them. He would pay for an electric bill, for food, for gas or whatever they needed. He and Leota have worked hard and been blessed. They shared these blessings. ***"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it."*** (Hebrews 13:2

NASB) One generosity shown by Charles and Leota was their house in the mountains, called Hickeystead. For many years, as long as his health allowed, they invited all the church family to an annual fish fry at Hickeystead. They did all the preparation, mowing, cleaning and all it takes to get ready for a crowd. All who went certainly enjoyed those times we had together. The children had room to run and play and they could go into the tower. We appreciated their hospitality.

Charles was the editor of Life Lines for several years. Most of you will remember the articles he wrote, "Hickeynotes." He was a wise man, sharing this wisdom with us in the articles. In the past few years Charles had to give up many things he enjoyed.

In the latter part of 2003, he and Leota came to my house one morning. He asked me to be the editor of Life Lines. I was surprised. He told me that Joan and I had been doing it for awhile anyway. He didn't want to quit but his health was not good. (Joan and I continued to use some of his writings for quite some time).

Charles will be remembered as a Christian and as a friend. He loved the Lord. He was 83. He made a good impression on those who knew him. He will be missed by his family and many friends. He was a hero in the war and a hero for the Lord. Most of us knew him when he served as an elder. ***"But we request of you brethren, that you appreciate those who diligently labor among you, and have charge over you in the Lord and give instruction, and that you esteem them highly in love because of their work."*** (I Thessalonians 5:12-13a NASB) *pmc*

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

"For we hear that there are some who walk among you in a disorderly manner, not working at all, but are busybodies." (II Thessalonians 3:11)

Listed here are some of the definitions given in the dictionary of a busybody: Meddler, snoop, pry, gossip, scandal-monger, blabbermouth and talebearer. None of which are complimentary! We are cautioned strongly about being busybodies. In I Peter 4:15, he puts busybody right along with a murderer, a thief or an evildoer. That is mighty strong!

Most of us realize the harm that can come from busybodies. Whether something is true or false, it can have the same harmful effect.

"Gossip needn't be false to be evil—there's a lot of truth that shouldn't be passed around." Frank A. Clark

In our ladies' class we often use Bible study books by Willard Conchin. In one he wrote this story: "A preacher, once, upon moving to a new work, took a little notebook to the pulpit with him, and holding it up, he told the audience its purpose. Any time a person came to him with "information" about a fellow-member, he would accept the information if the bearer would write it in the book and sign his name to it."

Then, Conchin asked these questions. Was this asking too much of the "news bee" to sign their name? Should anyone be ashamed to sign their name? Would this cure a lot of "confidential whispering" among some idle members?

Most likely this stopped the majority of "information." Having to sign your name would make you think twice of how important this information actually was.

There are several questions we could ask ourselves before we discuss "information" we have seen or heard. Is it any of our business? Will it hurt someone? Will it hurt the church? Is it dangerous for their soul? Is it dangerous for my soul? What is my intent or purpose in passing this along? And probably most importantly, am I using God's guidelines?

If we are doing the Lord's work, we won't have time to be a busybody!

Remember Our Sick

Troy Curtis – In St. Vincent's, L.R., Infection is back.

Bill Boley – of Tennessee, heart attack.

Joyce Helton – radiation treatments start the first week of June.

Rex & Liliya McDaniel – need our prayers.

Carol Presley – Micah's grandmother, heart attack followed by stint surgery.

Gene Williams – stroke, close friends of Don and Wilma Johnson.

Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Dover Area: **Evelyn Burton**

Robert Lee

Russellville Nursing & Rehab Center:

Evelyn Driver

Melba Hodges

Stella Manor: **Bernice Brown**

Louise Killer

Mae Vanzandt

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Yvonne Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Michael Beasley, Bob/Carolyn Bennett, Lloyd Boley, Lois Boley, Wm/Susie Boley, Eugene Cox, Jeff Davis, Pauline Dale, Barbara Dawson, Charles Ensey, Hoyt/Sarah Ensey, Carol Graham, Paul/Sue Griffin, Leota Hickey, Pat Holloway, Cleon Johnson, Dorothy King, Rose Lee, Linda Melton, Julie Moss, Charles Proctor, Don Sheeran, Reddie Smith, Tanya Smith, & Judy Will.

Special Children: Elysia Lee, Emmy May, Keith Martin and Noah Williams.

Expectant Mothers: Kelly Chance and Kristen Nordin

Our Military: Greg Davis, (state-side) Cole Wetzel and Rudy Will (home soon).

Prayers and Sympathy for the family and friends of Yuri McDaniel who passed away suddenly, Friday, May 23, 2008, Russellville, AR. Memorial services were at 10:00 AM, Friday, May 30, 2008, Dover Church of Christ.

Prayers and Sympathy for the family and friends of Ray King. He passed away Saturday, May 24, 2008. Services Monday, May 26, 2008. He was the father of Karen Womack.

THE 7 UPS!!

Wake Up!! Decide to have a good day. *"This is the day the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."* (Psalms 118:24)

Dress Up!! The best way to dress up is to put on a smile. A smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks. *"The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."* (Samuel 16:7)

Shut Up!! Say nice things and learn to listen. God gave us two ears and one mouth, so He must have meant for us to do twice as much listening as talking. *He who guards his lips guards his soul."* (Proverbs 13:3)

Stand Up!! . . . for what you believe in. Stand for something or you will fall for anything. *"Let us not be weary in doing good; for at the proper time, we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good . . ."* (Galatians 6:9-10)

Look Up!! . . . to the Lord. *"I can do everything through Christ who strengthens me."* (Philippians 4:13)

Reach Up!! . . . for something higher. *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not unto your own understanding. In all your ways, acknowledge Him, and He will direct your path."* (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Lift Up!! . . . your prayers. *"Do not worry about anything; instead PRAY ABOUT EVERYTHING."*

(Philippians

4:6)

Sent in by Iris Bates, Springdale, Arkansas

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

No Area Wide Devo

For the Months of
June & July.

Dover's Lawn Mowing Schedule

Saturday, June 14th
Allen Veasman
And
Jeff Myers

Dover Church Youth Devo

Sunday, June 8th
Following Evening Services
Sid/Karen Womack's Home

Mark Your Calendars

Dover Men's Devo

Thursday, June 12th, 7 PM
Host: Micah Williams

Dover Ladies Night

Thursday, June 19th, 7PM
Home of Sandra Boatright

Speaker: Sunday PM,
(evening service)
June 8, 2008

John Callahan
An Elder from the
Mulberry Church of Christ
Theme: The work the
Mulberry church is doing
with Southern Christian Home.

Camp Caudle Schedule

Day Camp: June 9 thru 14
Session for 4th/6th Grades
8:30 – 4:30 Monday- Friday
Registration: 2-4 PM, Sunday

JUNE Birthdays

- 01 Sandra Boatright
- 02 Chase Chance
- 03 Allen Veasman
- 04 Michelle Helton
Jeff Myers
- 05 Eugene Qualls
- 07 Bob Bennett
- 10 Leanna Mullins
- 11 Joe Miller
- 12 Ashlee Wilson
- 14 Kenna Rae Jackson
- 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.

“In Search of The Lord's Way”

Now 24/7

**The Search Program can
now be accessed any time
website: www.searchtv.org**

**Mack Lyon's weekly lesson
can be heard and seen on
KARK, Channel 4
Sunday, 7:30 AM**

THOSE TO SERVE

June 8, 2008

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters

Song Leader: Rick Hollis

Prayers

Rex McDaniel
Marion Helton

Communion

Podium: William Boley

Serve: Jim Killer
Chris Loper
Robert Bird
Sid Womack

Scripture Reading

Allen Veasman

Sunday P.M.

Prayers

Jim Killer
Joe Miller

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.

Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.

John Callahan
Mulberry Church of Christ

Prepare Table for Communion

Cara Williams

Communion to Shut-Ins

Chris Ramirez
Dennis Whiteside

Greeters

Alan and Sandra Boatright

**Wednesday Night
Devotional**

June 11, 2008

William Boley

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
Joe Miller
Chris Moss

Nursery Attendants:

Sunday Class: JoAnn Killer
Sunday Church: Pat McAlister
Kaeli Miller

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