



# Life Lines

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## Priceless

A lecturer, when explaining stress management to an audience, raised a glass of water and asked, "How heavy is this glass of water?"

Answers called out ranged from 20g to 500g.

The lecturer replied, "The absolute weight doesn't matter. It depends on how long you try to hold it. If I hold it for a minute, that's not a problem. If I hold it for an hour, I'll have an ache in my right arm. If I hold it for a day, you'll have to call an ambulance.

"In each case, it's the same weight, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it becomes."

He continued, "And that's the way it is with stress management. If we carry our burdens all the time, sooner or later, as the burden becomes increasingly heavy, we won't be able to carry on.

"As with the glass of water, you have to put it down for a while and rest before holding it again. When we're refreshed, we can carry the burden.

"So, before you return home tonight, put the burden of work down. Don't carry it home. You can pick it up tomorrow. Whatever burdens you're carrying now, let them down for a moment if you can. Relax;

pick them up later after you've rested. Life is short. Enjoy it!"

Then he shared some ways of dealing with the burdens of life:

Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.

Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.

Always read stuff that will make you look good should you die in the middle of it.

Drive carefully. It's not only cars that can be recalled by their Maker.

If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.

If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it probably was worth it.

It may be that your sole purpose in life is simply to serve as a warning to others.

Never buy a car you can't push.

Never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because then you won't have a leg to stand on.

Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the bird, sleep late.

The second mouse gets the cheese.

When everything's coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.

Birthdays are good for you. The more you have, the longer you live.

To the world you might be one person, but to one person you just might be the world.

Some mistakes are too much fun to only make once.

We could learn a lot from crayons. Some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names and all are different colors, but they all have to live in the same box.

A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour.

Love God and love your fellow man.

Pray often.

Author Unknown  
From: *Home Touch*

## Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

*“Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.”* (III John 2)

Is there anything in this world worth losing our soul? Sincere believers in a world beyond this one would say no! Yet, often we put things in the way of our salvation.

Paul tells us to exercise ourselves toward godliness. *“For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.”* (I Timothy 4:8)

We realize exercise is important for our physical body. Keeping our body in good health will enable us to do spiritual things. Physical training becomes a problem when we let it interfere with our spiritual training. We cannot forget the important part, our soul.

Paul did say that exercise is of some value, but godliness has value for all things. Some things we do have no value at all. We are no better or no worse for them. It does matter if it affects someone else. We must always be aware of the weak. Our actions should not hurt the weak or cause them to stumble. We must not forget our soul, the souls of our children and grandchildren, or the souls of our family and friends.

Throughout the Scriptures we are cautioned about being **in the world**. Worldly things can cause us serious problems in this life and in the life to come. Paul tells us to strive toward godliness. Godliness gives us promise in this present life and in the life to come.

Don't let worldly things come between you and God. They are temporary. Is anything in this world worth losing our soul?

*“For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?”*

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**“The world is round, and the place that seems like the end may also be the beginning”**

## Remember Our Sick

**Amie Barkley** – waiting on results from biopsy.

**Lawrence Boley** – home with serious breathing problems.

**Shelley Culwell** – on bed rest through rest of pregnancy, due September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Rachel Curtis** – successful cataract surgery Monday, September 17.

**Jessalyn Davis** – cancer, undergoing treatment.

**Bill McAlister** – home, trying new treatments.

**Kim Miller** – out-patient surgery, Wednesday, September 19, Baptist, LR. Home recovering.

**Ray Motley** – Home, hospice.

**Charles Hickey** – experiencing more pain, on morphine patch, back home.

**Don Sheeran** – pancreas/gall-bladder problems.

**Marilyn Veasman** – heart procedure went well and she is home recovering.

**Diane Walters** – (Randall's) following her knee surgery check-up a blood clot was discovered. She is in St Vincent's, in Little Rock for treatment.

### Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Dover Area:

**Bernice Brown**

**Evelyn Burton**

**Mae Vanzandt**

Russellville Nursing and Rehab Center:

**Evelyn Driver**

**Melba Hodges**

Stella Manor:

**Louise Killer**

### Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Daisy Hogins Anderson, Bob and Carolyn Bennett, Lloyd Boley, Susie Boley, Jeff Davis, Anna Deimund, Don Eichenberger, Charles Ensey, Hoyt Ensey, Carol Graham, Sue Griffin, David Guthrie, Ray King, Jim Lackey, Thula La Rue, Robert and Rose Lee, Liliya McDaniel, Linda Melton, Charles Proctor, Annie Robinson, Summer Russell, Reddie Smith, Tanya Smith, David Walters, Lloyd Whitted and Patsy Wisbrock.

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

**Military:** Greg Davis, Johnny Ragsdale, Cole Wetzels and Rudy Will.

## Good Ol' Days

I grew up in the 40's, 50's, and 60's with practical parents. A mother, God love her, who washed aluminum foil after she cooked in it, then reused it. She was the original recycle queen, before they had a name for it. A father who was happier getting old shoes fixed than buying new ones.

Their marriage was good, their dreams focused. Their best friends lived barely a wave away. I can see them now, Dad in trousers, tee shirt and a hat, and Mom in a house dress, lawn mower in one hand and a dish towel in the other.

It was a time for fixing things. A curtain rod, the kitchen radio, screen door, the oven door, the hem in a dress, etc. Things we keep.

It was a way of life and sometimes it made me crazy. All that re-fixing, eating, renewing. I wanted just once to be wasteful. Waste meant affluence. Throwing things away meant you knew there'd always be more. But then my mother died, and on that clear summer's night, in the warmth of the hospital room, I was struck with the pain of learning that sometimes there isn't any more.

Sometimes, what we care about most gets used up and goes away, never to return. So while we have it, it's best we love it, care for it, fix it when it's broken, and heal it when it's sick.

This is true for marriage, old cars, children (with bad report cards), dogs and cats with bad hips, aging parents and grandparents. We keep them because they are worth it, because we are worth it. Some things we keep like a best friend that moved away or a classmate we grew up with. There are just some things that make life important, like people we know who are special, and so, we keep them close!

*Author unknown  
From Home Touch*

## 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

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### Lawn Schedule

Saturday, October 6th

Rick Hollis  
Silas Powers

### Men's Business Meeting

October 1<sup>st</sup>,  
Monday, 7:00 PM  
Deacons' Meeting  
October 1st, 6:00 PM  
Dover Church of Christ

### Dover Church of Christ Youth Devo

Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, after  
Sunday PM Services  
Home of Donny and  
Leigh Ann Forehand

## Mark Your Calendars

### 1<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL RIVER VALLEY SINGFEST

October 6, 2007  
Saturday, 7:00 – 10:00 PM

West Side Church  
of Christ  
2200 West Main Street  
Russellville, AR

A Cappella at its Best!  
Choruses  
Quartets

Congregational Singing

You are invited to participate,  
please call 479-968-1121  
or email:

[wscocrsvl@wscocrsvl.org](mailto:wscocrsvl@wscocrsvl.org)

Please Help us spread  
the word!

### Men's Devo

October 11, 7:00 PM  
Thursday  
Host: William Boley

### Attention Ladies of the

Dover Church of Christ  
CCSC Potluck Luncheon  
Scheduled for Wednesday,  
October 17<sup>th</sup>. Expect 150!  
See Pat McAlister for  
details.

## October Birthdays

01	Rose Lee
	Shannon Nicole
09	Jason Clark
	Lisa Mullins
12	Susie Boley
13	Kelley Chance
	Cyndie Loper
15	Heath Forehand
16	Bonnie Vinson
19	Robert Lee
21	Brent Brown
22	Kelsi Hottinger
	Emma Letson
23	Blake Walters
27	Carin Vaughn

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

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### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Celebration!

September 30<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday, Noon  
POTLUCK  
Fellowship Hall

### Ladies' Night

October 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM  
Hostess: Tanya Smith

### FALL YARD SALE!

First Weekend of  
October  
Southern Christian  
Home  
Morrilton, AR  
Activity Center

# ***THOSE TO SERVE***

***September 30, 2007***

## **Sunday A.M.**

**Announcer:** Randall Walters  
**Song Leader:** Merrell Shoptaw

### **Prayers**

Robert Bird  
Brent Hottinger

### **Communion**

**Podium:** Jim Killer  
**Serve:** Steve Pennington  
Alan Boatright  
Allen Veasman  
Blake Walters

### **Scripture Reading**

Gary Williams

## **Sunday P.M. Prayers**

William Boley  
Chris Moss

# **SPEAKER**

**Sunday A.M.**  
Micah Williams

**Sunday P.M.**  
Micah Williams

## **Prepare Table for Communion**

Chris and Amanda Besterfeldt

## **Communion to Shut-Ins**

Brent Hottinger  
Chris Ramirez

### **Greeters**

Robert and Juanita Bird

## **Wednesday Night Devotional**

**October 3, 2007**

Merrell Shoptaw

### **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  
**Church Office:** 479-331-3428  
**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  
Joe Miller  
Chris Moss

### **Nursery Attendants:**

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

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