

Laurel Church of Christ

Family Focus

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THE LESSON OF THE GLOVES

By Larry Fitzgerald, Woodlawn CoC, Abilene, TX

I once read a story about a young preacher. Herschel and his wife were two young adults who were new to the ministry and to the town where they served. As many young adults, they had more bills than money.

But there was hope. You see, Herschel was asked to preach a wedding. The bride-to-be was the daughter of an affluent businessman in town. Herschel hoped that he would get an honorarium for his services.

After the wedding, the bride's father presented the preacher with a small wrapped box. When he got home that night, Herschel and his wife opened the gift and found a new pair of work gloves. Both were disappointed. They had bills.

They put the gloves in the back of their closet and forgot about them. Four months later, an unexpected cold snap blew into town. Herschel couldn't find his winter gloves, so he got out the new work gloves. As he put his hand into the gloves, he felt something inside. In each finger of the gloves was a \$20 bill. Two hundred dollars in total. That was like \$2000 in today's market.

All those months of doing without, when the money they needed was sitting in their closet, just waiting to be used.

That's like many of our blessings. Prayer, inspiration of the Bible, fellowship and encouragement of the church—all those blessings await you in Christ. All we have to do is use them.

"You do not have because you do not ask God" .. James 4:2

**Encourage one another in love and
good deeds. Hebrews 10:23-24**

Pray for the sick: You may not know some of them, but God knows them and their needs, so let's lift them up.

Terry Hastings, Sandi Holt, Michelle Tucker, Pat Tucker; continuing health concerns.

Dave Newberry facing weekly oral chemotherapy in Columbus, Ohio. Concern over his MRI this week.

On-going personal Bible studies.

World turmoil; people of Ukraine and Russia

Myra's sister Connie

Jenny Womersley and family

Goldie Weldon; foot problems

Maddie's Aunt Susan, Dale's cousin's baby, Hudson;

Dale's grandmother.

Butch Womersley; health and safety

All our members that are traveling

All those battling COVID

Cindy Wilson (part of our Tues. Zoom) lumbar fusion

Our elders and deacons

Leaders of our country, cities and states

Amy Mathis in continuing job search

Laurie Fisher (Seaford CoC); father Ray passed away

LADIES' ZOOM: Tuesdays at 7:30

LADIES DAY AT LAUREL OCT. 22 Please return your questionnaire to Ginger concerning jobs you are willing to do or help with. Pray and invite!

TRAP POND CAMP Oct. 14-15-16. See Daniel to help with that.

POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP MEAL today following worship. Please stay and enjoy some food and Fellowship.

El Dorado: Mission to the City of Gold by Dave Newberry. There are 6 free copies of this historical fiction book on the foyer shelves of FLC.

MEN TO SERVE;

Welcome/Scripture; Philip 9/25; Danny 10/2

Prayer; ? 9/25; David 10/2

Table; Christian 9/25; Lanny 10/2

Announcements/Closing prayer; John-Sept.

Song Leader; David 9/25; Daniel 10/2

Opportunities for study and worship

Sunday: (In person and virtually at:
www.laurelcoc.org)

Bible Classes 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Teen Devo 6:00 p.m.

Thursday:

Men's Bible Study 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study at building 6:30 p.m.

We invite you to attend any of our service times, and we look forward to welcoming you, and pray that you might find a home here with us in Laurel and with God in heaven as His child.

If you need Media help — connections, addresses, or general questions contact: Don Trader or Julio Brennick

WHO WE ARE

The body of Christ in Laurel, Delaware is a family of believers knit together in love (Colossians 2:2), striving to serve God in spirit and in truth (John 4:24) and carrying the gospel to the lost (Matthew 28:18). We are an autonomous body with Christ only as our head, and elders shepherding the flock of God (Acts 20:28).

We have been entrusted with the gospel (I Thessalonians 2:4) and so it is that we speak. The congregation seeks to uphold the doctrine and practice of the first century church using the only true standard, the Bible, as our guide (2 Peter 1:3). It is our prayer that all would come to a knowledge of the truth and partake in that divine fellowship in the body of Christ, being immersed for the remission of sins, and beginning life anew with Christ as Lord (Acts 2:38, Romans 6:1). Our plea is that we might be one in Christ, and serve the Lord faithfully unto death to receive our crown (Revelation 2:10).