

Laurel Church of Christ

Family Focus

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SPRING CLEANING IS COMING!

By Joe Wells, Spring Hills, TN

It's quickly approaching. That time of year when the "honey-do" list will reach around the house, sometimes more than once. I know this is a good thing, but is anyone else besides me not looking forward to it? It's not that I don't want the house and the garage cleaned inside and out or even that I don't want to tackle my closet and get better organized. It's just that it's a lot of work to get to that point, and I know it will take many hours. It's never convenient nor easy to clean deeply, but it's necessary.

In Matthew 23:25 we read that Jesus made a very horrible statement to a group of religious people. He said, "Woe to you scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and of the dish, but inside they are full of robbery and self-indulgences." What a description of a group of individuals! Outside they looked great, but they were filthy inside their innermost being.

We have spring cleaning every year because we have been putting off doing the deeper cleaning all year. I'm not saying we haven't cleaned—I've become pretty good at working the vacuum and mopping. However, we've focused on what others could see if they came to the house. Spiritually speaking, we tend to do the same, make sure we're clean in the areas others can see, but far too often, we neglect the deeper cleaning—making sure our hearts are made clean by God as we continue to study and apply His word in our lives. The lighter cleaning is the easy part, but the deep cleaning needs our time.

SPRING CLEAN-UP FOR BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

will be Saturday, June 10. There is a sign-up sheet in the FLC foyer on the bulletin board with jobs listed that need to be done. Lunch will be provided. Contact person: Lanny and Karen

He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises. 2 Peter 1:4

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

CONTINUING CONCERNS: Terry Hastings; Sandi Holt, Michelle Tucker, Pat Tucker, Myra's sister, Connie; Norma Hudson, Bobby Phillips, Ace Himes, Butch and Jenny Womersley and family.

On-going personal Bible studies

World turmoil; people of Russia and Ukraine

Our elders and deacons

Cipolla family and their work with children

"Celebrate Recovery"

Daniel and Christine; expecting a little one

Tobias

AIM missionaries, Carolina Aguilar, Miguel Javier

Savannah Cannon, our newest sister in Christ

Dale and Maddy

Dale's brother Paul; shoulder surgery

Ruth Banks; Encompass with broken hip

Jean Hudson lost her sister-in-law Faith Fooks

Wayne Mathis needs to borrow a walker with no wheels for 60 days. Contact Wayne if you have one.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY each Monday evening from 7-9 in the FLC.

WOMEN'S STUDIES— Zoom class Tues. evenings at 7:00 on Hebrews; Apostle Paul Study Fridays at Cathy's, 10:00 (Tai Chi), coffee and fellowship 10:30, study at 11:00.

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VBS HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR JULY 24-28

Let it be known what you're willing to do to help. Start inviting friends.

MEN TO SERVE;

Welcome/Scripture; Dave-4th; Shawn-11th

Prayer; Vinny-4th; Bobby-11th

Table; Andy-4th; Philip-11th

Announcements/Closing prayer; Christian-June

Song Leader; Troy-4th; Dave-11th

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.

Tuesday:

Women's Zoom Study 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Men's prayer (Shawn's) 7:30 a.m.

Bible Study at building 6:30 p.m.

Thursday

Men's Bible study (Philip's) 8:30 a.m.

Friday ladies' Paul study 10:30 a.m.

We invite you to attend any of our service times, and we look forward to welcoming you, and pray

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).