

Laurel Church of Christ

Family Focus

September 5, 2021

OUR LEADERS:

Elders:

David Hudson
Shawn Donaway

Deacons:

Dave Hudson
Lanny Sowell
Danny Snyder

Evangelist:

Dale Nelson
501-207-3808
dale.nelson@laurelcoc.com

Benevolence:

Phil Winter

Care Ministry:

Wayne Mathis

Treasurer:

Don Trader

Media Ministry

Don Trader
Julio Brennick

Youth Leader:

Troy Mathis

Contact us:

1010 S. Central Avenue
Laurel, DE 19956

laurelcoc@laurelcoc.com

Phone: 302-875-7748

www.laurelcoc.org

Send bulletin items to:
dknewwoo@gmail.com or
Text/call 443-521-2401

BECOMING MORE LIKE JESUS continued

Luke 6:40

"A disciple is not above his teacher; but everyone, after he has been fully trained, will be like his teacher." KJV

(See previous bulletins for the first 13 ways we can be more like Jesus)

18. **Was devoted to His family—Jn. 19:25-27** God has His own social security plan...children must take care of their parents. Jesus did it...we must too. He taught that taking care of your folks cannot be sidestepped by devoting it to God some other way (Corban). The apostle Paul said in his writings that some deny the faith and are worse than unbelievers if they do not provide for their families. But this family devotion should not begin near the end of a parent's life, but is to be ongoing. Jesus on the cross tending to His mother illustrates this. He is only 33 years old and she may have been only in her 40's.
19. **Never let family matters interfere with His doing God's will—Mt. 12:46-50** Family cannot be used as an excuse in not doing God's will. Jesus said some will try to excuse themselves from following Him by saying let me first go and bury my father, or I have married a wife. Neither held up. We must achieve a balance.
20. **Jesus sometimes prayed a long time—Luke 6:12** I mean a LONG time. May I suggest that He could do this because He was talking with God, not just making requests. He was pouring out His heart and soul to God. He was casting His cares upon Him. He was getting things off His chest.
21. **Made special arrangements to pray—Mark 1:35** Schedule it, if you have to. Go somewhere, if you have to. Get up early, if you have to. But, DO IT! If Jesus did it, you should, I should. When it comes to praying, it should be something that is more important than eating, bathing, sleeping, brushing your teeth. Do whatever you have to do to get it done.

To be continued

Being like Christ John 15:4-5

Pray for the sick:

Faith Fooks, Dave Newberry, Gloria Hurley, Terry Hastings, Kay Murphy, —continuing health concerns.

Nip Hudson not doing well.

Eleanor Roulis feeling some better.

Pat Tucker, eye issues.

Alexander Asher (Cassie's son); burned by boiling water .

Rhonda Cipolla requests prayers.

Butch and Jenny Womersley requested prayers; also daughters Robin Anderson and Kristy Brady

Duane and Phyllis Morgan (missionaries to Indonesia, Malaysia); he has st. 4 prostate cancer

Daniel, Christine, Mya and newborn, Clayton.

People of Afghanistan

Schools, students and teachers as they try to carry on amidst COVID.



STAY INFORMED by signing up for the informational blasts on the website.

LADIES' SUMMER ZOOM CLASS is studying I, II, and III John Tuesday evenings at 7:00.

CLOTHING GIVEAWAY was held yesterday. We had a great turnout and have many contacts to follow up with that showed an interest in studying the Bble. The fields are ripe and we need workers.

CHALLENGE: Memorize 100 Bible verses by Dec. 31.

LADIES' DAY, October 23 from 10-2. Registration will begin at 9. Our speaker is Tiffany Brooks. See Ginger for ways you can help.

Those serving our country

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.

Tuesday:

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

Women's Zoom study 7:00 p.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).