Today's sermon: Do You Love to Pray?

WORTH WAITING FOR

For we know that when this earthly tent we live in is taken down when we die and leave these bodies—we will have a home in heaven, an eternal body made for us by God himself and not by human hands. – 2 Corinthians 5:1 (NLT)

A day is coming when we will cast off the restraints of our present flesh and be freed to wholly function as the people God created us to be. This life which we hold onto with the tenacity of a dog with his favorite bone, in the days to come, will appear quite worthless to us. One day we will breathe our last breath, the electrical signals in our brain will cease to function, and this tent which is our body will be dismantled so that we can be recreated with an eternal body, fashioned by the hands of God Himself.

The Christ follower wonders why he or she is not at home in this world. Why is there always a sense of dissatisfaction with the present life, even though we know that we are assured of eternity? The answer is simple, yet profound: we are not in the environment we were created for. We are not citizens of this kingdom, but of the one fashioned by our Lord. When we depart this life we will finally realize for the very first time what *home* is really all about. It is in heaven that we experience what we have always longed for: the last piece of the puzzle is put into place, and in the presence of God we thrive.



That meets at 215 South Thomas Ave, Sayre, PA 18840 Arthur Barry, evangelist- (607) 280-1732 January 25, 2015

WELCOME!

<u>Sunday</u> Bible Class- 9:30 a.m. Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Class- 6:30 p.m.



- Sermons are recorded and are available for listening on the church website.
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Bible class series continuing today:

The Book of Ephesians "Sit - Walk - Stand"

UPCOMING EVENTS…

- Ladies Bible Class will begin meeting here at the building at 10am Tuesday, February 3rd. We can decide on what to study, etc. at that time. Please bring ideas and invite your friends and neighbors!
- The 1st annual Men's Revival will take place here on Saturday, May 2nd. The theme is It's Time to Quit Worrying and Start Trembling.

NEWS...

- Check out the progress of our kitchen doorway! Arthur has been following a lead on help with installing the sink and changing the gent's bathroom doorway as well.
- House to House, Heart to Heart, which is a bit nicer publication than the one we had sent out previously, will cost us \$320 per 1000. The deadline for this issue (March/April) is Thursday. Arthur will be seeking input on that today.
- We need to let Kittanning Church know when would be a good time for them to come here and conduct a VBS.
- Arthur and Sandy spent Friday evening and Saturday at the Wetzel Rd. church in Liverpool enjoying the Ministry Couples' Retreat. Dan and Katherine Cooper from Pittman, NJ were the speakers who counseled and encouraged us.

PRAYERS…

- Matthew Lowe, son of Jerry Lowe and brother of Rhonda Washburn, is suffering from the effects of MS, which are steadily worsening. He lives in Cowdersville, PA.
- Ruthie Albro's former boss at Ithaca College is having a hard time caring for her ailing husband.
- Angelica Haakenson, the 11-year-old girl from Anchor Point, AK who lost her legs in an accident on Christmas Day will be transferred to Childrens Hospital in Seattle, WA next week. She is in good spirits, considering.
- Muriel McConnon, who many of us know, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- Sandy's brother, John Keech, will be having possible angioplasty in Crouse Hospital, Syracuse to correct damage done from a former heart attack.
- Lord, send workers unto the harvest.

If you have any prayers or news that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy Barry **barncat7237@gmail.com** or text or call (607) 261-0911.



Songs: 308 Wonderful Love of Jesus, 396 No, Not One,
709 How Sweet, How Heavenly, 315 When I Survey,
264/266 O Come Let Us Adore Him/ Majesty