There's an All-Seeing Eye

By Al Behel

Perhaps you remember the old hymn which says, "There's an all-seeing eye watching you." As a child I was terrified at the idea that somewhere out there was a huge eye looking at me. The hymn emphasized that "every step that you take this great eye is awake...there's an eye watching you!" That was a scary thought to a young boy who was trying to sort our just what kind of God I was hearing about in those hell-fire sermons. I surely didn't want Him to catch me doing anything wrong.

Today, however, I find that this idea brings comfort to my heart and a sense of lasting security. God is always aware of every step we take, and our every action is under His watchful eye. He knows where we are at all times, what is going on in our lives, and what challenges will confront us. As the Almighty, there is nothing hidden from Him, and nothing escapes His watchful eye. More than that, He knows the intentions of our hearts, whether good or evil.

King Solomon said, "The eyes of the LORD are in every place, keeping watch on the evil and the good" (Proverbs 15:3). Wickedness does not escape Him, nor does any good deed or act of love. Darkness does not hide man's sin. But God is always aware and awake to every need and every struggle. I am glad He has an "all-seeing eye."

We are told that "the eyes of the Lord search the earth looking for people whose heart is pure toward Him, so He can show His great power in helping them" (2 Chronicles 16:9). God wants to see man doing good and reward him with His presence and power. His heart is grieved when we do wrong. He always rejoices when He sees us doing the right thing. He shows His great power in helping those whose hearts are pure.

How lonely and desolate our lives would be without His "all seeing eye." Seeing our every step He is able to protect us from enemies within and without if we let Him. He promises that we are never alone. - Al Behel preaches for the Great Smoky Mountains Church of Christ in Pigeon Forge, TN. He may be contacted through the congregation's website:



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WELCOME!

Sunday Bible Class- 9:30 a.m.

Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study-6:30 p.m.

All the churches of Christ greet you.

Romans 16:16

Today's Sermon: Prayer: Pray Without Ceasing.

(Paul Cowles Via Facebook Livestream)

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Scripture Reading: TBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS...

- Wednesday Evening Bible Class: April 29th, streamed at 6:30. Tune in on Zoom. Check the Valley Cities Church of Christ Facebook page for information.
- Next Potluck: TBD
- Horseheads Ladies' Day: postponed until further notice.
- Next Regional Singing: May 31st (if possible) @ Horseheads
- Sojourners-July 27th- August 6th
- **VBS** August 8th



NEWS

- Some Christian sisters in China who are friends with Sandy were concerned about us, so they sent a package of over 100 N95 masks for anyone who needs them. Please let Sandy know if you would like some.
- Please remember those of our group who are not able to join us for worship online. Give them a call, drop them a card, etc. and help them to feel included.
- The May Bible reading schedule will be posted on the Valley Cities
 Facebook page before the 1st. People without computer access will receive copies in the mail.
- Please let Sandy know if you would like some homemade cloth face masks to wear outside during our social distancing period.
 They are good for wearing to the grocery store or for pick up.

PRAYERS

- Pray for all those who are suffering with the Coronavirus, and for the families of those who have died. Pray for protection for the elderly and others who are vulnerable. Pray that these hard times will be brought to a fast end.
- Thank God for all the doctors, nurses, medical staff and other caretakers who are putting their own lives on the line to care for and cure all the sick people. Please keep them safe and protect them.
- **Gail Westerhold, J**erry's friend, is suffering with bad back pain which affects one of her legs. She has been using a cane or a walker. Please pray for pain and symptom relief.
- Pray for **Ted** as he waits for the surgery on his Eustachian tubes to restore his hearing. Pray for comfort from this disappointment about having to wait longer for his surgery.
- Pray for Chris Henson and Devon Wolcott and their little son, Jace.
- Pray for Andrea Lentz, friend of Darlene's, who has lung cancer.
- Please pray for **Mark Elsbree**, who needs a kidney donor. Mark is near the top of the list now, for which we are grateful.
- Pray for Lori Kashorek, who has lung cancer. Lori is dealing with two new brain tumors, for which she is undergoing radiation therapy.
- Pray for Chris Beiber and sons, Nick and Nate, that we can stay in contact and encourage them to draw close to Jesus.
- Pray for the Alleyne family of Deer Park, Long Island, as they mourn the passing of Randolph, husband, father and grandfather.
- Pray for Jerry as he's traveling and while he's staying with his son in Las Vegas. Pray for his time with his sons.
- We are thankful that we have the technology that allows us to gather in spirit to worship on the Lord's Day, and to attend class on Wednesday evening, but we pray that those who are not able to participate in this way will be kept fed on God's word.

If you have any PRAYERS or NEWS that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy at barrorat7237@gmail.com or text or call (607) 261-0911.