

“Beulah Land”

We sing the old gospel hymn Beulah Land which speaks of mansions prepared for us in our heavenly home. The term itself comes from **Isaiah 62:4: You shall no longer be termed Forsaken, nor shall your land any more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah. For the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.** When these words were first penned, Judah was in bondage in Babylon, but Isaiah foretold a better day coming. No longer would God’s people appear to be Forsaken and Desolate (note capital letters) as they seemed to be in Babylon. Rather they would be called Hephzibah (literally “My Delight”) and their land Beulah (literally “Married”). The latter part of the verse defines Hephzibah as “the LORD delights in you” and Beulah as “your land shall be married”. God’s people must have looked forward with great anticipation for 70 years to this promise of the restoration of their former homeland, when God would once again delight in them as His redeemed and reclaimed bride on earth.

Today God’s New Testament people cherish “the Delight” that the Lamb has in His wife, the church, as He has redeemed her from all her sins. And one day in the future He promises to receive us as His eternal bride in heaven (Revelation 21:9-10). In the previous verse Isaiah made a promise that New Testament Christians can also claim today: You shall also be a crown of glory in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God (Isaiah 62:3).

Let us sing in spirit and truth: “O Beulah Land, sweet Beulah Land, as on thy highest mount I stand, I look away across the sea, where mansions are prepared for me, and view the shining glory-shore, my heav’n my home for evermore”.

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WELCOME!

<u>Sunday</u>	Bible Class- 9:30 a.m. Worship- 10:30 a.m.
<u>Tuesday</u>	Ladies Bible Study- 10:00 a.m.
<u>Wednesday</u>	Bible Study-6:30 p.m.

All the churches of Christ greet you,

ROMANS 16:16

Today's Sermon: *Get Holy and Stay Holy*

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Scripture: Philippians 3:17-21

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS...

- **Ladies Class: This Tuesday, November 6th. The class will be at the building. Our lesson will be Day 3 of Lesson 6.**
- **Wednesday Evening Bible Class:** November 7th. Our lesson will be chapter 4 of Philippians. Paul will teach the class.
- **Thanksgiving Dinner-** November 10th at 4:30pm here at our building.
- **Sojourners** here- July 8-18.

Next Potluck: November 18th.



- **The Trunk or Treat outreach was a great success!** Because of rain, we moved our treats to the front porch. We also ran out of candy before the time was up. We learned a few things, like **we need to get the bags stuffed a day or two before the event, we like it on the porch, and there are way more trick or treaters in Sayre than we expected!** We met a few neighbors and saw some old friends too.
- **Our annual Thanksgiving Dinner will be served on Saturday at 4:30 here at the building.** Robin and Pat Gutherie, Randy and Barb Salsgiver and Ben and Jill Wright are all coming to feed us. **Please invite friends** to come eat with us. There is a rumor about some singing and playing entertainment...

PRAYERS...

- Pray for **Andrea Lentz** – lung cancer.
- Pray for **Lori Kashorek** – lung cancer. She is currently on a chemo regimen that is experimental but appears to be working.
- Pray for Sandy and Arthur's neighbor, **Erin Beiber who** has metastatic breast cancer. Erin is also on a chemo program that is extending her life.
- **Patty and Ruthie's cousin Cathy's husband Bruce** has kidney cancer.
- **We are very grateful to report that Dave and Lynne Laton's daughter, Natalie Henton, is cancer free! Glory to God!**
- **Ted** had cataract surgery on his left eye on Thursday morning and has had it checked. His sight has improved already!
- **Arthur** will be wearing a 24-hour Holter monitor to check his irregular heartbeat from Wednesday till Thursday.
- Pray that **Jackie** can find a place to live in the Valley Cities area soon.
- **Ronnie Jones** has had a stroke and is being treated in the hospital in Jacksonville, FL, where he lives.
- **Anthony Tompkins**, former workmate of Ronnie Jones', who attended a few Bible studies here with us, has asked for prayers for his family while he is working far from home.
- Pray that our **Bible class attendance** improves and that we can remain **encouraged** throughout the holiday season, when our numbers are typically way down.

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