

these things. It is humanly designed, built, perpetuated, and governed, and will go the way of all the world (2 Peter 3:10; 1 John 2:17). So, the church who admits they are “an imperfect church” can at least be commended for truth in advertising.

We have all heard the saying “Nobody is perfect.” It is true that nobody is sinlessly perfect, “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God” (Romans 3:23); “All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way” (Isaiah 53:6); “If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us” (1 John 1:8). Yet, when one is baptized for the remission of his sins to be added to the Lord’s church (Acts 2:38, 41, 47), he is perfect: “There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit” (Romans 8:1, emphasis LM). There remains no more guilt for their sins: “And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God” (Revelation 14:5). As a Christian lives by the Scriptures, “The man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works” (2 Timothy 3:17). The apostle Paul labored to build up the church “that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus” (Colossians 1:28). Christians are still susceptible to temptation, they still need God, and they most certainly are not God. Yet by the grace of God, they can be perfect for the use of the Lord, and they can stand perfectly pure before the Judgment Throne.

So is “an imperfect church for imperfect people” desirable? No doubt some will think so. But why? One does not have to settle for that which is vastly inferior. The Gospel invitation is open to all, regardless of how imperfect they may have been in times past (Matthew 11:28-30; Revelation 22:17). Do not settle for “an imperfect church for imperfect people.” Only accept the perfect church for perfected people.

Lebanon church of Christ, Lebanon, Tennessee

Those requesting prayer

Grant Killion, Carol Killion, Frances Hagar, Martha Spikes Rampey, Richard Rapert, Shirley Dixon, Nick VanAkin. Gert Jacobson, Laura Hodge. **Remember all the shut-ins and those in the nursing homes.**

March 3, 2019

THIS WEEK'S RADIO LESSONS

on KPOC:

Sun: Jesus the Way

Mon: You and the Church

Tue: Give Me the Bible

Wed: A Living Hope

Thu: Begotten Again

Fri: Guaranteed By the Resurrection

Remember the shut-ins and those in the nursing home with a visit, call, or card. Also remember them in prayer

Residential

Jenafee Brunner, 1502 W Pyburn
Randolph County Nursing Home

Elsie Prewitt, 106

Earl Hagar, 109

Jennifer Burr, 204

Charlcie Hufstedler, 223

Anna Lemmons, 332

Bonnie Kellett, 335

Gwen Futrell, 419

BULLETIN INFO:

Please give “News and Events” to **Tom and Carolyn Towell**. You can call 892-5087, 870-930-7344 or 870-930-7355 and leave a message. Email address is tctowell@centurytel.net

ITEMS for March CHILDREN'S HOME

Cream of Chicken/Cream of Mushroom Soup

UKRAINE MISSION

Toilet Tissue/Paper Towels

NEWS AND EVENTS

Congratulations to **Mike and Joyce Chesser** on the birth of their new granddaughter, Brilee Grace Palmer. She was born last Monday to Brandon and Karen Palmer and weighed 7lbs 11oz.

Jay Don Wilson is scheduled to have an MRI this morning at 10:00am at NEA Hospital.

Laura Hodge, mother of **Melinda Harris**, is scheduled for a cardioversion, Wednesday, March 6. Melinda has asked for prayers for her Mom.

Gary Dixon is in St Bernards Regional Medical Center in Jonesboro. He will have a heart cath tomorrow, Monday.

Arkie Pierce saw his heart doctor last week and had some tests run. He is awaiting the results of these tests.

Nick VanAkin, grandson of **Barbara Grimsby**, had a successful surgery last week. The doctors were able to close the hole in his heart. He does still have some leakage.

Daylight Savings Time starts next Sunday, March 10. Don't forget to “Spring forward”.

Scott Roderick, who preaches at the Oak church of Christ in El Paso, AR, has requested **help with medical expenses**. His wife Sarah needs a kidney transplant. The elders have sent \$500. If you would like to make an individual contribution, see David Futrell. An article from Ted Knight is posted on the bulletin board about this couple.

Plan of Salvation

Hear – Romans 10:17 “So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God”.

Believe – John 8:24 “I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins”.

Repent – Luke 13:3 “I tell you, nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish”.

Confess – Romans 10:10 “For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation”.

Be Baptized – I Peter 3:21 “The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us, not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ”.

Local Missions

KPOC 104.1 FM–RADIO PROGRAMS

Sunday morning @ 8:00 AM
Mon. – Fri. @ 6:15, 11:55, & 4:55

IN SEARCH OF THE LORD’S WAY

Sunday-7:30 AM on Cable 13 (Memphis)
Sunday-7:30 AM on Cable 4 (Little Rock)
Sunday-7:30 AM on Direct Channel 367

SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE

Sunday-9:00 AM on Cable 9 (KAIT 8)

PREACHING THE GOSPEL

Sunday-6:30 AM on Dish Channel 267

World Missions

Ted Knight, Romania
John Reese, World Bible School, Africa
Eddie Cloer, Truth for Today
Ted Lingren, Cambodia

Website—

www.pyburnstreetchurchofchrist.com

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Announcements: David Futrell

Song Leader: Tom Towell

Speaker: Josh Dement

AM Sermon: The Great Divider

Scripture: Luke 12:51-53

PM: War, Violence, Vengeance

Presiding at Table

Mike Dunn

East

David Lemmons

Jeremy Burgess

Sunday Evening:

West

Byron Futrell

Don Gillean

Mike Dunn

Sunday Morning Worship

First Prayer Wayne Smith

Closing Prayer: Mike Chesser

Read Scripture: David Lemmons

Sunday Evening Worship

First Prayer: Max Long

Closing Prayer Jay Don Wilson

Wednesday Night (March 6)

First Prayer Byron Futrell

Closing Prayer Max Long

Invitation Josh Dement

Preparation of Communion for March

Melinda Harris

Sunday Services

Bible Study 9:00 AM

Worship 9:50 AM

Evening Service 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Study
7:00 PM

Mats for Haiti

Ladies Bible Class Wed 10:30am

Elders

David Futrell 870-378-3513

Tom Towell 870-892-5087

Minister

Joshua Dement 870-378-5551

WELCOME VISITORS!!

**We appreciate our visitors
and encourage you to fill
out a “Visitor’s Card”
located on the back of the
pew in front of you.**

March Birthdays

Charlene Tyer--2

Tabitha Byrd--3

Joey Bryant--7

Elsie Prewitt--14

David Dement--16

Josh Dement--28

In the Footsteps of Jesus

Pyburn Street church of Christ

305 Pyburn Street, P.O. Box 187, Pocahontas, AR 72455

870-892-5596

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“An Imperfect Church for Imperfect People?”
by Lee Moses

Some time ago, I passed by an advertisement for a denominational group which proudly proclaimed that they were “an imperfect church for imperfect people.” Obviously, they thought that many people would find this appealing. They perhaps thought that people would reason with themselves, “Well, I’m not perfect, and neither is anybody else. Those who would claim to be perfect are just hypocrites. Since I will never be perfect, I may as well join in with those who are at least willing to admit that they are not perfect.” “Nevertheless what saith the scripture” about “an imperfect church for imperfect people”?

The Lord’s church is the perfect church. It is perfect in its origin—the eternal mind of God (Ephesians 3:10-11). Since it comes from the mind of God, it is perfect in its design (2:20-22). It has the perfect Builder, Christ (Matthew 16:18). It has the perfect atonement, the blood of Christ (Ephesians 5:25-27). It has the perfect Head, the perfect King (5:23; Colossians 1:13). It has the perfect nobility of purpose, to proclaim the saving Gospel and to glorify the King of kings (Matthew 28:18-20; Ephesians 3:20-21). It has the perfect destination, the dwelling place of God (1 Corinthians 15:24). Contrariwise, any other church has none of (con’t)