January 17, 2021

EDDIE'S EDITORIAL

One thing I am hearing a lot of from preachers and members is how this Covid virus is going to affect the future of the church. With so many having to adjust their life in trying to avoid getting the virus will this virus cause some to lose their souls?

There is the possibility that it could happen to some but it doesn't have to be. We are creatures of habit and when we get out of the habit of doing certain things it takes effort to get back on course. We don't want to let this virus get us off course. May each of us do all we can to grow in the Lord until this thing passes and when it does get back to doing the things the Lord would have us to do.

There is nothing more the devil would want than for such events to rob us of our soul. Don't be one of the victims but be an overcomer.

Looking forward to seeing you Sunday.

Eddie

OUR RECORD	
Sunday Bible Study	n/a
Sunday Morning Worship	112
Sunday Evening Worship	n/a
Wednesday Night Bible Study	n/a
Contribution	\$3779

Prayer list:

KEITH CORKREN is not doing well at home. JOPHN R. MCGEE is sick at home.

J.B. MORRISON is having lung issues due to Covid. PEYTON MCCOOL continues to take treatments for her eye. MARY ELMORE, Beth Snyder's mother, is recovering from surgery from a recent fall at a rehab facility in Northport. FREDDIE MADDOX, Freddie Maddox's father, is home recovering from surgery.

Remember our shut-ins in your prayers: Harold Gault, J.C. Hutchison, Alton Rector, Martha Rye, Jo Seay, Norma Stanford, Mary Thomas

Γ	PRAYERS A.M.
1	SONG LEADERS A.M. Craig Snyder(9:30), Joe McNees10:45)
1	Lord's Supper: 9:30 O.Z. Rhudy, 10:45, Austin Brown
	Security –1-17(1 st)– Bill Pennington, Corey Funderburk 1-17 (2 nd) –John Windle, Chris Crimm

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

If your are 75 and older you can get the Covid Vaccine at the Lamar County Health Dept. beginning January 18. Call for an appointment.

Vernon Informer

Worshipping with a small group of Christians this morning we became involved in a discussion of Matthew 14. We had been reminded that Peter was doing fine walking on the water until he turned his eyes away from the Lord. I've studied that text, taught it and preached it numerous times over the years. However, in reading it and discussing it again this morning, something jumped out at me that previously had been lost to me. There is no way for us to know the distance from the boat to the place where Jesus was walking on the water. Peter jumps out of the boat and begins walking toward our Lord. Only after he "sees" the winds, does he lose his focus on the Savior. As Peter began to sink, could not the Master have stopped the winds immediately? But He doesn't. When Peter calls out to Him, Christ immediately reaches for Peter's hand. Then they walk back to the boat together, on the water, through the storm, and only after they get in the boat does the storm cease blowing. We don't know how long it took them to walk back to that boat. It is true that sometimes the Lord chooses to calm the storm, either on the sea or in our soul. On other occasions, Jesus just takes our hand, and walk with us to safety. Does it seem as if the storm is raging around within? Is everything happening in our world today causing you to lose your focus on Christ? We can pray for peace or pray that he will take our hand until we are safe in the boat with Him. Copied from Jenkins' Institute

Vernon Informer MANAL IN BARN

ELDERS Glenn Butler Allen Chandler Burt Hankins Hugh Windle

DEACONS Jason Burks **Alvin Foster** Kurt Hankins Curtis Heatherly James Morton John P. Robertson O.Z. Rhudy Craig Snyder

MINISTER Eddie Finch **ASSOC. MINISTER**

Vernon church of Christ

PO Box 739 9875 Highway 18 Vernon, Al 35592 Phone: 695-9755 Email: mail@vernonchurchofchrist.org Web page: www.vernonchurchofchrist.org

Schedule of Services Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

"The churches of Christ salute you . . . " Romans 16:16