

AMBASSADOR



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The 'Sawdust' in Our Spiritual Diet *By Mike Riley*

The story is told of a thrifty man who one day decided to save money on donkey feed. Every day, he would add increasing amounts of sawdust into the donkey's feed. Because the process was gradual, the donkey did not notice any difference as he cleaned up his manger. The man's plan was working well, until the donkey suddenly died because of living on 100% sawdust.

Similarly, spiritual food that contains the pure Word of God, once mixed with worldly sawdust [watered-down or social gospel], will eventually lead to spiritual death (2 Peter 2). It is indeed sad to see some members of the church act as though they cannot understand why so many spiritually malnourished Christians die [abandon the Lord's church] even after being members of the church for many years.

The Psalmist tells us that God's Word is a "lamp" to the feet and a "light" to one's pathway (Psalm 119:105; cf. Proverbs 6:23). However, how can members of the Lord's Body make application of that "light" in their everyday living, if they remain ignorant of that light? (Hebrews 5:12-14). What is the use of chiding weak Christians about their little faith, if spiritually strong Christians do not teach them enough of the pure Word for them to be able to develop strong faith? (Psalm 51:12-13; Romans 10:17; 2 Timothy 2:1-2).

All of the church pep-rallies, sermons, and lectures about Christian duty, won't do much good for weak-in-the-faith Christians, until they are taught the pure Word of God (Proverbs 30:5; Psalm 19:7-8). Brethren, if there is any sawdust in our spiritual diet, we need to get rid of it, and start feeding our spiritually weak brethren, the pure "milk" of the Word (1 Peter 2:2), gradually bringing them up to the "strong meat" of the Word (Hebrews 5:14 KJV), so they might grow into spiritually mature workers for the Lord and His church (1 Peter 2:1-2; Ephesians 4:11-16; 2 Peter 3:18; Colossians 1:3-10).

Welcome to The Services at Arlington Church of Christ

*God is Spirit: and those who worship Him must
worship Him in spirit and in truth.
(John 4: 24)*

WELCOME VISITORS

We are honored to have you worship with us to-
day! You are welcome to attend all of our services.

10:00AM Worship Service
11:30AM Bible Class for all ages
12:30PM Sunday Afternoon Worship Service
7:00PM Wednesday Bible Class



**PLEASE MUTE ALL ELECTRONIC
DEVICES DURING
THE WORSHIP SERVICES**

THOSE TO SERVE

SONGLEADER 10AM/12:30PM	L. Clark
OPENING PRAYER:	J. Bryant
CLOSING PRAYER:	J. Bryant
VISITORS' WELCOME:	J. Bryant
PREACHER 10AM/1:30PM	A. Sanders
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	J. Bryant
GIVING & LORD'S SUPPER:	D. Buskirk

CONTACT ELDER OF THE MONTH
ACIE SANDERS
Cell: 904-314-7962

SECURE BUILDING IN SEPTEMBER SAFETY & SECURITY MINISTRY

Sunday AM Bible class/worship services are
being conducted at the church building.

View us online at
www.arlingtonchurchofchrist.com

Worship Services via phone: **(904) 593-2210**

Online Platform Prayer Requests
Text: **904 351-8209**

E-mail: Prayers@arlingtonchurchofchrist.com



**The sick, shut-ins and those serving in the
Armed Forces/First Responders:** Hubert &
Florence Brannon; Eric Glover, Sheila An-
drews, Jamia Hylton, Louise Blossom, Ruth
Graves, Pat Ifill, Glenn Ifill, Dorothy Cooper,
Pearl El, Janice Roder, Shawn Cobb, Alvin Thompson,
Prison Ministry: Michael Northcutt. **US Navy:** Malani
Evans, Joshua Taylor, Erin Taylor, Shannon McMiller, Tia
Williams Moore, Ricardo Reid. **USAF:** Justus Parker. **Po-
lice Officers:** Cornel & Allorie Kelemen.

The Prayers of the Righteous Availeth Much—

Sister Karen Green: Prayers and petitions for her sister,
Lori. She started drops for glaucoma in her left eye and
will need cataract surgery. Also, please pray for her broth-
er, Billy. He is scheduled to see an Oncologist in the near
future.

Deacon Johnny Bryant: Prayers for his wife, Sister Selena.
She was home sick last week dealing with a virus.

Sister Pam Sirmons: Prayers for health and strength. She
worshipped on the Platform last Sunday as she was not
feeling well. She requested continued prayers for the elder-
ly, bereaved, as well as the sick and shut-ins.

Elder Acie Sanders: Prayers of healing for Chrishya who
was home not feeling well last Sunday. He also thanked
God for protecting and bringing Brother Jerome Hill
through an uncomfortable period last Saturday evening.
The doctors were aware of his challenges and indicated that
this was part of his recuperative process. We praise God
for answering our prayers and bringing our brother through
this period of discomfort. He concluded his prayers by
asking God to protect Brother Carlos Dawson, Jr. and his
emergency team members who were on duty for JFRD at
the Jaguars game last Sunday.

Sister Valerie Cobb: Prayers and condolences for her Aunt
Martha Jean & Family in the loss of her husband, Booker
Fanning. She also requested travelling mercies for Brother
Jerry, Sister Ida, and David who are visiting loved ones in
the New York area. They plan to return home later this
week, God willing.

Sister Linda Hunter: Expressed thanksgiving to God for
blessing their daughter, Sister Lynnell to complete new hire
training and will be sworn in as a Corrections Deputy on
Monday afternoon at 4:00PM, God willing! She also asked
the congregation to pray along with her that Lynnell will be
able to attend services when she is not working.

Brother Jonathan & Sister Tori Redic: Prayers and peti-
tions for the health and safety of their family as Tori is
pregnant with their second child. Her diabetes has been
difficult to manage. Also, Rhea, their daughter, was travel-
ling last week for a wedding. She plans to return home on
September 16th, Lord willing.

Prayers of the Righteous, Continued...

Brother Sebastian Lopez: Travelling mercies for Brother Michael Tolliver and his Mother who are motoring back to Ohio at this time. He also asked for prayers and comfort for the Charlie Kirk Family. Charlie was 31 years old and the father of two young children. He was shot last week at Utah Valley University. Please keep his widow, children, and members of the extended family in your prayers.

Sister Mary Riviere: Prayers and travelling mercies for her Sister-in-law, Sister Rosie Mills who returned to South Florida this past Thursday. Please pray that she will remain faithful to her Savior until He calls her home to be with Him.

Deacon Antwaun Jones: Prayers and petitions for his co-worker, Telania Stokes who will have major surgery on her mouth.

Brother Jerome Hill: Medical update:
Good evening, I hope this message finds you well. I wanted to express my sincere gratitude for your prayers and support during my health challenge. I'm pleased to share that I'm recovering well, thanks to God's grace and the exceptional care I received from my family and the medical team. While I'm still using a walker for mobility, my progress is steady and encouraging. Thank you again for your kindness and concern; it meant the world to me, Gail, and our family. With Love, Jerome Hill

Deacon Johnny Bryant & Sister Selena

Bryant: Family issues update:

Dear Arlington Family,

We are pleased to share that the final court proceedings for the custody placement of Marquis have been granted in our favor—to God be the glory! Our next steps involve beginning the adoption process, and we prayerfully hope to finalize Marquis's adoption into our family by this December.

Continued...

Prayers of the Righteous, Conclusion

We kindly ask for your continued prayers—especially for Marquis's siblings, that they too may be placed in loving and caring homes. We are deeply grateful for the many prayers you've lifted up on behalf of Marquis and our family. Your support has meant so much to us. With Christian love, The Bryants

WE HAVE A NEW SISTER IN CHRIST!

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Rosie E. Mills, the sister of Brother Mathew Riviere, was baptized into Christ last Tuesday evening following a Bible Study with Elder Acie Sanders. Please keep Sister Rosie in your prayers as she returned to South Florida this past Thursday and will eventually return home to New York. To God be the glory for His grace and mercy!

The Arlington Elders

ARLINGTON EVENTS—STAY ENGAGED!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH **WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICE, WESTCHESTER OF JACKSONVILLE**

8700 AC Skinner Parkway, Jacksonville FL 32256

Time: 3:00PM

For more information regarding this ministry, please contact Elder Sanders or Deacon Johnny Bryant. Your participation is welcomed!

DEAN ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST—LET'S CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THEIR 6:00PM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE!

We want to continue to make every effort to encourage the Dean Road congregation during their Sunday Evening service at 6:00pm. Last week, Arlington had 12 attendees! Thank you for your prayerful, thoughtful attention to this service opportunity.

The Arlington Elders

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH **ARLINGTON BEE HIVE**

Time: 6:30PM

Phone # 716-427-1360, Access Code: 1002423#

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00am
Sunday Bible Class: 11:30am
Sunday Afternoon Worship: 12:30pm
Wednesday Night Bible Class: 7:00pm

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Raintree Village Children's Home..... Valdosta, GA
Palo Church of Christ..... Palo Leyte, Palo Philippines

AFRICAN MISSIONS—NIGERIA

Bernard Nwanchor	Uka Onwe
Gabriel Otum	Amos Obeji
Cyprian Oke	Sunday Onwe
Aloy Owata	Moses Ngwuta
Samuel Igwe	Francis Alo



Where Will You Spend Your Eternity?

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

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| 1. Hear the Gospel | Romans 10:17 |
| 2. Believe the Gospel | Mark 16:15-16 |
| 3. Repent of Your Sins | Acts 17:30 |
| 4. Confess Christ | Romans 10:9-10 |
| 5. Be Baptized | Acts 2:38 |

WHAT MUST I DO TO KEEP FROM FALLING AWAY?

1. Read Your Bible Daily-II Timothy 2:15
2. Add To Your Faith the Seven Christian Graces - II Peter 1:5-11
3. Attend Every Service - Hebrews 10:25
4. Be Faithful Unto Death- Revelation 2:10

Spreading the Word

In Search of The Lord's Way, each Sunday 6:30am on WTLV Channel 12 with Phil Sanders.

Gospel Broadcast Network TV (GBNTV.ORG) presents online program 24 hours, 7days a week for the whole family. Log on to www.gbntv.org and enjoy.

WALKING OUR TALK

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

In Person: 51

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES

In Person: AM: 47

ONLINE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

Online Views: 55

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS: 39

BUDGET: \$3,928.63

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

If you need a ride to the Sunday Morning Bible Class and Worship Assembly, please contact our transportation coordinator, Acie Sanders at (904) 314-7962

The Body Life of Arlington

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