

THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

"...ye should earnestly contend for the faith..." (Jude 3)

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Johnny Downs
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SUNDAY SERVICE

Bible Class: 9:30
AM Worship: 10:15
PM Worship: 1:00

WEDNESDAY

Bible Class: 7:00pm

LADIES CLASS

Tuesday 10:00am

A Message To Our Visitors

It is our privilege to have you visiting with us today. Please know that you are our honored guest. Please let us get to know you, and fill out an attendance card so we can have record of you being here. Please return to be with us again at your earliest opportunity. If you have questions or would like to study the Bible with us, please let us know. Thanks again for visiting with us, and may God continue to bless you according to His divine purpose.

THOSE TO SERVE

Announcements:

Josh Fulcher

Lead Singing:

Josh Price

Opening Prayer:

Bill Vincent

Scripture Reading:

Bradley Smith

Lord's Table

Richard Jones
Chris Smith
Nathia Whitley
Kevin Smith

Closing Prayer:

David Dodd

Greeters (East)

Chris and Theresa

Greeters (West)

Josh and Jennifer

LESSONS

AM: Keeping Silent
Before Him

Scripture reading:

Habakkuk 2:16-20

PM: Glorifying God

Scripture reading:

1 Corinthians 6:18-20

“DO’S AND DON’T OF DOOR KNOCKING

By: Via East Wood church of Christ

Many in our congregation are working to knock on every door in the area. We are grateful for their efforts. Door-knocking can be frustrating, but it can also be fruitful. There are some ways to help its success. First, here are some Do’s.

DO go expecting to enjoy it. Go out looking for a friend. Enjoy visiting. If you can develop a friend, it may work into a convert. **DO** be and look confident. Make people want what you have. **DO** smile and be cheerful in all of your actions. **DO** call them by name. Try to look for name plates, etc. This makes people more comfortable. **DO** say your name and Coldwater’s name clearly. **DO** compliment. Tell them the house looks nice, etc. **DO** write down info about the visit. If you go in teams of two, one can lead the conversation, and one can take notes. **DO** make sure they know Bible studies, correspondence courses, etc., are free. **DO** make sure they know we are non-denominational. Let them know we are “Just Christians” trying to do what the Bible says and be like the church of the Bible. **DO** have something to hand them. It creates a reason to talk and a way they can get in touch. **DO** see if they have prayer requests or some way we can serve them. **DO** help them set up a study by giving options. People have trouble making decisions. This way we have narrowed it down for them.

Second, some don’ts.

DON’T let a “no” discourage you! They are not rejecting you, they are rejecting the

gospel. Do not take it personally. Think of it as, “That is one I have gotten out of the way to get me closer to the one that is going to listen.” **DON’T** carry a Bible. This will almost always be a turn-off. You do not need one, because you are there to invite and create contacts. If you need one you can go to the car and get it. **DON’T** let little things hinder you (dogs, fences, etc.). **DON’T** be afraid. What have you got to be afraid of? Rejection? Remember they are rejecting Christ, not you. **DON’T** skip a house. That may be the very one that would accept Christ. **DON’T** try to force a person to do more than they want to do. Too much pressure may turn them off. **DON’T** approach it negatively (“You wouldn’t want a Bible study would you?”). **DON’T** study too much at the door. Use their Bible question to try to get in the house on a permanent basis. “That is a good question. Can we come over Monday night to study that?” If you answer there will be no need to come back.

None of this will insure door-knocking success, but it will surely help! Happy Door-knocking!

**Editor changed name of city and congregation from Paris and Eastwood to Coldwater.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- ⇒ Nathia Whitley (23rd)
- ⇒ Isaac Whitley (23rd)
- ⇒ Peggy Newsome (25th)

Announcements

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** Deuteronomy
- ⇒ **Team workgroup:** Team 4 meets today
- ⇒ **Area events:** Please see bulletin board for more info. Several meetings, singings, and Bible schools are coming up in our area.
- ⇒ **New Personal invitation handouts** are available . Please make sure to take some and handout or leave with a tip, and invite someone to our service!
- ⇒ **Monthly Men's Class:** Thursday, June 9th at 6:30pm here at the building.
- ⇒ **Homecoming.** May 29 with Tim Roland. A potluck will follow the morning service.
- ⇒ **Visit:** We will visit Union Grove on 5-29. They start at 6.
- ⇒ **VBS:** June 11th starting at 9:00am
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Spam

Prayer/Sick List

- ⇒ Hazel Brandon
- ⇒ Mae Downs
- ⇒ Johnny Downs
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell (Has found out she has Parkinson's disease)
- ⇒ Tiffany Hobbs (recovering from surgery)
- ⇒ Shirley Rule (recovering from broken arm)
- ⇒ Virgil Hale
- ⇒ Debbie Smith (Kevin's sister-in-law-cancer)
- ⇒ Greg Black (Kathy Black's son)
- ⇒ Larry Pea (Cousin of Judy Black, has cancer)
- ⇒ Loretta Haley (cancer)
- ⇒ David Edwards (Josh Fulcher's uncle-cancer)
- ⇒ Billy Irvan
- ⇒ Debbie Edwards
- ⇒ Trudy Smith
- ⇒ Mallory Harrison (cancer)
- ⇒ Wanda Riley (Josh Fulcher's Aunt)
- ⇒ James McAbee
- ⇒ Dorothy McNeely (Richard Adams' sister, has cancer)
- ⇒ Derek Adams (Richard Adams' grandson, has leukemia)
- ⇒ Richard & Rachel Guill (Rachel was placed in a nursing home)
- ⇒ Lashell Jones
- ⇒ Michael Inman (Tonya Jones' stepdad)
- ⇒ Jay Kolb (Friend of Bill and Maria has brain tumor)
- ⇒ Caleb Teasley (Kevin's cousin's son, 4 years old)
- ⇒ Bob Austin (having tests run for issues with his lungs)
- ⇒ Shane Black
- ⇒ Continue to remember all those who have lost loved ones this year

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

Hear the Word
(Rom 10:17)

Believe the Word
(John 8:24)

Repent
(Luke 13:3)

Confess Christ
(Rom 10:10)
(Acts 8:37)

Be Baptized
(Acts 2:38)
(Acts 22:16)

Remain Faithful
(Rev 2:10)
(Acts 8:12-24)

Heaven can be your
home if you obey God!
(Heb 5:8-9)

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www.coldwatercoc.org.
You will find bulletins,
sermon outlines, and
other helpful links and
material.



MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Deuteronomy 6:7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

GREEK WORD OF THE WEEK

Word: didaskō (διδάσκω)

Pronounced: did-as'-ko

Translated into the word we use today: **Teach**

Meaning: according to Strong is: A prolonged (causative) form of a primary verb δάω daō (to learn); to teach (in the same broad application): - teach.

Supporting verse: Acts 5:42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

In Deu 6, we see that God tells the Israelites to teach His commands to their children. He tells them to do it at every opportunity that they had. It was important to God for His people to teach His ways to their children while they were young. This was important then and today so that they will know it and learn it while they are young, and as they get older, it will be with them. Proverbs 22:6 “Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.” It is vital that we teach our children while they are young. They need to be grounded and rooted in God’s word and commands. We want them to stay faithful to God when they are older. In Ephesians 6:4, it says “And you, father, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.” Remember that Timothy was brought up by his mother and grandmother from a young age. 2Timothy 1:5 “when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also.” We need to train our children up right in God’s sight. This involves us as parents teaching our children God’s commands at every opportunity and doing so on a daily basis!



Bible question: What did the bones of Elisha do to a man?

Last week’s question and answer: What, according to Proverbs, lifts its voice up in the streets?

Answer: Wisdom (Proverbs 1:20)

Those answering: Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Peggy Newsome, Rachel Adams