#### **Getting What We Deserve**

by Glen Elliott Greenbrier church of Christ Greenbrier, AR

We often grumble because we don't get what we want. Instead, we should be thankful that we don't get what we deserve. The Bible tells us that "the wages of sin is death..." (Rm. 6:23). Since "all have sinned" (Rm. 3:23), we ought to be especially grateful that, in Christ, we do not get what we truly deserve.

While modern man is trying to redefine sin and restructure God's commandments, the Bible clearly says that "sin is the transgression of the law" (1 Jn. 3:4). Sin is not determined by popular opinion, but by the word of God. God rebukes those in Isaiah's day who called "evil good, and good evil" (Is. 5:20). Today, many have been afflicted with the same twisted sense of morality. We need to get serious about discovering what the Bible teaches about sin rather than trying to make the Bible say what we think it ought to say.

Being delivered from the penalty of sin involves knowing and obeying the truth. Jesus said that "the truth shall make you free" (Jn. 8:32). The truth, as it is embodied in Christ and His word, can set us free from the penalty of sin. However, we must accept it by faith. Paul tells us that we are saved by grace through faith (Eph. 2:8). Faith is the means by which grace is appropriated. Biblical faith is known by its obedience (Jas. 2:18). Consequently, ours must be a faith that works through love (Gal. 5:6).

Grace is a beautiful concept. It is not cheap. Neither should it be taken for granted. Instead, it must be accepted by means of an active faith. Grace and gratitude are inseparably connected in as much as only those who have been sufficiently impressed with the grace of God will respond with overflowing expressions of thankfulness and love.

Rather than grumbling or complaining about life's difficulties or hardships, focus instead on the grace of God as it is extended to us through Jesus Christ. In Christ, we can always be grateful that we do not get what we truly deserve!

If you have something for the bulletin please contact Wayne Carter before noon on Friday.

# **NEWSLETTER** Aug. 22, 2021

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#### Schedule of Services

Because of Covid our current schedule is:

Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM

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There will be an opportunity to give but as a visitor it is not expected of you. Thanks.



There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs if you need to care for your infant.

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#### Friendly Reminder - BLUE LIGHT

When the "blue light" is lit at the front of the auditorium it means "Quiet Please"

**Prayers** In our prayers, let's praise God, recognize His greatness, thank Him for His Son and His blessings.

Please pray as we continue our search for a gospel preacher.

Jim Zachary (Amherst congregation) will be going to Cleveland Clinic Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> for an ablation.

Dan Callari (Amherst congregation) is dealing with Multiple Myeloma.

Ron Fees, Rick Fees' brother, is dealing with a detached retina.

Oct. 03 Congregational Mtg. To elect men for trusteeship.

Elaine Fees is in rehab at Northgate.

**Keith Marten** will have open heart surgery to replace one valve and fix the other one sometime in September. The doctor wants to wait for Covid in the area to settle down some.

#### **Upcoming Events** (Lord willing)

_	<b>Today.</b> Men's Business Meeting.  Day of Prayer & Giving for Children	Weekly Budget Amount Contribution Last Sunday Attendance Last Sunday	\$1,843.00 \$1,241.00 51
Sep. 06	Labor Day		
Sep. 07	Ladies Bible Class 10 AM at the bldg.		
Sep. 12	Men's Business Meeting	Financial Reports and Meeting Minutes are posted in the back of the auditorium.	
Sep. 19	Congregational Mtg. To nominate men for trusteeship.		

#### Attn. Ladies

Ladie's Bible Class will resume here at the building Sept. 07 at 10 AM.

Save the date .... Dec. 11, 2021 Ladies Holiday Party.



Smile and pay someone a compliment today.

Please check the

"Mission Board"

in the back of the auditorium.



#### Zach & Lisa Hansen

Next Sunday, Aug. 29, 2021, will be their last Sunday with us. Zach's work here has been completed and they will be moving to Ohio for his next assignment. We wish them well.

### Next Sunday

## Day of Prayer And Giving For Children

August 29, 2021





Life at Potter Children's Home is constantly changing. The residents may change through the years, but one thing that never changes is the need for prayers for this ministry. Whether it is praying for a new single parent family that has just moved in, helping a girl in the girls' house work towards independence or a boy in the boys' house that is working on family therapy – the residents here need your prayers.

Potter Children's Home and Family Ministries

#### Day of Prayer & Giving For Children

We have done this for the last several years and the time has come again for another opportunity to help.

We will spend our time next Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, talking about serving children.

Additionally we will have a special contribution that day for the Potter Children's Home.

#### Info for Potter contribution.

Above and beyond your normal contribution if you would like to give to Potter it would be appreciated.

If you give by check please make it out to: **LaSalle church of Christ** Write *Potter* on the check in the lower left so we know it's for Potter.

If you give cash intended for *Potter* please put it in an envelope and write *Potter* on the envelope.

If you give cash and our treasurer keeps track of what you give for tax purposes put the cash in an envelope and write *Potter* on the envelope and also write your name on the envelope to receive proper credit.

Envelopes are available if you need them ahead of time. Thank you.