

“Would Roses Cost A Lot, Mister?”

by Morris Thurman, June 26, 1977.

Henry Penn, the Boston florist who originated the slogan, “Say It With Flowers,” told how one morning two boys and a girl came into his florist shop and said: “We’re the flower committee and we would like some nice yellow flowers, sir. Do you have any yellow flowers? He would like them better if they were yellow. He had a yellow sweater.”

“Are they for a funeral?” asked Penn.

The children nodded “yes” and kept back the tears. “She’s his sister,” one of the boys explained. “He was a good kid, a truck yesterday — we were playing in the street — we saw it happen.”

Then the other boy added, “Us kids took up a collection. We got eighteen cents — would roses cost a lot, mister? Yellow roses?”

Touched by the story of the tragedy and the loyalty of the kids, Henry Penn replied, “I have some nice yellow roses here that I am selling for eighteen cents a dozen just this morning.” The sympathetic florist accepted the eighteen cents, and the committee carried away the flowers they had chosen. Said Penn, “I felt uplifted for days. I had been given the inexpressible privilege of sharing something.”

As Christians, we too have that inexpressible privilege of sharing. “We have this treasure in earthen vessels” (2 Corinthians 4:7). “We are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us.” To share the glorious Good News of salvation in Christ, “we implore you on Christ’s behalf, be reconciled to God” (2 Corinthians 5:20).

We want all to know “the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding” (Philippians 4:7). In love and compassion, we share the knowledge of Christ.



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Sunday Morning Bible Classes - 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshiping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Lyle Russell

Opening prayer- Arthur Binford

Communion- Rick Cook

Closing Prayer- Damien Miller

Sermon- Don DeLukie

Next Sunday

Announcements- Wayne Fowler

Opening prayer- Jerry McDonald

Communion- Lyle Russell

Closing Prayer- Gary Harris

Sermon- Don DeLukie

Announcements

—Christmas Program and Potluck Today: Our yearly Children's Christmas Program is scheduled for today. There will also be a Potluck immediately after services, preceding the program. All are invited to stay! **There will be no PM Services this evening.**

—Church-wide Text Message List: If you would like to be added or removed from the Church Text Message List, Please see Kathy Manning in person or contact her at 318-805-1961.

—Caroling: Kari Johnstone is organizing a caroling activity for anyone interested. Please see Kari for more details.

—There will be no Wednesday Evening Bible Class December 24th or December 31st.

—Children's Home Collection: Our congregation is collecting items for the Children's Home in Paragould, AR. Collection boxes are by the nursery. A list of needed items is in the foyer.



Please Pray For:

Oddie Cameron, Glenda Wells, James Mardis, Mandy Purum, Jo Ellen Haltom, Emilia Gillikin, Sherrie Burgess, Ronnie Stutts, John Swayzer, Markeeta Evert, Katherine Simmons, Lavenia Freeman, Terry Smith Atwood, Lester Pinkard, Rhonda Rogers, Gavin McDaniel.

Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Jo Darris Collins, Christy McDaniel, Joyce Moses, Pam Few, Debbie Walker, Carey Day, Leo & Shirley Goodwin, Tommy Franklin, Arthur Binford, Dan Ross Jr, Dena White, Larry & Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Dave & Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, Bobby Barker, Cindy Smith, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.

Bereaved: Family of Bryan Few, Doris Jean Dulaney, Barbara Burke.



December birthdays

5 - Joanie Franklin
14 - Wayne Fowler
15 - Jonah Scharf
20 - Vee Boren
22 - Brad Farrington
23 - Randall Lambert
24 - Louvenia Dickson
26 - Matt Scharf
27 - Rick Cook
28 - Brian Johnstone

December anniversaries

5 - Dan & Ethel Ross
10 - Rick & Sandy Van Loon
18 - Gary & Sharon Harris
27 - Leo & Shirley Goodwin
28 - Tommy & Joanie Franklin

