TO SERVE TODAY:	AM	PM
Opening Prayer	Dale Aden	Mark Wright
Song Leading	Keith Peevyhouse	Nick Bryant
Preside Lord's Supper	D Bryant, N Bryant	
Scripture Reading	John Henry	Dylan Holt
Closing Prayer	Josh Brasher	Monte Morris
NEXT WEEK:		
Opening Prayer	David Bryant	Dale Aden
Song Leading	Keith Peevyhouse	Nick Bryant
Preside Lord's Supper	D Bryant, N Bryant	
Scripture Reading	Josh Brasher	Mickey Keen
Closing Prayer	Noah Brasher	David Brasher

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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**SUNDAY:** Bible Class 9:00 AM

Worship 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM (Meet-Eat-Meet each second Sunday)

**WEDNESDAY:** Bible Study 6:30 PM

(Fellowship & devo each fourth Wednesday)



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# The Follower

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## The Beatitudes

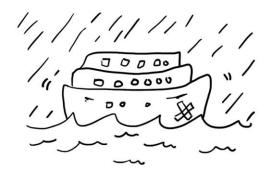
We commonly refer to the verses from **Matthew 5:3-12** as the Beatitudes. Did you know that the word *beatitude* is not found in the Bible except in headings which were added by uninspired men? Apparently the source of the word is 15th-century Latin, and its synonyms include happiness, bliss, blissfulness, blessedness, gladness, and joy. We find the word *blessed* at the beginning of each of Jesus' statements in this passage. The idea of blessed is more than just happy; it is a state of utmost joy.

In order for us to achieve this feeling of blessedness, we must possess the characteristics Jesus discusses. In other words, these traits could be called "BE-attitudes." If we want to be blessed, we must strive to be poor in spirit, to have the ability to mourn, to be meek, to hunger and thirst for righteousness, to be merciful, to be pure in heart, to be peacemakers, and be willing to be persecuted for righteousness sake. However, these are not part-of-the-time attitudes. If we want to receive the blessings, we must incorporate them into our lives so they define who we are. Hypocrites display them in public in order to receive the praise of men (Matt. 6), but Christians should earnestly desire to truly

possess these traits that we might receive the blessings from God and not from men.

The ultimate state of utmost joy will be realized when we get to heaven. Adding these "be attitudes" to who we are will help us stay on the strait and narrow path to eternal life. We will receive blessings in this life which will help sustain us on that path to the ultimate joy of heaven.

~Freeman



#### Everything I Need to Know in Life I Learned from the Ark:

- 1. Don't miss the boat.
- 2. Remember that we're all in the same boat.
- 3. Plan ahead; it wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.
- 4. Stay fit; when you're 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.
- 5. Don't listen to critics, just get on with the job that needs to be done.
- 6. Build your future on high ground.
- 7. Speed isn't always an advantage the snails also made it to safety.
- 8. For safety's sake, travel in pairs.
- 9. When you're stressed, float a while.
- 10. Remember, the ark was built by amateurs, the Titanic by professionals.
- 11. No matter the storm, there's always a rainbow waiting.

# Remember in Prayer ...

- **John Henry** is to have a heart cath on Tuesday. He expects to get a new battery in his pacemaker next week.
- **Dennis Foster** came home Friday. He has a long road ahead of him, but he is glad to be home.

**PRAYER LIST**: Dickie and Martha Bryant; Joann Moore; Kevin Wright; Ronnie Belew; Glynda Hamilton; Kristi Martin (Rhonda's sister); Carolyn Lovelace (Dale Aden's sister)...

## News and Notes...

- We welcome our visitors; we are indeed honored to have you with us. We ask that you complete a visitor card and leave it in the pew or the collection plate, and please allow us the opportunity to get acquainted.
- We are pleased to have **Shayne Riddle** with us today; he is from the Sheffield, AL, area. Please take the opportunity to get acquainted with him.
- Next week is our Second Sunday Meet-Eat-Meet.
- WEDNESDAY DEVO: David Bryant

