## ~ Kevin's Kolumn ~

## Engaging in alone time with God

Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word. But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me." And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her." (Luke 10:38-42)

An unfortunate truth is that we can be spending so much time doing things FOR God that we can miss spending time WITH God. It's not that God doesn't want us to be industrious. He desires that we work with our hands. He wants us to work for our living and not to be dependent upon others to sustain life, but we can be so preoccupied with doing things that we miss the joy of experiencing alone time with our Creator. We live in a world of constant activity. We've mistakenly bought into the lie that if we stay busy enough God will be pleased with our relentless activity. After reading this text in Luke 10, Jesus told Martha that Mary had chosen to take part in what was "good". Life is busy, to be sure. But, don't allow the busyness of the day steal time away from communing with the Lord. Just a few minutes each day getting to know Christ better can make each day better all the way around!

Have a blessed day and remember the One who gave it to you!

Kevin

## Worship Order - Sunday March 6, 2016

Bible Class

Opening Song - #123 "The Steadfast Love Of The Lord"

Dismissal Prayer Worship Assembly

Song #121 "Come Let Us All Unite To Sing"

Announcements

Song #122 "The Love Of God"

Song #325 "Boundless Love"

Prayer

Song #379 "If That Isn't Love"

Lord's Supper

Collection

Song #386 "He Loves Me"

Song #286 "Wonderful Story of Love"

Morning Lesson

Invitation Song - #453 "Love Lifted Me"

Closing Song - #36 "My Tribute"

Dismissal Prayer

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## Prayer Requests

- \*Ray Robe asks that we remember his mother in our prayers. She is currently in Mon General. Doctors have said she has pleural effusion (an excessive fluid buildup between the lungs and the chest wall).
- \*Continue to pray for Edwina Summers, Debbie Conaway, Rob Conaway, Dianne Tonkery, Margret Brand, Peggy Glaspell, Harold Phillips, and Buck Osborne.
- \*Kenny Cottrell is now home. Doctors have yet to be able to determine exactly what the mass consists of in the upper lobe of his left lung. Prayers are appreciated for both he and Cathy.
- \*Kevin's aunt (Margret Lough) is in UHC. She fell and broke her right hip.
- \*Patsy Roberts (Linda Huber's sister) is still in need of our prayers. Patsy has received a heart Cath (which found nothing) but has been put on a heart monitor to determine the reason for the abnormality she's experiencing.
- \*Prayers have been requested for John Keefover (Judy Seccuro's brother). He has been dealing with heart problems as well as back issues.
- \*Peggy Glaspell has had a port inserted to get her ready to receive chemotherapy. Please keep her and the Lipscomb's in your prayers.
- \*Tim Jorgensen (minister for the Central Church of Christ) is still having severe complications in his abdominal region. Doctors have said they may have to operate again. Tim had a cyst removed as well as hernia surgery during his recent stay at UHC.
- \*Cathy Reed has requested prayers for a pain she is currently dealing with in her neck.
- \*Harold Gooden is in need of our prayers. Doctors have discovered part of an IV needle that was mistakenly left in his left hand.
- \*Mary Ann Lipscomb asks that we keep both David and Aden Gooden in our prayers.
- \*Karen Tucker has asked that we keep Jeremy Lanning in our prayers as he deals with a serious form of siliac disease as well as problems with his bowels.
- \*Becky McCoy wishes to thank everyone for prayers received for Jim Wallace.
- \*Bill Douglass (Mary Lough's uncle) is back in the Fairmont Rehabilitation Center.
- \*Meredith Pheasant asks that we pray for a friend's (Shannon Shaw) aunt who is back in the hospital.
- \*Prayers have been requested for the Merroto family as their father (Sam) passed away last week. His funeral services were held on Thursday.
- \*Congratulations are in order!!! Congratulations to Harry & Arlene Summers who are celebrating their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding Anniversary today! Remember to keep keep Harry in your prayers as he makes final preparations to go to India.



**Pleasant Acres** needs list: White wash cloths, twin-fitted sheets and tissues.

<u>Ladies Bunko Night</u> – All ladies are invited to attend an evening of fun, games, food and fellowship on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM in the Lower Fellowship Hall. Bring a snack and a friend! For more info, see Summer Boggess.

**The West Virginia Marriage Getaway** is scheduled for Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> in Charleston. If you're interested in going, please see Kevin.

<u>Bible class teachers</u> - We are still looking for teachers to help out in our next teaching quarter. If you can help, please see one of the elders.