

Vancleave Church of Christ Weekly Newsletter

Dedicated to spiritual encouragement and local Christian ministry

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Scripture Reading: Proverbs 9:10, 11

Pushing Past Failure by Glenn Hitchcock (adapted via Glad Tidings of Good Things, June 18, 2018)

Sparky didn't have much going for him. He failed every subject in the eighth grade, and in high school, he flunked Latin, algebra, English, and physics. He made the golf team but promptly lost the most important match of the season and then lost the consolation match. He was also awkward socially. While in high school, he never once asked a girl to go out on a date.

Only one thing was important to Sparky—drawing. He was proud of his artwork even though no one else appreciated it. He submitted cartoons to the editors of his high school yearbook, but they were turned down. Even so, Sparky aspired to be an artist. After high school, he sent samples of his artwork to Walt Disney Studios. Again, he was turned down.

Still, Sparky didn't quit! He decided to write his own autobiography in cartoons. The character he created became famous worldwide—the subject, not only of cartoon strips, but countless books, television shows, and licensing opportunities.

Sparky, was Charles Schulz, creator of the “Peanuts” comic strip. Like his main character, Charlie Brown, Schulz seemed unable to accomplish many things. But rather than letting rejection stop him, he made the most of what he could do!

Like Sparky, we can push past negativity and failure. A clean slate with God will enable us to create a success story that will be read in heaven! Try it.

Let's all try to remember the words spoken by the Lord to the apostle Paul, saying “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness” (2 Corinthians 12:9).

Seeking First the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness

<u>Services:</u>	<u>Local Works of Faith:</u>	<u>Foreign Missions:</u>	<u>Subscribe to these on YouTube:</u>
<u>Sunday:</u> 9 AM Bible Class 10AM Worship 6 PM Worship	Sunnybrook Children's Home Gulf Coast Bible Camp Local Food Pantry Annual Youth Events	Guyana India Guam	Vancleave Church of Christ Digital Ministries The Mississippi Gospel Minute
<u>Wednesday:</u> 6 PM Prayer & Bible Class	Back-Pack Buddies The Gospel of Christ TV (Every Sunday at 6:30 AM, Fox 25)		



1st Sunday of every month: Fellowship / Lunch followed by brief devotional, with no evening service.

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Recent Prayer Requests & Announcements



Bart Madden (former Vancleave coach) passed ways last week. His family appreciates our prayers.

Mary McDaniel Procedure went well. Now awaiting test results. Prayers needed.

Elsie Ashcraft has fallen again and broken her wrist in two places. Had surgery and needs a cast.

The Fulton Family needs our prayers due to the recent passing of Lisa Fulton.

Frankie James Rawls (Lanette and Wayne's 3rd great grandson and Katie's 1st baby) was born at 1:03 last Thursday (9 June, 2022). We share in the joy of this new birth with the Girod family!

Lanette Girod is now on Kare-in-Home hospice. Let us continue our prayers and support.

Josephine "Jo" Lichtenburg has returned home but without heart surgery. Prayers are welcomed.

Hayden Brown is set to graduate from Camp Shelby Youth Challenge on the 18th of June at 10:30 at the Forrest County Multipurpose Center (962 Sullivan Road, Hattiesburg, MS).

Others: _____

The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and His ears are open unto their cry. ~ Psalms 34:15

Please refer to previous Newsletter for those who need continued prayers

Darlene Guston	Gayle Williams	Norma Jean Hart	Elsie Ashcraft
Linda Kenney	Earl Kenney	Keiundra Huddleston	Cindy Stevens
Kimi Atkins	Charlie Tanner	Judy Hinton	Liz Logan
Heath Smith	Mary Alice Kenney	Pearl Thigpen	Dana Kelly
Elaine Tanner	Zennie George	Frank Sentelle	

Have requests or other announcements? Send email to vcocministry@vancleavechurch.org

Rightly Dividing the Word

A weekly synopsis of every book of the Bible with a memory verse designed to increase our faith

Psalms: The largest of all Bible books, the Psalms consist of five divisions of 150 songs styled as Hebrew poetry. These songs of praise extol the glory the One God - the one true King of Israel - and are filled with thanksgiving and requests for help from the Creator who is very aware of the extreme difficulties faced by those who love Him. Jesus Christ quoted from the Psalms possibly more than any other Old Testament book. The Psalms are a treasure-trove of Messianic prophecy.

This week's memory verse:

"O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise ye the LORD."

(Psalms 117:1, 2, KJV)



Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. ~ 2 Timothy 2:15