

# Uproot Any Weeds

By Mike Riley

If a yard is left unattended for several weeks, isn't it amazing how quickly weeds spring up and take over? Somehow, weeds don't need tending "" They seem to love to sprout up for anyone who just lets things go. However, a bed of beautiful flowers takes watering, feeding, and weeding. Flowers thrive under the care of anyone who is not afraid to get dirt under their fingernails.

The Christian life takes a lot of work as well. It requires the commitment of one's whole being to Jesus's "body, mind, emotions, and will "to have a life that is wholesome, attractive, uplifting to others, and fulfilling to oneself. Even then, weeds of selfishness and sinful attitudes can quickly spring up and overrun the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23).

That was the problem with many brethren at Corinth. They had become overgrown with envy and divisiveness (1 Corinthians 3:1-3). So Paul told them to cleanse themselves from all "filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God" (2 Corinthians 7:1 – NKJV). The word "holiness" doesn't mean they could be sinless, but blameless.

Lord, help us to uproot any weeds of the flesh and spirit before they become ugly habits. May the beauty of Jesus' character be what others see in us.

Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me,  
All His wonderful passion and purity;  
May His spirit divine all my being refined,  
Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me. "" G.L. Johnson



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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**- Don DeLukie

**Opening prayer**- Travis Rogers

**Communion**- Rick Cook

**Closing Prayer**- Ed Haltom

**Sermon**- Don DeLukie

**June 2nd**

**Announcements**- Wayne Fowler **Opening prayer**- Jerry McDonald

**Communion**- Lyle Russell

**Closing Prayer**- Ronnie Hayes

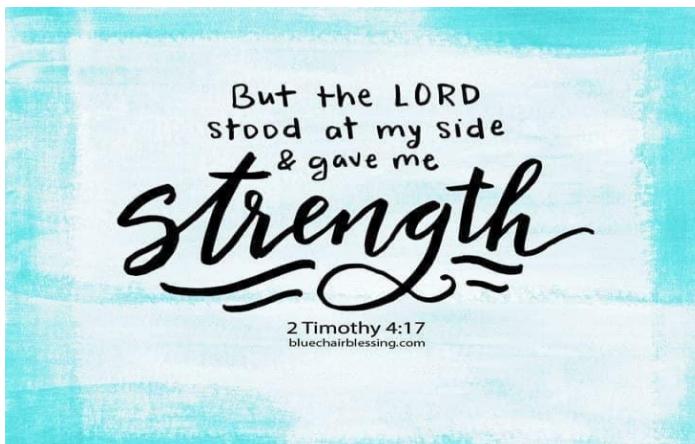
**Sermon**- Don DeLukie

## Announcements

**—Fish Fry:** Our next Fish Fry is scheduled for Saturday, June 29th. Save the date! More details to come.

**—Question & Answer Series:** Our next Question & Answer Series will be when enough questions are accumulated. Give your questions to Don.

**—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:

Carolyn Jones, Cindy Smith, Tommy Franklin, Phillip Simmons, Ed Haltom, Roger Love, Louvenia Dickson, Shaquita Anderson, Joyce Moses, Brenda Fricke, Walt Henson, Judy Smith, Hazel Bissell, Bernice Tubbs, Brenda Farrington.

**Bereaved:** Families of Julie Williams, Ken Green, Marcille Matheny, Wallace Graves, Peggy Brantley, Steve Tores, Christie Wilson, Dwain Flowers.

## Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Arthur Binford, Dan Ross Jr, Ronnie & Dena White, Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, James Johnson, Bobby Barker, Ronnie Tatum, Cindy Smith, Renee Gee, Bobby Simmons, Tricia Muse, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.



### May birthdays

3 - Carol Fletcher	19 - Virginia Cook
5 - Larry Randolph	19 - Buddy Hollis
9 - Rynlea Freeman	20 - Jacob Freeman
10 - Bettye Flowers	24 - Linda Garris
15 - Jerry McDonald	31 - Danielle Scharf

### May Anniversaries

21 - David & Elaine Repond
26 - John & Jodie Chisley
26 - Victor & Donna Binford
29 - Dave & Linda Garris