

Sunshine and Shadow

By David Wright

Daily life in the church reminds us that suffering touches one family after another. Some families are struggling with serious health problems – cancer, injuries, chronic pain, age-related disabilities. Others feel overwhelmed by emotional pain. They have lost a spouse or child. They are broken by a divorce. Or they grieve over a defiant child’s journey into a far country.

Sickness, loss, and anxiety can make us think that life is utterly cheerless. This is a natural response to sorrow. After losing everything that matters to him, Job pours out a torrent of dark thoughts and feelings. Cursing the day of his birth, he says: “Let the day perish on which I was born, and the night that said, ‘A man is conceived.’ Let that day be darkness!” (Job 3:3-4).

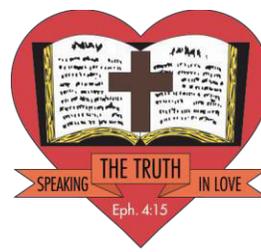
But in the absence of deep personal pain, we can see more objectively. The reality is that life is neither all black and dreary nor all bright and beautiful. Even for faithful disciples of Jesus, life on earth is a mix of sunshine and deep shadow.

Consider the life of the Seagoville church family. Yes, some of us are walking in shadowed places. But the sun is still shining in our sky. Our toddlers are running, playing, and squealing with joy. Our school students are swimming, playing ball, going to camp, and doing all the other fun things that a summer break makes possible. Our graduates are anticipating all the pleasures and opportunities of adult life. Young families are making special memories together – hosting birthday parties, having picnics, taking family vacations. Elderly couples are celebrating long and blessed marriages.

Life is good. Life is hard. These observations are equally true. When we’re on top of the world, may we ever praise the Lord who made it! And when the whole world seems to come crashing down on us, may we cling to the God who has the power to lift even the heaviest burdens!

Gal. 5:1-4 “Fallen from Grace” (AM)

1 Pet. 2:13-15 “The Grace to Submit” (PM)



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**Elders: Monty Lawley, Larry Mathis, Steve McClelen
Deacons: Jason Turner, Leslie Thomas, Rodney Yarbrough, Hesikiah Williamson, Willie Coleman, Sr.**

Pulpit Minister: David Wright Youth Minister: Leslie Thomas

Sunday Morning Bible Class	9:00	AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:00	AM
Sunday Evening Worship	5:00	PM
Wed Evening Bible Study	7:00	PM

Visitors, we are glad you came and hope you will fill out the pink side of the visitor card on the back of the pew in front of you. We have an attended nursery for infants to 18 months. Please come back.



Zelma Floyd fell at the nursing home on Tuesday. She hurt her shoulder and neck. She has an appointment with and orthopedic Dr soon.

Dudley Robertson had to have a second surgery to drain the fluid on his brain. He was in ICU for a few days. He is now home.

Terry White had a heart ablation procedure last Monday. It went well.

Lisa Ray had to go to the ER at the Doctor's Hospital in Dallas. She has coliti s.

Please continue to remember to pray for those that are recovering **from recent** surgery / illness: Stan Hopkins, Melba Jean Mathis, Nayadean Kozelski, Michael Gregory, and Nadine Tunnel.

..'And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that, if we ask any thing according to His Word, he heareth us.'

~1 John 5:14

- Aug 2 Larry King
- Aug 3 Nancy Scott
- Aug 6 Lylla Lisle
- Aug 6 Don Watson
- Aug 7 Danny Smith
- Aug 8 Joyce Davis
- Aug 10 Jeanine Thomas
- Aug 12 Landon Thomas
- Aug 14 Robert Neely
- Aug 15 Jason Ayers
- Aug 16 Treon Lawley
- Aug 17 Willie Coleman Sr.
- Aug 17 Connie Douthit

- Aug 4 Eddie & Mary Donnell
- Aug 11 Robert & Paula Neely
- Aug 15 Leslie & Jeanine Thomas
- Aug 18 Willie & Joyce Coleman

Dinner with Family meets every Wednesday evening from 5:30- 6:45. It's okay if you are late . You are still welcome. Only \$2 dollars for each person or \$5 dollars for a family. Joyce and Paula want to especially encourage Christian men to come and lead the prayer before the meal! And if you cannot make it in time to eat they will fix you a to go box. Iust text or call and let them know. (loycecell:214 - 674- 2471.

The **evangelism team** will be passing out school supplies on Saturday August the 17th. If you would like to help please be at the building at 9:00 am.

WBS will meet this coming Wednesday night.

Thank you!

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for all the calls, visits, texts and especially your prayers. I appreciate and love you all so much!

-Terry White

Thank you all for the thoughts, prayers and the pretty cards.

Love and God Bless,
- Velma Emberlin

Memorial Service:

The memorial service for Jean Landess has been scheduled for September the 7th , 1 0:00 am, here at the church building.

Round House tonight!

Thanks to Matt & Jennifer Hutchins for hosting!