

# FRISCO MESSENGER

Speaking the Truth in love...Ephesians 4:15

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*Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock. Matthew 7:24*



## Do We Delight to Do His Will?

By [Wayne Jackson](#)

*Continued from last week...*

### Christianity: A Blessing or a Burden?

It takes only a casual observer to note that religion as practiced by some members of the body of Christ seems more of a burdensome drudgery that is but painfully tolerated.

There is that type of “saint” who drags sleepy-eyed into the Sunday morning service, having skipped a Bible study because it does not pique his interest. The hour’s worship activities are endured with a zombie-like stare revealing maximum boredom.

These poor souls do not scruple to absent themselves on Sunday evening or from a mid-week Bible study. Once a week is sacrifice aplenty!

Do they ever talk of spiritual matters? No, more often their interests are confined to the worldly. Social media is proof enough of what their heart treasures most. And their financial support of the Lord’s work wouldn’t even pay for the communion bread they absent-mindedly consume.

They are listless, lukewarm and lifeless. They grumble and actually, are just plain miserable.

The question is — why?

### How to Delight in the Will of God

The answer lies in the very text with which this discussion was begun, Psa.40:8.

The Lord delighted in doing Jehovah’s will **because the law of God was in his heart!**

Many brethren know the truth from an intellectual standpoint, but their hearts are far from their Master. The heart, as well as the head, needs conversion.

In other words, service needs to be motivated from love as well as a recognition of duty. It is this love, this fervor, this passion for daily serving God, that makes life delightful. And legions know it not!

The world, like an octopus, tries to get its deadly tentacles around the hearts of God’s children. It is as quicksand that would suck us into the destruction of hell.

If the Christian is to survive, he must store the word of God into his heart daily.

“Your word have I laid up in my heart, that I might not sin against you” (Psa.119:11).  
“The law of God is in his heart; none of his steps shall slide,” (Psa. 37:31).

Every facet of Christianity is designed to **strengthen the disciple** of the Lord, to prevent the erosion of his soul by the world. Praise, prayer, Bible study — these and other spiritual things are sources of divine strength.

Regretfully, however, we often **neglect** to give attention to spiritual things. It is possible to be lulled into a spiritual numbness and thus be forever lost. **Let’s be vigilant and do the will of God!**

## PRAYER LIST

- Sympathy is extended to **Lisa Watkins** in the passing of her uncle, John Vance, last Sunday.
- **Betty Nichols** will have additional tests on 1/24 to see if the current course of treatment is working.
- **Leola Roberts** requested prayers for strength as she continues to run the Christian race and forgiveness for forsaking the assembly.
- **Sheryl Bonner**, niece of Kevin & Terri Lowry, has stage 4 cancer and is undergoing aggressive therapy. She will have tests for January 29th to see if she is better.

### Ongoing Prayer List...

#### Those suffering with Cancer:

Betty Nichols, Gary Moore, Malissa Wilson, Trelitha Bryant, Greg Armstrong (ALS), Kelley Lawson.

**Recovering from illness, surgeries, chronic conditions:** Earl Chapin, Alma Adams, Will Watkins, Hulen Binkley

#### Missionary Efforts:

Josh & Divine Austin (Phoenix, AZ)  
Ititi & Mary Nimending (Cameroon)  
Cameroon Preaching School  
Cameroon Prison Ministry

*Please give frequent updates to the Office to keep list current.*



(Last Week)	
Sunday Morning Bible	54
Sunday Morning Worship	85
Sunday Evening Worship	
Wednesday Bible Class	60
Offering	\$4003
Weekly Budget	\$3735



1/3—*Brenda Carlisle*  
1/5—*Aaron Davis*  
1/17—*Kinta Conerly*  
1/18—*Gene McCarty*  
1/20—*Ray Wheeler*  
1/21—*Alice Lang*  
1/22—*Edith Osborne*  
1/24—*Michael Rumph*  
1/25—*Noah Crayton*  
1/26—*Mickael Moore*  
1/27—*Betty Nichols*  
*Megan Morton*  
1/29—*Eric Setzler*

### JANUARY BAPTISTRY PREP:

Donna Bostic / Lisa Gaston



### MEETING TIMES

Sunday Bible Class—9 AM  
Sunday Morning Worship—10 AM  
Sunday Evening Worship—5 PM  
Last Sunday of the Month Worship—1PM  
Wednesday Night Bible Class—7 PM  
Ladies Bible Class (3rd Saturday)—9 AM  
Elders Office Hours—By Appointment

## Announcements and Upcoming Events

- ◆ 1/26/2-019— 65th Birthday Party for Mickael Moore at 5 PM in the Annex. Bring your favorite Mickael story to share.
- ◆ 1/27—Last Sunday Schedule and Fellowship Luncheon.
- ◆ **On February 3, 2019, Worship Services will change to the following times:**  
9 AM —Worship  
10 AM—Bible Class  
11 AM—Worship

*There will no longer be a 5 pm Service. We will still have the last Sunday of the month fellowship.*

***Cold & Flu Season is here! Please be kind! Avoid hugs, cough/sneeze into your arm and stay home if you're sick.***

### CHURCH Leadership

#### Elders:

Todd Crayton  
Brian Kidd  
Kevin Lowry  
Will Watkins

#### Deacons:

Kevin Booker  
Cris Brown  
James Cothran  
Clayton Fowler  
Brian Hasz  
James Morton

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