



The church of Christ

# Grandview Pines

July 10, 2011

*Be All You Can Be*  
*Terry Claunch*

It is God's desire that we become the best we can be. The teaching in Matthew 25 about the giving of talents is a prime example. God doesn't want us to be satisfied with a life that is not the best it can be (John 10:10). Paul in writing his last letter to Timothy encouraged him to be all he could be.

In the first chapter of 2 Timothy he is told, "be thou not therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God" (v 8). We cannot be the best if we are ashamed of the gospel, it is the testimony of our Lord. Paul says that we are not to be ashamed of the gospel (Romans 1:16) because it is the power to save. Are we ashamed of the Bible and its teaching (John 12:48)? If so, then we cannot become the people God wants us to be. Paul further tells Timothy not to be ashamed of him. Yes, he was in prison, but that did not change the fact that they were brothers in Christ. He was in jail because he faithfully preached the gospel of Jesus. Is it possible for us to be ashamed of our faithful brothers and sisters? Finally, Paul tells Timothy not to be ashamed of the afflictions that come from following the gospel. Later in this letter (2 Timothy 3:12) Paul tells the godly that they will suffer. Peter encourages us (1 Peter 4:16) that suffering as a Christian gives us an opportunity to bring glory to God. If we are ashamed then we will never be the best we can be.

In chapter two Paul tells Timothy, "thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus" (v1). In order to be the best we can be we need the proper strength. Our strength is found in Jesus. There are four examples found within this chapter that show the need to be strong. First, if one is going to be a soldier (v 3) he will need to be strong. Physical training is an important part of military life. If we are going to be a soldier serving under Jesus, our captain (Hebrews 2:10) we must be strong. It will take spiritual exercise (1 Timothy 4:8; Hebrews 5:14), not physical. The second example of strength is seen in the athlete (v 5). Once again physical strength is needed for those competing in Olympic style sports. We will need to be strong if we are going to walk (Ephesians 5:1), run (Hebrews 12:1), fight (1 Corinthians 9:26), etc. Paul tells Timothy that strength is needed if one is going to be a farmer (v 6). There is no greater farmer than one who plants (1 Corinthians 3:6) the word of God in the hearts of men (Luke 8:11ff). If we are going to go into all the world then we are going to need to be strong. The fourth example of strength is found in verse 15. The one who is going to study the word needs to be a workman. Studying the Bible requires strength. Have you ever gotten "tired" of reading the Good Book? Do you need more strength to read? We need strength to be all that we can be!

Chapter three ends with Paul telling us, "that the man of may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto every good work" (v 17). How can I be perfect? The scriptures use the word perfect to mean mature or full grown. I can't be all that God wants me to be if I remain a babe in Christ (1 Peter 2:2). How can I grow? Does God provide something that will help me grow? Yes, to both questions. Verse sixteen tells us that God has given us the scriptures and they are profitable. Every child of God ought to be using daily (Acts 17:11; 1 Thessalonians 2:13) the Word so that we can be complete. God has given us everything we need (2 Peter 1:3). Are you the best you can be when it comes to reading and studying the Word of God?

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*Welcome to the services of the Grandview Pines church of Christ*

We are thankful to be able to gather to worship our God (John 4:24). Visitors, please take time to fill out a card and place it in the collection plate. If you have questions about what you see or hear we would be glad to answer them after the service. We hope all leave edified and uplifted.

## News, Notes & Nouncements

### ***Bible Study***

#### **Sunday Morning**

We are studying the book of Colossians.

Teacher: George Vinson

#### **Wednesday Night**

We are studying the book of John

Teacher: Terry Claunch

#### **3rd Monday Night**

We are studying the different versions of the Bible and their accuracy.

Teacher: Lary Sadler

### ***Barnabas Board***

We want to encourage everyone to use the board in the foyer is for posting notes of encouragement, thanks, etc.

### ***Lord's Supper Preparation Sign-up List***

A few months are still available for preparation of the Lord's Supper for this year.

### ***Deacon Selection***

1 Timothy 3: 8-13 Continue to pray as the congregation goes through the process of selecting deacons. May all that we do bring honor and glory to God.

### ***5th Sunday Services***

All young Christian men are to meet at 3:30 on the 17th to prepare for our 5th Sunday Services.

### ***Merry Wood Lodge***

We will meet with the residents at four this afternoon. Come join us as we sing and study

### ***Address Change***

Katie King has been moved, her new address is: Room 308, 95 Charleston Place, Deatsville, AL 36022.

### ***Baby Shower***

Next Sunday after our fellowship we will have a baby shower for Myra Hall. There will be a money tree and diaper and wipes collection.

### ***Youth Devotional Sign-up List***

A new sign-up sheet for our fourth Sunday youth devotionals has been placed in the foyer.

### ***School Supplies***

Please bring all listed items in a bag and give to Jason Hall by August 1st.

12ct. #2 Pencils  
2pks Notebook paper wide rule  
2 - 12 oz school glue  
2pks - 24ct Crayons  
9x12 50ct. Asst. Construction Paper  
5" Fiskar Scissors  
3 ring binder 2" wide  
3 Hole binder pencil bag  
Pencil sharpener with catcher  
Ruler with inches and centimeters

### ***Cell Phone Usage***

Please silence cell phones so our worship services will not be interrupted. Please do not be disrespectful to God and those assembled by sending or receiving messages during class and worship. Thank you for your help in this matter.

### ***Backwoods Christian Camp***

Campers are leaving this afternoon! Lets pray for their safe trip and that they will use this opportunity to grow in Truth and Spirit.

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In the final chapter of 2 Timothy Paul says that he is ready. "For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand" (v 6). In order to be the best we can be we must be ready to die. Death is a certainty (Hebrews 9:27). Paul was ready for that day because he lived faithfully. "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" (v 7). In order to be faithful till death (Revelation 2:10) we must live faithfully. Am I ready to die? Is my life "right with God?" These are serious questions that each of us must ask (2 Corinthians 13:5). Paul had the correct attitude about death. "For to me to live is Christ, but to die is gain" (Philippians 1:21). Living for Jesus is the only way to be ready to die.

Being all you can be was a slogan of the Army in years past. They wanted to give you the potential to be the best you could be. God wants you to be the best you can be. Thankfully, He has provided us with everything we need. Will you become the best you can be? If you are not a Christian you need to obey the gospel (Romans 10:17; John 20:30, 31; Acts 17:30; Romans 10:10; Acts 2:38). If you are unfaithful you need to be restored to Christ and His church (1 John 1:7-9).

### ***Bulletin Updates, Changes & Removal of Names***

Don't forget to let us know if prayer list or other bulletin information needs to be changed.  
Please email Trey Harvell by Friday night. [trey.harvell@gmail.com](mailto:trey.harvell@gmail.com)

## Prayer List

(in alphabetical order by last name)

<p><b>Ray Berry</b> - (Nephew of R. Price) had foot amputated &amp; is in fair condition. At Jackson Hosp. Rm 529.</p> <p><b>Martha Bixler</b> - (friend of the Harvells &amp; Claunchs) Recovering from having kidney stones removed Wednesday.</p> <p><b>Lee Bowren</b> - (A. Sadler's mother) in nursing home in Heber Springs, AR.</p> <p><b>David Brown</b> - (Mont. Police officer) - recovering from serious motorcycle accident</p> <p><b>Linda Bush</b> - Prattville Rehab &amp; Nursing Home, RM 212</p> <p><b>Stuart Burkey</b> - (Lonnie's son) having tests run, doctors think he may have cancer.</p> <p><b>Kim Claunch</b> - at home. She and the baby are doing better. She visits the doctor once a week now.</p> <p><b>Amber Conrad</b> - (T. Harvell's cousin) back at work, recovering from surgery following an auto accident</p> <p><b>Russell Cooper</b> - (B. Little's brother)</p> <p><b>Wanda Cooper</b> - (Ben Cooper's mother) recovering from severe allergic reaction.</p> <p><b>Joel Couch</b> - (baby of Josh and Amanda Couch - friends of C. Harvell) suffering from a seizure disorder that's affecting development.</p> <p><b>Jerry Davidson</b> - (Director of Guyana missions) Parkinson's Disease</p> <p><b>Charles Dobbins</b> - (friend of the May family) under hospice care.</p>	<p><b>Vicki Dobbins</b> - (friend of the May family) fell off ladder with lower back pain—at home recovering</p> <p><b>Jerry Ellison</b> - has not felt good lately</p> <p><b>Sydney Fuller</b> - (G. Fuller's bother) has two inoperable aneurisms. Continue to pray for him.</p> <p><b>Charlie Gibbs</b> - (K. Cross's grandfather) health issues</p> <p><b>Addison Hall</b> - had to go to the hospital last week. She is doing better.</p> <p><b>Myra Hall</b> - expecting &amp; dealing with gall stones.</p> <p><b>Marilyn Hatcher</b> - (E. Howard's mother) Had surgery recently. She will be taking chemo treatments.</p> <p><b>Tim Johnson</b> - (G. Shelton's uncle) is undergoing cancer treatments</p> <p><b>Katie King</b> - Room 308, 95 Charleston Place, Old Prattville Hwy. Would like visits.</p> <p><b>Angel Koche</b> is having some complications with her pregnancy.</p> <p><b>Holly Sadler</b> (Jay's wife) diagnosed with diabetes and liver damage.</p> <p><b>Rayford Lee</b> - (J. Sadler's father-in-law)</p> <p><b>Buddy Little</b> - recovering from bypass surgery.</p> <p><b>Johnny Maddox</b> - (son of Fay Morrison) suffered a heart attack. He is at home. Fay is staying with him.</p> <p><b>Walter &amp; Cheryl May</b> - (R. May's parents) both facing physical</p>	<p>ailments</p> <p><b>Rosie Price</b> - Taking physical therapy after knee surgery.</p> <p><b>Peggy Rice</b> - (Janice Claunch's mother)</p> <p><b>Tim Rice</b> - (Janice Claunch's brother) Had emergency appendectomy this past week.</p> <p><b>June Stringer</b> - broken arm.</p> <p><b>Tina Tatum</b> - will be having tests the next few weeks.</p> <p><b>Mickey Thomas</b> - (former member) Room 313 Prattville Rehab</p> <p><b>Amy Turner</b> - continuing to deal with illness.</p> <p><b>Kevin Turner</b> - ALS</p> <p><b>Juanita Waggoner</b> - (M. Stinson's aunt) advanced stage of Parkinson's Disease</p> <p><b>Military personnel &amp; their families</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Matthew Cooper (Basic—AIT)</li> <li>-Britt Shores (Afghanistan)</li> <li>-Keith Cleveland (C. Cleveland's grandson, Iraq returned home in June)</li> <li>-Keith Golden (Goldens' son)</li> <li>-Joshua Corey - deployed</li> <li>-Joel Jackson</li> <li>-Barry Freeman</li> <li>-Matthew Martin</li> <li>-Stewart Burkey</li> <li>-Todd Wheeler - being deployed</li> <li>-Garrett Young at Basic Training</li> </ul>
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*... but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. Philippians 4:6*

### Do You Know Your Bible?

#### This Week's Question

**Where does one find the conversions of Lydia and the Philippians jailor?**

#### Answer to Last Week's Questions

Where does one find the qualifications for deacons?

1 Timothy 3:8-13

**Elders:**

Terry Claunch.....285-4142  
Glenn Fuller.....365-4923  
Lary Sadler.....285-7455

**Preacher:**

Terry Claunch

Study.....285-6327  
Home.....285-4142  
Cell.....313-1539

**Work of Evangelism:**

Home Bible Studies  
Bible Correspondence Studies  
Biblical Tracts  
Staton & Tutwiler Prisons  
Sermon CDs & Cassettes  
Gospel Broadcasting Network

**Work of Benevolence:**

Food Pantry  
Guyana Missions - Summerdale  
Congregation  
1st Sun. singing - Autumn Place  
2nd Sun. singing - Merry Wood Lodge  
Clothes for Panama  
Eye Glasses for Thailand  
Assistance to those in need

**Work of Edification:**

Sunday  
Bible Class.....9:00 AM  
Worship.....10:00 AM  
Worship.....5:00 PM  
3rd Monday  
Bible Study.....6:30 PM  
Wednesday  
Ladies' Class.....10:30 AM  
Bible Class.....7:00 PM

**Internet**

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(Grandview Pines church of Christ &  
Grandview Pines church of Christ Youth)

**Where We Meet**

165 Deatsville Hwy,  
Millbrook, AL, 36054

*Privileged to Serve  
Sunday Worship Services*

	<b>Today: July 10th</b>	<b>Next Week: July 17th</b>
<b>AM Service</b>		
<b>Announcements</b>	Trey Harvell	Tom Young
<b>Song Leader</b>	George Vinson	Sammie Girod
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Jeremy Claunch	Jim Cox
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Coby Mayne 1 Cor. 10:1-6	Alex Stinson 1 Cor. 12:12-20
<b>Lord's Table - Head</b>	Jim Hammonds	George Vinson
<b>Lord's Table - Serve</b>	Robert Golden Tom Young Jim Ezekiel Dave Conyers	Luke Wright Trey Harvell Bryant Weldon Kevin Moody
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Doug Stabler	Charles Price
<b>PM Service</b>		
<b>Announcements</b>	Trey Harvell	Tom Young
<b>Song Leader</b>	George Vinson	Sammie Girod
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Lonnie Burkey	Dave Conyers
<b>3rd Sunday Invitation</b>		Lary Sadler
<b>Lord's Table</b>	Jim Hammonds	George Vinson
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	James Woodruff	Robert Golden
<b>Sunday Helpers' List</b>		
<b>Foyer Attendant</b>	Sammie Girod	Ricky May
<b>Greeters</b>	Jim Cox Bryant Weldon	Ricky May Cliff Cleveland
<b>Nursery Attendant</b>	Melanie Payne	Sheila Moody
<b>Shut-In Communion</b>	Terry Claunch	Lary Sadler
<b>Wednesday Bible Study</b>		
	<b>This Week: July 13th</b>	<b>Next Week: July 20th</b>
<b>Song Leader</b>	Ben Cooper	Tom Young
<b>Invitation</b>	Jeremy Claunch	Trey Harvell
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Jim Cox	Dave Conyers
If you cannot meet your scheduled duty & cannot find a replacement, please contact Jim Hammonds.		

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