



## BLODGETT CHURCH OF CHRIST

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### *Time of Services:*

*Sunday: 10:00 A.M. class, 11:00 A.M. worship, and 6:00 P.M. worship*

*Wednesday: 7:00 P.M. class*

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Wednesday Devotional Speaker: John D Porter



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PUTTING YOU ON THE RIGHT PATH

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## “THE WORLD IS MINE!”

By DOT AARON

Today, upon a bus, I saw a lovely girl with golden hair.  
I envied her, she seemed so gay; I wished I were as fair.

When suddenly she rose to leave,  
I saw her hobble down the aisle.  
She had one leg, and wore a crutch,  
And as she passed – a smile.

O God, forgive me when I whine.  
I have two legs, the world is mine!

And then I stopped to buy some sweets.  
The lad who sold them had such charm  
I talked with him – he seemed so glad –  
If I were late ‘twould do no harm.

And as I left he said to me:  
“I thank you. You’ve been so kind.  
It’s nice to talk with folks like you.  
You see,” he said, “I’m blind.”  
O God, forgive me when I whine.  
I have two eyes, the world is mine!

Later, walking down the street,  
I saw a child with eyes of blue.  
He stood and watched the others play  
It seemed he knew not what to do.

I stopped a moment, then I said,  
“Why don’t you join the others, dear?”  
He looked ahead without a word,  
And then I knew – he could not hear.  
O God, forgive me when I whine.  
I have two ears, the world is mine!

With legs to take me where I would go –  
With eyes to see the sunset’s glow –  
With ears to hear what I would know –  
O God, forgive me when I whine.

#### **Paul’s Commitment!**

Paul Rogers of Centerville, Tennessee, has done some calculating of just how far the apostle Paul walked in his efforts to spread the gospel. According to Acts, he took three missionary journeys. The second of these alone amounted to three thousand miles, two thousand of which would have been on foot. The average daily distance of a traveler of that time was about twenty miles, with a Roman Inn being located every 20 to 25 miles along the road. These inns were unbelievably filthy, immoral, and bug-infested. Paul traveled through snowy mountain passes and spring floods. He walked through areas famous for harboring robbers and criminals. He braved wild beasts which imperiled every traveler. The travel recorded in Acts 16 alone would have covered 740 miles. That of chapter 15 would be 500 miles. And to think he was walking not for his own health but for the spiritual well-being of others!

That is being committed to the Lord. Can you imagine walking 20 miles to get to a place to preach or hear the gospel? How committed are we to serving the Lord when many won’t drive 5 miles or so to worship service? *(1 Cor. 11:1 KJV) Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.* We are admonished to follow after Paul. Now this does not mean we are to park our cars and walk everywhere we go, but it does mean we should strive for the same commitment level. It is a busy time of year with all the holiday activities approaching, yet we are committed to getting our kids to practice/performances. Many put forth a solid effort to make the football/basketball games and/or Christmas parties and parades. Oh, if we were only as committed to visiting and sharing the “good news.” Let me encourage a commitment to the Lord with the same intensity as Paul. I encourage each of us to examine our hearts, and, if need be, refocus our priorities on God and in serving Him.

#### **Family News**

- We extend our condolences to **Eugene Stone** in the death of his brother.
- **Mike Fields’** sister, Emily, who has visited here, is in the hospital in Texarkana with complications from her cancer treatment.
- **Bill Money** has requested prayers for his sister, Diana Dodson, and her daughter.
- There will be a men’s business meeting tonight following the evening service.
- Following next Sunday evening’s service (October 29), there will be send-off party for **Dwayne Porter** as he will be moving to Georgia. In conjunction with that fellowship, Dwayne and Lisa will be getting married. All are invited to the wedding and fellowship.
- Our ladies have been invited to a “ladies’ day” on Nov. 11 at North Jefferson.

***When you think of yesterday without regret, and tomorrow without fear, you are near contentment.***

#### **Being a Christian Is Like Being a Pumpkin**

God picks you from the patch and brings you in. John 15:16

He washes all the dirt off of you. 2 Corinthians 5:17

He opens you up and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc. Romans 6:6

Then He carves you a new smiling face. Psalm 71:23

And He puts His light inside you to shine for all the world to see. Matthew 5:16

**Attending church service doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.**