



The Sunday Messenger

June 15, 2025

Week 25 - Day 166

James Ave. church of Christ

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Welcome ... To Our Friends

May you find our congregation friendly and our worship uplifting and to the glory of God. Please stay after worship so we may meet you and do come back to worship with us again.

The JA family assembles for Worship and Study

Sunday

Bible Class 9:00 AM

Worship 10:00 AM

Bible Study 6:00 PM

Tuesday

Morning Bible Class 10:00 AM
September – May

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 PM



Loving. Caring. Sharing.



Faithful Fathers

It has been said that Father's Day is just like Mother's Day except you spend less on the gift! All humor aside, society has sadly downplayed the importance of a father in the home. Too many children are being raised without their fathers in their lives. And too many fathers who are still in the same home with their children are not active enough in their families' lives.

Fathers are to be the providers of the family (Gen. 3:17-19; 1 Tim. 5:8). This is an awesome task. Proverbs 20:6 states, "Most men will proclaim their goodness, but who can find a faithful man?" We could easily paraphrase that to "who can find a faithful father?" What must a faithful father provide for his family?

A faithful father provides for the physical needs of the family (2 Cor. 12:14; Matt. 7:9-10). By the way, besides the obvious (food, clothing, shelter, etc.), our children need our time as well. The greatest physical thing we can give our children is ourselves.

A faithful father provides for the spiritual direction of the family (Eph. 6:4; Isa. 38:19). Fathers, we need to take the spiritual lead and guide our families toward heaven. They also need to see in us people who are serious about honoring and serving God properly.

A faithful father provides for the proper discipline of the family (Heb. 12:7, 11; Pro. 13:24). There are many effective forms of discipline, and a faithful father knows that proper and timely discipline will yield the fruit of righteousness.

A faithful father provides sympathetic understanding to all the members of the family (Col. 3:21; Ps. 103:13). We need to express our love, communicate with, and show compassion to our children. They need to see our "ears" and our "tears" from time to time.

While fathers upon the earth may fail in these areas from time to time, we need to remember that God, our heavenly Father, is perfect (Matt. 5:48). And as such, He provides for His children perfectly. He provides for our physical needs (Matt. 7:11), He provides for our spiritual direction (Ps. 73:24), He provides for us proper discipline (Heb. 12:5-6), and He provides sympathetic love and compassion (Ps. 86:3,5,15).

This Father's Day, express your appreciation to your earthly father. But every day, express your appreciation to your Heavenly Father who provides us with all we need.

Edd Sterchi | Campbellsville, KY via *Bulletin Digest*

On the Lord's Day ... We Worship God

Singing ... Jared Cochran

300 – Praise Him! Praise Him!
162 – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
797 – Lord, We Come Before Thee Now

Prayer ... Larry Cochran

324 – Alas, And Did My Savior Bleed

Lord's Supper

Preside ... Larry Cochran

Serve ... Bobby King, Tony Paul

Scripture ... Harvey Jones

Ephesians 6:4

410 – He Leadeth Me

Lesson ... Ron Harper

Father's

376 – He Paid a Debt
704 – Bind Us Together

Closing Prayer ... Matt Branch

PowerPoint ... Matt Branch



Scan the QR code to view the scriptures for today's lesson or select "Events" in the Bible App (YouVersion) or

<http://bible.com/events/49450093>

Ephesians 6:4 NKJV And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

Prayer Requests

Barbara Adkins, Tammy Perry & Katie Sylvester's sister

Doris Ann Baker, Jerry's co-worker and long-time friend of Darlene

Steve, Debbie & Amelia Cordle, preparing for their move to Nashville and JA

Teresa Chumney Craft, Darlene's cousin, cancer

Kim Currier, Amy Ladd's mom

Chitika Gooch, dizziness

Danny Gooch, Chitika's brother, cancer

George Gooch, Chitika's uncle

Jomarsha, Chitika's granddaughter, cancer

Shantra Gooch, Chitika's daughter in law has cancer

Claytie Hall, sister to Richard and Jean

Ron Harper, recovering from cataract surgery

Inez Hopwood, friend of Rhoda

Daughter of Inez Hopwood, stage 4 cancer

How Much Do You Know ... About the Bible?

Matthew 15:1-11

1. The scribes and Pharisees accused Jesus of allowing His disciples to "transgress the _____ of the elders" by not _____ their hands before they eat.
2. "He answered and said to them, 'Why do you also transgress the _____ of God because of your _____?'"
3. "But you say, 'Whoever says to his father or mother, "Whatever _____ you might have received from me is a _____ to God"— then he need not honor his father or mother.'" "
4. Jesus called them _____ and said they "draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, but their _____ are far from Me."
5. "Hear and understand: Not what goes into the mouth _____ a man; but what comes out of the _____, this defiles a man."

Answers to 06/08/2025 questions:

Matthew 14:28-33: Lord, water; come, boat, walked; wind, afraid, sink, Lord, save, me; faith, doubt; worshiped, Son of God.

Velma Jennette

Alan Johnson, Richard & Nancy's son

Hannah Johnson & family

Donnie Johnson, Richard & Jean's bro.

Pam Johnson, Richard's sister-in-law

Richard & Nancy Johnson

Katina Jones, (husband, Jack) sister-in-law

of Stephen Wilkerson, cancer

Carolyn Kimble

Jimmy Kimble, Tom's son and Carolyn's

grandson, treatment for MS, seizures

Danny & Trish King, brother & sister-in-

law of Bobby King

David Knott, cancer & blocked arteries

Jerry Ladd, Sr.; Jim & Margaret Ladd

Anne Mae Lindsey, Ashley & Stephen's

grandmother

Dallas Mathis, James' cousin, skin cancer

Ruth Netterville, Richard & Jean's sister

James & Leda Newberry

Florence Nicks, Rhoda's sister-in-law

Frankie Nicks, Rhoda's bro-in-law, stroke

Jeanine Nix, Rob's mom (melanoma)

Bonnie Parham, friend of Tara, cancer

William Pedigo, Aubrey's granddad

Jeanna Pewitt, Nancy's sister-in-law

Earlene Reasonover, a former member

Pat Richardson, liver 5-year-old

Josh Roberson, Darlene's nephew,

treatments for liver cancer

John William (JW) Sneed, Aubrey's 6-year-

old cousin

Marie Ann Sneed, James' cousin

Josie Soqui, (Katie & Jose Soqui),

Heather's, cousin, are home!

Area Anna Swett, Rhoda's granddaughter

Katie Sylvester, room 527B Trevecca

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and son, **BJ Sylvester**; **Katie** another stroke.

David Taylor, Theresa's brother

Austin, Abby's brother

Peggy (husband, Mitch) Turner, Velma's

friend, who is battling cancer

Wendell Watson, friend of James Newberry,

multiple health issues

Sarah Whitaker, James' cousin in KY

Cynthia Wilkerson

Jimmy Wilson, Josh Wilson's brother &

Lilly's uncle

Mary Wyatt and Jacob Copeland

Traveling ... Welcome home, **Harvey** and **Amanda & family**. **Rob and Velma** are in WV and Gettysburg PA this week.

Tuesday Morning Bible Class

We are studying 1 John each Tuesday morning @ 10 AM. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

2025 Milestones

Birthdays	
Allsun Smithey	06/07
Larry Cochran	06/08
Georgia Smithey	06/09
Jennifer King	06/11
Samuel Cochran	06/12
BJ Sylvester	06/14
Margaret Rushing	06/18
Cynthia Wilkerson	06/18
Anniversaries	
Jared & Heather Cochran	06/03
Harvey & Ellen Jones	06/22

About our JA Family

Contribution	2025 Avg	
June 8, 2025	\$673	\$1,158
Budget	\$1,400	\$1,400