THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Romans 15:7



April 25, 2021

We Wait Too Long

God reveals in His word that we are to do what we are to do NOW. We do not have any assurance that the opportunity we had today to do good will be available tomorrow.

Delayed service or commitment is the philosophy that says, "just wait until I get my finances, my job, my education, my career, etc. in the "right shape" THEN I can commit to my children, my local congregation, my mate, my Lord. It is the devil's lie that tries to get you to put off till tomorrow what you could, should and can do today. We have a word in the English language that clearly tells us what this is and shows by definition it's negative effects.

The word is PROCRASTINATION.

We often wait too long to do what must be done today, while lamenting that our days are few. We act as though we have an endless supply of time.

We wait too long to discipline ourselves and take charge of our lives.

We wait too long to be kind and generous.

We wait too long to be parents to our children – forgetting how brief is the time we have to teach and train them.

We wait too long to express our love for parents, siblings and dear ones.

We wait too long to read the Book that is able to save us.

We wait too long to talk to that person closest to us about our Lord.

We wait too long to seek forgiveness from the ones we have sinned against.

We wait too long to say I'm sorry to the person with whom we spoke harshly.

God, too, is waiting – waiting for us to STOP WAITING, and to begin to do NOW all the things for which this day and this life have been given to us.

Again and again, God comes to say NOW is the day (2 Corinthians 6:2). NOW is the much needed antidote to our human tendency to procrastinate. The TRUTH about us is that in too many vital areas of life, we wait too long.

Borrowed

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PRAYER LIST* MEMBERS • Claude Haynes		Order of Worship April 25, 2021
Margie Rhodes	Call to Worship	Ĩ
Bonnie Stephens	-	
Maria Reategui	Medley	"O Worship the King"
Maggie RodriguezElvis Durity		"Only a Holy God"
Marjorie Connor	Announcements	
Lew Parks	& Welcome:	Hugh Travis
Frieda Rodgers		"In Christ Alone"
Doug Fee	Prayer &:	Scott Holden
Carla Sledge		ding: James 2:14-26
Donna Strong Los Sa Linds Sutton	-	"I Gave My Life for Thee"
Lee & Linda SuttonDi Menoher	Communion	
 Warren & Brenda Werntz 	Leader:	Scott Otey
Ron Restivo		l Corinthians 11;23-26
• Jeff Blake		Luke 12:15-21
NURSING HOME / SHUT-INS		d to go to the worship class during this song.
 June McCauley 	Song before the	Message
• Wayne & Bonnie Bucy	Medley	"We'll Work Till Jesus Comes"
FAMILY & FRIENDS		"Faith Is the Victory"
• Jon Sauer	Message:	Russ Bone
Kasey Dudley	Invitation:	"Trust and Obey"
• Laurie & Danny Osborne		•
Maddie Whitlock	Song As we En	ter the Mission Field:
Darinda Paul		"Faith of Our Fathers"
Joe & Marie Lennon's sonMary Ryder Lynn Greer	Closing Prayer:	Tom Wriggins
 Linda Sutton grandson Matt & 	Parents	s please pick up your child from class
great granddaughter Jordan		
• John Wallace's sister		
• George Ballard	We will continue t	o observe Communion every week. Due to the
Marsha Hampton		rns, the communion bread has been placed into
 Marco Moros Bob Stafford John David & Nancy Ottway 		ups. Gluten Free communion has been placed
 John David & Nancy Ottway Hussey Family Sally Abbott 	within the very center ring of each tray.	
Judy Sauer's g-daughter, Meaghan		
 John Werntz 		
Robert Champion Michael Presto		Future Events
Pam Richey Larry Brown	Every Sunday:	Live Stream Worship at 10:00 AM
Brooke Ruppel Laubel Perez	Every Wednesday:	Ladies Class via Zoom - 6PM
Ao HotchkissRod Cameron	Every Friday:	Communion pick up - Building - 11AM - 4PM
 Carla Sledge's niece, Audricka	TONIGHT:	Bible Study @ 5:30PM - Russ Bone
Carla Sledge's nephew	April 27th: May 1st:	Girls' Devo - Macon's @ 5PM
 Danny Billingsby 	May 1st:	Young Adults Taco & Game Night - 6PM Meet & Greet Tribute honoring Claude Haynes
MILITARY	May 8th:	Youth Cook Out - Grey House @ 4PM
Christopher Lemay Lee Strong	****May 21st:	VPK Graduation - 10 AM****
Darrell Martin Casandra Prokop	July 11th - 17th:	Teen Week at Central Florida Bible Camp
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<u>GIVING & ATTENDANCE</u> <u>WEEK ENDED April 18th</u>

Weekly Variance	\$9,185 5 <u>10,500</u> 5<1,315> 5 <673>
Sunday Morning: Attendance in Building Attendance via views online:	133 208
Sunday Evening: Attendance in Building Attendance via views online:	40 155
Wednesday: Attendance in Building/ Teer Attendance online:	ns 45 105
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PRAYER SECTION

- Claude Haynes, June McCauley, Elvis Durity, Bonnie Stephens, & Scott Blake continue to have health challenges.
- Pray for the families affected by COVID-19. This time has taken its toll on everyone physically, financially, emotionally, and spiritually.
- John David Ottway is not responding to treatments. He continues to get weaker.
- Jan Devins is waiting on test results to determine how to best treat her health issues.
- Andrew & Rachel Glazier have been diagnosed with COVID.
- Jeff Blake is waiting on test results.

Birthday's & Anniversaries

- 25 Tracy Mak
 26 Audrey Streefkerk
 27 Faith Brown
 27 Sonyia Rimmer
 28 Margorie Rhodes
 30 Di Menoher
 May 3 Pam Macon
 4 Ken Brown
 4 Drew & Susan Meulenberg
 6 Larry & Di Menoher
- 8 Easton & Allysa Davis

Bible Study

Our in person / virtual class for Sunday night:

Everyone - Main Auditorium - 5:30 PM - Russ Bone

Our in person classes for Wednesday night are:

Everyone - Main Auditorium - 6:30PM.

Teens - Grey House - 6:30PM

All county mandated health precautions will be followed.

Our virtual options for Wednesday night are:

Ladies class via Zoom - 6PM - please contact Carla Sledge or Diane Otey for a Zoom invitation.

Auditorium class via Facebook - 6:30PM

We hope you will join us in one of these Bible study opportunities.

Children's Worship Class

Our children's worship class is offered to those 3 years of age to 2nd grade and will be held in Classroom A8 - that's the large classroom in the back. Children will be dismissed by the song leader after the communion service. You may use either set of double doors into the classroom area. Please take a moment to encourage your child to go potty before going to class. When services are over, parents (only) promptly pick up their children from the classroom.

Young Adults "Taco and Game Night"

Join us May 1st at 6PM for a game night the Dempsey's home! Bring your favorite salsa & chips to share and some friends. Contact Jordyn Dempsey (239-250-5940) to RSVP or if you have any questions.

Tribute to Claude Haynes

On Saturday, May 1st we will have the opportunity to show our appreciation to Claude Haynes for his many years of service to the Naples Church of Christ. This is a "come and go" style event, so please feel free to stop by the church building anytime between 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm to let Claude know how much you respect and appreciate him! You'll also have the chance to put your signature on a Keepsake for Claude to take home! We will have plenty of ice-cold bottled water on hand!

VPK Graduation

If you are able to help with VPK Graduation on May 21st, please contact Becky Harty - TheOffice@LivingstonAcademyNaples.com.

Girl's Devo/Fellowship Night

Every Tuesday night starting on April 27th from 5-7:30 PM. Join a group of likeminded girls seeking God's heart in study, fellowship, and love at the Macon home (5121 Coral Wood Dr). All girls ages 13-18 yrs. and their friends are welcome. Pam will be hosting but the girls will be leading the group. Contact Pam at 239-207-4429 to RSVP or volunteer to help.

Youth Cook-Out

Saturday, May 8th 4-7 PM. All ages up to 18 yrs. are welcome, friends are encouraged. Join us for an evening of safe fun and fellowship outside the grey house. Volunteers are appreciated! To RSVP contact Glenn Macon 239-339-7778.

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Kathleen Brown: Office Admin Emanuel, Peter, Gideon, Mark, Communion:
Zak Dempsey: Youth Minister Amos, Anthony, James, Leader Tom Wrigg
Tim NealLead MinisterValentine, Evans, Jacob, ProsperServers & Ushers:
DEACONS Ben Gyimah, Bill Stro
Leff Blake Adult Education WORSHIP SERVICES Phil Osborne, T
Marvin Donis TBA SUNDAY Closing Prayer: Ben Gyim
Roberto Escobar, Ir. Davcare Cmte. Worship - 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Computer: David Wakela
Alan Glazier Worship Streaming - 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM Sound: Roberto Escobar
Glenn Macon Youth Hispanic Service - 1:00 PM Media: Kathleen Bro
Larry Menoher Building / Grounds Evening Study - 5:30 PM Next Week
Drew Meulenberg Finance WEDNESDAY
Marc Rimmer Benevolence Ladies Class - 6PM via Zoom Welcome: Ben Gyin
Tom Wriggins Worship Bible Study, 620 DM Song Leader: Joe Leni
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Scripture Reading &
Haris Domond Social Media & OFFICE HOURS Opening Prayer Tom Wrigg
Advertising M, W, F - 10A.M 5:00 PM Communion:
George Estzer Security Leader Scott Hold
Scott Holden Visitation Servers & Ushers:
David Wakeland Involvement Marc Rimmer, AJ Lop
David Wakefand Involvement Online Giving: Givelify MAPLES CHURCH Closing Prayer: Dennis Colem
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[Worship], Kathleen Brown [Sound]

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