

Will I Do All Things?

We often quote Philippians 4.13, "***I can do all things through Him*** [Christ] ***who strengthens me.***" But how often do we actually put it into practice? Paul said he could do "***all things.***" He was not stating he could do all things through his own wisdom, strength, and knowledge. Paul relied on the strength which he received from Christ. Now he had firm confidence that nothing would be required of him of which he could not endure because Jesus was with him. There was no trial, no temptation, nor hardship which he would face that could overcome him because he could count upon the strength given unto him by Christ.

Do we see Jesus doing the same for us? Paul says, "***I can.***" Thus, for us, it means we should **be positive** about what we can accomplish for Christ. Objections arise quickly from many people when different works are proposed for Christians to do in the spread of the gospel. Some would say we were defeated before we even began. But "***I can***" means it is possible. As Christians, we should be at the forefront of challenging ourselves to do more for the cause of Christ because we know Christ is behind our work. It is amazing the things God will accomplish through us when we are positive and trust in Him.

Next. Paul said, "***I can do all things.***" When I think about all the things I can do and get excited about it, I **become passionate** about my work. As the family of God, we should be passionate about our faith and our service. We work for our Master and know that we have the ability to accomplish "***all things***" He gives us to do. There is so much to be done in evangelism, edification, and benevolence that we should constantly be doing good. "***All things***" are possible with God.

Paul said, "***I can do all things through Him.***" There is the source of our strength. It is in Christ Jesus our Lord. We should **be possessive** of Christ because He is our source of power. It is because I am a Christian that I can call upon my Lord. Jesus is my sword, my strength, my shield, and my defender. With His help I can achieve all things which I could never have accomplished by myself. I should take possession of all that Christ offers me.

Paul says, "***It is Christ who strengthens me.***" He accredits all his strength as coming from Jesus. Since Christ strengthens me, I should **be powerful** in the advancement of the cause of Christ. I have great strength given unto me; thus, I should never cower in fear. With the strength of the One who has been given all power in heaven and on earth, I can take His strength and boldly do His will.

With all Christ offers His faithful followers, will we take advantage of and trust in the fact that as a Christian, "***I can do all things through Him who strengthens me***"? What will you accomplish for your Lord this week?
Gary

Are You An Enthusiastic Christian?

Luke 19.1-10

1. Have you ever met someone who was very enthusiastic about what they were doing?
2. Do you remember how enthusiastic Zacchaeus was?
3. Did it encourage you to try to do better?
4. Enthusiasm can drive mediocre people to do great things.

When The Children Of God Have Enthusiasm, It Can...

I. _____ Dying Churches.

- A. What happens to churches who let their enthusiasm die? (Revelation 2.1-5)
- B. Is there anything that can be done to _____ the process?
- C. Enthusiasm was a common trait throughout the _____ .
 1. Why did the churches of Macedonia _____ so _____ to the saints in Jerusalem? (2 Corinthians 9.1, 2; 2 Corinthians 8.1-5)
 2. Why did Epaphras work so hard? (Colossians 4.13)
 3. What is the result of one _____ their zeal? (Revelation 3.14-17)

II. Improve _____.

- A. When the _____ has enthusiasm and vision for the church, they are able to move the children of God.
 1. Our elders have a _____ responsibility (Hebrews 13.17).
 2. What do you think it means in this verse when it says, "**for that would be of no advantage for you**"?
- B. _____ from the flock gives the elders _____.

III. Enhance _____.

- A. A preacher without enthusiasm for the cause of Christ is about as effective as a wet match.
 1. Jeremiah had a _____ within him (Jeremiah 20.9).
 2. David said his zeal _____ him (Psalm 119.139).
 3. Isaiah would not _____ nor be _____ until Jerusalem reformed (Isaiah 62.1).
- B. If you are going to be a _____, be enthusiastic.

IV. Make _____ Christians _____.

- A. What makes someone an extraordinary Christian?
 1. People on fire for the Lord ought to be the _____ and not the _____.
 2. We have been given into our hands the "_____ " religion.
- B. Enthusiasm can make _____ Christians _____ of the believers.
- C. Enthusiasm makes ordinary Christians extraordinary _____.
- D. Should we not be the same?

Conclusion: Are you ready to enthusiastically obey the Lord?

C O N N E C T I O N

C Good morning WH family! This morning we are featuring the Steven and Rene Johnston family in our Connection Corner.

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Steven was born in Lubbock, TX, and attended Wilson High School. Steven loved playing on the basketball team where he starred, along with his older brother, Michael. The brothers went to Lubbock Christian University on scholarship. Due to an early season injury, Steven was no longer able to play on the team, but enjoyed intramural basketball and the Koinonia men's social club. Rene was born in Lubbock as well, and graduated from Bryson High School, where she participated in "everything;" Basketball, Volleyball, Track, Tennis, FFA, FHA, FBOA, as well as the school's one act play. Additionally, both Steven and Rene worked several jobs helping their families as they went to high school.

Steven and Rene met during their freshmen year at LCU where they attended the same bible class. One day, when Rene was having a "particularly bad day," she entered the classroom and sat down by Steven. Soon, Rene suggested they skip class and go have breakfast. Steven agreed, and they went to McDonalds where they could have breakfast from the \$1 menu, seeing how they were both "broke college kids." About 7 months later, they married. (Some people meet their true love at church, and I guess some meet theirs while skipping Bible class, hmmm!) They worked several jobs, between going to school and having children. Shortly after 9/11, Steven felt called to join the Army, and began serving as a Combat Medic. During their time of service, Steven and Rene met many wonderful families and shared some very difficult times of losses within his unit. This "band of brothers" (and sisters, I believe the entire family "serves") served our country with honor and distinction. Steven was injured in combat on a few occasions and eventually received his honorable discharge.

Steven has worked for the Crown Lift Company for several years as a Zone Supervisor, and Rene has worked at many occupations during their service. They have 3 children, all members of WH as well.

I have been so fortunate to be able to interview members for these articles. I hope that you will take an opportunity to reach out and get to know Steven, Rene and the kids. As with many of my previous articles, I just barely scratch the surface with the space I am allowed. Make the effort to get to know them, you'll be blessed!

Les Keele



One of our members is in need: They are looking for a 10 x 12 area rug, a small kitchen table, a small table to sew on, a storage ottoman, and bookshelves. If you are trying to get rid of any of these, that are gently used, please let the office know. Thank you.

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**Shepherd of the month*

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MORNING WORSHIP (10 AM)

Welcome - Steven Johnston

Song Leader - Randy McCoy

Song - Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Song - Walk With Me

Prayer -

Scripture - Luke 19:1-10

Song - I Will Sing Of My Redeemer

Song - Oh, How I Love Jesus

Lord's Supper -

Prayer for Contribution -

Song - There Is A Habitation

Are You An Enthusiastic Christian?- Gary Williams

Song - Out Of My Bondage

Announcements - Les Keele

Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal - Greg Ball

Donate by QR Code?
Here is ours:
Thank You!



For our members and visitors with hearing difficulties, we now provide single side in-ear mono earbuds with a personal receiver for your convenience. Please see the sound booth at the back of the auditorium for one.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday, August 21

Isaiah 55 - 57

Tuesday, August 22

Isaiah 58 - 60

Wednesday, August 23

Isaiah 61 - 63

Thursday, August 24

Isaiah 64 - 66

Friday, August 25

Jeremiah 1 - 3

Saturday, August 26

Jeremiah 4 - 6

Sunday, August 27

Jeremiah 7 - 9

Last Week

Bible Class:	143	Wednesday:	104
AM Worship:	214	Contribution:	\$ 11,066.00
AM Worship:	104	Budget:	\$ 12,978.00

Times of Assemblies

Bible Class:	9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship:	10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship:	5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening:	7:00 PM



SUNDAY NIGHTS

PLAN TO ATTEND EVENING WORSHIP FOR A CLASS ON:

EVANGELIZING YOUR COMMUNITY: TOOLS TO SHARE THE GOSPEL WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

TAUGHT BY GARY AND LES

ONE BOOK PER FAMILY PROVIDED

255 - Families Served

\$464.94 - Cost to WHCOC

3,785 pounds - Estimated Weight of Food



Ladies, if you would like to share prayer time and gain strength by coming together with your sisters, come to the Library on Wednesday nights at 6:40 P.M.



Pat Molder's son requests that we all send cards to Mrs. Pat Molder for her 95th birthday on August 23.

Janelle Ball is looking for a teacher for the 2 and 3 year olds class on Wednesday nights. Please let her know if you can take this on.



BYO Brown Bag Suppers continue on Wednesday nights. Please bring your family's meal and we will enjoy a time of fellowship before evening services and classes. The building will be opened at 6:00 PM.

Attended Nursery: After communion, we have an attended nursery available for ages birth to 3 years. There is also a cry room available if needed.



It's that time of year! The coin cans for Foster's Home for Children are in the foyers for you to pick up and fill with your change. The cans will be picked up sometime in November.



Foster's Children's Day: 2023

Saturday, September 9

1779 N. Graham, Stephenville, Texas

BBQ lunch at noon

Program To Follow

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members

August 13, 2023

NAME	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Joe Gentry 08/09/2023	His granddaughter, Michelle Taylor, who moved to Alaska to teach in a small fishing village, was found deceased in her home. Her celebration of life was held yesterday. 408 Rim Rock Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Comfort and peace for the family and for all who knew Michelle and her parents
Bob Howard 08/09/2023	It has been determined that he has had a non-debilitating stroke. 6075 FM 1189, Weatherford, Texas 76087	Healing and rehab
Tahlia Witherspoon 08/07/2023	Cut her foot 3 weeks ago and required stitches. The stitches were removed August 3. Due to recent pain, x-rays were conducted and swelling was detected. 3628 Brookland Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Decreased pain and healing
Evelyn Woolsey 08/04/2023	Is in City View Rehab Room 208 following a fall which resulted in a broken arm. She would love visitors according to her son, Stephan (505-321-9082).	Healing and strength
Carlene Reeves 08/03/2023	Suffered a mini stroke and was taken to the hospital but she is now home. 1306 Warden Street, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Recovery
Bob Willyerd 7/27/23	Had his 1st surgery on his spine and all went well. 3704 Guadalupe Road, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Recovery
Wincie Neusse 7/17/2023	Is having health issues. 3425 Riveroad Court, Apartment # 2318, Fort Worth, Texas 76116-1114	Good results and healing
Kham Intharansy 7/6/2023	Had a stent graft procedure for her dialysis on July 6. 7137 Bob Hanger Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76179	Successful surgery and quick healing

PRAYER REQUESTS

Family & Friends

August 13, 2023

NAME	REQUESTED BY	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Kevin, neighbor of	Zach Brookshire	Had brain surgery Friday, August 18. The family has visited with us on several occasions.	Recovery and healing <small>08/18/2023</small>
Kyla Anderson, family member of	Auna Walton	She has been battling leukemia. All treatments have been stopped in an effort to build her up.	For her numbers to be where they need to be so her treatments can continue <small>08/010/2023</small>
DeAnn Trevino, friend of	Leah Bowie	Has been diagnosed with cancer and will need chemo before they can perform surgery to remove the mass.	Peace, comfort, healing, skilled doctors <small>08/02/2023</small>
Candy (Kumcha Amre)	Candy	She has not been well. 7832 Chapin Road, #310, Fort Worth, Texas, 76116.	Quick healing <small>7/9/2023</small>

Happy Birthday!

August



1 Bill Baumann
2 Tommy Intharansy
3 Phousi Siharath
5 Mark Brahn
5 Wayne Tong
6 Betty White
7 Yvonne Hallum
10 Pam Terrell
12 Patti Musselman
13 Karen Brahn
13 Jeff Swan
14 James Bowie
16 Aubrey Hallum
16 Jane Turner Wright
20 Loyce Gazaway
23 Iiand Bouapraseth
23 Pat Molder
24 Milt Birmingham
26 Betty Wilcox
26 Danny Lee
28 Dan Pratt

29 Nell Cain
30 Sam Anderson

Children

15 Ava Collins
27 Judah Bolt



Happy September Birthdays!

1 BOB HOWARD

2 JENNIFER DUNCAN

4 NANCY WRIGHT

5 JOHNNIE WRIGHT

6 MICHAEL DAVIS

7 JOE GARCIA

7 NATHAN RUTLEDGE

8 THONGLE SIHARATH

10 AMBER GRIER

16 ISAIS TORREZ

18 JILL SLOAN

18 NATHAN BOWIE

18 STANLEY GISH

19 SUE CARPENTER

19 SUE SMITH

19 LEANN FISH

20 JUDY BLAIR

20 PETER BROWN

23 FRANKIE SMITH

25 DEBBIE ROLLINS

25 DAVID WILMINGTON

26 ROY EUBANKS

26 MARY EAST

28 SUSIE STEADMAN

29 WRAY GRIER

30 ROBERT SCOTT

30 DANA SABA

CHILDREN

1 LILAH BOLT

15 GAVIN GRIER

17 XAYDEN HUPP

25 ANDREW SCOTT