

Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

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Why?

After the events at Michigan State University, many may be asking one question: WHY?

We live in a country where blame is the name of the game. We want to blame someone or something for the problems of our world. Some may blame guns. Some may be looking for blame in other places. One thing I do know, God is not to blame.

God does not eliminate problems in our lives. He helps us in the midst of our troubles. Remember, Paul told Timothy that the godly would suffer persecution in 2 Tim. 3:12. There were many people in Bible times who experienced troubles. The apostle Paul had his share. He details some of them by stating: "I was beaten with rods; once I was stoned; three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeys often, in perils of waters, in perils of my own countrymen." (2 Cor. 11:26) Paul had a lot of bad things happen to him at the hands of bad men. Was it God's fault? Later, as he was put in prison by the hands of evil men, Paul wrote: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. (Phil. 4:13) He stated before this: "I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content." (Phil. 4:11) In his last imprisonment, about a month before His death, he wrote; "The Lord stood with me and strengthened me so that the message might be preached fully through me." (2 Tim. 4:17 NKJV)

It is interesting that Paul did not look to blame anybody. Paul looked to the Lord instead. We too must realize we live in a world of sin. Satan is active and is seeking to cause man to suffer in all kinds of ways. (1 Pet. 5:8) God made man with the power of choice. Throughout history, many have suffered because of evil choices made by many. Jesus suffered on the cross because of the choice of the many who said, "Crucify Him, Crucify Him"; (Mark 15:14) and yet Jesus asked the Father to forgive them. (Luke 23:34)

There is an effort to eliminate God from our society. Students can't pray publicly in schools. Certain religious functions can't take place on government-owned properties. We don't need to eliminate God; we need to increase our emphasis on Him and include Him more.

"God is a very present help in time of trouble." (Ps. 46:1) He knows what we need. Let us pray to Him for solutions to problems we can't solve. Let us turn to Him for questions we cannot answer. Let us turn to Him for help in difficult times (Phil. 4:6, 7).

Bill Brandstatter preaches for the
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Schedule of Services

Greeting: Tom

Song Leader: Dale

Opening Hymn:

55—Take Time To Be Holy

Opening Prayer: Tom

Hymn:

225—Soldiers of Christ Arise

Scripture Reading: Ryan

2 Timothy 3:10-16

Hymn:

297—When My Love To Christ Grows Weak

Lord's Supper: Robert

Hymn:

355—Heaven Holds All To Me

Sermon: Tom

Invitation Hymn:

644—Trust And Obey

Closing Hymn:

111—Yield Not To Temptation

Closing Prayer: Ray

**Be happy not because everything
is good, but because you can see
the good side of everything**

CALENDAR

Apr. 30—Bible study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom

Apr. 30—(b) Breana

May 7—Bible study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Mark, Business meeting

May 8—(b) Lisa Marie

May 11—(b) Betty

May 14—Bible study 10 am, Worship 11 am
Speaker Tom

May 14—(a) Albert & Margaret

May 19—(b) Tami

May 20—(b) Jacob

May 21—Church pot luck

SUNDAY: Bible Study—10:00 am, Worship—11:00 am

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Word of God

2 Timothy 3:10-16

WORD LIST

AFFLICTION	CHRIST	DECEIVE
DELIVERED	DESIRE	DOCTRINE
ENDURE	EVIL	FAITH
FOLLOW	GOOD	HOLY
IMPOSTERS	LEARNED	LIFE
LORD	LOVE	MANNER
PERSECUTION	PERSEVERANCE	PURPOSE
REPROOF	SCRIPTURES	SUFFER
WISE	WORK	WORSE

PRAYER LIST

Mynda's sisters-in-law Father's health. Her friend **Kim's** brain surgery recovery is going well
Mark and **Debbie** as they travel
Roberta, doing Bible study with Tom, stroke recovery
Bonnie's daughters: **Renee's** hand surgery recovery & grandson **Devin** study, as Bonnie travels
Wanda's migraines; son **Allen**, sisters **Lorraine & Joyce** for loss of dog.
Mary and her family. **Carl's** gout and hip recovery, **Kathy**, is in Holly Hill Rehab facility, her sister and friends. Please send cards.
Linda's health. Her friend Tina's health & family. Her friend Anthony who was injured
Zarna and her family
Juanita, fell and broke her leg and is at Briar Hill Rehab, her sister **Betty** and the rest of her family.
Ray and **Barbara** and their family.
Dale's health issues, headaches and his family. His **Mother's** breathing issue.. His friend **Riley** (age 6) with cancer. Brother in Christ **Darrell's** surgery. His **Aunt Rosie's** heart and lungs. Cousin with heart issues. 7 year old girl, **Lucie**, with leukemia.
Ray and his family. **Rebecca's** right knee injuries
Pat and her family
Jessie, Doug's friend, health
Sara's father, **Jeff's** successful surgery recovery

2 Timothy 3:10-169

¹⁰ But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, ¹¹ persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra—what persecutions I endured. And out of *them* all the Lord delivered me. ¹² Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. ¹³ But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴ But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned *them*, ¹⁵ and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Psalms 37: 23-24

²³ The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD,
And He delights in his way.

²⁴ Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down;
For the LORD upholds *him* with His hand.