

# Good News From Chardon

## Church of Christ

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### God is Our Father

God is our Father. There are other religions that cannot make this claim of the one they worship. Christians can address God on a personal level. Jesus prayed, "Our Father which art in heaven." (Matt. 6:9) Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God (John 3:16). Jesus had been with God from eternity (Phil. 2:5-8; John 1:1). He came from the Father (John 17:1-3).

God is the Father of all. The writer of Hebrews refers to him as the "Father of spirits" in chapter 12 verse 9. In a very real sense, He is our Father. Malachi wrote, "Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us?" (Mal. 2:10) Paul stated, "We are his offspring" (Acts 17:28, 29).

God is the Father of all Christians. In another very special sense, He is the head of the family (Eph. 3:15). Christians are begotten by God's Word (1 Peter 1:3; 1 Peter 1:22, 23). Sinners by conversion become the adopted sons or children of God (Rom. 8:14-17). Faith and baptism give us a special relationship as children (Gal. 3:26, 27). Anyone can be part of God's special family (Gal. 3:28).

God is the Father that loves us. God demonstrated His love for us. Paul writes that "while we were sinners Christ died for us." (Rom. 5:8) God's love is not sentimental or emotional. It is the kind of love that is sacrificial. He gave His only begotten Son (John 3:16). God sent His son into a sin-filled world. He sent His son to die for the world. God's love abounds in the lives of the obedient. (Eph. 1:3; 3:20) He has made it possible for us to show our love for Him. John helps us in understanding by writing; "For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome." (1 Jn. 5:3 NKJV) So, God demonstrated His love for us and we must demonstrate our love for Him. Jesus said, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. (John 14:23)

God is a Father that wants to be first in our lives. God loves us but He wants to be first in our lives. He knows what we need. In Ex. 20:5, God declares: "For I, the LORD your God am a jealous God." God said previously "You shall have no other gods before Me." (Exo. 20:3) Those who do not put God first will suffer the consequences. Jeremiah wrote the Lord's words: "Thus they have loved to wander; They have not restrained their feet. Therefore the LORD does not accept them; He will remember their iniquity now, And punish their sins." (Jer. 14:10) Let us put God first, and He will take care of us (Mt. 6:33). He does His part, and we must do ours.

Bill Brandstatter preaches for the Marion Church of Christ in Marion, IL.

### Schedule of Services

Greeting: Mark  
Song Leader: Doug  
Opening Hymn:  
**120—The Solid Rock**  
Opening Prayer: Dale  
Hymn:  
**185—Who Will Follow Jesus**  
Scripture Reading: Ryan  
Hebrews 12:5-11  
Hymn:  
**287—The Lord's Supper**  
Lord's Supper: Tom  
Hymn:  
**457—Just Over In The Glory Land**  
Sermon: Mark  
Invitation Hymn:  
**596—God Is Calling The Prodigal**  
Closing Hymn:  
**92—You Never Mentioned Him To Me**  
Closing Prayer: Ray

**Wednesday night Bible Study  
has started again. Come  
join us at 7:00 pm. We will  
be studying the book of  
Daniel**

### CALENDAR

Sept. 3—Bible study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom.  
Sept. 4—(b) Austin  
Sept. 5—David  
Sept. 6—Bible study 7:00 pm —Rob  
Sept. 6—Zarna  
Sept. 10—Bible study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom. Business meeting  
Sept. 13—Bible study 7:00 pm—Rob

Check bulletin board for events in the area & other news

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

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## God Our Father

### Hebrew 12:5-11

#### WORD LIST

CHASTEN	CHILDREN	CORRECT
DEALT	DESPISE	ENDURE
FAINT	FATHER	FLESH
FORGOTTEN	FRUIT	HOLINESS
JOYOUS	LIVE	LORD
LOVE	PARTAKER	PEACE
PLEASURE	PRESENT	PROFIT
REBUKE	RECEIVE	REVERENCE
SCOURGE	SONS	SPEAK
SPIRITS	WITHOUT	YIELD

K E F R U I T L P D C W W C S  
E A G S I J E T O W D E I O S  
E X E R R R N F R R E V T R E  
C U G P U E L E A S D I H R N  
N U O D S O B I I T Y E O E I  
E A N E D U C P V I H C U C L  
R E R I K Q S S E E Z E T T O  
E P Z E D E A L T K N R R P H  
V A R V D Z D W F V E V O L S  
E H R E K A T R A P R F J E E  
R N E T T O G R O F D A O A L  
C H A S T E N U N V L I Y S F  
I J S Z N E C A E P I N O U H  
C Q T I F O R P F Q H T U R K  
S P I R I T S H L Z C F S E G

**Gospel Meeting Week**  
**September 17th**  
**10:00 am \* 11:00 am \* Afternoon**  
**Pot Luck**  
**September 18th thru 21st**  
**7:00 pm**  
**Speaker: Mark Lance**  
**from Louisiana**  
**(See flyer for details)**

## PRAYER LIST

**Mynda's** sisters-in-law Father's health. As she travels and school starts up

**Nina** health issues

**Mark** and **Debbie** as they travel. **Mark's** heart and back.

**Roberta**, doing Bible study with Tom, stroke recovery  
**Bonnie** as she travels. grandsons **Devin & Dakota**  
**Wanda's** migraines; son **Allen**, sisters **Lorraine & Joyce**. Her niece **Nikki** in bad accident

**Mary** and family. Mary's friend **Aubrey's** pregnancy.

**Kathy**, is home. Her sister and friends.

**Linda's** health, **Tiffany's** health & stress & family

**Zarna** and her family

**Juanita**, is at Briar Hill rehab room 100, 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**. heart and lungs. 7 year old girl, **Lucie**, with leukemia. His uncle **James**.

Cousin **Kenny** hernia, Cousin Joshua heart issues, Cousin Randal physical & mental health

**Ray's** and his family.

**Rebecca's** right knee injuries & illness

**Pat** and her family

**Robert's** friend **Freeman** with cancer

**Randy** health issues

**Brenda's** voice, sister **Linda** and sister-in-law **Linda** as they struggle with cancer. Her son **Mark** heart, granddaughter **Amanda**

**Mike** and **Debra** as they travel and return to Florida

**Lenise**—knee problems

### Hebrew 12:5-11

<sup>5</sup> And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:

<sup>6</sup> For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. <sup>7</sup> If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? <sup>8</sup> But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. <sup>9</sup> Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? <sup>10</sup> For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness. <sup>11</sup> Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.