

Lighthouse of Iowa

March 2016

They caused the cry of the poor to come to Him; for He hears the cry of the afflicted. —Job 34:28



In recent years, nearly every community in the United States has been equipped with a 911 emergency phone system. The newest versions of this system are state of the art. All a person has to do is dial those three numbers to be instantly connected to a dispatcher.

The dispatcher's computer screen identifies the number

from which the call is being made, the address, and the name under which the telephone is listed. The system is simultaneously connected to the police department, fire department, and paramedics. A person using the 911 system doesn't even need to utter a word in order for help to be activated and dispatched to the scene.



MORE THINGS
ARE WROUGHT BY

prayer

THAN THIS
WORLD
DREAMS
OF.

—Alfred Lord Tennyson



God has His own 911 system—a system more foolproof, fail-safe, and faithful than anything man could ever hope to design. When we send up 911 prayers, we are sometimes hysterical, or we don't know the right words to convey our deepest needs. But God hears. He already knows our name and all about our circumstances. He knows the precise answer to our prayer even before we voice it. His help is on the way the moment we turn to Him.

When we depend on man, we get what man can do; when we depend on prayer, we get what God can do.

—From God's Little
Devotional Journal for
Women

Chariton

Meeting times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. (no evening services)
Location—15th & Roland, Chariton, Iowa
For information call—Albert Schreck, (641)535-2381

Jeanette Schreck continues to improve following her heart surgery and is now able to be at services.

Visitors this month were Teresa Groves and Brett and Chantelle Jackson.

March Birthdays

- 5 – Ethan Schreck
- 23 – Evelyn Bennett
- 25 – Norm Riekens



March Anniversaries



- 19 – Albert & Jeanette Schreck

Dean Avenue

Meeting times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.
Location—2907 Dean Ave., Des Moines, Iowa
For information call—John McNeece, (515)263-9428 or Don Warren, (515)967-5650

We will be having our annual spring meeting this year on March 26th-27th. Programs have been sent to all area congregations.

Shirley McNeece was in Texas visiting her daughter and grandchildren.

Risa and Skip Schamel are in Florida for about six weeks.

Jan Sellers and family visited her son in Kansas City.

Kara Fetters traveled to Kansas City to visit Alissa Garbi and family.

Mike and Tracy Penick met with us, and Mike gave us an edifying sermon.

Visitors: Jaclyn Chamberlain; Bill, Bryan, and Max Charlier; and Paxon Boozell.

Ill: Karma Sharp, Jessica Chapman, Conner Wilkins, Debbie Wilkins, David Fetters, Marla Fetters, and Shawn Head.

March Birthdays

- 11 – Donna Meek
- 14 – Peter Hawthorne
- 16 – Neal Warren
- 26 – Don Warren
- 29 – Greg Head
- 30 – Roberta Milinsky



March Anniversaries



- 11 – Larry & Janice Sellers

Fairview

Meeting time—Sundays: 10:00 a.m.
Location—22nd & Orange St., Clarinda, Iowa
For information call—Richard Negley, (712)542-3728 or Marvin Negley, (712)542-2972

We were glad to have Lauren Russell's dad, Rick Russell, and her sister, Shelby, join us for services in February.

Several of our church family have been traveling or under the weather, and our thoughts are with them.

March Birthdays

- 7 – Jean Negley
- 8 – Molly Gilmore
- 18 – Jacob Rine



Martensdale

Meeting Times—Sundays: 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.
 Location—10985 44th Lane, Prole, Iowa (1.5 miles east of Martensdale, Iowa on Hwy. 92)
 For information call—Duane Proudfit, (515)961-4470 or Mike Penick, (515)989-4165

Dick and Phyllis Bown have a new granddaughter! Savanna Mae Bown arrived on February 26th, weighing in at 6 pounds and measuring 20 inches long. Her parents are Melissa and Roger Bown. Congratulations to all!

Mike and Tracy Penick enjoyed a cruise to South America.

Pam Deckler's mother was diagnosed with a tumor in her head. The doctors decided not to remove it, so Pam spent some time in Ohio taking care of her.

Amelia Rogers, from Canada, spent some time visiting Rodney and Alena Ingle. While she was here they all traveled to Brookfield, Missouri, to visit friends.

Dave Henderson's sister, Jenny, was diagnosed with lung cancer. She had surgery, which went well. Please keep her in your prayers.

Dan and Amy Pritchard and their family worshiped with us the morning of February 14. That evening Jacob from Atlanta, Georgia, attended

services. He was visiting at Simpson College.

March Birthdays

- 7 – Courtney Teghtmeyer
- 10 – Tom Collier
- 18 – Dave Henderson
- 23 – Charlie Deckler



March Anniversaries



- 14 – Dave & Christy Henderson
- 27 – Dick & Phyllis Bown

Pleasant Hill

Meeting Times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.
 Location—5091 E. University, Pleasant Hill, Iowa ♦ Website: pleasanthillchurchofchrist.org
 For information call—Bob Flack, (515)262-7329; Lowell Hermon, (515)989-0727; or Mike Warner, (515)967-4529.

Beginning on March 6th, we will resume our regular Sunday evening services at 6:00 p.m.

Thanks to those who came to listen to Wade Stanley's lessons on Islam.

Troy Brand had surgery on his ankle. Wanda Burkman and Jason Brady have had muscle problems. Tammy Brady had sinus infection, and Pat Thompson had the flu. Kathy King hasn't been feeling well. It was nice to see Pam Sorensen back at services.

Mike and Shirley Warner vacationed in Florida. Whitney Wolfe was

visiting in Missouri. Larry and Bev Brady and Bob and Marge Flack visited family in Florida. Bruce and Suzanne Harvey are in Florida visiting Bruce's aunt.

It is good to have Tom and Fred Brady home.



The next ITBS will be **Saturday, March 12th, at Dave and Joyce Ingle's home at 4:00 p.m.** Wade Stanley will lead the study about leadership roles and responsibilities in the church.

March Birthdays

- 3 – Jennifer Albright
- 4 – Tim Brady
- 5 – Erica Conner
- 7 – Carly Felice
- 10 – Susan Conner
- 10 – Laura McClurg
- 11 – Henry Conner
- 17 – Miles Wood
- 19 – Mike Brady
- 20 – Bud Fillman
- 23 – Lowell Hermon
- 24 – Megan Stevens
- 27 – Jamilyn Harvey
- 30 – Teresa Brady
- 31 – Allison George



March Anniversary

- 11 – Bruce & Suzanne Harvey



Vandalia

Meeting Times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:30 p.m.
Location—2.5 miles east of Runnells, Iowa on F70, then 1 mile north on 131st St.
Website: vandaliacoc.com

For information call—Greg Ingle, (515)994-2824 or Charles Ingle, (515)966-2537

Lynnette Dowdy had knee replacement surgery on February 16th, and her recovery is going well. Lynnette's daughter and granddaughter, Dawn Dowdy and Cora of Kansas City, visited for several days to help after the surgery.

Ruth Schell had the misfortune of falling in the Pleasant Hill church parking lot on February 21st. Her kneecap was broken, and tendons were torn in her knee. She had surgery on March 1st

and is recovering at home.

Brittney and Carson Dowdy visited family in Indiana.

Alan and Shonya Klein spent a week at a marriage retreat.

Doug and Lisa Fiorentin were in Shreveport, Louisiana, for a week while Doug attended work-related training.

We sang with the residents at Altoona Nursing and Rehab on a recent Sunday evening.

March Birthdays

- 4 – Devon Ingle
- 15 – Marvin Ingle
- 19 – Mariha Henle
- 21 – Nick Guthrie
- 22 – Mason Burkman
- 23 – Sharon Cummings
- 29 – Michael Cummings
- 29 – Alan Klein
- 29 – Abbi Henle



March Anniversaries



- 23 – James & Laura Dowdy



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