

The Oologah Informer

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Service Times

Sunday

Bible Class: 9:30 A.M.
Worship: 10:30 A.M. & 5 P.M.

Wednesday

Bible Study: 7 P.M.

Preacher:

Russ Earl

AM Sermon:

I will Cry Out to God
"Plea for His Mercy"
(Psalm 51:6-10)

PM Sermon:

Questions about the church of
Christ – Part 2 (1 Pt 3:15).

Sunday AM Bible Class:

The Book of Job – D. Jackson

Wednesday Bible Class:

When Christians Sin - Swearingen

In SEARCH of the Lord's Way

Tulsa KWHB TV 47
Sunday mornings at 7:30am

For the Record: 2/9

AM Bible Class: 20
AM Worship: 23
PM Worship: 24
Contribution: \$2769
Weekly Budget: \$2748
Wednesday Night Bible Class: 19

Warning

By Tom Moore
From the Preacher's PC

Many have done this: Flashed their own lights at an oncoming vehicle which has yet to turn on its own lights, or to warn of upcoming poor road conditions like standing water or a lane obstruction. But when it comes to flashing one's lights to warn oncoming traffic of a speed trap, there is cause for pause. Maybe one is afraid to intervene because the warning is considered illegal in many states. Or maybe one thinks the guy speeding toward us deserves to get caught - it would serve him right!

Either way, a federal court in Missouri has now ruled that penalizing drivers for the headlight flash violates their First Amendment right to free speech. "The order," reports the Associated Press, "stems from a lawsuit filed by the American Civil Liberties Union of Missouri on behalf of Michael Elli. On Nov. 17, 2012, Elli flashed his headlights to warn oncoming vehicles of a radar set up by Ellisville police."

So what is so wrong about warning drivers of impending consequences? Well, if you are the police, the warning may rob you of meeting your quota for speeding tickets. If you are the municipality in which the warning takes place, you may be robbed of your income from the offender's fees and fines. But if you are the offender who receives and heeds the warning, you have everything to gain.

The Missouri judge, in his ruling, said that the flashing of headlights was essentially a good thing, sending "a message to bring one's driving in conformity with the law - whether it be by slowing down, turning on one's own headlamps at dusk or in the rain, or proceeding with caution."

What is your excuse for not warning a brother or sister of impending consequences for their reckless behavior? Maybe you are simply afraid to intervene - afraid of getting involved in a sticky situation. Or maybe you think they deserve what is coming - it would serve them right!

Maybe we should all approach a fair warning to an erring brother like the federal judge in Missouri, considering a warning essentially a good thing, sending a message to bring another's behavior into conformity with God's law, sparing them and others of the harmful consequences. In the end, when we help others safely and cautiously navigate the roads of life, we all have something to gain.

"Brethren, even if a man be overtaken in any trespass, ye who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; looking to thyself, lest thou also be tempted" (Gal. 6:1).

Announcements

Food Pantry

We are thankful for those who helped with the food pantry on Saturday.

Luggage

The ladies need luggage to use to mail clothing to those in need in Honduras. If you can help please let one of the ladies know. (Please keep in mind that the luggage will not be returned)

Trip with the PIBC

Russ will be traveling to the island of Majuro in the Marshall Islands to teach from February 27th-March 15th. He will be traveling with Stacy Ferguson from the Pacific Islands Bible College (PIBC). Vance will be preaching for Russ while he is gone.

Recent Prayer Requests

Joyce Cash – is still recovering from her recent surgery.

Jerry Creek – (Ed's son in law's brother) has finished with his radiation and is now on a feeding tube to regain the weight lost while in radiation.

Bentley Lay – (Granddaughter of Steve Lay) is out of the hospital after surgery and is doing well.

Barbara Pinkston – has cancer throughout her body and is not doing well.

Kenny's Sister's Husband – had a heart attack and passed away on Wednesday .

Cindy Robinson – (Charlotte's brother's wife) – cancer has returned.

Please keep all of these in your prayers.

Please keep the following in the prayers.

Ed & Barbara Coats

Allen & Joyce Cash

Mary Ann Haugh

Emma & Ruth (Darla's sister)

John Babb

Kennedy Cox

Larry Brown

Roxy (Ed's brother's wife)

Clare Beaman

Dave Preston

February Birthdays

Grace Babb -9th

Brenson Nelson 10th

W.D. Jackson 12th

G. Carns 13th

Brianna Nelson 18th

Anniversary

Winkle 14th