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Repentance (New Bible Dictionary)

In the NT the words translated 'repent' are *metanoeo* and *metamelomai*. In Gk. they usually mean 'to change one's mind', and so also 'to regret, feel remorse' (*i.e.* over the view previously held). This note of remorse is present in the parable of the tax collector (Lk. 18¹³), probably in Mt. 21^{29, 32}; 27³ and Lk. 17⁴ ('I am sorry'), and most explicitly in 2 Cor. 7^{8-10} . But the NT usage is much more influenced by the OT šûb; that is, repentance not just as a feeling sorry, or changing one's mind, but as a turning round, a complete alteration of the basic motivation and direction of one's life. This is why the best translation for metanoeō is often 'to convert', that is, 'to turn round'. It also helps to explain why John the Baptist demanded BAPTISM as an expression of this repentance, not just for obvious 'sinners', but for 'righteous' Jews as well-baptism as a decisive act of turning from the old way of life and a throwing oneself on the mercy of the Coming One (Mt. 3^{2,} ¹¹; Mk. 1⁴; Lk. 3^{3, 8}; Acts 13²⁴; 19⁴).

Jesus' call for repentance receives little explicit mention in Mark (115; cf. 612) and Matthew (417; 1120f.; 12^{41}), but is emphasized by Luke (5³²; 10^{13} ; 11^{32} ; $13^{3, 5}$; 15^{7, 10}; 16³⁰; 17^{3f}; *cf.* 24⁴⁷). Other sayings and incidents in all three Gospels, however, express very clearly the character of the repentance which Jesus' whole ministry demanded. Its radical nature, as a complete turning round and return, is emphasized by the parable of the Prodigal Son (Lk. 15^{11-24}). Its unconditional character appears from the parable of the Pharisee and tax collector—repentance means acknowledging that one has no possible claim upon God, and submitting oneself without excuse or attempted justification to God's mercy (Lk. 1813). The 'turn round' in previous values and life-style is highlighted by the encounter with the rich young man (Mk. 10¹⁷⁻²²) and Zacchaeus (Lk. 19⁸). Above all, Mt. 18³ makes it clear that to convert is to become like a child, that is, to acknowledge one's immaturity before God, one's inability to live life apart from God, to accept one's total dependence on God.

Avg. 2009/2010		Last Week
73/72	Sunday School	86
116/118	Assembly	128
40/44	Wednesday	53
\$3227/ \$2857	Contribution (~ \$3650 meets our Expenses & Commitments)	\$2,337
718 (386) V	Veb visitors—total (unique)	120(107)

HICKORY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Repentance



Rend your heart and not your garments.

Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity.

2 Cor. 7⁸⁻¹⁰ For even if I made you sorry with my letter, I do not regret it (though I did regret it, for I see that I grieved you with that letter, though only briefly). Now I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because your grief led to repentance; for you felt a godly grief, so that you were not harmed in any way by us. For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation and brings no regret, but worldly grief produces death.

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"...let him call the **elders** of the church..." James 5¹⁴

(Post your prayer requests or download our current prayer list @ www.hickorychurch.org or use the back of a visitor card. Requests in



PRAYER REQUESTS writing are very helpful. The bulletin editor has a poor memory and is spelling challenged!) ...pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the

righteous is powerful and effective. James 5¹⁶

PoW prayers:

Barbara Eddins is in CVMC room 619 as of press time being treated for an intestinal infection. The Strouds have had one of those weeks! Tim Stroud's dad is in Memorial Hospital,

Chattanooga, but out of ICU, TYL! He has made quite a bit of progress but Tim is staying with him for a while. While visiting at the hospital, Missy's parked car was totaled in a freak accident. Prayers are appreciated.

Kevin Bibbee, along with Tony Lipford and Lionel **Ellis** are in Sandy Springs GA this weekend at a seminar on "Developing a Ministry to People in Recovery" learning about the experience of North Atlanta Church of Christ's ten year of experience. Tracie Perkins is praying for a miracle for **Donna** Banks whose cancer has defied all medical efforts.

Blake Eckard was sick as of Wednesday... Chester is praying for Walter Cannon and "Nancy" who is "real sick."

Our **pantry clients** request our prayers: **Crystal Novack** – living in pain Joseph Maroney's sister-in-law hip replacement

The **Theresa Largent** Family "Rane" - healthy delivery of twins! The **Woods** Family – mourning 2 deaths **Glenda Tesheniar** – third foot surgery

Our "shut-ins" are not out of mind or our

prayers:

Georgia Adcox Kathleen Kirby **Robert Rutan**

God bless those serving in distant lands: Robert & Regina Lewis – Chemitz, Germany. Craig, Teresa & Anna Phillips – Mumbai, India. Yens Nima – Ilo, Peru.

Friends remain in our pravers

Anita Agnew ⁺ Casey Allen ⁺ John Alwran ⁺ Dan Anderson ⁺ Lynn Anderson ⁺ Donna Banks ⁺ Bob Barker ⁺ Roger Bass + James Belcher + Paul Berton + Chuck Bibbee + Megan & Morgan Bibbee + Madeline Blau + Michael Boggs + Mary Bolch + Eric & Carrie Bowen + Evelyn Brown + Jennifer Brown [†] Paul Brown [†] Eloise & Jerry Burton [†] Donna Calipari [†] Frances Cannon [†] Jane Cannon [†] Jones Carr † Mildred Carroll † Bart Clements † Karen Cloninger † Octavia Cook + Marsha Cooper + Kelly Cope + Allie Croft + Tonva Crov ⁺ Rv Darby ⁺ Kevin Dill ⁺ Tina Duncan ⁺ Ruby Ferrell + Hugh Fields + Ashley Fleshman + Curtis Forbes + Marie Forrester + Tammy Fox + Kathy Gamble + Audra Gibson ⁺ Ernestine Gibson⁺ Thelma Gibson ⁺ Atina Graham ⁺ Norma Jean Green ⁺ Patsy Green ⁺ Marla Greer ⁺ Cathy Hall ⁺ Paul Headrick ⁺ Jennifer Heavener ⁺ Elizabeth Herman + Ellen Hill + Diana Hinds + Jeannine Howard [†] Retta Hughes [†] Susan Hunnicutt [†] Allison Hunt † Dennis Jaschob † Ken Jernigan † Glenda Johnson † Deidre Keller ⁺ Sam Kenyon ⁺ R.E. Killian ⁺ Debbie Lawing ⁺ Serenity Lawrence ⁺ Adam Lewis ⁺ George Lindberg ⁺ Tracy Linton + Robert Link + Mike Lipford + Zora Marley + Guy Martin ⁺ Marsha McNeely ⁺ Chervl Miller ⁺ Ellen Miller [†] Paul Moody [†] Adam Moore [†] Warren Newberry [†] Marv Jane Patton ⁺ Catherine Peake ⁺ James Michael Pearman ⁺ Frances Phillips [†] Ashlyn Pope [†] Martha Plott [†] Clarence Posey ⁺ Judy Price ⁺ Daniel Reid ⁺ Shane Richardson & Derick Sweet, US Marines + Charlotte Rogers + The St. Paul MN Youth Ministry [†] Brigham Sapp [†] Mark Schmidt [†] Sue Sexton [†] Mary Sexton's son [†] Roger Shanks [†] Rose Mary Shepherd ⁺ Alice Sigmon ⁺ Boyd Sigmon ⁺ Luke Wesley Sigmon + Richard Sigmon + Joel & Michelle Smith ⁺ Gwen Smith ⁺ Michael Smith ⁺ Mary Smith ⁺ Steve Smith ⁺ Tony Smith ⁺ Nate Steele ⁺ Tim Stroud ⁺ Jim Teague & family ⁺ Joyce Thompson ⁺ Merle Townsend ⁺ Nancy Tucker + Jim Valentine + Isaac Walker + Jack Warner + Ben Watson † Diane White † Melissa Johnson-White † Bobby Whitt + Fave Jean Wiggins + Ed Wilfong + Sam Wilfong [†] Danny Willis [†] Helen & Phyllis Winters [†] Joyce Wright

Tf you want to see God's power at **L** work, you must get out of the church and into the world. Watch the extravagant lengths which God will go to reveal Himself to people who don't know Him. Then you will learn how truly awesome our God is.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

- Quarterly Ministry Leaders Luncheon: join us after services today for a covered dish and reports from our ministry leaders.
- Following the Ministry Leaders Luncheon, Dick Posey, Hickory Singers Ministry Leader, invites ALL singers, mic'd and "civilians" to our first monthly singing! We'll emphasize the newer and less familiar songs planned for October.
- **Bob Belville** is lead shopper at Second Harvest this Tuesday, 10:00.
- Saturday, October 2, 5:30: Annual Killian Hay Ride & Hot Dog Roast for everyone. Bring dogs, buns, sides, marshmallows (or peeps.) The fire will be ready.
- Sunday, Oct. 3, 5:30-9:00: First meeting of LIFT: Ladies In Fellowship Together The study this year will be "Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit." Buy a workbook in advance at Lifeway. Like more detail? See Kamy Bibbee or Kristi Stephenson.
- October 8, 9: Crawling Back to Damascus! The next Virginia Creeper Bike Ride will be Ŧ Saturday. October 9. Let Janet Stiles know if you are interested in camping on Friday evening (Oct. 8) or just meeting in Damascus for the bike ride on the 9th.
- Friday—Sunday, October 15-17: Small Church Workshop "You Shall Be My Ŧ Witnesses" (Acts 1⁸), Wilkesboro CoC, the keynote speaker will be Steve Ridgell of Herald of Truth Ministries.
- Sunday Oct. 17, 5:00, Burke/Caldwell Action Team at the home of Dennis and Gayle Jaschob on Mineral Spring Mountain!
- Saturday, October 23: "Walk for Life" to benefit Pregnancy Care Center of Catawba Valley. **Kevin Bibbee** would like to hear from anyone who would like to be part of a team. www.pcchickorv.com/
- Saturday October 23: Ladies Day at Highland Acres Church of Christ, (Statesville.) registration by October 15, Louise Bellamy @ 704/872-3846 or Laura Thompson @ 704/872-2294
- Friday & Saturday, October 29,30: Hickory Church of Christ "Time of Refreshing" Family ∑⇒> Retreat at CBC. Foyle Perkins would like input from anyone who would like to take part. Look for a sian up sheet.
- 1 Saturday, November 6, 1-5:30 P.M.: "1000 Voices" is coming to CONCORD! Cabarrus Arena & Event Center, Mark your calendar, More detail to follow closer to the date. http://www.1000voices.org/



- Kudos to Karen Henry, Oxford Elementary School Teacher Assistant for the year! \odot
- \odot Recycle plastic wrappers: Thanks to Kati Berlin, we can all now turn trash into a little extra money in support of our pantry ministry! For every plastic wrapper from toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, or flushable moist wipes packaging that we send to recycler Terracycle, we earn 2 cents. (Any brands.) There is a blue recycling bin at the base of the stairs, please bring in the packaging at any time! Kati can provide more details if you have auestions.