

**Noteworthy**

**Prayer Requests:** Joe Brown (*cancer*), Marian Church (*back*), Betty Eubanks (*out of town*), Larry Hicks, Linda James (*on-going medical*), Paul Lloyd, Butch Morgan (*ongoing medical*), Dottie Reynolds, Wayne Ryland (*blood pressure irregularity*), and Ken Turner.

*Our family and friends:* Elnora Bennet (*Moses Stevens' sister*), Mildred Church (*Shut-in*), Diane Fields (*Keri's mom*), Ned Hicks, Brian James (*cancer*), Denise Jacobs (*Jim Abram's sister*), Ardis Tucker, and Charles Woods (*Ed and Terrell's brother-in-law*).

**Out of Town:** The Day family, Ken and Diana Jordan, and Jordan Lawson.

**Bible Class Review:** The next review class for the kids will be August 7th shortly after the evening services, in classroom # 7.

**Group Meeting:** Group (1) meets tonight after worship.

**Gospel Meetings:** There is an ongoing series of lessons being presented every Thursday night at the Lutz Church of Christ. There is also an a.m. study taking place at the Trilacoochee Church of Christ Mon. thru Thurs. of this week. Our annual singing will be August 26th as well. Please see the announcement flyer (*in the foyer*) for details.

**5th Sunday of the Month:** We will have a special arrangement this evening for songs, prayers, and Scripture readings, as it is the 5th Sunday of the month.

**Assignments for Worship Service**

**Wednesday Night: 8/3/16**

Song Leader: Jeremy Wharton  
 Opening Prayer: OPEN  
 Invitation: Nick Ross  
 Announcements: Ian Rice  
 Closing Prayer: Paul Lloyd  
 Recordings: OPEN  
 Usher: Colby Sadler

**Sunday Evening: 8/7/16**

Song Leader: Bob Marschall  
 Opening Prayer: David Williams  
 Lord's Table: Bucky Day  
 Announcements: Larry Wisdom  
 Closing Prayer: Ben Cunningham  
 Recordings: Keith Marschall  
 Usher: Gus Johnson

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**Sunday Morning: 8/7/16**

Lord's Table: Bucky Day (B)  
                   Jerry Williams (C)  
 Serving: Jim Abram  
            Ed Lawson  
 Song Leader: Charles Rawdon

Opening Prayer: Ronnie Henderson  
 Announcements: Larry Wisdom  
 Closing Prayer: Neil Miller  
 Recordings: Trent Stevens  
 Usher: Gus Johnson



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**SERVICES**

Sunday  
 Bible Study 9:00 A.M.  
 Morning Services 9:50 A.M.  
 Evening Services 6:00 P.M.  
 Wednesday  
 Bible Study 7:30 P.M.

**DEACONS:**

Robert Marschall  
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***“Life Under Islam”***

The Republic of the Maldives is a chain of twenty six Islands averaging a little over four feet above sea level. It is tightly ruled by Islamic law. A recent happening there graphically pictures the real danger that Islam poses for the rest of the world. Islam is constantly portrayed in this country as a “peaceful” religion. That is transparent propaganda of the worst sort, totally false.

The Maldives Constitution, Sec. 9, limits citizenship to Muslims. Minivan News reported yesterday that 37-year old Mohamed Nazim shocked an audience during a question and answer period at a lecture Friday on ‘Misconceptions About Islam’ delivered by a visiting Indian scholar. At the lecture, Nazim engaged in a long exchange with speaker, Dr. Zakir Naik, in which Nazim announced that while he is “struggling to believe in religion,” he considers himself a Maldivian, not a Muslim. This is apparently the first time ever that a Maldivian has publicly announced he is not a Muslim. After Nazim pressed the speaker on the penalty, or apostasy, members of the audience tried to attack Nazim. Police escorted him out for his own protection and took him into custody.

Yesterday, the Islamic Foundation of the Maldives called for judges to give Nazim an opportunity to repent, and if he does not, then sentence him to death under Islamic and Maldivian law. According to Haveeru yesterday, Maldives Ministry of Islamic Affairs has asked police to investigate Nazim. The Criminal Court granted a warrant to extend Nazim's custody for five days.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Islamic Affairs is arranging to offer Nazim counseling to deal with his doubts about Islam. It does not take much effort to find such instances in every country dominated by Muslims. Here are just a very few of the many instances from the Koran that set the tone for Muslims—

9:5 “... fight and slay the pagans wherever ye find them, and seize them, beleaguer them, and lie in wait for them in every stratagem (of war) ...”

9:14 “Fight them, and God will punish them by your hands, cover them with shame ...”

9:29 “Fight those who believe not in God nor the Last Day nor hold that forbidden which hath been forbidden by God and his apostle nor acknowledge the Religion of Truth (even if they The Reflector 3 are) of the people of the Book, until they pay the Jizya [religious tax] with willing submission, and feel themselves subdued.”

47:4 “Therefore, when ye meet the unbelievers, smite at their necks, at length when ye have thoroughly subdued them, bind a bond firmly (on them) ... but if it had been God's will, he could certainly have exacted retribution from them (himself), but (he lets you fight) in order to test you, some with others. But those who are slain in the way of God, he will never let their deeds be lost.”

61:4 “Truly God loves those who fight in His cause in battle array, as if they were a solid cemented structure.”

The following are a few examples in the hadith collection of Bukhari, the most authoritative book in Sunni Islam, second only to the Qur'an (Sahih Al-Bukhari, 9 vols. translated by Dr. Muhammad Muhsin Khan, Al Nabawiya: Dar Ahya Us-Sunnah, n.d.

“Allah's Apostle said, ‘Know that Paradise is under the shades of swords.’” (vol. 4, p. 55) “Allah's Apostle said, ‘I have been ordered to fight with the people till they say, ‘None has the right to be worshipped but Allah,’ and whoever says, ‘None has the right to be worshipped but Allah,’ his life and property will be saved by me...” (vol. 4, p. 124)

“It is not fitting for a prophet that he should have prisoners of war (and free them with ransom) until he has made a great slaughter (among his enemies) in the land...” (vol. 4, p. 161)

“Whoever changed his Islamic religion, then kill him.” (vol. 9, p. 45)

“An infidel spy came to the Prophet while he was on a journey. The spy sat with the companions of the Prophet and started talking and then went away. The Prophet said (to his companions), ‘Chase and kill him.’ So, I killed him. The Prophet then gave him the belongings of the killed spy.” (vol. 4, pp. 181-182)

“Some people from the tribe of Ukl came to the Prophet and embraced Islam. The climate of Medina did not suit them, so the Prophet ordered them to go to the (herd of milk) camels of charity and to drink their milk and urine (as a medicine). They did so, and after they had recovered from their ailment (became healthy) they turned renegades (reverted from Islam) and killed the shepherd of the camels and took the camels away. The Prophet sent (some people) in their pursuit and so they were (caught and) brought, and the Prophet ordered that their hands and legs should be cut off and that their eyes should be branded with heated pieces of iron, and that their cut hands and legs should not be cauterized, till they die.” (vol. 8, pp. 519-520)

“The Prophet passed by me at a place called Al-Abwa or Waddan, and was asked whether it was permissible to attack the pagan warriors at night with the probability of exposing their women and children to danger. The Prophet replied, “They (i.e. women and children) are from them (i.e. pagans).” (vol. 4, pp. 158-159)

These are just a few of the statements that cover only one area of Muslim violence. The problem is that such violence applies to the entire history of Islam up to the present time. Horror stories are coming out of numerous Muslim dominated countries and even some non-Muslim countries. Death threats are made against anyone who criticizes Islam.

They expect that they can spew out their hatred in our country against any criticism of Islam and threaten violence against them. Of course, they demand special treatment that is denied to Christians and Jews. And, they are receiving special favor in this country. In fact, there are sections of one or more of our large cities, populated mostly by Muslims where Sharia (Muslim) law holds sway exclusively. And, our police stay out of it. Muslims are granted privileges other religious people do not have; they block streets with their observances, display their images while insisting that no other religion has that right; insist they are the only acceptable religion in the world and will shut down churches if they can. If they gain enough power in these United States, they will win. Be aware, and be ready. Warn others about the danger we face.

- Maurice Barnett