

## CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

- **Lawson Booth** - Friend of Tripp McMurray - Recently had surgery.
- **Mable Perry**
- **Stephanie Osborn** - Diagnosed with Crohn's Disease
- **Jennifer Oliver**
- **Julia Raines**
- **Glenda Youngblood**
- **Scott Sykes** - Doing much better
- **Macon Family**
- **Wiggins Family**
- **Grieving:**
  - Boling, Debice, Youngblood
- **Area Events:**
  - **Northside** - Singing - 10/4 (2:30PM)
  - **South Girard** - Meeting - 10/4-10/9
  - **Manchester** - Meeting - 10/14-10/19
- **Long Term Prayer List:** Pat Campbell, Margaret Hines, Geraldine Wilkins, June Poyner, OP Boling

## SERVICE ROSTER

Week of September 27, 2015

### Sunday

Announcements	J. Rains
Singing	G. Kendrick
Table & Giving	TBA
Assisting	G. Wiggins G. McMurray M. Sizemore M. Foley Brint Rice
Sermon AM	Richard Gould
Sermon PM	R. Nealy
Closing Prayer	W. Phillips
Counting	

### Wednesday

Invitation	L. Snow
Invitation Song	R. Wilson
Prayer	M. Sizemore

### RECORDS - September 13, 2015

Sunday AM	74
Sunday PM	41
Wednesday	47

## WARM SPRINGS ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

4765 Warm Springs Road  
Columbus, GA 31909

**WEBSITE:** www.wsrcoc.com

**TWITTER:** @wsrcoc

**EMAIL:** wsrcoc@gmail.com

**CHURCH OFFICE:** 706-563-3060

**LEE SNOW (MINISTER):** 478-733-8414

**AL CONTACT:** Mike Foley - 706-289-7653

**GA CONTACT:** Greg Wiggins - 706-464-3830

### SCHEDULE:

Sun.	9:30AM - Bible Class 10:30AM - Worship 1:00PM - Worship
Wed.	7:00PM - Bible Class
Mon.-Thu.	9:AM-2PM - Office Hours

# LIFE LINES

OF THE **WARM SPRINGS ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST**

September 27, 2015

## BE STRONG & COURAGEOUS THROUGH GOD'S PRESENCE

*You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world (1 John 4:4).*

Do you want to find strength and courage to drive away your feeling of inadequacy and fear? You can find that courage in God. His promises drive our fears away, and His word sets us up to live a successful, prosperous life for Him. Today, let's return to that which God told Joshua in Joshua chapter one, where we will find one more secret to find strength and courage.

### God's presence drives the fear away.

Notice what God said to Joshua in Joshua 1:9:

*Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.*

God specifically says, "Do not be afraid." The word *afraid* means terrified. The ESV translates it, "frightened." Further, Joshua was not to be *dismayed*. The word means shattered or broken down. God is telling Joshua not to feel afraid or defeated. Joshua's response might be, "How do I not feel that way?". Here's how: "the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

That's it: God's presence takes away the fear. That same promise is made to New Testament Christians. John writes: "He who is in

you is greater than he who is in the world” (1 John 4:4). Jesus promises, “I am with you always, even to the end of the age” (Mat. 28:20).

Joshua had no need to feel overwhelmed as long as he was in God’s presence. God demonstrated (through the words He used) that He understood Joshua’s concerns. Then, God assured Joshua that He wasn’t going anywhere. If Joshua lost God’s presence, it would be because *Joshua* moved.

Are you in God’s presence? I’m talking about the abiding presence of God that is the state of fellowship with Him. Those who follow and obey God have the assurance that “God abides in [them], and [they abide] in God” (1 John 4:15). Find the courage and the strength that are only available in God.

The courage that God gives to Joshua encourages us to be strong. The problem is, neither you nor I can know that strength. That is, I can’t know it alone.

- Robert Hatfield (thelightnetwork.tv)

*Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go. - Joshua 1:9*

## PERSONAL NOTES

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

### SERMON PREVIEW

10:30 AM - CAMBODIA MISSION UPDATE 2015 - BRINT RICE

1:00 PM - GIFTS FROM GOD - RICHARD GOULD