

Marbleton Community Free Will Baptist Church

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WELCOME

Week of April 28, 2024 Schedule of Services:

- 10:00 A.M. Sunday School
- 10:45 A.M. Sunday Morning Worship Service
- 6:00 P.M. Sunday Evening Worship Service
- 6:00 P.M. Tuesday, Meet for Prayer
- * Special Prayer Request: Pulpit Committee and God's direction for a new pastor

Hold on a little longer church & keep praying – help is on the way - maybe not on our timeframe but in His which is always right on time. Sometimes our prayer request seems to go unanswered or impossible, but God can change it to an enormous victory. Exercise your faith and go ahead and thank him for the pastor is going to send.

Wednesday, Mid-Week Worship Service

7:00 P.M.

Happy Birthday: Carl Ballard (April 22nd)

Jesus and the Lepers (Luke 17: 11-19)

Those infected with the horrible disease of leprosy, had to live in a leprosy colony. If they were approached by the general public, they had to proclaim "unclean, unclean" to prevent the disease from spreading. Leprosy most often claimed fingers and toes, as well as other body parts and was a highly contagious disease.

In Luke 17, there were ten men with leprosy that stood afar and lifted up their voices and said "*Jesus, Master, have mercy on us*" and Jesus cleansed them. Out of the ten lepers, only one came back to give glory to God for his healing. By the one returning to give thanks, not only was he healed from his leprosy, but **he was made whole** and in all likelihood all signs of the disease were removed and body parts were restored.

Don't ever fail to give God the thanks and glory
 for all the blessings in your life!

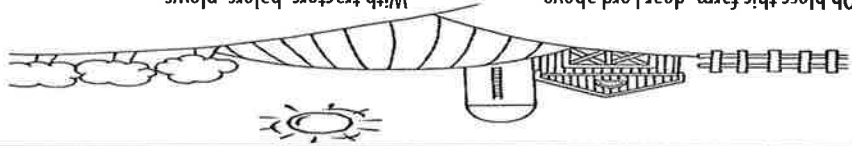
The Great "I AM"

As Christians, we need to remember that God is not known as the great I Was but as the great I AM (see Exod. 3:14). The practical meaning of this truth is that we should not live in the past with its regrets and mistakes. Rather, we should emphasize the present with its opportunities and challenges. As the great I AM, God calls us to claim the promise of each new day and to live it fully for him.

Dealing with "Sandpaper" People

Sandpaper is a wonderful substance for working with wood. It removes all the rough spots, making wood as smooth as glass and just as nice to touch. But sandpaper is not nice if it is woven into the fabric of a person's personality. "Sandpaper" people are those who rub us the wrong way. It could be anything from the way they wear their hair to the way they talk. Most of us can probably identify at least one person like this who taxes our patience and Christian spirit. Perhaps it would help if we try to take a different view of these people. We should pray for such people and ask God to love them through us. This will help us to be more tolerant and forgiving in our attitude.

The Farmer's Prayer



Oh bless this farm, dear Lord above,
 With tractors, balers, plows
 As they gather in earth's yield
 To fill the cribs and mows.
 Bless both this farmer and his wife;
 Be Thou our strength and guide.
 Stand by us all our earthly life
 As we work side by side.
 May all our children, when they've grown,
 Recall the rustic charm,
 The peace within our country home,
 The good life on the farm.
 Then, gracious Father, would you please
 Prepare a special space
 For humble farmer such as these
 In heaven's glorious place?
 Diane Gutzman

Guard those out working in the field
 Producing in good health.
 May they all thrive throughout the years
 Which are the farmer's wealth;
 Bless all the cows, the calves, the steers,
 Ripen harvest 'fore the snow;"
 Then bid the sun, "Now shine again,
 To make the seedlings grow,
 In the Spring, Lord, send the rain
 That firmly it might stand.
 Grant it Thy strength when strong winds blow,
 With Thine Almighty hand;
 Lord, shield our farm from sleet and snow
 That all might richly fare.
 Surround it with Thy tender love
 And keep it in thy care.