

The Lakeview Lamp

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." – **Psalm 119:105**

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Terrorist Groups in Church

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WARNING

BEWARE OF TERRORIST GROUPS IN CHURCH

Latest news reports are that five terrorist cell groups have been operating in many of our churches. They have been identified as: Bin Sleepin, Bin Arguin, Bin Fightin, Bin Complainin, and Bin Missin.

Their leader, Satan Bin Workin, trained these groups to destroy the body of Christ. The plan is to come into the church disguised as Christians and to work within the church to discourage, disrupt, and destroy.

However, there have been reports of a sixth group. A tiny cell known by the name Bin Prayin is actually the only effective counter terrorism force in the church. Unlike other terrorist cells, the Bin Prayin team does not blend in with whoever and whatever comes along.

Bin Prayin does whatever is needed to uplift and encourage the body of Christ. We have noticed that the Bin Prayin cell group has different characteristics than the others. They have Bin Watchin, Bin Waitin, Bin Fastin, and Bin Longin for their Master, Jesus Christ to return.

NO CHURCH IS EXEMPT!

(However, you can spot them if you bin lookin and bin goin.)



"Let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober" (**1 Thes 5:6**).

"But if you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another" (**Gal 5:15**).

"Do not complain, brethren, against one another, so that you yourselves may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing right at the door" (**James 5:9**).

"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much" (**James 5:16**).

Are You Upset & Concerned? Do You Have Questions?

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Do you wonder why things are done the way they are done? Do you have questions about the work, worship, or operation of the congregation? Does it seem that there are things going on that you don't understand? Are there issues floating around that trouble you? Are there times when you don't really agree with the decisions that are being made?

If so, join the club! We all face the kind of questions and concerns that we've just described. The big question is not: Will such issues arise? The question is: How will **YOU** deal with these things when they happen?

Let us offer some do's and don'ts for handling these potentially difficult situations.

DON'T...

- Don't get angry and upset before you have gathered all the facts.
- Don't gossip or backbite. This doesn't help, and it is a sin (**Proverbs 6:19**).
- Don't complain if you don't intend to get busy correcting the problem. Typically, churches have way too many fault-finders, and not enough problem solvers.
- Don't immediately assume the worst about your brethren. Too often we hear harsh judgmental words about the elders, the preacher, or other members before the facts have all been sorted out. True love demands better than this (**1 Cor. 13:4-7**).

DO...

- Ask for information. Very often any disagreement or controversy can be quickly cleared up this way.
- If there is a problem, go directly to the source. Speak to the one(s) involved and work for a solution.
- Pray for wisdom in dealing with the problem, asking for God's help to do and say the right things (**Jas. 1:5**).
- Maintaining sound doctrine is the highest priority (**Gal 1:8,9**), but maintaining peace must also be an important goal for every member (**Eph. 4:1-3**).

News and Notes

We need someone to mow the yard this season. If you know of anyone, then please let one of the elders or deacons know.

Members:

- * Ken Berry had heart surgery Wednesday at St. Thomas Hospital. He is in room 492 (phone number 222-2492). He has had some pain, but he should go home Monday or Tuesday.
- * Sandra Boyd had colon surgery Friday at Skyline Medical Center. She is in room 628 and will be there until Tuesday or Wednesday.
- * Metty Fain's **birthday was yesterday. She turned 85.**
- * Fran Pickens has a therapist coming now to help get her up and going.

Friends and Family:

- * Bruce Diamond, friend of John Moore, finished his chemo but is still not doing well.
- * Mike Read, **Cotton and Nancy's son, is going back for another round of chemo.**

Absent: Ken and Rhonda Hull (CA), the Johnson family (Millersville, etc.).

New Reports: None known.



“Teach me good discernment and knowledge, for I believe in Your commandments.” – **Psalm 119:66**