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**VISIT US SOON!**

**Sunday:**

Bible Study..... 9:30 A..M.  
Morning Worship.....10:30 A.M.  
Evening Worship..... 6:00 P.M.

**Wednesday:**

Bible Study .....7:00 P.M.

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**THE END OF ANOTHER YEAR**

Barry M. Grider

The year 2005 will become history in just a few days. All of us should be thankful that God has sustained our lives to this point in time. In a marvelous way, He continues to "daily loadeth us with benefits" (Psm. 68:19). Still, we recognize that many of you have suffered great personal loss. You continue to mourn loved ones who have departed this life during the past year and we share your sorrow. May good memories and the hope of heaven continue to be a source of strength that comes from the "God of all comfort" (2 Cor. 1:3).

Forest Hill is a very special family. As your preacher I am very thankful to be associated with such wonderful brethren. Your constant encouragement helps me to press on in the proclamation and defense of the glorious gospel of Christ. As the year ends, I express appreciation to our faithful elders, hard working deacons, our fine associate minister, the staff of the Memphis School of Preaching, my co-workers in the church office, and to every member who worships and serves God in this place.

We are thankful for the opportunities we have been given to broadcast the gospel through television and the internet during the past year. Each sermon preached from our pulpit can be downloaded at anytime by simply searching the archives at [www.foresthillchurch.org](http://www.foresthillchurch.org). Through the newly established Gospel Broadcasting Network, Forest Hill has been given the opportunity to televise our worship services twice each Lord's Day. And now, thanks to the efforts of brother Jim Brown, sermons are presented each Wednesday evening on Time-Warner Cable channel 17.

The Memphis School of Preaching continues to be a vital work of our congregation. Over sixty students are presently studying in the school, preparing themselves to become evangelists. We are very excited that in 2006, the Lord willing, construction will begin on our student residence halls, which will occupy the back part of our campus.

During this past year, I was honored to have been selected as one of the co-editors of the Gospel Journal monthly periodical. I am truly grateful for the many encouraging letters and telephone calls I have received in connection with that appointment. Many who previously were unaware of the paper are now subscribing and we appreciate so many local preachers who are endorsing and encouraging the work of *The Gospel Journal* in their respective congregations. If you have not already done so, please visit our newly designed website at [www.gospeljournal.org](http://www.gospeljournal.org). We are especially grateful to brother Joey Davis, our webmaster, for his good work.

The church at Forest Hill has always been a mission minded congregation. We exist to save souls. Please remember the varied mission works we support around the world and our Hispanic ministry located in our city. Douglas Alvarenga is the faithful evangelist to the Iglesia de Cristo which meets at Getwell.

As I conclude, may I express appreciation to the readers of this bulletin. It has always been our elders desire to have a bulletin that is both informative and filled with biblical teaching. That is the editor's desire, as well.

As 2005 comes to a close and 2006 begins, please renew your commitment to Christ and His church. Rededicate yourself to the principles of godliness and righteousness. Be a servant of the Lord. Love your neighbor. Give your very best. And may the God of grace be with you all!

## LEON SCOTT 1927-2005

During the early morning hours of Sunday, December 4, brother Leon Scott, longtime deacon of the Knight Arnold/Forest Hill congregation departed this life for realms above. While in the hospital about six years ago, brother Scott developed a staff infection which severely enervated him, leaving him homebound until the time of his passing. He was 78.

Brother Scott was a quiet, humble, and, most importantly, a faithful servant of God. He was great encourager of others and supported every good work. His wife of over 50 years, Donnie, has always been by brother Scott's side, and during these last few years provided constant care for him as his health deteriorated. Thanks also to his Christian friends who have frequently stopped by to offer assistance. Continue to remember sister Donnie; their daughter, Melissa; and their son, Larry, a faithful gospel preacher.

Barry M. Grider

## Nine Things God Won't Ask on That Day

1. **God won't ask what kind of car you drove. He'll ask how many people you drove who didn't have transportation.**
2. **God won't ask the square footage of your house, He'll ask how many people you welcomed into your home.**
3. **God won't ask about the clothes you had in your closet, He'll ask how many you helped clothe.**
4. **God won't ask what your highest salary was. He'll ask if you compromised your character to obtain it.**
5. **God won't ask what your job title was. He'll ask if your performed your job to the best of your ability.**
6. **God won't ask how many friends you had. He'll ask how many people to whom you were a friend.**
7. **God won't ask in what neighborhood you lived, Hell ask how you treated your neighbors.**
8. **God won't ask about the color of your skin, He'll ask about the content of your character.**

**One last thing, think about this message when you are rushing around this Christmas season filling people's lists of "demands." What is the real gift that is important this season? Not what you spend on them, but WHO you ARE to them.**

(Submitted by Brenda Crowe, Forest Hill member)  
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### The Clock of Life

The clock of life is wound but once  
And no man has the power  
To tell just when the hands will stop  
At late or early hour.

To lose one's wealth is sad indeed,  
To lose one's health is more:  
To lose one's soul is such a loss  
That no man can restore.

(Submitted by Bert Embry, Forest Hill member and former elder)

### REMINDER

The Office will be closed Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26. We will also be closed Friday, December 30 and Monday, January 2 for the holidays.

Also, there will be no bulletin the week of December 25.

Season's Greetings  
From the Office Staff.

