



## Power in the Bended Knee



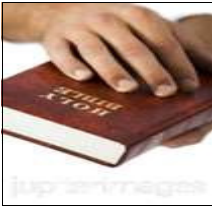
Have you ever watched a bird sleeping on its perch and never falling off? How does it manage to do this?

The secret is the tendons of the birds legs. They are so constructed that when the leg is bent at the knee, the claws contract and grip like a steel trap. The claws refuse to let go until the knees are unbent again. The bended knee gives the bird the ability to hold on to his perch so tightly.

Is this not the secret of the hold power of the Christian? Daniel found this to be true. Surrounded by a pagan environment, tempted to compromise with evil, urged to weaken his grip on God, he refused to let go. He held firm when others faltered because he was a man of prayer. He knew the power of the bended knee.

From sleeping birds we can learn the secret of holding things which are most precious to us—honesty, purity, thoughtfulness, honor, character. That secret is the knee bent in prayer, seeking to get a firmer grip on those values which make life worth living. When we hold firmly to God in prayer, we can rest assured He will hold tightly to us.

—Rollin S. Burhans



## Preserving Old Bible Backs

The President of the American Bible Society, Fred. W. Cropp, recently received a letter asking a question: “What do you recommend for keeping the leather on the backs of Bibles from getting stiff, cracking and peeling?”

The reply was, “There is one oil that is especially good for treatment of leather on Bibles. In fact, it would insure your Bible to stay in good condition. It is not sold, but may be found *in the palm of the human hand*” (use!).

—Selected

In Christian Love,  
Louie 12/13/09

## The Emerald Beach Christian



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**Minister**  
**Louie Consoli**

The Bible teaches that there is one body (Eph. 4:4), and since the body is the Church (Col. 1:18, Eph. 1:-22-23), there is but one Church. Jesus built this Church ((Matt. 16:18) and purchased it with His own blood (Acts 20:28). We believe that one must be in the Lord’s Church to be saved, since the Lord adds to the Church those that are saved (Acts 2:47), and since the Bible declares Christ to be the Savior of the body, or Church (Ephesians 5:23).

### Worship Times

Sunday	Sunday	Wednesday
Bible Study	Worship	Bible Study
9:00am	10:00am & 6:00pm	6:30pm

December 13, 2009

[www.emeraldbeachchurch.org](http://www.emeraldbeachchurch.org)

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We have several people who are basically shut-ins that would enjoy receiving cards from us. With the holiday season upon us please think about these people and brighten their day.

Jean Nichols-Sharon's mom-PO Box 82188, Phoenix, Az 85069-1288

Alice Heath-Betty's mother-Room 416, NHC Healthcare Center, 812 North Charlotte St. Dickson, Tn 37055.

William Jordan-Marie's father-Lisenby Retirement Ctr, 1400 W. 11th St. Room 307, Panama City, FL 32401

John Akers-John's uncle-477 Woodland Creek Dr, McMinnville, Tn 37110.

Jo Nesbitt-1637 N Valencia Dr, Albany, Ga. 31707-3745.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Local Members

Betty Brown-Knee replacement surgery last week. Now at home.

Clint and Ann Byars-Health problems.

Charlie Hernandez-Please remember Charlie in your prayers and with cards and letters.

### Extended Prayer List

Louie Consoli IV-Son of Louie had ear surgery on December 9th.

Larry Stephens-Brother-in-law of Pat Montgomery diagnosed with cancer.

William Jordan-Father of Marie Patterson.

Tristan Hernandez-Life difficulties.

Jean Nichols-Mother of Sharon Stockton.

Alice Heath-Mother of Betty Brown. She would appreciate a card from you. Her address is Room 416, NHC Healthcare Center, 812 North Charlotte St, Dickson, Tennessee 37055.

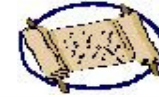
Shirley McCalister

### Batting Cancer

Jo Nesbitt, David Oyler, Danny Young, Don Walker, Benny Thomley, Tony Adkison, Brenda Moore, Joe Eidson, Jo Ann Fairbanks, John Akers, Elaine Mundy,



Hear Billy Lambert on Direct TV on Ch. 367, 6:30pm on Sun., Ch 377, Mon-Fri at 9:30PM Central. Bro. Billy Lambert can be seen on "Know Your Bible" on Dir. TV.



### December Birthdays

Cameron Miles 4  
Buddy Goode 10  
Marie Patterson 17  
Betty Asbell 20  
Lucy Younger 31

### December Anniversaries

Chisolm 5  
Goode 7  
Brown 30

### Family Record

Sunday 12/06/09

Bible Study 22

Worship Service 37

Sunday PM 19

Wednesday 18

### Contributions

\$1,056.50



Preparing Communion for Dec.

Gail Casteel

Locking the Building for Dec.

Fred Casteel

December Greeter

Pat Montgomery

Today's Nursery Attendant

Dyan Ferguson

## Please remember our Food Pantry!!

If anyone has needs please contact the following:

Church-235-7992  
Duffle Chisolm-230-1683-Secretary  
John Sain-249-1443  
David Chisolm-596-8727(cell)  
Farris Brown-234-6837  
Larry Nave-234-5675

### \*\*\*JUST A REMINDER\*\*\*

**Emerald Beach Church of Christ is still in need of financial support. Any monetary help will be appreciated as we are a small but growing congregation that is doing the work of the Lord here on the Beach of spreading the Good News of the Gospel.**

**The Sunday school teacher told the class about Lot being told to take his wife and flee the city. "Lot got away but his wife disobeyed divine orders by looking back and was turned into a pillar of salt," the teacher explained. One little boy asked, "What happened to the flea?"**

**Q. Who is the greatest babysitter mentioned in the Bible?**

**A. David. He rocked Goliath to sleep.**

**Q. Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?**

**A. Samson. He brought the house down.**

**VISITORS! You are our welcomed Guests.**