

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST

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THE VALUE OF MOTHERS

by Robert Johnson

A study reported that if the typical stay-at-home mom in the US were paid for her work, she would earn \$138,095 a year. The study listed 10 jobs as comprising a mother's main work, which were housekeeper, cook, daycare center teacher, laundry machine operator, van driver, facilities manager, janitor, computer operator, chief executive officer and psychologist. A mother who holds a full-time job outside the home would earn an additional \$85,939 for the work she does at home, in addition to the salary she receives for her job.

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This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you... (1 John 1:5).

**VISITORS,
WELCOME!**

Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Bible Class

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP

1:00 p.m. WORSHIP

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

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In reality, what mothers are worth, whether they stay at home or also have an outside the home job as well, is beyond estimate. Hopefully mothers view the work they do in the home as more than just a "job," but as the greatest labor of love. The bond between a mother and her children is special indeed, in which she is willing to place their needs above her own, to provide for them not only when they are not able to provide for themselves, but to love and to care for them throughout the number of her days. It is the highest calling, then, when Paul asked Titus to remind mothers to love their children and be workers at home (Titus 2:4-5).

In addition to the physical and emotional care they provide in the home, there is the spiritual influence mothers offer their children. Who can put a price tag on one's soul? Scripture reminds us of how important a mother's instruction is to her children. The writer of Proverbs spoke of the consequences that come to the child who refuses to obey his mother (Proverbs 30:17). Paul exhorted children to "obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right" (Ephesians 6:1), and he reminded Timothy of the faith that was instilled in him by his mother and his grandmother (2 Timothy 1:5). Jesus was submissive to both Joseph and Mary (Luke 2:51), and He showed His love and appreciation for her in providing for her welfare when He was on the cross (John 19:26-27). A godly mother, like the virtuous woman of Proverbs, is "far more precious than jewels" (Proverbs 31:10).

In our culture, there are many demands placed upon mothers, which have to do with the needs of her family as well as her own needs. It is not easy providing for other's needs, much less considering her needs. Thank God for mothers who love and care enough to see that their children have what they need, especially for life in Christ. Salvation is a gift beyond measure, a gift that gives forever. May we, whether in memory or in their presence, accord our

mothers the love and respect they are due. May we offer them the care they need, through time, which we can offer. May we offer the greatest gift possible, that which creates the greatest joy in a mother's heart, by loving God and being faithful Christians, sharing in a mother's hope. "Let them first learn to show godliness to their own household and to make some return to their parents, for this is pleasing in the sight of God" (1 Timothy 5:4).

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Proverbs 31:10–31

Who can find a virtuous wife?
For her worth is far above rubies.
The heart of her husband safely trusts her;
So he will have no lack of gain.
She does him good and not evil
All the days of her life.
She seeks wool and flax,
And willingly works with her hands.
She is like the merchant ships,
She brings her food from afar.
She also rises while it is yet night,
And provides food for her household,
And a portion for her maidservants.
She considers a field and buys it;
From her profits she plants a vineyard.
She girds herself with strength,
And strengthens her arms.
She perceives that her merchandise is good,
And her lamp does not go out by night.
She stretches out her hands to the distaff,
And her hand holds the spindle.
She extends her hand to the poor,
Yes, She reaches out her hands to the needy.

She is not afraid of snow for her household,
For all her household is clothed with scarlet.
She makes tapestry for herself;
Her clothing is fine linen and purple.
Her husband is known in the gates,
When he sits among the elders of the land.
She makes linen garments and sells them,
And supplies sashes for the merchants.
Strength and honor are her clothing;
She shall rejoice in time to come.
She opens her mouth with wisdom,
And on her tongue is the law of kindness.
She watches over the ways of her household,
And does not eat the bread of idleness.
Her children rise up and call her blessed;
Her husband also, and he praises her:
"Many daughters have done well,
But you excel them all."
Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing,
But a woman who fears the Lord,
She shall be praised.
Give her of the fruit of her hands,
And let her own works praise her in the gates.

New King James Version

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Tim Wilkes, Sr., came home Friday; **Sammy Williams**, will be receiving treatments for prostate cancer soon; **Dylan Moore**, had ankle surgery Friday; **Caleb & Elizabeth Baker**; **GINNA Honeycutt, Wiley Tuggle**; **Clarence & Faye Edwards**.

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Family & Friends

Becky Williams, Sammy's sister in law, health rapidly declining; **Betty Wilson family**, Tim Sr.'s aunt passed recently.

Birthdays

5/5 Tyler King 5/16 Russell Wadsworth
5/6 Dylan Moore 5/25 Jarrett Davis
5/7 Aiyanna Meredith 5/25 Davis Johnson
5/9 David Angel 5/27 Carson King
5/15 Andy Ratliff

Anniversaries

5/15 Jason & Ginger Bayless
5/17 Joe & Leigh Anne Owen
5/19 Seth & Jan Daniel
5/23 Johnny & Stephanie Bayless
5/23 Russell & Jeanna Wadsworth
5/26 Jimmy & Virginia Sowell
5/31 Billy & Terry Bland

Get Involved!

Sunday Afternoon for the Savior — TODAY
Between Services

Teachers' Meeting — TODAY — 12:30

Providence Place Devo — TODAY, 2 PM

Sen. Health & Rehab Devo — May 23, 10 AM

Coldwater Singing Night — May 30, 7 PM
5th Wed, song requests in green box or to Clifton

Cordova Vac. Bible Time: June 9, 8:30 AM

Coldwater VBS — June 10 – 14, 6:30 PM

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, May 13

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Billy Bland
Announcements	Jerry Davis
Song Leader	Jason Bayless
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	John Wofford
	Chris Martin
Assist	Marc Strickland
	Daniel Owen
Opening Prayer	Jerry Davis
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Closing Prayer	Russell Wadsworth

Afternoon

Song Leader	Jason Bayless
Opening Prayer	Jeffrey Ferrell
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	John Wofford
	Chris Martin
Closing Prayer	Tim Meredith

Wednesday, May 16

Song Leader	Jason Bayless
Prayer	Andy Ratliff
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Jim Jackson

TECH:	Dalton Owen
HALL:	Andy & Molly Ratliff