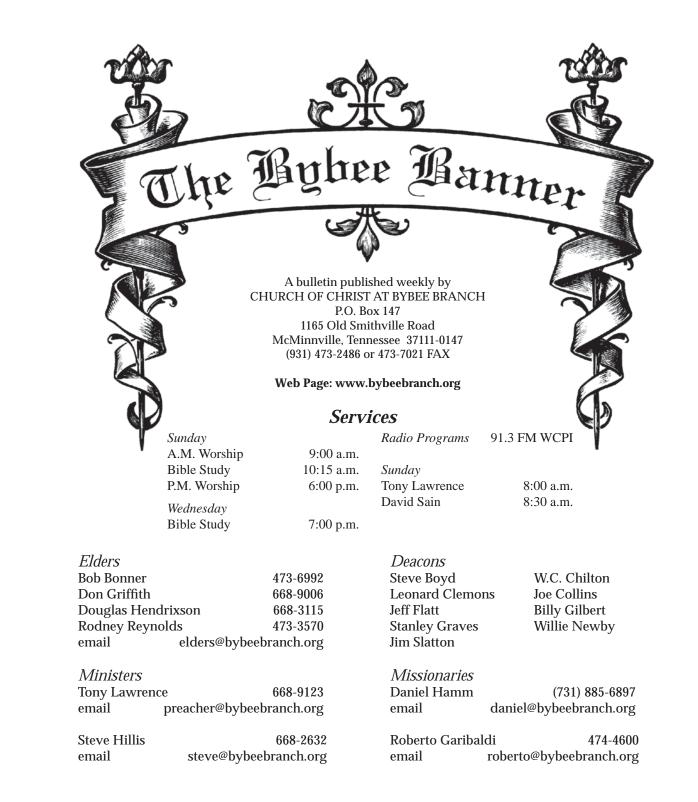
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Ruby Glenn Vivian Ferrell Randel Whiteaker Winfrey Hennessee

### In The Hospital:

Mike Brashier (Mary Flatt's father)-Skyline Medical Center Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-inlaw)-Centennial Shirley Parker-back to NHC

## Sunday's Sermons

A.M	Jesus, Lord & Christ
P.M	ELDERS PRESENT BUDGET

# **Birthday Invitation**

You are invited to a reception celebrating 99 years for Nettie Clemons on Saturday, December 31, from 2--4 pm at NHC (front entrance). Your presence is your gift. Please RSVP Leonard Clemons 473-4186. You are encouraged to send her a card at: Nettie Clemons, NHC Room 412, P.O. Box 528, McMinnville, TN 37111-0528

# My Stomach Hurts

A little girl went up to her mother one day while holding her stomach saying, "Mommy, my stomach hurts." Her mother replied, "That's because it's empty. You have to put something into it!" She then prepared a bowl of soup. Later that day the preacher and his wife came over for dinner. The preacher began to feel bad. Holding his head he said, "I have such a terrible headache!" The little girl looked up at him, giving him a sweet smile, and said, "That's because it's empty. You have to put something into it!"

~from House to House, Heart to Heart~

## Lessons From Steve

EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY

The final cut-off for this trip is this Sunday, December  $25^{\text{th}}$ . The cost is \$40.00.

### FAMILY MATTERS RETREAT

A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board for the Family Matters Retreat in Pigeon Forge. Please see Steve Hillis if you have any questions concerning the trip.

#### NHC SERVICE PROJECT

NHC has invited the youth to help with their Holiday Party as we have done for the last several years. The party is this Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, beginning at 1:30 PM. Everyone is to meet at NHC.

### NOTE OF THANKS

To say that I have been blessed in placing membership at Bybee Branch back in 1991 would be a mighty understatement. Who would have believed the changes that have occurred? From a guy whose hair Bran Van Merritt couldn't even match to...well, not having much hair at all. But that's ok, because what a ride it has been!

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is For brethren to dwell together in unity!" Psalm 133:1 I love our Youth Group. I love the fact that they cared enough to share with my family a very generous donation to our new TV fund, but it is more than that. We have had some awesome and, yes, difficult times over the past year and a half. A lesser group might have just folded up the tent and moved on...yet, here we are still *standing*. That tells me that the hope for the BBYG is stronger and brighter than ever. From the first time I ever started working with our kids on a grander scale, I defined and made extremely important one word - unity. I have stressed that word because it signifies what our goal is. If we can stand together as one, the door for personal

growth and the avenue to spread the good news of Jesus our Redeemer is open. The strength of any group, however, depends on each part that makes the whole.

Parents, I kindly ask that you would be aware of the tremendous advantage it is for your sons and daughters to be an active participant in our youth activities, whether the BBYG or the PEW PACKERS. After ten years of working with kids I have seen a pattern develop. The youth who were/are active tend to excel in the workplace, college, school, and in society. Sadly, those who were not seem to struggle to find a place in this world. I am not stating this fits every case, but for the most part my data is accurate. Please, place an emphasis on the work we are doing. I know you won't regret it in the end.

Bybee Branch, I encourage you to pray for our youth, regardless of age. Pray that each endeavor we partake in will lead us to unity and spiritual knowledge. Pray that I will lead in a way that would never, ever lead one of our young people to a spiritual ruin. Pray that our elders will continue to monitor our every move and be hands-on. I find this to be a vital part of our youth program. Pray that these kids can endure and overcome the many temptations that they deal with on a "daily" basis.

Youth Group, I beg you to make a commitment. Make a commitment to study your Bible <u>everyday</u> and pray <u>everyday</u>. Make a commitment to not look down at others in our group, but rather to establish a bond of peace. Make a commitment to reach out to someone that is not as active as they should be and walk him or her through our open door. Make a commitment to recognize the enticing lures of the world and understand that worldly pleasure and a life in Christ are not compatible. Make a commitment to choose Jesus. Finally as for me, I make the following pledge. As long as the elders see fit to allow me the opportunity of organizing youth programs and activities, and I am able, I will never take my responsibility lightly. I will make sure that whatever event we go to, the truth will be taught to your kids. I will make sure that wherever we go, your kids will be chaperoned to the very best of my ability. I will make sure that if the fire inside me to lead our youth ever diminishes; I will be the first to go to our elders and tell them to get someone here who is able. That is how serious I think this work is.

Thank you-Thank you-Thank you for the opportunity to serve our congregation in this capacity. Regardless of what lies ahead for me and my family, I know the youth of this congregation will always be taken care of and led to the pure waters of the blessed gospel truth of the Savior, Jesus Christ of Nazareth. I love you all.

A son of the King, Steve

## Thanks From Lawrences

A simple thanks seems to be so inadequate for all the kind things that the Bybee Branch congregation has done for us over the past 20 years. Your kind and generous gift to us on Sunday evening was deeply appreciated. However, it is the warm friendship and kind words that make us appreciate you the most. When I think of just how much you have done for us, I think of what Luke records about the people of the island of Malta. "And the natives showed us unusual kindness; for they kindled a fire and made us all welcome, because of the rain that was falling and because of the cold." Acts 28:2, NKJV. "We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers," 1 Thessalonians 1:2, NKJV. (Tony & Corretta)

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