

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (815-8675) Rickey Burks
 Lead Singing Joe Collins
 First Prayer Doug Hendrixson
 Reading Hoyt Crouch
 Scripture Acts 6:2-4
 Lord's Table (N) *Willie Newby
 (S) *Don Sullivan
 (N) Shannon Griffin
 (N) Kevin Flatt
 (N) Kelly Hillis
 (S) Matt Martin
 (S) Chris Neale
 (S) Dickie Kesey
 Sermon Tony Lawrence
 Dismiss Danny Duncan

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (815-8675) Rickey Burks
 Lead Singing Jeremy Burks
 First Prayer Abram Pryor
 Reading Kane Maynard
 Scripture TBA
 Lord's Table *Paul Hurst
 *Derek Vinson
 Sermon Ethan Duncan & Daniel Boyd
 Dismiss Ben Biles

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (474-2410) Caleb Graves
 Lead Singing John Biddle
 First Prayer Brett Merritt
 Reading Billy Gilbert
 Invitation Ronnie Rogers
 Dismiss Mark Lawrence

Welcome Committee

A.M. Tim & Cindy Fisher
 P.M. Zollie & Vera Settles

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

Ushers: Chip Cantrell & Jeff Flatt

Attend Nursery: Dana Roller

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

Prepare Communion:

David & Iona King

Assist with Baptisms:

Judy Sullivan & Cindy Rogers

Pantry Item: Biscuit Mix

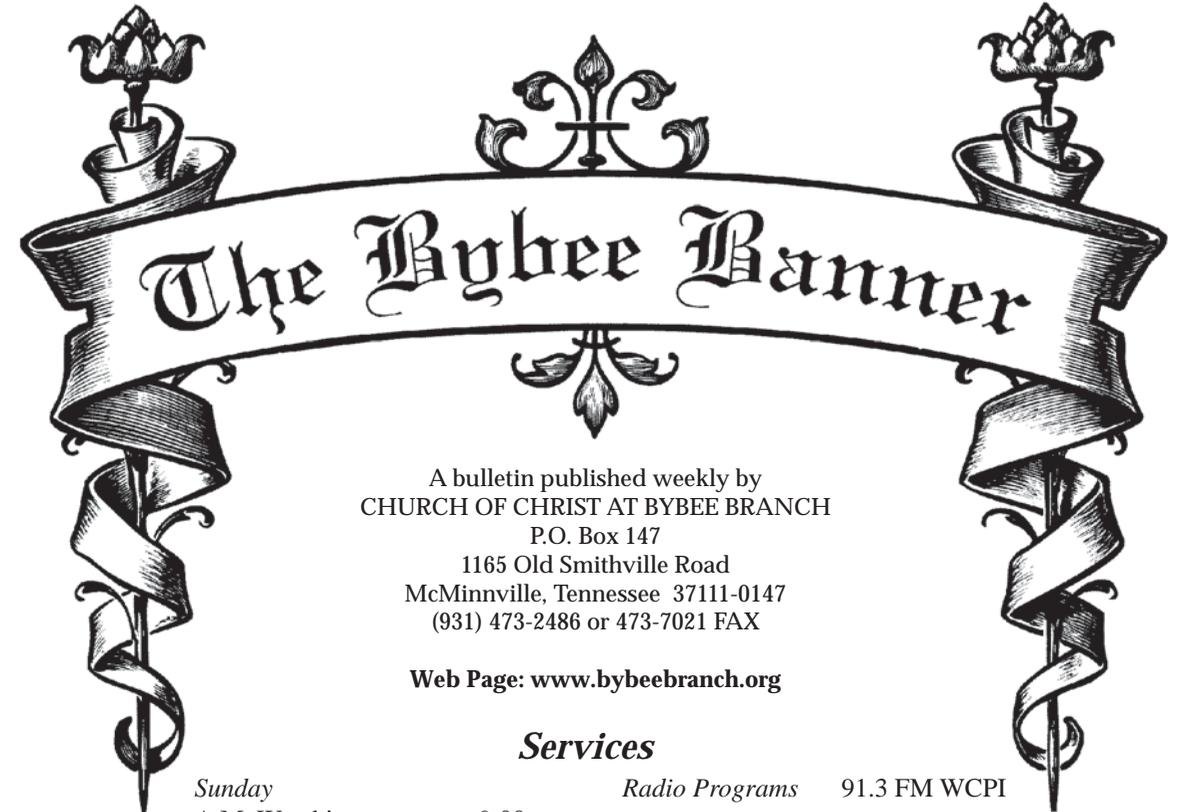
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship..... 338
 Bible Study 256
 P.M. Worship..... 143*
 Wednesday Bible Study..... 249
 Contribution..... \$4,716

*Young people gone to TABS at Morrison

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Services

<i>Sunday</i>		<i>Radio Programs</i>	91.3 FM WCPI
A.M. Worship	9:00 a.m.		
Bible Study	10:15 a.m.	<i>Sunday</i>	
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.	Tony Lawrence	8:00 a.m.
		David Sain	8:30 a.m.
<i>Wednesday</i>			
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

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Sick

At Home:

Ruby Glenn

Mike Brasher (Mary Flatt's father)

Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-in-law)

Helen McGinness (Harold's mother)

Trevor Crawford (Becky Crawford's nephew)

Martha Pepper

Roeba Jones

Eugene Jones

June Crouch

Corretta Lawrence

In The Hospital:

Marion Turner-Erlanger

Connie Turner-Vanderbilt (these two are members at Morrison and were critically injured in an accident).

B.F. Wilson (Melba Bonner's father)-At NHC in Murfreesboro

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... Good Men Doing A Good Work

P.M..... YOUNG MEN CONDUCT SERVICES

Elders-Deacons-Preachers Meeting

The elders, deacons and preachers will meet this coming Sunday evening at 5 pm. It was postponed due to several being out sick and away.

Quarterly Business Meeting

The quarterly Men's Business Meeting will be this coming Sunday evening following the evening services. All the men of the congregation are encouraged to attend. This meeting was also postponed due to several being out sick and away.

Thanks From Tony!

Most of us know what it is to be sick but rarely remember just how bad it is until we are there again. The nasty infection that I had this past week left me unable to function. Thankfully, I am back, but a little on the weak side. I want to express my genuine thanks for all who sent me cards and called to check on me. Your love and concern are truly appreciated.

I also need to express thanks to Rickey Burks for being able to fill in for me on short notice last Wednesday and on Sunday. I also want to thank Ronnie Rogers for his teaching my class on Sunday. It is very comforting to know that if for some reason I cannot preach or teach that there are sound, capable men who can fulfill that position in such a fine way.

Notes From Steve

SPIRITUAL WEIGHT TRAINING & INNER BEAUTY SALON

We meet this Sunday, January 29th, for our monthly session. Remember we will all meet together this month in the auditorium after evening worship. Also, we will go out to eat afterwards.

4th WEDNESDAY CLASS

Grades 7 to 12 will meet in the fellowship room this Wed. night, January 25th. Our lessons this year will focus on Christian Evidences.

SINGING

The Bethlehem Church of Christ will be hosting their annual singing on Saturday, January 28th. The singing begins at 6:30 PM.

KID'S RALLY

All Bybee kids 12 and under (and their friends) are encouraged to participate in this unique opportunity. The rally is on February 25th and

the theme is "Colors in the Bible." A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. February 19th will serve as the final chance to sign-up. We will be spending the night in Ethridge (see me for hotel/food cost.)

SYR 06!

Sign-up sheets are now on the bulletin board for our 6th annual Spring Youth Retreat at Camp Hy-Lake. The theme for this year is "The Power of Faith." **NOTE: Please carefully read the directions on the sign-up sheet.**

PROM ALTERNATIVE TRIP

The trip takes place April 27 to April 30 and the cost will be around \$140/150. The trip this year is going to Louisville and is for all high school age and their friends. Scholarships are available for those who need financial assistance (see me for more info.) We want ALL who will from our high school age to attend this trip.

T-SHIRTS

We will be ordering t-shirts for the BBYG and PEW PACKERS. See Stephanie McColloch if you would like a Pew Packer shirt and for BBYG shirts see Steve Hillis. The cost is \$10.00.

Does God Have A Retirement Plan?

It would be difficult to go through a week without hearing someone speak about retirement. We hear it over the news and in private conversations. There are those who are saving their money, making investments, and counting off the years as they dream about retirement. When many are asked why they want to retire, they say in essence, "I want to stop working and begin playing."

Certainly, getting older and retiring from one's occupation is a reality of life, and planning for such is wise. However, a very serious problem occurs when this same concept is brought into the church, because this **DOES NOT** represent the will of God.

As shocking as it may seem, God does not have a retirement plan for His children on this earth. In

fact, His word teaches that we are to serve according to our abilities as long as we live. The only time mentioned for Christians to rest from their labors is at their death. During John's experiences in the book of Revelation, he was told: "Write: *Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.*" "Yes," says the Spirit, ***that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them***" (Revelation 14:13).

The apostle Paul set forth the principle of serving faithfully until death when he wrote: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, **always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord**" (1 Corinthians 15:58).

"And let **us not grow weary** while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart" (Galatians 6:9). He did not mention early retirement!

It is true that we become limited as we get older, but this does not give us a spiritual license to quit. Age does not stop us from doing as much as we can in our physical lives, and the same must be true in the spiritual. No, God does not expect us to serve beyond what we are able to do. However, **He does** expect us to do what we can.

When Paul wrote his friend Philemon, he referred to himself as "Paul, the aged," but he was still serving the Lord in prison. In fact, he did not retire until he was ready to be offered, and had finished the race (2 Timothy 4:6,7).

What about our lives in the church today, have we retired? Have we turned the entire teaching, visitation, sharing the gospel through tracts and correspondence courses, and attending all the appointed services over to those who are younger? Have we grown weary in well doing? Can we honestly sing, "We'll work till Jesus comes, and we'll be gathered home?" Have we written our **OWN** retirement plans?

There have been those in the church who have said, "Now that I have retired from my employment, I can give more time to the work of the Lord." This is the attitude that pleases God! Therefore, let all of us in the church have the attitude: "With God's help, I will do the best I can, and serve Him as long as I can, and then I will take my retirement in heaven.

~BBBristow~