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## Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements .....	(668-2180) Ken Martin
Lead Singing.....	Stanley Graves
First Prayer.....	Don Griffith
Reading.....	Allen Hughes
Scripture.....	1 Thessalonians 2:14-16
Lord's Table (N).....	*Bobby Ashford
(S).....	*Steve Boyd
(N).....	Barry Hendrixson
(N).....	Kelly Hillis
(N).....	Dustin Hillis
(S).....	Marc Martin
(S).....	Eugene Wilcher
(S).....	Chris Neale
Sermon.....	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss.....	David Bouldin

## Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....	(668-2180) Ken Martin
Lead Singing.....	Stanley Graves
First Prayer.....	Billy Gilbert
Reading.....	Josh King
Scripture.....	2 Thessalonians 3:10-12
Lord's Table.....	*Ricky Prince
.....	*Winfrey Hennessee
Sermon.....	Tony Lawrence
Closing Prayer.....	Danny Duncan

## Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements .....	(668-8473) W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing.....	Caleb Graves
First Prayer.....	Tim Fisher
Reading.....	Micah Lawrence
Invitation .....	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss .....	Rodney Myers

## Welcome Committee

A.M.....	Harold & Judy Cook
P.M.....	Bruce & Susan Pryor

**Bus Driver:**.....Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

January 11, 2009

**Ushers:** .....Ronnie Prince & Cory Prince

**Attend Nursery:**.....Jane Flatt

**Lock Building:**.....W.C. Chilton

**Prepare Communion:**

.....David & Iona King

**Assist with Baptisms:**

.....Judy Sullivan & Carol Boyd

**Pantry Item:** .....Applesauce

**Record For The Week...**

A.M.Worship.....	364
Bible Study.....	270
P.M.Worship.....	254
Wednesday Bible Study.....	195
Contribution .....	\$5,086

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### Services

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
A.M.Worship	Bible Study
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
P.M.Worship	Monday (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> of each month) Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 a.m.

### Elders

Bob Bonner	473-6992
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Harold Cook	635-2811
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W.C. Chilton	Joe Collins
Jeff Flatt	Billy Gilbert
Shannon Griffin	Allen Hughes
David Keele	Ken Martin
Kurt Maynard	Willie Newby
Ricky Prince	Jim Slatton

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### Missionary

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## Sick

### At Home:

*Wilma Chisam - at the homes of her children  
Joleta Reynolds (Rodney's sister-in-law)  
Joy Trail  
Betty Dixon (Darron's mother)  
Megan Madewell-following ear surgery  
Lucille Newby  
Tracy Green (Roberta Parmley's daughter)  
Bill Sweeny - following stay in hospital  
Sharon Driver*

### In The Hospital:

*Asa Kell - River Park Rehab*

## Sermon Topics

Sunday AM ..... Moments With The Macedonians #8  
(Suffering Churches)

Sunday PM.....Are You A Busybody Or A Busy Body?

## Simple Thoughts From Scripture

Solomon said, "The truthful lip shall be established forever, But a lying tongue is but for a moment." Proverbs 12:19. So many people are short-sighted. They consider only the "moment." It is for that reason why people often lie about the simplest things. Rather than face the stern response of a parent or a spouse one lies about where they have been or what they have been doing. However, truth has a way of surfacing and those who lie often find themselves even further embarrassed about their behavior. In addition to this they also have created doubts about their honesty in the minds of others.

Would it not be great if everyone just told the truth? It would be better on themselves. They would never have to have a great memory to recall the lie they told and to whom they told it. People would learn to trust them and everything they said. Their simple affirmation would be the end of all question. When tempted to distort the truth, remember that "honesty is the best policy..."

*T.L.*

## Bybee Branch 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

In view of the fact that the Bybee Branch congregation will be celebrating its 75th anniversary in 2009, the following is presented for your information. The details in these articles have been derived from various sources. The information regarding the early history was compiled by brother Glenn B. Ramsey with the assistance of Earlene Ray (deceased) many years ago and recorded in older church directories.

### *Early History*

Christians began meeting in the old Bybee Branch schoolhouse in the early months of 1934, with about 27 people present for the first service. Brother Bill Willis from Manchester, Tennessee, held the first gospel meeting. Later a tent was set up in the field of brother Tom Walker and a brother Bailey from Texas preached a series of sermons.

### *The Land and Buildings*

October 8, 1938, the church purchased .5723 acres of land from Mrs. S.E. Boyd for a cost of \$114.46. A decision was then made to build a church building on that property. Financed by the contributions of members of the church and other individuals and built with help donated from many others, the building was soon erected. Brother Everett Fields held the first series of gospel meetings in the new building. On July 24, 1945, the church purchased four lots of the Bybee Branch Heights Subdivision from J. R and Elizabeth Boyd at a cost of \$392.00. On August 30, 1946, the church purchased the 1/2 acre plot that was originally occupied by the Bybee Branch school, from Charles L. Weaver at a cost of \$100.00. On May 18, 1948 a quit claim was given to the Elders of the Bybee Branch Church from the Warren County Board of Education on the same property. The church building was remodeled, increasing seating capacity and classroom space in 1954. May 14, 1966 was the day that eleven more lots in the Bybee Branch Subdivision were purchased from Earl M. and Margaret Smith at a cost of \$10,000.00. On May 27, 1966 ground was

broken for a new church building. The first worship service was conducted in the building on November 13, 1966. 329 were present. This building presently stands having been expanded and remodeled in 1981, 1988, and 1997. A new residence for the preacher was built and occupied October 1977. This home was sold and moved off the property in 2005 to make way for further expansion. In April 2007, the property of sister Nonie Grizzell was purchase for future growth.

*More to come next week regarding those who have preached the Gospel at Bybee Branch.*

## Upcoming Youth Events:

### *Sunday Jan 11<sup>th</sup>*

- Pew Packer's Class (5pm)
- Spiritual Weight Lifting & Inner Beauty Salon

### *Friday Jan 16<sup>th</sup> – Sunday Jan 18<sup>th</sup>*

- Evangelism University

### *Sunday Jan 18<sup>th</sup>*

- TABS @ Hillsboro (Bus leaves at 4:00pm)

## From Tyler's Desk

### *Miracles in Mark: An Emotional Savior*

In Mark 7:31-37 we read about Jesus healing a deaf man with a speech impediment. As I studied Mark's account, something stood out to me.

Mark 7:34-35 reads, "And He (Jesus) looking up to heaven, *he sighed* and said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened', and his ears were opened..." (emphasis added).

It was interesting to me that the Holy Spirit, through Mark, included the words "he sighed." Why did Jesus sigh? Perhaps he felt sad that horrible things such as deafness had entered into this fallen world. Or perhaps he was sad because he was aware that there were many other deaf people in the world who would never have an opportunity to hear on this earth. Or perhaps it was a sigh of joy because this man was

finally about to hear and speak for the first time in his life. The text does not say why Jesus sighed, so we just don't know. But what the text does say is "he sighed." We don't know what emotion Jesus was feeling at this time, but Jesus' sigh does indicate that he was very emotional about healing this deaf man. Jesus was more than a stoic man, who just walked around putting his fingers in deaf people's ears; He was a man who felt emotions for those who were hurting.

If we are not careful, we may forget that our salvation is more than just following the steps of belief, baptism, and obedience to God's word. Our salvation required the death of a man. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son" (John 3:16 – emphasis added). Our salvation included a great deal of emotion on God's part. Therefore our Christian lives should include a great deal of emotion as well.

As Christians, we should hurt when we sin. We should be joyful when we sing. We should feel sorrow for the lost. We should genuinely hate anything which is contrary to God's law. We should love God with all our hearts. May we never lose our desire to grow into the church God saved us to be.

## Visitation Program

Thanks to all who participate in our visitation program. Your efforts are very much appreciated. If you are not currently involved in our visitation program and would like to be, or would like to make a change, please see Kurt Maynard.

## Sentence Sermons

*A man who throws dirt loses ground.*

*A giving church is a living church.*

*Following the path of least resistance is what makes rivers and men crooked.*

*Anger opens the mouth and shuts the mind*