

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

ANNOUNCE.....Gipson Baucum  
 LEAD SINGING.....Leonard Clemons  
 FIRST PRAYER.....Bob Bonner  
 READING.....Bill Biles  
 SCRIPTURE.....II Timothy 4:6-8  
 LORD'S TABLE.....\*Larry Flatt  
                                   \*James Locke  
                                   Eddie Hennessee  
                                   James Goolsby  
                                   Harley Northcutt  
                                   Jim Case  
                                   Rodney Jones  
                                   Eugene Wilcher  
 SERMON.....Tony Lawrence  
 DISMISS.....Dwayne Johnston  
 =====  
 BUS DRIVER.....Kelly Thaxton

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

ANNOUNCE.....Gipson Baucum  
 LEAD SINGING.....Stanley Graves  
 FIRST PRAYER.....Don Griffith  
 READING.....Dennis Gann  
 SCRIPTURE.....Joshua 1:6-9  
 LORD'S TABLE.....\*Ward Golden  
                                   Joe T. Cantrell  
 SERMON.....Tony Lawrence  
 DISMISS.....Dwight Davis  
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WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

ANNOUNCE.....Rodney Reynolds  
 LEAD SINGING.....Dwayne Johnston  
 FIRST PRAYER.....Cecil Cantrell  
 READING.....Dale Bennett  
 DISMISS.....Fuston Womack  
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Mary Lois Cantrell

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A.M. Worship.....324  
 Bible Study.....253  
 P.M. Worship.....221  
 Wednesday Bible Study.....125  
 Contribution.....\$1,817

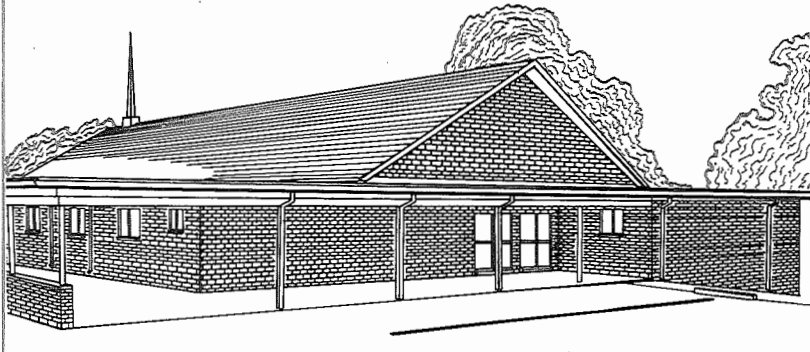
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SICK: In Riverpark Hospital are: Peyton Greene, Genira Barrett, and Jim "Peanut" Cantrell. We need to remember these in our prayers and try to visit and encourage them if we can.

NEW STUDY: It will not be long until the Wednesday Night auditorium class will conclude its study of Hebrews. Probably on January 15 we will start a new study of Unity in the Church. We will begin by watching 25-30 minute segments of a video tape of the forum held at Freed-Hardeman College this year. The speakers were William Woodson, Alan Highers, Monroe Hawley, and Rubel Shelly. Each segment of the tape will be followed by a discussion period in the class. The Elders and I both wish it to be known that we do not endorse the positions held by Rubel Shelly and Monroe Hawley. Try to be present and bring a notebook and your Bible.

COMMENDATION: The young men of the congregation did an exceptional job conducting the services last Sunday evening. Brother Ronnie Rogers did an exceptional job preaching along with the others.

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FROM THE DESK OF  
Tony Lawrence

### MY PLANS FOR THE NEW YEAR

Everyone should have plans. Unless one knows where he is going, he will not know it when he arrives. I suppose every preacher has some sort of "wish list" for the new year but many times they tell no one. I want the whole congregation to know where I would like for us to be and I hope that you will help me to see my plans realized.

The first thing I would like to see is a consistent level of attendance at all of the worship services. The fact that we generally have 60-70 people less at Bible Classes and close to 100 less at the Evening Worship is, in my opinion, an insult to the Lord. We, for the most part, do anything we want to do. I hope in the coming year to be able to convince at least part of our number how important it is for them to be in all of the services they possibly can. I realize that there will always be sick and visitors but we need to work on this!

The second thing I would like to see is a fervent evangelistic program which will see many non-christians baptized into Christ. Some wish to grow at the expense of drawing other Christians from other congregations of the Lord's church. It is my desire that we grow by converting the lost to Christ. We have great opportunity before us. There are many homes within literal sight of the building that need to hear the gospel for the first time. It is simply not enough to just say, "If they want to come they can." We must go out and invite them (cf. Matt. 22:10). I would like to see us have a consistent number of at least 400 during the next year and that growth to come primarily from new converts.

The third thing I would like to see is spiritual growth in individual members. I would like for the majority of the congregation stronger in the faith with greater Bible knowledge in the new year. This does not imply a lack of teaching before. It only says that I desire for us to grow, including myself!

Finally, I would like to see several things continue and even flourish. Sometimes when one or a group exceed in one areas they fall deficient in others. I would like to see our young people (men and women) continue to grow spiritually and become more involved. I would like to see our keen interest in mission work continue and each of us try to pray for and show interest in the works. There is definitely a spirit of unity and good will that exists in the congregation now, I strongly wish to see that continue.

These goals are rather general and broad but I believe that they are attainable. To accomplish them, however, it will take work and following the lead of our Elders.

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 FIRST PRAYER-----Bob Bonner  
 READING-----Tommy Crouch  
 SCRIPTURE-----Ecclesiastes 1:9,10  
 LORD'S TABLE-----\*Jim Slatton  
                                   \*Billy Gilbert  
                                   Edgar Webb  
                                   Ralph Crouch  
                                   Joe Maynard  
                                   J.B. Gribble  
                                   John Stembridge  
                                   Sidney Groves  
 SERMON-----Tony Lawrence  
 DISMISS-----Bill Haston  
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 BUS DRIVER-----Jim Slatton

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ANNOUNCE-----Gipson Baucum  
 LEAD SINGING-----Leonard Clemons  
 FIRST PRAYER-----Ken Martin  
 READING-----Danny Duncan  
 SCRIPTURE-----Matthew 19:5-6  
 LORD'S TABLE-----\*Clyde Christian  
                                   Ward Golden  
 SERMON-----Tony Lawrence  
 DISMISS-----Buell Warren  
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P.M. Worship.....	236
Wednesday Bible Study.....	193
Contribution.....	\$2,326*

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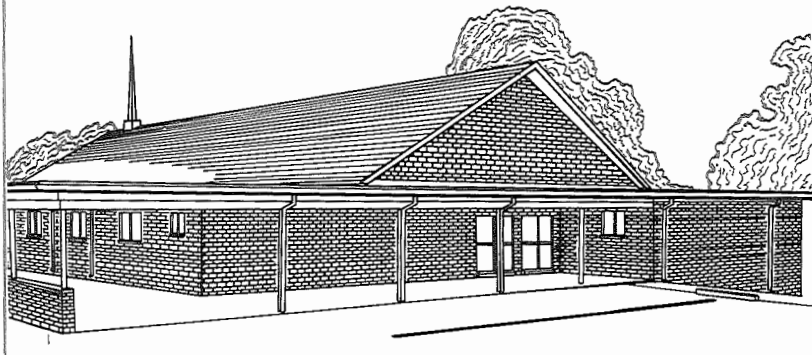
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## NEWS AND NOTES

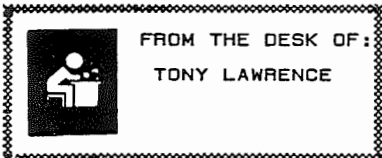
**SICK:** In Riverpark are: Peanut Cantrell, Peyton Greene, Genira Barrett, Pearline Cantrell, and Lili Clemons (mother of Linda). Also, we had several of our number who were sick at home this past week. Let us continue to remember all of these in our prayers.

**TEA:** This Sunday (12th) there will be a tea from 2-4 P.M. in the Fellowship room in honor of Richard and Gennean Black upon the birth of their daughter, Angela.

**NEW CLASS:** Remember that beginning Wednesday Night (15th) we will start a new class studying the Unity Movement. To start with we will watch segments of a video tape. The tape will be followed by a period of discussion so bring your Bibles and notebooks.

**LADIES BIBLE CLASS:** The class will resume next Tuesday (14th).

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### SHOW HIM HIS FAULT

Jesus said, "And if thy brother sin against thee, go, show him his fault between thee and him alone: if he hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother." (Matt. 18:15). There is much to be said about the instructions of Jesus in this passage (vss. 15-20) but one lesson is quite often overlooked, that one has the obligation to show a person wherein he has sinned against him and just exactly what that fault is.

Among our brethren there have always existed extremes. At times these extremes have been more pronounced than others. Today there are many who evidently wish to ignore the sins of others. This cannot be done with the approval of God! These brethren wish to emphasize the love and mercy of God to the exclusion of His truth and justice. True love for a soul will ~~cause one to do as Jesus said, "... if any brother sin, rebuke him, and if he repent, forgive him" (Lk. 17:3).~~ However, on the other extreme are some brethren who will make no effort to correct the situation but will ~~not at all feel shi... it...; w... inc... Thi... is... al... yro... Even th... wicked Jezebel, who taught and seduced God's servants to commit fornication and eat things sacrificed to idols, was given "time that she should repent." (Rev. 2:21).~~ One must be shown his sin, given time to understand that he has violated His laws, before any disciplinary action takes place. It is only when a person makes no effort to correct his life that further action must take place.

What, however, is involved in showing one his fault? First and foremost, the one doing the showing must know wherein that person has erred. It simply not enough to say, "I don't like what you are doing." If it is not a violation of God's law then there is no sin. Paul stated, "... but where there is no law, neither is there transgression." (Rom. 4:15). The enemies of Jesus were constantly railing at him and impugning him. His response was, "which of you convicteth me of sin? If I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?" (Jn. 8:46). To have the right to rebuke another one must have the scriptures to back him up. Second, one must be faithful to God. To the Galatians Paul said, "Brethren, even if a man be overtaken in a trespass, ye who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; looking to thyself, lest thou also be tempted." (Gal. 6:1). The spiritual man of this passage is one who has the heavenly things in mind rather than the fleshly (cf. 1 Cor. 3:1; Eph. 1:3). The one trying to help a brother with a problem in his life is first to have taken care of the problems in his own life. Jesus taught, "Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of the brother's eye." (Matt. 7:5). One must have truth and right in mind and have his affairs in order lest the person being shown his fault see the hypocrisy and reject all admonitions. Finally, there must be a patient, yet plain, presentation of the truth. In the previous reference to the Galatians Paul stated that it was to be in a "spirit of gentleness." It may be that the person who has erred has done so with intention and needs careful handling. Also, the rebuke of the erring one must be clear and plain. God told Habakkuk to make the vision so plain that the person who read it could run at the same time (Hab. 2:2).

The result of this action should result in gaining one's brother. And, after all, that was the intention in the first place. We should desire to be right with all our brethren. If we are not, show him his fault. Or perhaps, are we the ones at fault?

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 LEAD SINGING.....Stanley Graves  
 FIRST PRAYER.....Larry Flatt  
 READING.....Scott Gilbert  
 SCRIPTURE.....Nehemiah 8:1-8  
 LORD'S TABLE.....\*Dale Bennett  
                                   \*Ronnie Rogers  
                                   Chip Cantrell  
                                   Barry Hendrixson  
                                   Shannon Locke  
                                   Darron Shuster  
                                   David Thaxton  
                                   Rodney Maynard  
 SERMON.....Tony Lawrence  
 DISMISS.....John R. Porter  
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 BUS DRIVER.....Randel Whiteaker

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

ANNOUNCE.....Gipson Baucum  
 LEAD SINGING.....Stanley Graves  
 FIRST PRAYER.....Ken Martin  
 READING.....Kelly Thaxton  
 SCRIPTURE.....Mark 10:10-12  
 LORD'S TABLE.....\*Cecil Cantrell  
                                   Jim Case  
 SERMON.....Tony Lawrence  
 DISMISS.....W.C. Chilton  
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WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

ANNOUNCE.....Rodney Reynolds  
 LEAD SINGING.....Leonard Clemons  
 FIRST PRAYER.....Don Shuster  
 READING.....Joe T. Cantrell  
 DISMISS.....Everett Green  
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COMMUNION TO REST HOMES:

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NURSERY ATTENDANT:

Glenna Lee

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       Everett & Mildred Green

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING RECORD:

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 Bible Study.....277  
 P.M. Worship.....252  
 Wednesday Bible Study.....211  
 Contribution.....\$2,002

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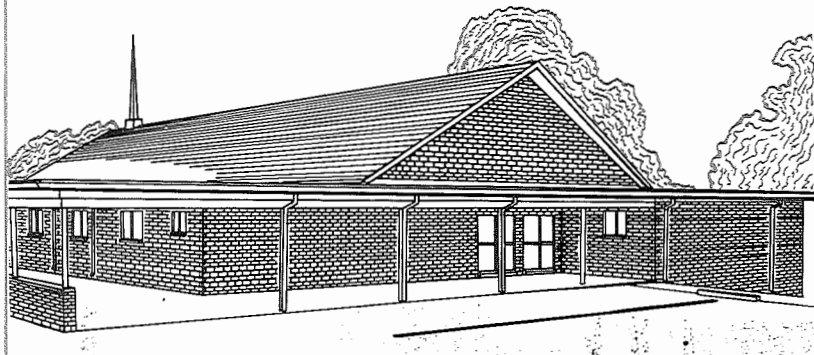
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# NEWS AND NOTES AT BYBEE BRANCH

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING: This Sunday evening after services.

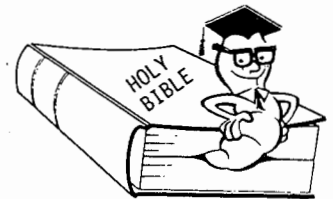
BAPTISM: Last Sunday afternoon Rachel Mitchell was baptized into Christ here at the building. She is the grand-daughter of Harold and Pearl Mitchell.

SYMPATHY: Francis Duncan, grandmother of Danny Duncan passed away last week. Also, Daisy Christian, mother-in-law of Scena Christian and aunt of Clyde Christian passed away Monday night and funeral will be Thursday at 2:00 at Bethlehem church of Christ.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Lee & Katherine Flatt on the arrival of their grand-daughter, Michelle this past week.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: Please keep in mind that we will be having pictures made February 11-15. Call Mary Davis if you need to set up an appointment. Also, if you have pictures for our activity page you may give them to me.

SICK: At Home: Leonard Clemons, Jim Cantrell. At Riverpark: Pearlene Cantrell. Moved to South Oaks: Genira Barrett.

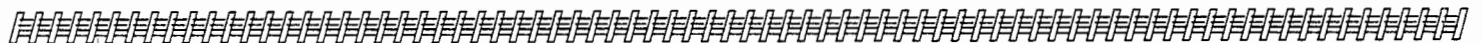


## DAILY BIBLE READING

Starting this next Sunday Evening we will be starting a series of lessons based on a weekly DAILY BIBLE READING. Beginning next Tuesday, January 21, you should read two chapters per day starting at Matthew and the lesson for the Sunday evening service will be taken from somewhere during that week's reading.

We all need to spend more time in God's word. David said, *Thy word have I laid up in my heart, that I might not sin against thee. (Ps. 119:11).* While we may not always understand the significance of what we read at that time there will surely come a time when we can reflect upon something we have learned and do better because of it. John the apostle recorded, *When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he spake this; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said. (Jn. 2:22).* Even the disciples of Jesus did not fully grasp the meaning of all of his teachings until later. Yet, it necessary to have our minds filled with God's word before we can reflect upon it.

If you wish to have a check list of which chapters for which day there will be some in the foyer for you to pick up.



### "Christianity" in Action?

I was hungry  
and you formed  
a humanities club  
and discussed my hunger.  
Thank you.

I was naked  
and in your mind  
you debated the morality of my  
appearance.

I was homeless  
and you preached to me  
of the shelter  
of the love of God.

I was lonely  
and you left me alone  
to pray for me.  
You seem so holy,  
so close to God.  
But I'm still very hungry,  
and lonely,  
and cold.

### Fair Enough?

Starting his sermon to a church meeting, the visiting minister explained it this way: "My job this evening, as I understand it, is to talk to you. Your job, as I understand it, is to listen to me. If you finish before I do, just hold up your hands, please."

### Be Generous

The more you share and give away,  
The more you will be blessed.  
A seed of kindness will return  
Bouquets of happiness. . . .  
Try as you may, you can't outgive.  
You can't outlove our Lord.  
For every generous thing you do  
Brings back a rich reward!

—Alice Joyce Davidson

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 SCRIPTURE-----Matthew 7:28-29  
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 FIRST PRAYER-----Dwaine Johnston  
 READING-----James Locke  
 DISMISS-----Ward Golden  
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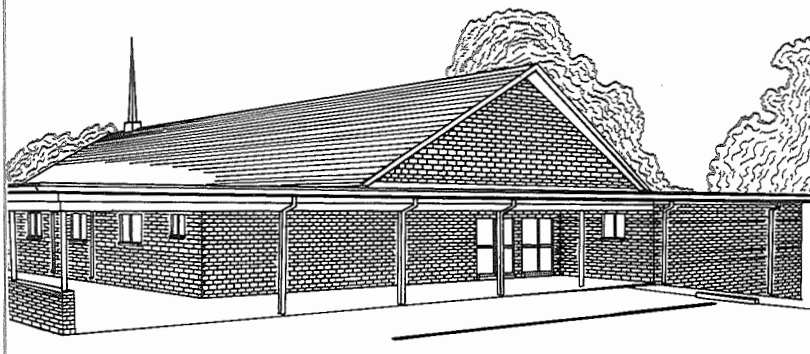
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NEWS AND NOTES...

SYMPATHY: Herbert Wilcher, brother of our Hollie Wilcher, passed away this past Saturday.

SICK: In the hospital are: Carlon Davis (Smithville), Dewey Gribble (Warren County), Howard Gilley, uncle of April (Baptist/Nashville), Clark Pruett, brother of Katherine Flatt (Warren, MI), Helen Lawrence, mother to Tony (Golden Triangle/Columbus, MS).  
At home were: Pearlene Cantrell, Jim Cantrell, Scena Christian, Katherine Bennett, Rachel Bennett, Sonya Clemons, Judy Young, Corretta Lawrence, Micah Lawrence. Also, due to the low numbers it was quite evident that many of our number were sick that were not mentioned.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: Do not forget that February 11-15 of pictures will be made for the church directory. Also, please remember if you have snapshots of church activities we would like to use them for an activity page.

ELDERS-DEACONS MEETING: Monday January 27.

REMEMBER THE DAILY BIBLE READING!!!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL?  
NO, THANKS,**  
I BELIEVE ALL A FELLOW HAS TO DO IS LIVE UP TO WHAT HE THINKS IS RIGHT...

KEEP A LEVEL HEAD    KEEP YOUR SHOULDER TO THE WHEEL  
KEEP YOUR NOSE TO THE GRINDSTONE  
GRIN AND BEAR IT  
AIM HIGH  
KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED  
STRIKE WHILE THE IRON IS HOT  
DON'T GET TOO MANY  
KEEP YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD  
KEEP IN THE MALL

**He may be on the ball, but he's off the beam!**

*RIDICULOUS?* Yes, but he has a lot of company. Many people try to live a Christian life with self-made rules. It can't be done!  
God's Word is the only acceptable standard and His Son the only possible way to live up to it. Sunday school helps us all. We invite you to worship with us this Sunday.

... CHILD AT STAY ...  
... Your Child's Chance of ...  
... nve ...  
**IF REGULARLY ATTENDING BIBLE STUDY**  
2 out of 3 Converted  
**IF NOT REGULARLY ATTENDING**  
1 out of 343 converted  
**Are You Gambling With The Soul of Your Child?**  
**START REGULAR ATTENDANCE SUNDAY**

IS THE LORD'S CHURCH A ZOO?

Some church members are as stubborn as a Missouri mule about doing church work, but as sly as a fox in their own business deals; as busy as a bee in spreading the latest gossip, but as quiet as a mouse in spreading the Gospel of Christ. Many are blind as a bat to see the needs of others but have eyes of a hawk to see the faults of a few. Some are eager as a beaver about a barbecue but as lazy as a dog about the prayer meetings. Some will roar like a lion when things don't go just to suit them, but they are as gentle as a lamb when they need the preacher of the church. Some are as noisy as a blue jay when calling on the church for advice, but as timid as a kitten about talking to the lost and as slow as a snail about visiting absentees and shut-ins. Many are night owls on Saturday night, but are "beat bugs" on Sunday morning; slippery as eels on Sunday evenings and as scarce as hen's teeth on Wednesday nights.



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**WHAT MUST I DO TO BE LOST?**  
... Nothing



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WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Announce .....Dale Bennett
Lead Singing ...Leonard Clemons
First Prayer.....Bill Haston
Reading .....Ronnie Rogers
Dismiss .....Rodney Reynolds
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BUS DRIVER:.....Dwight Davis

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Nona Martin

PANTRY ITEM: Snack Foods

COMMUNION TO REST HOMES:
Rodney Jones & Kelly Thaxton

WELCOME COMMITTEE:
A.M. Leonard Clemons Family
P.M. Joe Maynard Family

FOR THE RECORD...

A.M. Worship.....299
Bible Study.....260
P.M. Worship.....209
Wednesday Bible Study.....177
Contribution.....\$2,518

REMEMBER THAT OUR GOSPEL
MEETING BEGINS ON APRIL 20!

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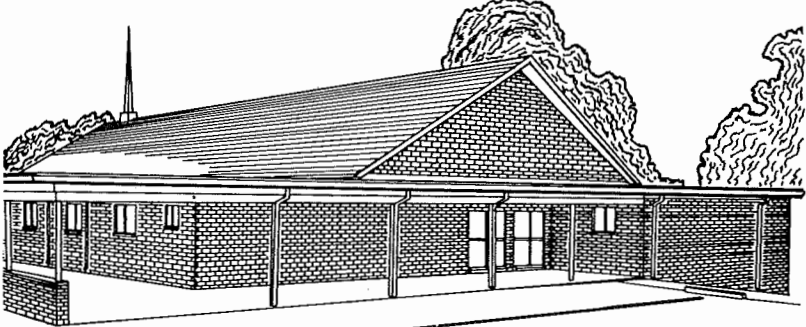


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## BYBEE BRANCH BULLETIN BOARD

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: Remember that next week is when the pictures are to be taken. If you have a problem contact Mary Davis.

FARWELL: David Biles has left us for training in the Air Force at San Antonio, TX. We wish him well!

SYMPATHY: To the family of Clark Pruett (Catherine Flatt's brother) who passed away last Tuesday in Warren MI.

SICK: Several are still at home with the flu there are simply too many to list. Pauline Watson is in the hospital in Nashville. Hollis Woods (father of Kenneth Woods) is at their home in Nashville recovering from a hospital stay.

BE A DAILY BIBLE READER!!!

### "JUST THINKIN"

An old preacher, attempting to prove his ability as a Bible student, told the story of the Good Samaritan in these words:

"A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho and he fell among thieves. And they beat him and kick and leave him on the roadside to die.

And the Queen of Sheba, she come by and give him a hundred changes of raiment and a thousand talents of gold. And he jump in her chariot and go sky-larking off through the woods. And he run under a big oak tree and there he hung. And the three wise men come by and they cut him down. And he fell on stony ground. And it rain for forty day and forty nights, and he went and hid himself in a cave. And the raven come and fed him on locust and wild honey.

And when it quit raining he come out and a man say to him, 'Come with me to supper.' And he said, 'Can't. I done married a wife and the seven foolish virgins done burnt up all the oil.' So he went out in the highways and byways and he found Daniel in the lion's den. And say to Daniel, 'Daniel, you put on your coat of many colors and let's go up to Jerusalem.'

So Daniel did, and they did. And up in Jerusalem he saw Queen Jezebel setting high in a window. And she laugh at him and make him mad. And he say, 'Throw her down', and they throw her down seven times. Then she laugh at him again, and he say, 'throw her down some more.' So they threw her down seventy times seven, and of the fragments they pick up twelve baskets full." [AUTHOR UNKNOWN]

*Sufficient was the demonstration of ignorance contained herein that I will not try to add to it by comment!*

Tony Lawrence



FROM THE DESK OF  
Tony Lawrence

## SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR TEACHING THE GOSPEL

When we approach someone to teach them the Gospel how are we to proceed? When one considers what the Bible has said he sees that the Gospel was taught to different people with different types of methods but some things are common.

1. Teach with respect to your hearer. No true salesman would ever insult his prospective client. Christians cannot afford to be arrogant nor disrespectful.

2. Teach with a knowledge of your hearer and his background. Such was the key to Paul's lesson in Acts 17. He knew that the men of Athens were not knowledgeable concerning the Old Test-



ament neither did they believe in it. Thus, Paul spoke with an understanding of their background.

3. Begin to teach your prospect at the point where he is. If the prospect already believes in the existence of God, the inspiration of the Bible, and the deity of Jesus Christ one should begin to show that the Bible teaches the one church. However, if one does not accept one of the previous points he would begin there. Too many times teachers either wear out their prospects with information which they already accept or they begin too far down the line. Philip and the Eunuch are a good example. Philip began at the scripture where the Eunuch had a problem and explained the truth about Jesus Christ and then the church.

4. Do your best and leave God the rest. We can only plant and water, God gives the increase. When we have made an earnest effort to teach and it has been rejected, we should realize that the blood is off our hands and that we have fulfilled our mission for God. It is the job of a teacher to be a watchman. He is to warn of impending disaster to those who do not obey. If they do not heed the warning, it is their own fault! Many of the greatest men of God were unsuccessful in their attempts to get men to change their sinful ways, in the same way many of us may be unsuccessful in getting men today to turn from their sinful ways. We can only do our best and leave the rest to God. However, we should make sure we are doing our best!

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Announce-----Gipson Baucum  
 Lead Singing----Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer---Thurman Bennett  
 Reading-----Dale Bennett  
 Scripture--Ecclesiastes 2:1-11  
 Lord's Table-----\*James Locke  
                           \*Don Shuster  
                           Darron Shuster  
                           Doug Hendrixson  
                           Barry Hendrixson  
                           Kelly Thaxton  
                           David Thaxton  
                           Shannon Locke

Sermon-----Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss-----Fuston Womack  
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SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Announce-----Gipson Baucum  
 Lead Singing---Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer----Billy Gilbert  
 Reading-----Scott Gilbert  
 Scripture-----Luke 3:1-20  
 Lord's Table--\*Joe T. Cantrell  
                           Chip Cantrell  
 Sermon-----Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss-----John R. Porter  
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WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Announce-----Dale Bennett  
 Lead Singing---Dwaine Johnston  
 First Prayer----Cecil Cantrell  
 Reading          Danny Duncan  
 Dismiss          Ward Golden  
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 BUS DRIVER:      Eddie Hennessee

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Nelma Chilton

PANTRY ITEM:      Dried Beans

COMMUNION TO REST HOMES:  
 Doug & Barry Hendrixson

WELCOME COMMITTEE:  
 A.M. Bill Biles Family  
 P.M. Gipson Baucum Family

FOR THE RECORD...

A.M. Worship.....306  
 Bible Study.....270  
 P.M. Worship.....230  
 Wednesday Bible Study.....157  
 Contribution.....\$1,805

*How many times have you visited another congregation and wished someone would come up and speak to you? Do you do it when someone visits us?*

OUR GOSPEL MEETING: April 20

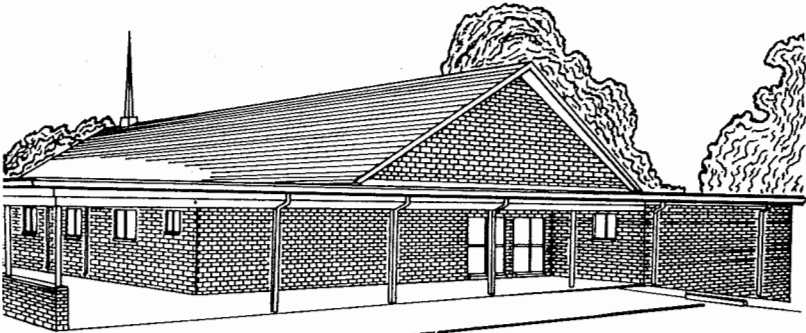
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SICK:** We still have several who are sick and shut-in at home. Among those is brother Peanut Cantrell. In the hospital are John Brock (Riverpark), Peyton Greene (Riverpark), and Floyd Harris (Warren County).

**PERSONAL WORK CLASS:** More information will be given later but all who are interested plan to be a part of this class beginning March 2, 1986!

### WHAT KIND OF SHOE BEST DESCRIBES YOU?

Someone has said, "If the shoe fits, wear it!" We sometimes say, "I'd hate to be in his shoes." I think everyone of us will fit into one of these styles of shoes. Which?

**LOAFER** - "Thou wicked and slothful servant" (Matt. 25:26).  
"Be not slothful in business" (Rom. 12:11).

**HIGH HEEL** - This fits the haughty, proud individual. A man is not "to think of himself more highly than he ought to think" (Rom. 12:3).

**OVERSHOES** - Puts on Christianity only when the going gets rough. Wants the prayers and visits of the preacher only when in trouble.

**HOUSESHOES** - This person wants things easy, comfortable. He is scared off by a building program, mission work, benevolent work, etc. He can't worship in bad weather. "Woe unto them that are at ease in Zion." (Amos 6:1).

**SANDALS** - Just a skeleton of a Christian; didn't grow into well-rounded service. "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby." (1 Pet. 2:2).

**SUNDAY SHOES** - Once-a-week Christians. "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." (Lk. 9:23).

**WORK SHOES** - The active Christian who is always on the job for the Lord. "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work" (Jn. 9:4).  
"Son, go work today in my vineyard" (Matt. 21:28).

We should all remember: "Today (NOW) is the day of salvation..." (2 Cor. 6:2). May I ask again, "What Kind of Shoe Best Describes You?"

-Thurman Self-

## THE ANOINTED ELBOW



"He hath showed strength with his arm..." (Lk. 1:51)

A few centuries ago, the ordination of a king was a thorough affair. When Charles II was crowned, not only was he anointed on the head, but also on the palms of his hands, on his chest, and on each elbow.

Now I think the anointing of the elbow was a wonderful concept because the elbow is the symbol of action. We talk about "elbow grease" when we're describing the need to get something done with all urgency. We mean by it, to put every ounce of energy and force behind a project. Often our minds and hearts are set on doing God's will, yet our elbows have never truly been anointed. Maybe we have a *mind to work* but we've never shifted out of *idle*. The fellow was right who said: "Some people fail to recognize opportunity because it so often comes to them in overalls and looks like work."

The churches that are growing today are more than talkers - they are doers. They dream their plan, plan their work, and work their plan. Too often, we downplay the success of vibrant congregations by saying, "They were just lucky to be in the right place at the right time!" But great churches aren't built on *luck*, they're built on *labor*.

I like the words of Gobden in Link: "Luck is waiting for something to turn up. Labor, with keen eyes and strong will, will turn up something. Luck lies in bed, and wishes the postman would bring him news of a legacy. Labor turns out at six o'clock and with busy pen or ringing hammer lays the foundation of a competence. Luck whines. Labor whistles. Luck relies on chance. Labor depends on character. Luck slips down to indigence. Labor strives upward to independence."

Let's admit it, great things seldom happen by chance. We make things happen when we're willing to apply the "elbow grease" and roll up the sleeves. The time has arrived to engage the Lord's work joyously and wholeheartedly as a mighty army. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might" (Ecclesiastes 9:10).

KERRY KNIGHT  
HOUSTON, TEXAS

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Announce.....Gipson Baucum
Lead Singing...Leonard Clemons
First Prayer.....Tony Lawrence
Reading.....Don Shuster
Scripture.....Revelation 3:1-3
Lord's Table.....\*Ken Martin
\*Ken Lee
Rodney Jones
Eugene Wilcher
Ed Griffin
Everett Roller
Edgar Webb
Otis Morgan

Sermon.....Tony Lawrence
Dismiss.....Steve Wilcher
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SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Announce.....Gipson Baucum
Lead Singing....Stanley Graves
First Prayer...Dwaine Johnston
Reading.....Steve Wilcher
Scripture..... Luke 15:11-32
Lord's Table.....\*Dennis Gann
Darron Shuster

Sermon.....Tony Lawrence
Dismiss.....Leonard Clemons
[Barcode]

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Announce.....Gipson Baucum
Lead Singing....Stanley Graves
First Prayer...Dwaine Johnston
Reading.....Harold Cook
Dismiss.....Don Shuster
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BUS DRIVER:....Leonard Clemons
NURSERY ATTENDANT:Doris Wilcher
PANTRY ITEM:.....Soup

COMMUNION TO REST HOMES:
Jim Slatton & Leonard Clemons

WELCOME COMMITTEE:
A.M. W.C. Chilton Family
P.M. Cecil & Nan Cantrell
Janice Foster & Janice Lewis
FOR THE RECORD...

A.M. Worship.....353
Bible Study.....260
P.M. Worship.....247
Wednesday Bible Study.....169
Contribution.....\$2,326

NEEDED: Kathy Thaxton has asked for those who have extra clothes hangers to bring them for the clothes in the benevolent room.

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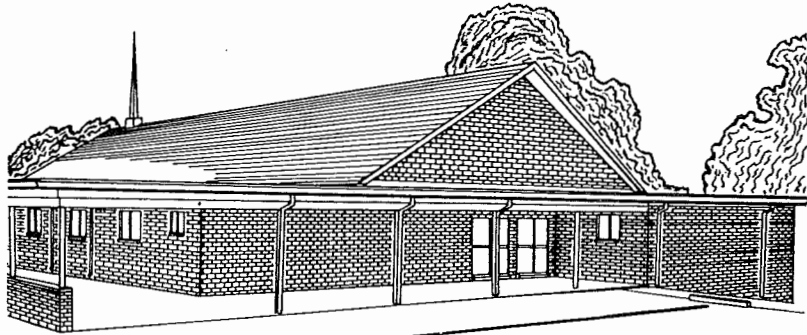


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SICK: Floyd Harris (Warren County), John Brock (South Oaks), Lora Boyd (Riverpark), Peyton Greene (South Oaks).

SYMPATHY: To the family of Zeb Wilson (Melba Bonner's uncle) who passed away last week.

SINGING: The fourth Annual Singing will be at Morrison this Friday 7 P.M. until ?

CABLE T.V. PROGRAM: The Mt. Leo congregation now sponsors a T.V. program on the Cable Channel 6 at 2:00 P.M. Sundays and 5:30 P.M. Thursdays.

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## PERSONAL WORK CLASS

It has been announced that beginning March 2, 1986, we will have a personal work class on Sunday evening starting at 5:15 P.M. The purpose of the class is to prepare for our upcoming meeting on April 20. Lest someone be fearful of the class the idea of the class will be explained.

First, we will not be going into homes to teach a home Bible study. Though such classes are needed, that will not be the purpose of this class. Those who attend the class will be a part of a group to distribute packets of literature to those in our community on the one or two Saturdays before our Gospel Meeting.

Second, the class will not go on indefinitely. It will last for only the five Sundays in March. We may desire to have a more detailed class in the future but this one has a particular purpose.

Third, we wish any and all who will to come and be a part of the class. We want participation by as many of our members as possible.

Fourth, it would be good to explain what the class is for. It will be to impart a desire to evangelize our community and to trail it members how to react when going up to someone's door

and passing out literature. In other words, we are going to allow everybody a chance to practice in class before going to someone's door.

Fifth, to give you some idea about the material that will be passed out, it will be composed of the following: (1) all of the material will be in a plastic "door bag" with the church's services printed on it; (2) a tract called "Just Christians" will be included; (3) a tract introducing the Bybee Branch church will be included; (4) a "response card" on which one may request Bible Correspondence Course, filmstrips, or a home Bible Study; and (5) an announcement about our meeting.

It is our sincere desire to reach the lost of our community and grow as the Lord would have us to grow. If you have any suggestions we would be more than glad to hear them.

-Tony Lawrence-

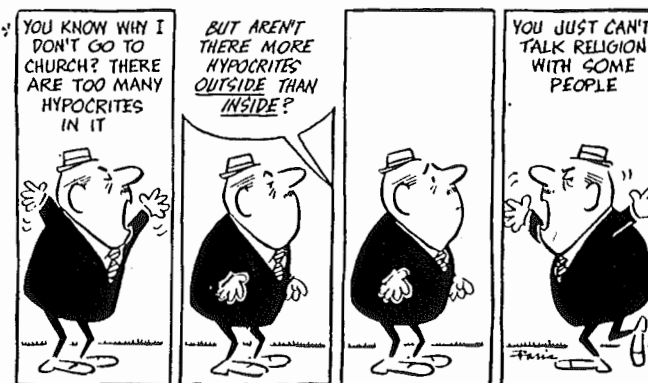
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## IT IS TIME

Hosea said, *Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap according to kindness; break up your fallow ground; for IT IS TIME to seek Jehovah, till he come and rain righteousness upon you. The children of Israel had continually followed a path of sin and wickedness. In fact the very next verse states, Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity ... (Hos. 10:13).*

In the New Testament we have the same idea found in the writings of Peter, *that ye no longer should live the rest of our time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God (1 Pet. 4:2).* All of us have committed enough sin for a lifetime. It is time that we start living for God and doing His will. --T.L.

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

WELCOME COMMITTEE:

Announce .....Gipson Baucum  
 Lead Singing ...Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer .....Don Griffith  
 Reading .....Dwight Davis  
 Scripture ....Acts 11:26; 26:28  
 Lord's Table .....\*Bob Bonner  
                                   \*Ken Martin  
                                   W.C. Chilton  
                                   Clyde Christian  
                                   Ralph Crouch  
                                   Harley Northcutt  
                                   Ward Golden  
                                   J.B. Gribble

A.M. Robert & Mildred Bumbalough  
 Winfrey & Dot Hennessee  
 P.M. Don Griffith Family  
 FOR THE RECORD...

A.M. Worship.....309  
 Bible Study.....261  
 P.M. Worship.....234  
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 Contribution.....\$1,959

Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss .....Buell Warren  
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TEACHERS!! Pick up your literature in the Library. The new quarter is scheduled to begin March 2. A word of explanation is on your literature packet.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Announce .....Gipson Baucum  
 Lead Singing ....Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer ...Thurman Bennett  
 Reading .....Danny Duncan  
 Scripture .....John 5:31-47  
 Lord's Table .....\*Fuston Womack  
                                   Jim Case

Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss .....Kelly Thaxton  
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WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Announce .....Kelly Thaxton  
 Lead Singing .....Jason Smith  
 First Prayer ...Dwayne Johnston  
 Reading .....Bill Haston  
 Dismiss .....Stanley Graves  
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BUS DRIVER: .....Greg Allen

NURSERY ATTENDANT:Linda Griffin

PANTRY ITEM: .....Fruit Juices

COMMUNION TO REST HOMES:  
 W.C. Chilton & Bill Haston

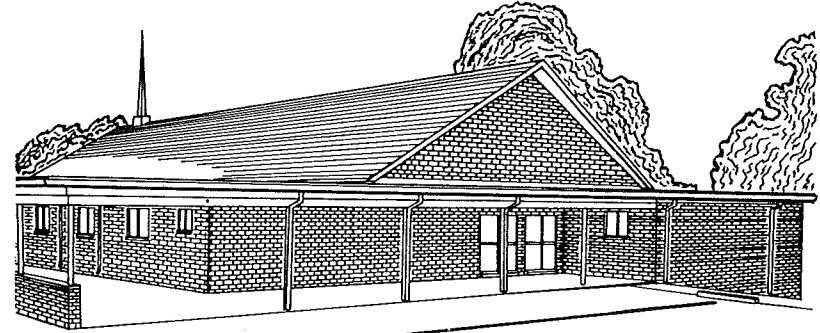
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**PERSONAL WORK CLASS:** As announced several times the personal work class will begin Sunday afternoon at 5:15. If you are a little scared, come anyway, we will help you get over it.

**SICK:** Both Everett Roller and Stella Duncan have been dismissed from the Hospitals. Brother Fred Dillehay is in the Warren County Hospital.

**\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*TEACHERS NOTICE\*\***On March 15 from 9:00-12:00 there will be a teacher's in-house workshop/clean-up. All teachers are asked to be present so that each classroom may be straightened up and all the teachers of that classroom should be present at the same time. If you have any questions ask Don Griffith, Bob Bonner, Thurman Bennett or Tony Lawrence.

**NEW PROSPECTS:** We are going to try to get as many as possible to attend our Gospel Meeting/Homecoming this year. The campaign to cover our community is only one effort. There are certainly many outside of the 1000 home area we plan to cover. If you know of someone you would like to have visited that is outside our immediate community, please put their name and address on a sheet of paper and put it in the box outside of the preacher's office and one of the Elders or the Preacher will try to make that visit.

**PLACED MEMBERSHIP:** We welcome Jason and Sandi Smith to our congregation (along with their daughter, Katherine Grace). Also, last Sunday brother Ronnie Prince came forward and asked to be restored. He also placed his membership with Bybee Branch.

**NEW ADULT CLASSES:** Beginning June 1 there will be a new adult class created. It will be located in a newly remodeled classrooms 1 & 2 located just behind the men's restroom. The teachers of the three adult classes will rotate and teach each of the classes on the same subject. The Elders and the Education Committee believe that this will be a significant plus for the Adult classes. The teachers for the first three classes will be Larry Flatt, Winfrey Hennessie, and Tony Lawrence. More will be said about this in the future...

## MY TURN IN THE NURSERY

Last Sunday was my turn in the nursery to work.

My heart wasn't in it; my feelings were hurt.

A child from its mother did not want to part

And it cried a lot with its broken heart.

I prayed that soon the hour would end

That I could relax - no more children to tend.

Soon the hour was over; it felt good to be free.

I said "once a month was too much for me!"

That very next Sunday as I sat in the pew

A very good sermon, but visitors were few.

But down came a woman and her soul was saved.

She was the mother of that crying babe!

Then it dawned on me that I had been a part

Of one being saved - giving God her heart.

From that day on I would never dread

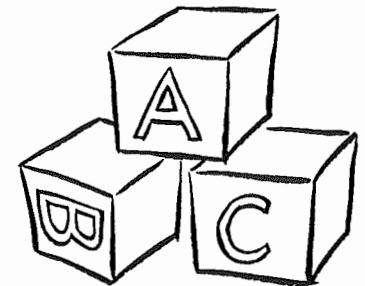
Working in the nursery while souls are fed.

- author unknown

Our thanks goes out to the many good ladies who serve in our nursery!

## The ABC's of Christian Behavior

**A**ct instead of argue.  
**B**uild instead of brag.  
**C**limb instead of criticize.  
**D**ig instead of depreciate.  
**E**ncourage instead of envy.  
**F**ight instead of faint.  
**G**ive instead of grumble.  
**H**elp instead of harm.  
**I**nvoke instead of ignore.  
**J**oin instead of jeer.  
**K**neel instead of kick.  
**L**ove instead of lampoon.  
**M**ove instead of mold.  
**N**urture instead of neglect.  
**O**bey instead of object.  
**P**ray instead of pout.  
**Q**ualify instead of quit.  
**R**escue instead of ridicule.  
**S**hout instead of shrink.  
**T**ry instead of tremble.  
**U**ndergird instead of undermine.  
**V**indicate instead of vilify.  
**W**itness instead of wilt.  
**E**xterminate instead of excuse.  
**Y**ield instead of yell.  
**Z**ip instead of zigzag.



Our children are a special blessing from God. Too often we fail to realize how good God has been to us in giving them to us. *Lo, children are a heritage of Jehovah; and the fruit of the womb is his reward... Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: They shall not be put to shame (Ps. 127)*



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announce.....Gipson Baucum  
 Lead Singing.....Jason Smith  
 First Prayer.....Greg Allen  
 Reading.....Shannon Locke  
 Scripture II Timothy 4:1-4  
 Lord's Table.....\*Dale Bennett  
                                   \*Jeff Bond  
                                   Barry Hendrixson  
                                   Chip Cantrell  
                                   Darron Shuster  
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Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Ronnie Rogers  
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**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announce.....Gipson Baucum  
 Lead Singing....Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer....Everett Green  
 Reading.....Harold Cook  
 Scripture.....John 16:7-15  
 Lord's Table..\*Doug Hendrixson  
                                   Joe T. Cantrell

Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....John R. Porter  
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**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announce.....Kelly Thaxton  
 Lead Singing...Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer...Rodney Reynolds  
 Reading.....Winfrey Hennessee  
 Dismiss.....Billy Gilbert  
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 BUS DRIVER:.....Jim Slatton

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Gail Crouch

PANTRY ITEM:.....Soap

COMMUNION TO REST HOMES:  
 Rodney Jones & Kelly Thaxton..  
 NOTICE THE ATTENDANCE AND THE OFFERING. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK

**WELCOME COMMITTEE:**  
 A.M. Ed & Linda Griffin and  
       Dwayne & Paula Johnston  
 P.M. Rodney Reynolds Family

**FOR THE RECORD...**  
 A.M. Worship.....386  
 Bible Study.....282  
 P.M. Worship.....243  
 Wednesday Bible Study....205  
 Contribution.....\$2,561



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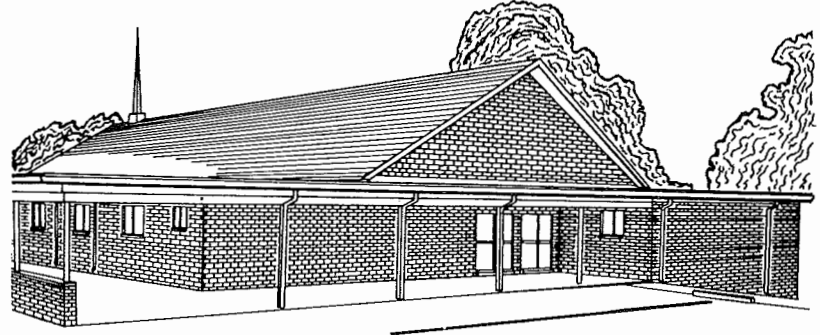
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“Christ, Our Creed; the Bible, Our Guide”

## SINGING WITH A PURE HEART

Most of us parents can remember our children learning a song at church or school and driving us nuts singing that so g over and over. After "enjoying" 300 verses of *This Little Light of Mine*, we start to plea for a few moments of silence. Most kids like to sing and will sing when asked. Why? Why is it children love to sing while many adults view singing as a "chore?" For an answer, we went to the authorities—children. I asked Sister Kelsey (3rd & 4th grade teacher) to give the kids a piece of paper and ask the question, "Do you like to sing?" They were not told what to write, etc. Bybee, this is what your children wrote. (The names have been withheld to protect the guilty.)

*I don't like to sing because I would like to sing but It's h-and.  
I don't like to sing because why I don't like to sing becaus  
I't hard for me.*

*Wy do I like to sing because it is nice. It is fun to be a  
song leader.*

*I like to sing becaus I am gong to be a song leader!*

*I like to sing because Its praisful to God you'n supoose to.*

*Why I do not like sing I cant keep up Its in ebannising.*

*I do not like to sing because it is not fun to sing at all.*

Now, I ask you adults: "Do you like to sing?" or "Why do you not like to sing?" Are you afraid of embarrassment like the little boy stated he was? Why? God gave you the voice you have and that is the voice he wants to hear. God never instructed us to wait until our voice is "good" or polished" and then hear it in worship to Him. God didn't say to pick out your "best" in the congregation and form a chorus. He did say "...singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." (Col. 3:16). The words "sing," "singer," and "singing" appear some 160 time in the Bible. Is your singing important to Him—of course it is.

Bybee Branch, we are blessed very, very much. We have good leaders, teachers, and members. There is no reason why we cannot be of glory to our Lord in all our undertakings—and that includes singing. That is not to say we haven't been;

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but, let us use this media to encourage those of you that haven't been singing to sing as instructed in Col. 3:16. Singing is a natural and God-ordained outlet for our joy when we truly understand the blessings God has in store for us. Several years ago, someone asked me why I like to sing and lead singing. My reply was, "I am just getting in practice for Heaven." I haven't changed my mind. Somewhere into eternity, the Lord will ask me to lead a song and I want to be ready. Through out eternity the Lord will want you to sing—get ready! Those of us that lead the singing appreciate your support and encouragement. Let us all sing with a pure heart as those children. Maybe we should pray: "Lord, help us all grow up to be a child."

Thank You,

Leonard Clemons

## Bybee Branch Bulletin Board

PERSONAL WORK CLASS: We were greatly encouraged to have 75 to meet at the first class last Sunday Evening! Keep up the good work!

CHURCH DIRECTORY PROOFS: For those who had their pictures made the 12-15 you will view your proofs this Thursday and Friday. Those who had theirs made the 17th you will view yours next Friday, the 14th. If you have questions you may call Mary Davis.

GOSPEL MEETINGS: East End, Charles Lemmons, pracher, March 9-14, services at 7:00 p.m. each evening.  
Central/Sparta, Basil Overton, preacher, March 9-12, service at 7:00 p.m. each evening.

RESPONSES: Last Sunday Morning Sister Clarine Dodson and Brother Kelly Thaxton came forward asking for the prayers of the congregation.

PRESCHOOL TEACHERS: Remember your meeting following the evening services Sunday.



# Bybee Branch Bulletin Board

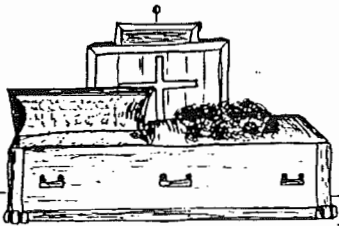
**SICK:** Brother Kelly Thaxton (home) and brother Fred Dillehay (home). We have had several others who have been sick with the flu. Please try to remember these in your prayers.

**TEACHER'S DAY:** All teachers should remember that this Saturday, March 15, there will be a clean-up/workshop from 9:00 to 12:00.

**TEA:** There will be a tea in honor of Brandon Christopher Stubblefield Sunday afternoon, March 16, 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. at the Mt. Leo Education Building. Everyone is invited. He is the son of Kathy and Sam and the grandson of Pauline and Loy Watson.

**NEW CLASS BEGINS:** Our regular schedule has returned on Wednesday Evening and we have begun a study of the book of Romans in the auditorium class.

## Could This Be You



People are always planning to come to church when they get "straightened out."

He did

## Ten Commandments

1. Don't let your parents down; they brought you up.
2. Choose your companions with care; you become what they are.
3. Be master of your habits or they will master you.
4. Treasure your time; don't spend it; invest it.
5. Stand for something or you'll fall for anything.
6. Select only a date who would make a good mate.
7. See what you can do for others; not what they can do for you.
8. Guard your thoughts; what you think, you are.
9. Don't fill up on this world's crumbs; feed your soul on the Living Bread.
10. Give your all to Christ; He gave His all for you.



ARE YOU READING YOUR BIBLE DAILY?

REMEMBER OUR DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE!

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE . . .

. . . between the atheist who supports no church, and the member who will not support the one to which he belongs?  
. . . between the skeptic who does not believe in the Bible, and the Christian who never reads and studies it?  
. . . between those who do not believe in Bible classes, and those who never attend?  
. . . between a man of the world, and a person in the church who lives like a man of the world?

## The Lord's Supper - To Go?

John C. Bowles

I apologize if this title seems out of place or a bit inappropriate. But this is exactly how many in the church view this great memorial supper — as if it were a "take out order." It seems as if there are some in the Lord's church today that are again seeking the convenient "altars of Dan and Bethel" as an alternative to that which pleases God.

What I am referring to specifically is the partaking of the Lord's Supper "on the run." That is, coming to worship with the willful intentions of only to partake of the Lord's Supper and then slipping out, or in some cases, boldly walking out to go about their implied — more important business of the day. I realize this has been occurring for some time; however, many are now more boldly letting it be known. It is almost reminiscent of the days of Jeremiah, "were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush . . ." (Jer. 6:15). On one occasion I personally witnessed a man who came early, before services, walked down the aisle, served himself of the bread and cup, walked back to the door, greeted me, then climbed into a big nice truck with a trailer on the back and went on his way. Those who find nothing wrong with such a practice, I would like to ask a few questions.

1) What scripture is being used to show the importance of the Lord's Supper above and beyond the importance of assembling together?

2) Where in scripture is it stated or implied that the **sole purpose** of coming together on the first day of the week was to eat the Lord's Supper?

3) Does Hebrews 10:25 speak to those who were forsaking the assembling together or to those who were forsaking only to eat the Lord's Supper?

4) How can one logically reason that if I come at the beginning of the services and leave I have assembled with the saints?

5) Since we are also commanded to give on the first day of the week (1 Cor. 16:1, 2), then why could not one just come by and drop off their contribution and then leave? If

one command can be emphasized more than the other, certainly the Lord's church would benefit more from a strict adherence to this command than the others.

6) Does one honestly believe that as long as one partakes of the Lord's Supper faithfully he (or she) will be saved, even though they failed to attend faithfully, exhort faithfully, admonish faithfully, and fellowship faithfully each Lord's day and times of assembling?

7) How does rushing in to eat the Lord's Supper and then rushing out to enjoy the day tend to set an example for our children to seek first the kingdom of God?

The Bible tells us that the Lord's church "continued steadfastly in the **apostle's doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers**" (Acts 2:42, emphasis mine, jb). The Lord's church assembled to give on the first day of the week (1 Cor. 16:2). The Lord's church was commanded to exhort one another by assembling (Heb. 10:25), and by singing that taught and admonished each other (Col. 3:16). How can we continue to neglect these commands and feel good about keeping just one? James says, "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all" (James 1:10). Jesus revealed to the church at Smyrna "be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Was Christ just referring to eating the Lord's Supper?

If we are "on the run" maybe we need to slow down and decide who we are running for. Jesus said "No man can serve two masters . . . ye cannot serve God and mammon" (Matt. 6:24).

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announce.....Gipson Baucum  
 Lead Singing....Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer.....Jason Smith  
 Reading.....W.C. Chilton  
 Scripture.....Psalms 39:1  
 Lord's Table.....\*Richard Black  
                                   \*Dennis Gann  
                                   Ricky Boren  
                                   Edgar Webb  
                                   John Stembridge  
                                   Ed Griffin  
                                   J.B. Gribble  
                                   Otis Morgan

Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Billy Gilbert  
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**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announce.....Gipson Baucum  
 Lead Singing...Dwayne Johnston  
 First Prayer...Thurman Bennett  
 Reading.....Danny Duncan  
 Scripture.....Joshua 2:16  
 Lord's Table.....\*Jim Slatton  
                                   Joe T. Cantrell

Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Rodney Reynolds  
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**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announce.....Kelly Thaxton  
 Lead Singing...Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer.....Greg Allen  
 Reading.....Doug Hendrixson  
 Dismiss.....Everett Green  
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**BUS DRIVER:** .....Dennis Gann

**NURSERY ATTENDANT:**Judy Nussbaum

**PANTRY ITEM:** .....Peanut Butter

**COMMUNION TO REST HOMES:**  
 Jim Slatton & Leonard Clemons

**WELCOME COMMITTEE:**

A.M. Rodney Reynolds Family  
 P.M. Dickie Kesity Family

**FOR THE RECORD...**

A.M. Worship.....366  
 Bible Study.....264  
 P.M. Worship.....236  
 Wednesday Bible Study.....178  
 Contribution.....\$2,182

*Remember that it is not but  
 four weeks from Sunday until  
 our Gospel Meeting with E.C.  
 Meadows. We are looking for  
 a record crowd on Homecoming  
 Sunday, start now inviting  
 your friends!*

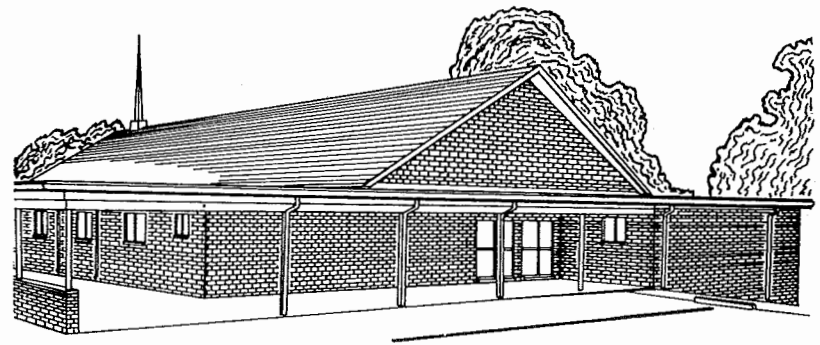
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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Announce .....Gipson Baucum  
 Lead Singing ...Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer .....Ken Martin  
 Reading .....James Locke  
 Scripture ..Colossians 3:16, 17  
 Lord's Table .....\*Don Shuster  
                           \*Harold Cook  
                           Otis Morgan  
                           James Goolsby  
                           Eugene Wilcher  
                           Buell Warren  
                           Fuston Womack  
                           Rodney Jones

Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss .....Tommy Crouch  
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SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Announce .....Scott Griffith  
 Lead Singing .....Shannon Locke  
 First Prayer ....Darron Shuster  
 Reading .....Barry Hendrixson  
 Scripture .....Hebrews 5:7-10  
 Lord's Table ....\*David Thaxton  
                           Rodney Maynard

Sermon .....Greg Allen  
 Dismiss .....Chip Cantrell  
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WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Announce .....Kelly Thaxton  
 Lead Singing .....Jason Smith  
 First Prayer ...Thurmon Bennett  
 Reading .....Bob Bonner  
 Dismiss .....Larry Flatt  
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BUS DRIVER: .....Tommy Crouch

NURSERY ATTENDANT: .. Judy Cook

PANTRY ITEM: Paper Towels

COMMUNION TO REST HOMES:  
 W.C. Chilton & Bill Haston

WELCOME COMMITTEE:  
 A.M. Harold and Judy Cook  
       Danny and Cynthia Duncan  
 P.M. Otis and Helen Morgan  
       Kelly and Kathy Thaxton

FOR THE RECORD...

A.M. Worship	337
Bible Study	289
P.M. Worship	217
Wednesday Bible Study	216
Contribution	\$1910

*Remember that it is only three weeks until our gospel meeting with E.C. Meadows. Also don't forget our homecoming soon to occur. Let's strive for a record crowd at both events!*

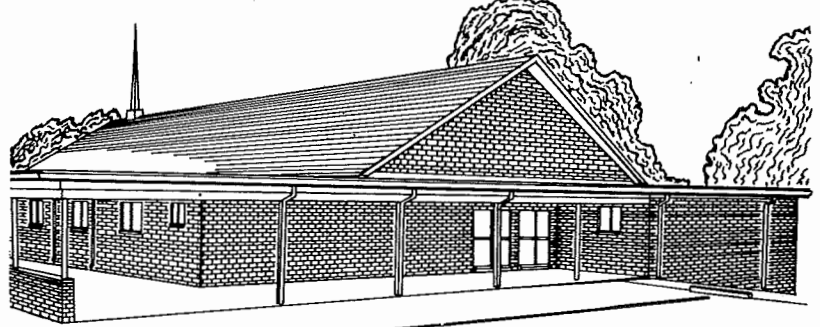
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GOSPEL MEETINGS: Dibrell church of Christ, April 2-6 with Wallace Beasley preaching, services at 7 p.m.

PERSONAL WORK CLASS: Last Meeting Sunday Evening at 5:15 p.m.-- THE LORD NEEDS YOU THERE!!!!

YOUNG MEN: Sunday evening's services will be conducted by the young men of the congregation.

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## WHAT KIND OF BONE AM I?

WISHBONES.....JAWBONES.....BACKBONES

The body is made up largely of bones, about two hundred of them, classified as to shape. The church is also made up of bones, classified according to use. There are three kinds. First, WISHBONES. You know this kind. They wish for greater things in the church. They wish for larger attendance. They wish for more souls to be saved. Wishbones? They are langid and they are listless. The only thing they deny themselves is work and effort to make their wishes come true. They are rocking-chair Christians.

Then there are the JAWBONES. Nothing slow or listless about this kind. The work up and down at great speed. They can criticize. They gossip. They pick flaws. They tell how it should be done. In their wake follows dissensions, discouragement. Verily, it taketh A Sampson to handle this class and turn them to some good use.

But the third class is the one we like to think of--they are the BACKBONES. There is work to be done; the BACKBONES do it. There are meetings to attend; the backbones are there. There is giving so the work might be carried on; the backbones are willing to sacrifice. Oh Backbones! If we were poets we

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would write about thee! If we were singers we would chant thy praise! If we were artists we would paint thy lovely likeness! Being merely ordinary humans, we can only love thee! WHAT KIND OF BONE AM I?

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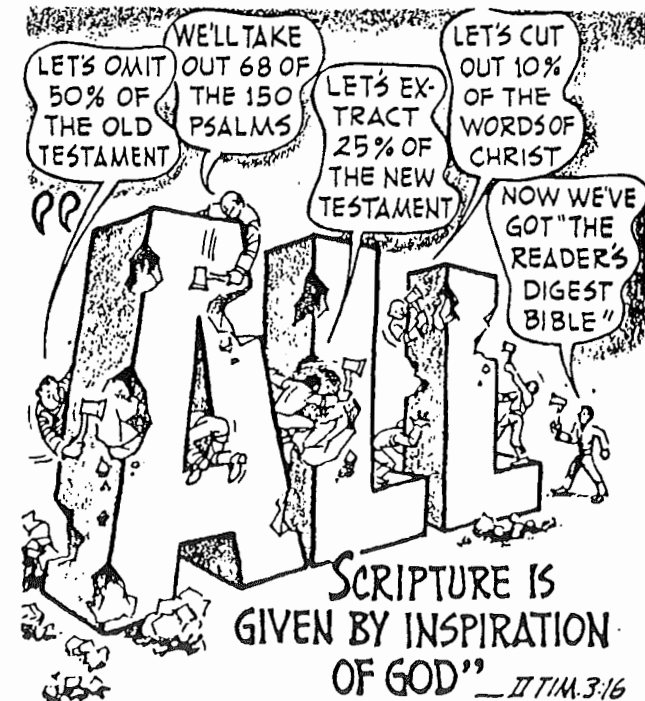
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## WHAT ABOUT THE READER'S DIGEST BIBLE???

I find myself constantly amazed to what extent some will go in order to cut up the Bible. In Jeremiah's day, Jehoiakim, the king, cut the roll of God's Word with a penknife (Jer. 36:23). The reason for his so doing was that he was not happy with what the Word said.

It is strange that the Bible can be so explicit as to its not being tampered with and yet man feels that he can do so without punishment. Moses said, "Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish from it, that ye may keep the commandments of Jehovah your God which I command you." (Deut. 4:2) Christ instructed John to write, "And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophesy, God shall take away his part from the tree of life, and out of the holy city, which are written in this book."

I am afraid to tamper with the Bible, there are too many dangers in so doing!--T.L.





SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Announce .....Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing .....Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer .....John R. Porter  
 Reading .....Bill Haston  
 Scripture .....Hebrews 2:1-4  
 Lord's Table .....\*Larry Flatt  
                                   \*Ken Lee  
                                   Robert Bumbalough  
                                   Jim Case  
                                   Ralph Crouch  
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                                   J.B. Gribble  
                                   Ward Golden

Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss .....Clyde Christian  
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SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Announce.....Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing.....Jason Smith  
 First Prayer.....Billy Gilbert  
 Reading.....Scott Gilbert  
 Scripture II Corinthians 2:14-17  
 Lord's Table.....\*Cecil Cantrell  
                                   Joe T. Cantrell

Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Jim Slatton  
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WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

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 Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer.....W.C. Chilton  
 Reading.....Fuston Womack  
 Dismiss.....Kelly Thaxton  
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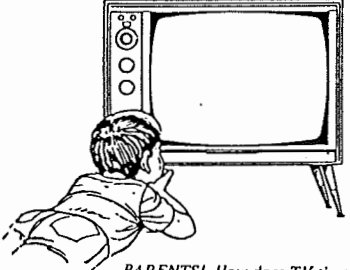
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                               P.M. Don Shuster Family

FOR THE RECORD...

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Bible Study	295
P.M. Worship	245
Wednesday Bible Study	217
Contribution	\$2071



PARENTS! How does TV time compare with Bible study time?

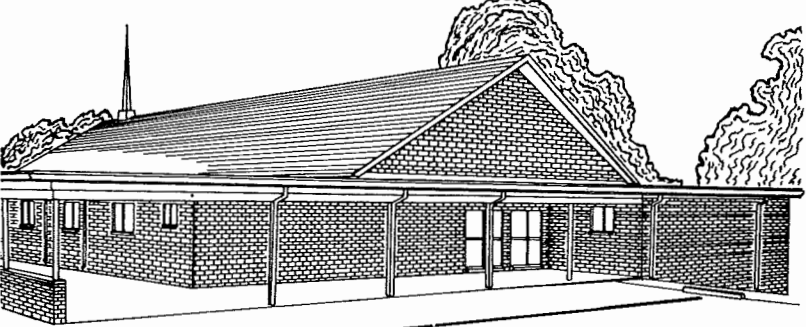
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## NEW BEGINNINGS

Most of you will notice a new typeset to the bulletin this week. This was all made possible by a very generous gift from my mother. I have wanted a computer for some time because I have felt that it could help me in my work. Hopefully, in a short time I can learn how to use it to my greatest benefit. One thing that will certainly help is to make the bulletin more attractive with a variety of typestyles. If you have any suggestions I would be more than glad to hear them.

## NEWS & NOTES

**Sick:** In Warren County Hospital are Haskel Neal (264), Floyd Harris (221), Venus Glenn (222), and Lena Bratton (249). Edna McClain is now out of Riverpark Hospital and Nan Cantrell is home. Remember these and the other of our sick in your prayers please.

**Gospel Meeting:** Dibrell Church of Christ, April 2-6, with Wallace Beasley preaching, services at 7:00 P.M. each evening.

**Are You Moving?** Most of you may not know but for every bulletin we have returned we have to pay 22 cents. This may not sound like much but multiply it by about 2 or 3 per week and it can run into money. Please! If you are going to move please send us your new address and when it will become effective.

**Showers:** There will be a bridal shower for Cindy Crouch and Mike Stender at the building this Friday, April 4, at 7:00 P.M. On Saturday, April 5, from 2-4 there will be a bridal tea for Ritchie and Lisa Gilbert also at the building.

**Our Gospel Meeting:** It will only be *TWO WEEKS* from Sunday when our Meeting will begin with brother E.C. Meadows. We certainly intend to have an excellent meeting, and we will do so, but we will have to start now trying to get others to attend. Remember that April 12 from 9:00 to 12:00 we will campaign the community to invite people, if you can possibly come and help, do so. Also, you can use your telephone to invite your friends. Let's have a record crowd!

*The empty tomb proves Christianity, the empty pew denies it!*

## Honor To Whom Honor

There are many people at Bybee Branch who deserve to have recognition who do not normally get it. I am sure that I will overlook many who deserve recognition in this short article but I have observed many who do things that are not generally recognized by most.

For instance consider **Stanley and Sherry Graves** who do an exceptional job at keeping the finances of the church in order. It is truly a enormous task without many thanks. Then there is **Bernice Fults** who gets on and off the bus numerous times to help others on and off and puts down the little stool when they need it. She does all of this because she cares about the people without any regard for thanks. There are several people who prepare the Lord's Supper each week and do so galdly. **W. C. Chilton** and **Ken Martin** spend much time and effort in caring for the needy of our area. **Mary Davis** (and several of her helpers) have invested a lot of time and effort in the seeing the Church Directory goes off without a hitch. **Thurman Bennett** and **Gipson Baucum** do and excellent job with the Monday Night Young People's Class. Also Gipson takes care of all of the correspondence and financial matters related to to the Joe Gibbs work in Italy. **Beatrice Rigsby** (and her helpers) see that the building is cleaned weekly and it always in tip-top shape.

There are many other people who I am sure that I ought to mention but maybe this will cause us to be thankful for the many who do such a good job and receive little to no thanks for it. And, I am sure that as time goes along I will learn more of you who are doing things that are going unnoticed and unthanked.

*Tony Lawrence*

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announce Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Jason Smith  
 First Prayer Greg Allen  
 Reading David Thaxton  
 Scripture Romans 1:14-17  
 Lord's Table \*Dale Bennett  
 \*Ronnie Rogers  
 Barry Hendrixson  
 Chip Cantrell  
 Larry Powers  
 Shannon Locke  
 Darron Shuster  
 Sidney Groves  
 Tony Lawrence  
 Jeff Bond

Sermon  
 Dismiss

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announce Danny Duncan  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Lee Flatt  
 Reading Leonard Clemons  
 Dismiss Gipson Baucum

Welcome Committee:  
 A.M. Stanley Graves Family  
 P.M. Eugene Wilcher Family

Nursery Attendant:  
 Mickie Whiteaker

Communion to Rest Homes:  
 Rodney Jones & Kelly Thaxton

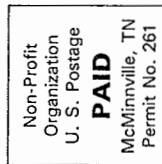
Pantry Item: Saltine Crackers

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announce Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Dwaine Johnston  
 Reading Steve Wilcher  
 Scripture Galatians 1:6-12  
 Lord's Table \*Stanley Graves  
 Buell Warren  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Doug Hendrixson

**Bus Driver:** Dwight Davis

A.M. Worship	317
Bible Study	273
P.M. Worship	264
Wednesday Evening	212
Contribution	\$2,474

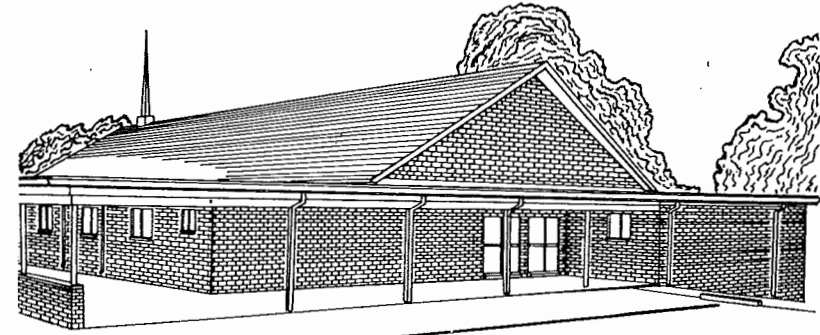


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WAKI — Sunday	8:00-9:00 a.m.	Bill Biles	473-2343

“Christ, Our Creed; the Bible, Our Guide”

## Announcements:

**New Members:** Recently we have been blessed with the addition of several to our family here at Bybee Branch. Larry Powers was baptized Monday was a week ago and his mother, Linda, has placed her membership with us. Last Wednesday afternoon Dwayne Christian was baptized into Christ and his wife, Tommy Ann, was restored and placed her membership.

**Restored:** Sunday Morning brother Jeff Bond came forward to rededicate his life to the service of the Lord.

**Ladies Day at Central:** The Central church of Christ will be having their annual ladies day next Saturday, April 19. The speaker will be Mary Oler of Dallas, TX. It will last from 9:30-12:00.

**General Business Meeting:** Sunday Evening after services there will be a General Business Meeting of all of the men.

**Christian Bible Teacher:** The Elders have decided to purchase two copies of the magazine, Christian Bible Teacher, for the library for the teachers to use. If anyone else wishes to order a subscription, we will include it in with the church's subscriptions.

### What Is Charity

It is silence—when your words would hurt.

It is patience—when your neighbor is curt.

It is deafness—when a scandal flows.

It is thoughtfulness—for others woes.

It is promptness—when duty calls.

It is courage—when misfortune falls.

Author Unknown

## Successful Gospel Meeting - It Depends On Us!

1. It depends on our **ATTITUDE**. Are we looking forward to it? Do we realize its potential for good? Are we excited about the cause of Christ?
2. It depends on our **ATTENDANCE**. Some meetings fail because 50% of the members do not attend any service except Sunday and Wednesday. Will we clear our schedule so we can be present at every service?
3. It depends on our **INVITATIONS**. Regardless of all the advertising done through printed announcements, newspapers, radio, etc., visitors will usually attend only if personally invited by a Christian friend.
4. It depends on our **FRIENDLINESS**. Do our visitors feel welcome and wanted in our services? How many of us make a special effort to greet visitors and invite them back?
5. It depends on our **PARTICIPATION**. Nothing *kills* a service so effectively as a combination of back-seat sitting in attendance during the services and poor singing. How simple these problems are to solve! Will we?
6. It depends on our **PRAYERS**. Are we praying - for the preacher, song leader, those who need to respond, etc.?
7. It depends on our **ENCOURAGEMENT**. A world of love and encouragement to one who needs to respond to Heaven's invitation can mean so much.

*Selected*



**Will you make a few calls? We need to let everyone know about our Homecoming and Meeting!**

**Will you go with us Saturday to knock doors? We need to let the people of our community know that we are concerned about their souls!**

*There is room in the Kingdom. There is work that we all can do.*

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Tony Lawrence  
 Reading Don Shuster  
 Lord's Table \*Harold Cook  
 \*Jim Slatton  
 Dwight Davis  
 Ken Lee  
 W.C. Chilton  
 Bob Bonner  
 Everett Green  
 Stanley Graves  
 Sermon E.C. Meadows  
 Dismiss Don Griffith

**Communion To Barnes Rest Home:**  
 Doug & Barry Hendrixson

**Nursery Attendant:** Donna Goolsby

**Bus Driver:** Eddie Hennessee

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Everett & Dot Green  
 Hollie & Dora Wilcher

**P.M.** Steve Wilcher Family

**Attendance & Offering**

**A.M. Worship**.....32  
**Bible Study**.....251  
**P.M. Worship**.....21  
**Wednesday Bible Study**.....20  
**Contribution**.....\$2,120

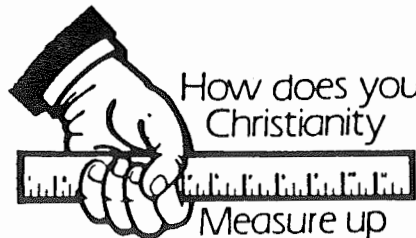
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 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Thurman Bennett  
 Reading Jason Smith  
 Lord's Table \*Dennis Gann  
 Doug Hendrixson  
 Sermon E.C. Meadows  
 Dismiss Dwaine Johnston

**Pantry Item:** Tuna Fish


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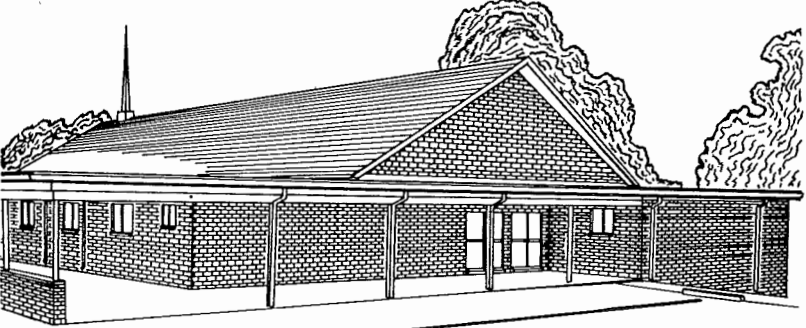


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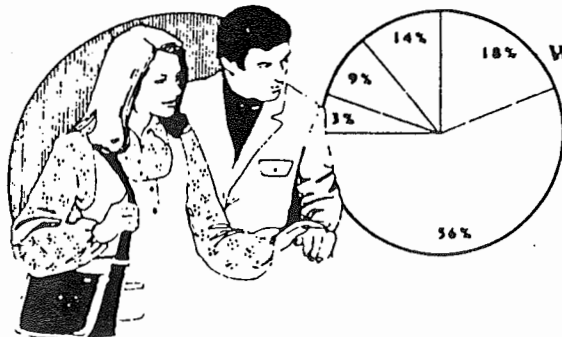
**Meeting Meals:** The visitation teams will be feeding the visiting preacher again this year. Monday night-Team 1, Tuesday night-Team 2, Wednesday night-Team 3, Thursday night-Team 4. On Sunday Morning after services there will be a fellowship meal with the whole church. Anyone invited to come to any of the meals but are asked to bring a dish.

**Building and Grounds Clean-up:** This Saturday, April 19, the men of the congregation are asked to come to help clean up around the building and grounds.

**Sick:** Sis. Genira Barrett is back at South Oaks Nursing Home. Sis. Lena Bratten is in Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville. Bro. Haskel Neal remains in Warren Co. Hospital. Gene Parmely (brother-in-law of Bill Gilbert) is in St. Thomas Hospital following a heart attack. The family requests the prayers of the congregation.

**Sympathy:** We express sympathy to the family of Ira Porter (brother of John R. Porter). Visitation begins Wednesday at 12:00 Noon at High's Funeral Home and graveside services will be Thursday at 11:00 a.m. at Mountain View Cemetary.

**Those Who Serve:** Those who are going to serve in worship services need to be at the building at least 10 minutes before the start of the service. The announcer and the welcome committee need to be at the building at least 20 minutes before the start of the service. If for some reason you are unable to serve, please contact Doug Hendrixson of Everett Green.



**Why Do People Choose a Church?**

- 9% Architectural beauty
- 18% Convenience to their homes
- 14% Previous church affiliation
- 3% Minister's personal visit
- 56% Direct or indirect contact with church member

## A Message From One Of The Elders:

The time for our gospel meeting is almost here. I would like to encourage each and everyone to make plans to be at every service. Think of someone that is in need of Christ and bring them to hear the good news. This week will be a good time for all to get some great spiritual food. Each one must have physical food for the physical body to live. The same applies to the Christian's life. The child of God must have spiritual food to live the Christian life. The Bible says *Go into all the world and teach the gospel to every creature.* Bring all to Lybee's this week, April 20-25, where you will hear the gospel preached by Bro. E.C. Meadows. We can have the greatest gospel meeting in the history of Lybee's if each and every member and family will set the right example and be here.

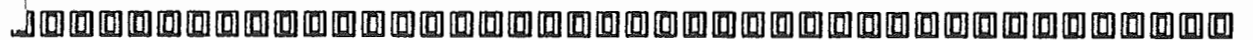
I want to thank each one who had a part in the campaign for the meeting. You did an outstanding job of going throughout the community on Saturday. May God bless each one.

Thurman Bennett



## A BIG THANKS!

A BIG THANKS goes out to the 60-70 workers who went out last Saturday to knock on the doors of the community and pass out some 1000 bags announcing the meeting and information about the Lord's church. I was truly proud of the interest and enthusiasm for this effort. Truly, good will come!



TEENAGERS: The greatest preparation for the future is your example TODAY!!! Think about it!

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Jason Smith  
 First Prayer Lee Flatt  
 Reading Dale Bennett  
 Lord's Table \*Richard Black  
 \*Bill Haston  
 Dwayne Christian  
 Jim Case  
 Eugene Wilcher  
 Harley Northcutt  
 J. B. Gribble  
 Rodney Jones  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Tom Crouch

**Communion To Barnes Rest Homes:**  
 Jim Slatton and Leonard Clemons

**Nursery Attendant:** Glenna Lee

**Bus Driver:** Leonard Clemons

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Morris Griffith Family  
**P.M.** Judy Young & April Gilley & Dale Bennett

**Pantry Item:** Canned Garden Peas

**Attendance & Offering**

**A.M. Worship.....458**  
**Bible Study.....318**  
**P.M. Worship.....274**  
**Wednesday Bible Study.....207**  
**Contribution.....\$2,245**

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Cecil Cantrell  
 Reading James Locke  
 Lord's Table \*Fuston Womack  
 Clyde Christian  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Buell Warren

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements Danny Duncan  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Greg Allen  
 Reading Joe T. Cantrell  
 Dismiss John R. Porter

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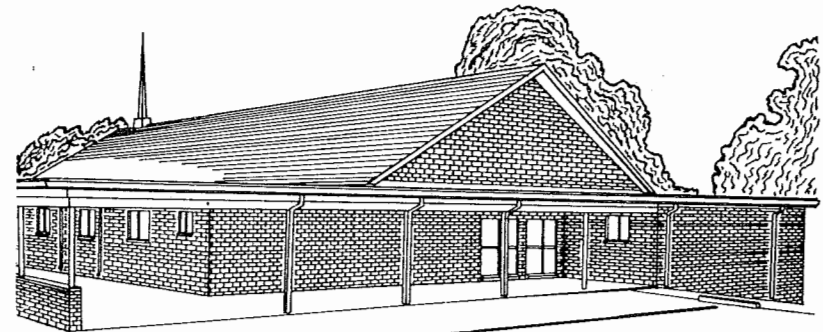
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<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		Lee Flatt . . . . .	668-4690
Bible Study . . . . .	7:00 p.m.	Rodney Reynolds . . . . .	473-3570
<b>RADIO</b>		Thurman Bennett . . . . .	668-4648
WAKI - Sunday . . . . .	8:00-9:00 a.m.	Bill Biles . . . . .	473-2343

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**Sick:** Dorothy Prince (mother of Suzie Griffith and Ronnie Prince) is in St. Thomas/Nashville (room 577), Gene Parmely (Billy Gilbert's brother-in-law) in St. Thomas, Oma Myers (sister of Willie Holmes) in St. Thomas, Betty Cantrell is in Riverpark, Haskel Neal is in Warren County, Ricky Bumbalough (son of Robert & Mildred Bumbalough) is in Riverpark. Sister Lena Bratton is now home from Vanderbilt and doing some better. Let us remember to pray for these and all our sick!

**Burn-out:** The Michael Templeton Family has lost their home by fire and are in need of clothing and furniture.

	Shoes	Shirt	Pants
Boys	12	14-15	30-34
Girls	13 1/2	8 or 10	8 or 10
Mens	9 1/2	15-16	36-32
Ladies	7 1/2	34	12 or 14

**Old Philadelphia Revival:** On May 4-9, there will be a Revival/Gospel Meeting at the Old Philadelphia church of Christ building. It is being restored and will be ready for the meeting. Services will be at 7:30 each evening. For more information, see the note on the bulletin board.

**Farewell:** We certainly are going to miss the Gipson Baucum Family who are about to depart our midst. I have only been privileged to know them for such a short time but I know that they each have contributed greatly to Bybee Branch. Gipson has labored faithfully, being responsible for the Joe Gibbs Fund/Italy. He has also contributed greatly to the Monday Night Young People's Class. In time past he has also worked in the Beersheba work. Sister Baucum has been a great reflection on the congregation here by teaching at Boyd Christian School. They were honored by the Monday Night Class last Thursday evening with a going away supper. A good turn-out by the rest of the congregation showed the great appreciation that we all have for them!

**Daily Bible Reading:** Those keeping up with the Daily Bible Reading will want to pick up their new reading list on the table in the rear of the building.

**New Record Set!** This past Sunday we set a new attendance record! We had 458 in our worship services. To everyone who worked so hard to accomplish this: Hats Off!

**Responses:** Last Wednesday evening Sister Linda Cantrell came forward asking for the prayers of the congregation. This past Sunday, Brother Ed Gann was restored after several years of being back into the world. We rejoice with these two as they have renewed their interest in God's Will.

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**What Now?**

We have been blessed with the opportunity of a Gospel Meeting. The question now is what will we do. Will we set back and coast or will we try to follow up? There are many people who still want to obey if only given the time and attention. We only sowed the seed in preparation for the meeting. It is now time to water that seed.

If you know of those who we may reach out to in an effort to teach them, let it be known. What now? We are just getting started! (TL)

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\*OTHER PREACHERS USE COMMENTARIES TO GET UP SERMONS, BUT NO— YOU'RE TOO GOOD FOR THAT!\*

I THINK THERE'S ENOUGH SIN OUT IN THE WORLD FOR THE PREACHER TO PREACH ABOUT WITHOUT GETTING SO PERSONAL IN HIS SERMONS.



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Dennis Gann  
 Reading Gipson Baucum  
 Scripture II Corinthians 5:10  
 Lord's Table \*Richard Black  
 \*Dwight Davis  
 Steve Wilcher  
 Sidney Grove  
 Ralph Crouch  
 Joe Maynard  
 James Goolsby  
 Otis Morgan  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Doug Hendrixson

**Communion To Barnes Rest Homes:**  
 W. C. Chilton and Bill Haston

**Nursery Attendant:** Faye Boren

**Bus Driver:** Greg Allen

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Ken Lee Family  
**P.M.** Bob Bonner Family

**Pantry Item:** Jelly

**Attendance & Offering**

**A.M. Worship**.....306  
**Bible Study**.....223  
**P.M. Worship**.....223  
**Wednesday Bible Study**.....277  
**Contribution**.....\$1,973

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Jason Smith  
 First Prayer Winfrey Hennessee  
 Reading Ronnie Rogers  
 Scripture II Timothy 2:3-6  
 Lord's Table \*Danny Duncan  
 Buell Warren  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Ward Golden

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements W.C. Chilton  
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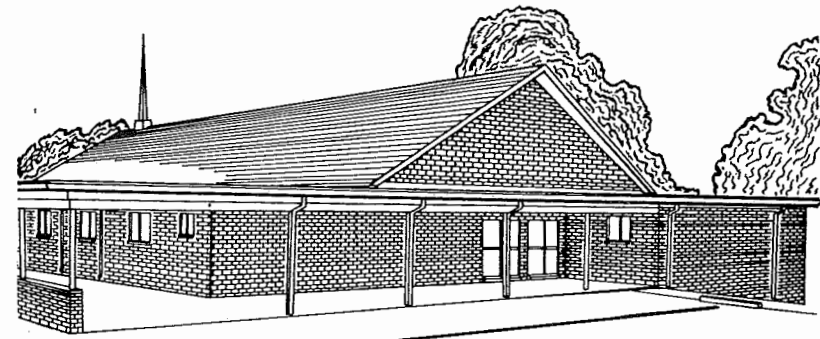
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## The Sin Of Being Neutral

**Responses:** This past week during the meeting, brethren Ed Gann and Jackie Broyles were restored. We also rejoice that Rickey Hice was baptized into Christ this past Sunday. We all should rejoice with these in their decisions.

**Short Mountain:** On Saturday, May 3, there will be a work day at Short Mountain to work on a cabin adopted by the congregation here. If you wish to participate see Dwight Davis or sign the list on the bulletin board.

**Sympathy:** We extend our sympathy to the family of Vi Oma Myers (the sister of our Willie Holmes) who passed away last week.

**Sick:** Haskel Neal is now home from the Hospital. Pauline Watson is in Riverpark Hospital. Beverly Davis is in the Hospital in Murfreesboro recovering from surgery. Dorothy Prince is now out the hospital and at the home of Don and Suzie Griffith. Carl Newby is at home and doing better.

**Bridal Tea:** There will be a bridal tea in honor of Julie Griffith next Sunday afternoon from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. here at the building.

**Wedding:** Tracey Mechele Bost will be married to Alexander C. Loyd, IV, May 24, 1986, 7:00 p.m. at the West End Church of Christ in Nashville, TN.

**Old Philadelphia Meeting:** May 4-9, 1986. Different speakers each evening. See the bulletin board for more details.

**Directory Addresses:** The address list for the directory will be sent in soon. There is a list on the bulletin board. You had better check and see if it is correct before we mail it in!

**Teacher's Meeting:** Next Sunday evening there will be a meeting of ALL teachers and any who might be interested in teaching at Vacation Bible School. Try to be there if at all possible!

God said through the prophet Obadiah, *In the day that you stood on the other side- In the day that strangers carried captive his forces, when foreigner entered his gates and cast lots for Jerusalem- Even you were as one of them* (Obad. 11, NKJV). This condemnation was spoken against the people of Edom because they allowed the people of Judah (their brethren) to be overtaken without lifting a finger. Even worse than that, they rejoiced over it!

In today's world it is unpopular to stand up and be counted on one side or another. It is considered "radical" to protest anything. The media (both print and T.V.) portray those who oppose the excesses of our society as being some sort of ignorant, half-crazed person. The watchword of the day is toleration. When it comes to referendums on the sale of liquor or the wholesale slaughter of innocent unborn babies many find it hard to even write a "letter to the editor" to take a stand. All of us have some degree of influence and would could have an effect if we would. How many people that you know bet on the recent Superbowl? Did you say anything to them? Why not? Were you afraid to take a stand?

If we expect to have any effect on this world we are going to have to speak up! It is a sin to be neutral! (T.L.)



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Jason Smith  
 First Prayer Dwaine Johnston  
 Reading Harold Cook  
 Scripture Proverbs 23:4  
 Lord's Table \*Don Griffith  
 \*Billy Gilbert  
 Rodney Jones  
 Harley Northcutt  
 Robert Bumbalough  
 Tommy Crouch  
 Eddie Hennessee  
 Eugene Wilcher  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Ken Lee

**Communion To Barnes Rest Homes:**

Rodney Jones & Kelly Thaxton  
**Nursery Attendant:** Hazel Bennett

**Bus Driver:** Jim Slatton

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Ricky & Faye Boren  
**P.M.** Richard Black Family

**Pantry Item:** Rice

**Attendance & Offering**

**A.M. Worship.....293**  
**Bible Study.....232**  
**P.M. Worship.....218**  
**Wednesday Bible Study.....210**  
**Contribution.....\$2,414**

**Sunday Evening Worship**

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 First Prayer Bob Bonner  
 Reading Dennis Gann  
 Scripture James 1:13-16  
 Lord's Table \*Fuston Womack  
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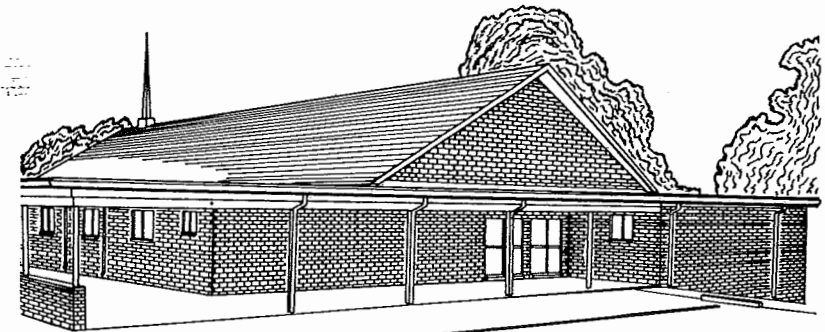
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**T. B. C. Lectures:** Tennessee Bible College will be having their annual lectureship this week, May 7-9. Lectures will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will continue all day until the last lecture at 8:00 p.m.

**Gospel Meetings:** The Jericho church of Christ will be having a Gospel Meeting, May 9-11, with services at 7:30 each evening. Holger Neubauer will be the speaker. Smithville church of Christ, May 8-11, with Paul Kidwell, Sr. preaching. Woodbury church of Christ, May 11-14, services at 7:00 with Willard Collins and Danny Cottrell preaching.

**Sick:** - Sister Velma Bennett is in Riverpark. Richard Bonner (uncle of Bob Bonner) is in St. Thomas in Nashville.

**Responses:** Brother Hal Cook and Sister Debra Hollis came forward last Sunday to confess fault and ask the prayers of the congregation. We rejoice with these two in their renewed zeal!

**V.B.S.** It was decided that the V.B.S. will be June 16-20, in the daytime from 9:00-11:00. Start planning now to come and bring as many as possible.

**Short Mountain Work:** There was a lot accomplished last week in suring up the foundation of the cabin adopted by Bybee Branch. Several others are needed this Saturday to do some painting and other items. If you can go to help, please sign the bulletin board in the rear of the building. Also, contributions are needed to help pay for the materials, you may give your contributions to Harold Cook. If you have any questions you can ask Dwight Davis, he is in charge.

**Servant List Update:** As many of you know, last Sunday after services we asked all the members to fill out a sheet of the things that they were willing to do. If you were absent please see Douglas Hendrixson for a sheet to fill out. This will update any previous list you may have signed.

 Please send us your address change **BEFORE** you move!

## The Christian and Dancing

Tony Lawrence

Just what should be the Christian's reaction to dancing? It is a problem for today's young person. On the one hand, they are confronted with their peers who ridicule them for not attending a dance because their parents say that it isn't right, and they are not fully convince just exactly what is wrong with dancing. On the other hand, they are bombarded with many who say, "you should not dance" but give them no good reason. May I suggest that you consider:

(1) In Bible times there were dances that were right and there were dances that were wrong. David danced before the Lord in II Sam. 6:14,16. However, in Matt. 14:6, the dancing of Herodias' daughter aroused Herod so that he did that which he otherwise would not have done.

(2) When one considers the difference between the two types of dancing he notes that one expresses joy, while the other is done for the gratification of the physical desires. By all means Christians should avoid those things which entice, But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof. (Rom. 13:14).

(3) Many will say, "well, it is just for one time" referring to the proms or special dances. Sin is a transgression of God's Law (I Jn. 3:4). To purposefully entice someone else, or to put yourself in a position to be enticed is certainly not in keeping with God's law. Sin is sin, and whether one time or one thousand, it will have to be repented of before one can stand clean and whole in God's sight. ...walk in the ways of thy heart, and in the sight of thine eyes; but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgement. (Ecc. 11:9). (TL)

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell
Reading	Kelly Thaxton
Scripture	Matthew 6:5-15
Lord's Table	*Jason Smith
	*James Locke
	Chip Cantrell
	Barry Hendrixson
	David Thaxton
	Shannon Locke
	Darron Shuster
	Larry Powers
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bill Haston

**Communion To Barnes Rest Homes:**  
Doug and Barry Hendrixson

**Nursery Attendant:** Mary Baucum

**Bus Driver:** Rodney Reynolds

**Welcome Committee:**  
A.M. Mary Davis and Linda Cantrell  
P.M. Ralph and Drucilla Crouch

**Pantry Item:** Grits

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship.....	351
Bible Study.....	239
P.M. Worship.....	235
Wednesday Bible Study.....	222
Contribution.....	\$1,812

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	John R. Porter
Reading	Bill Biles
Scripture	I Peter 4: 7-9
Lord's Table	*Bob Bonner
	Ken Lee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Stanley Graves

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Joe T. Cantrell
Dismiss	Jim Case

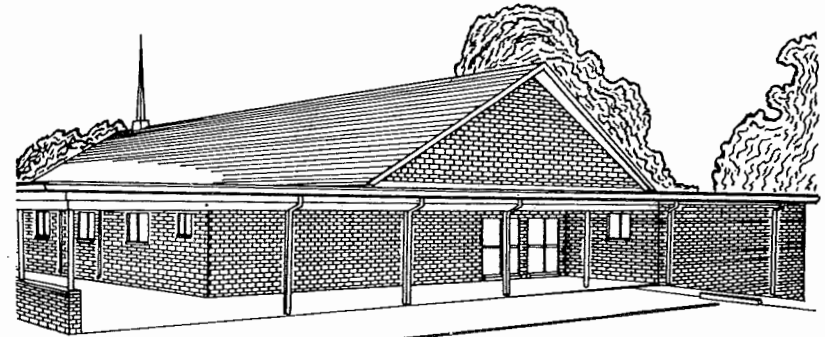
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<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		Lee Flatt . . . . .	668-4690
Bible Study . . . . .	7:00 p.m.	Rodney Reynolds . . . . .	473-3570
<b>RADIO</b>		Thurman Bennett . . . . .	668-4648
WAKI — Sunday . . . . .	8:00-9:00 a.m.	Bill Biles . . . . .	473-2343

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**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Dwaine Johnston  
 Reading Dale Bennett  
 Scripture Matthew 6: 5-15  
 Lord's Table \*Bob Bonner  
                   \*Ken Lee  
                   John Stembridge  
                   Joe Maynard  
                   Otis Morgan  
                   Edgar Webb  
                   Everett Roller  
                   Steve Wilcher  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Dan Duncan

**Communion To Barnes Rest Homes:**

Jim Slatton and Leonard Clemons

**Nursery Attendant:** Yuriko Biles

**Bus Driver:** Dennis Gann

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Woodrow and Mildred Glenn

Lee and Catherine Flatt

**P.M.** Dennis and Teresa Gann

**Pantry Item:** Oatmeal

**Attendance & Offering**

<b>A.M. Worship</b> .....	333
<b>Bible Study</b> .....	237
<b>P.M. Worship</b> .....	246
<b>Wednesday Bible Study</b> .....	206
<b>Contribution</b> .....\$	2,422

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Lee Flatt  
 Reading Hal Cook  
 Scripture Revelation 1:1-3  
 Lord's Table \* Doug Hendrixson  
                   Buell Warren  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss James Locke

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements W.C. Chilton  
 Lead Singing Jason Smith  
 First Prayer Larry Flatt  
 Reading Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Dwight Davis

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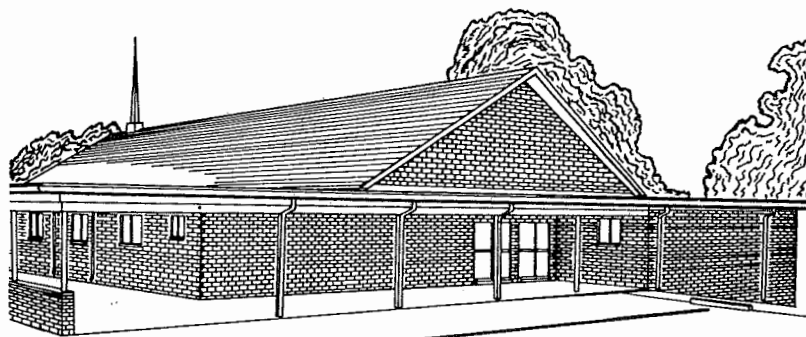
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 Bible Study . . . . . 10:15 a.m.  
 Evening Worship . . . . . 6:00 p.m.

**TUESDAY**

Ladies Class (Oct.-April) . 10:00 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY**

Bible Study . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

**RADIO**

WAKI — Sunday . . . 8:00-9:00 a.m.

**MINISTER**

Tony Lawrence  
 473-2486 Office 473-8079 Home

**ELDERS**

J. N. Foster . . . . . 473-4039  
 Lee Flatt . . . . . 668-4690  
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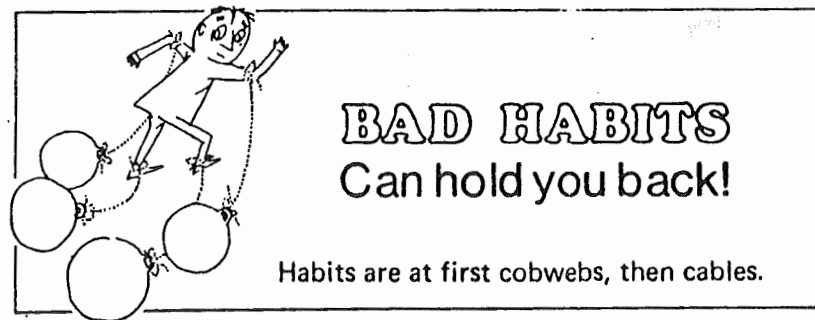
**Sick:** Sister Hilda Jones is in Riverpark's ICU with heart problems. Brother Ed Gann is in the hospital in Murfreesboro. Let us remember these in our prayers.

**Congratulations Graduates:** We have six graduating this year: *Shannon Griffin, Julie Griffith, Jennifer Huntley, Kurt Maynard, Kirk Mullican, and Denice Reynolds.* They have all reached a milestone in their lives and are deserving of our honor. If the graduates will bring a picture in by next week we will publish it in the bulletin.

**V.B.S.** Let's not forget that V.B.S. will be June 16-20, from 9:00-11:00 in the morning. We need to try to get as many as possible to attend. Many children will come if only invited.

**Highrise Devotional:** At the Spangler Towers each 4th Tuesday of the month, the Bybee Branch congregation conducts a devotional service. Those who would like to come and encourage these people by your presence are exhorted to do so.

**Get Ready For The New Classes:** Remember that beginning June 1, the Sunday Morning Adult Classes will start a rotation and a new adult class will be created, meeting in rooms 1 & 2. If you want to be a part of the new class be sure to sign the list on the bulletin board in the rear of the auditorium.



## Meet Our New Missionary Family:



In the very near future we will be joined by Paul, Joan, Erica, and Emily Kidwell as our new missionary family. They will be working with us for 2-3 months and then when a suitable mission point is found, we will be locating them there.

Perhaps you would like to know a little more about Paul and his family. He will soon be 32 years old (June 23). Both his father and grandfather are gospel preachers. He graduated with an A.A. from Freed-Hardeman College and a B.S. from David Lipscomb College. He and Joan are both very talented in music. He has served congregations in Huntsville, AL, Waverly, TN, Huntingdon, TN, and Lexington, TN as well as serving on the business faculties of both Freed-Hardeman and David Lipscomb. I believe that Paul and Joan have been married eleven years and the two children are age 7 (Erica) and 5 (Emily).





**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Ronnie Rogers  
 Reading W.C. Chilton  
 Scripture Acts 19:8-20  
 Lord's Table \*Bill Haston  
 \*Dwayne Johnston  
 Ed Griffin  
 Eddie Hennessee  
 Rodney Jones  
 Harley Norcutt  
 James Goolsby  
 J.B. Gribble  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Dan Duncan

**Communion To Barnes Rest Homes:**  
 W.C. Chilton & Bill Haston

**Nursery Attendant:** Mary Lois Cantrell

**Bus Driver:** Bill Haston

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Tony Lawrence Family  
**P.M.** Leonard Clemons Family

**Pantry Item:** Shortning

**Attendance & Offering**

**A.M. Worship**..... 296  
**Bible Study**..... 214  
**P.M. Worship**..... 228  
**Wednesday Bible Study**..... 224  
**Contribution**..... \$1,926

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Jason Smith  
 First Prayer Dennis Gann  
 Reading Don Shuster  
 Scripture Psalms 1:1-6  
 Lord's Table \*Jim Case  
 Jeff Bond  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Clyde Christian

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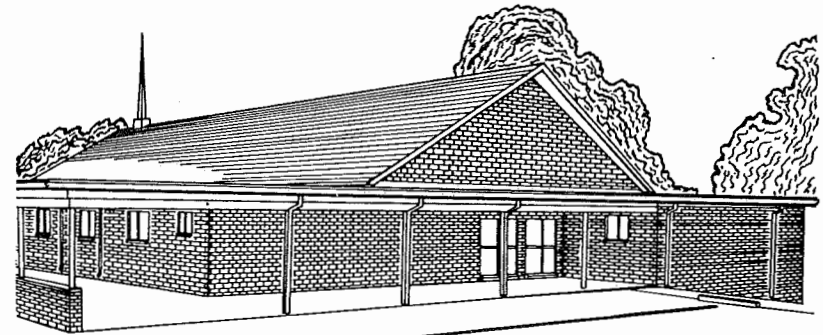
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 First Prayer Jason Smith  
 Reading David Thaxton  
 Dismiss Billy Gilbert



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WAKI - Sunday	... 8:00-9:00 a.m.	Bill Biles	..... 473-2343

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**WEDDINGS:** This Friday, May 30, Cindy Crouch and Mike Stender will be married at 7:30 p.m. at the Westwood church of Christ. Next Saturday, June 7, Linda Clemons and Ronnie Hamilton will be married at 6:00 p.m. at the Earleyville church of Christ.

**SICK:** Sister Mary Martin is home from the Hospital after surgery. Sister Sandy Haston is home with her's and Bill's new son, Joseph David. Sister Barbara Woods has been in Baptist Hospital in Nashville for surgery. Sister Hilda Jones in now home from the hospital and staying with her daughter. Also sick at home are Edith Morrow and Nelma Chilton

**NEW MEMBERS:** We welcome Larry and Debbie Vinson with their two children, Derrick and Erica, who placed their membership with us a couple of weeks ago.

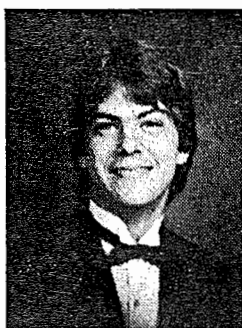
### OUR GRADUATING SENIORS:



Shannon Griffin



Julie Griffith



Andy Haston



Jennifer Huntley



Kurt Maynard



Kirk Mullican



Brent Pennington



Denise Reynolds

## "Remember Me?"

Remember me? I am the person who goes into a restaurant, sits down and patiently waits, while the waitresses finish their visiting before taking my order.

I am the person who goes into a department store and stands quietly while the clerks finish their little chit-chat.

I am the person who drives into a service station and never blows the horn but lets the attendant take his time.

You might say I am the good guy or gal. But do you know who else I am?

I am the customer who never comes back!

It amuses me to see businesses spending so much money every year to get me back--when I was there in the first place.

And all they need to do was give me some service and extend a little courtsey.

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**Editor's Note:** When of you read the above article you can identify with it, as most of us have been ignored while trying to trade with a merchant. What many of us may fail to realize is that the Lord's church is **exactly** the same. When we have people to come in our midst and visit us and they find us cold and unconcerned, they have no desire to return. They won't say anything, they just will not ever come back! Then, we will spend a considerable amount of money through radio and newspaper ads to invite them to come and worship with us. They were there to start with! What is the solution? Make sure when you see a visitor that you let them know that we are glad they are there. {T.L}

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Paul Kidwell
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Don Griffith
Scripture	Psalms 122:1-9
Lord's Table	*Kelly Thaxton
	*John R. Porter
	John Stenbridge
	Ralph Crouch
	Otis Morgan
	Robert Bumbalough
	Everett Roller
	Joe Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dale Bennett

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Rodney Jones & Kelly Thaxton

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**Bus Driver:** Dwight Davis

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Winfrey Hennessee Family

**P.M.** Dwayne Christian Family

**Pantry Item:** Jelly

**Attendance & Offering**

<b>A.M. Worship</b> .....	<b>340</b>
<b>Bible Study</b> .....	<b>255</b>
<b>P.M. Worship</b> .....	<b>234</b>
<b>Wednesday Bible Study</b> .....	<b>197</b>
<b>Contribution</b> .....	<b>\$2,627</b>

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell
Reading	Everett Green
Scripture	Psalms 15:1-5
Lord's Table	*Ward Golden
	Scott Griffith
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Wilcher

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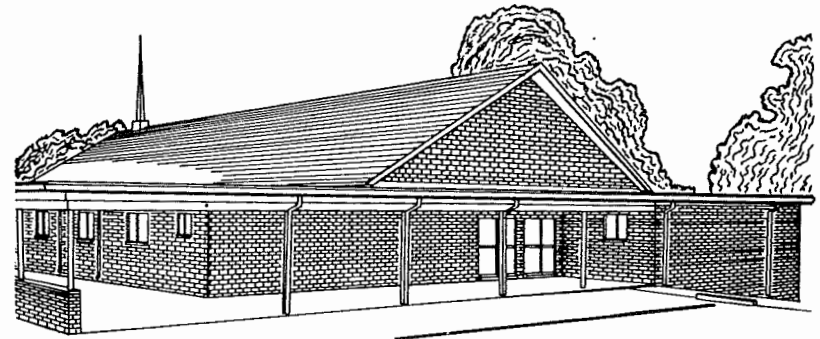
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First Prayer	Greg Allen
Reading	Chip Cantrell
Dismiss	Stanley Graves

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**Gospel Meetings:** The Arlington church of Christ will be having a Gospel Meeting, June 8-13, with James Boyd. Services will be at 7:30 p.m. each night through the week. The Harmony church of Christ will be having a meeting, June 8-15, with Jimmy Carver and services will be at 7:30. Grange Hall church of Christ will be having a meeting, June 8-13, with B.J. Jones and services will be at 7:00 p.m.

**V.B.S.** The Central congregation will be having their V.B.S., June 9-13 at 9:00-11:00 a.m. We will be having our own V.B.S. the next week, June 16-20, from 9:00-11:00 a.m.

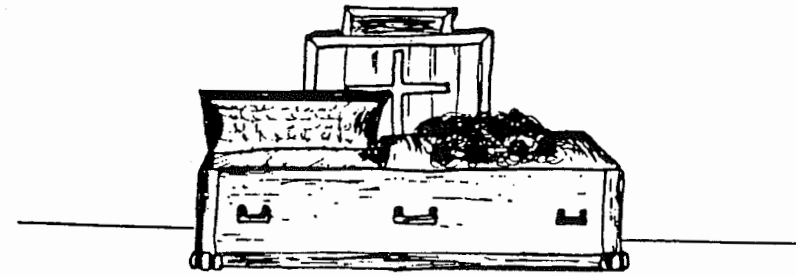
**Singing Class:** The singing class will begin again on Sunday evenings at 5:15 in the fellowship room on Sunday, June 15. All who are interested in singing please try to come.

**Sick:** Sister Mary Martin is at home improving; Sister Mildred Lowry was scheduled to have surgery at Donelson Hospital Tuesday; Sister Betty Cantrell and Sister Jane Golden are not feeling well and are unable to be out.

**Thank You:** Thanks to many of you, we now reside at 121 North Hills Drive. Six men came to Huntsville last Monday morning and then two more the following morning. Another twelve to fifteen helped unload Wednesday evening following Bible study. Several have had us in their homes for meals and others have brought food by the house. To all of you who have helped get us here, please accept our heartfelt thanks. You have made us to feel welcome already and we look forward to living in the McMinnville community and working and worshipping with you. Please keep us in your prayers. Paul T. Kidwell, Jr.

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**THE FAMILY**

The family is like a book. The children are the leaves; the parents are the cover that gives protecting beauty. At first the pages are blank and purely fair, but time soon writeth memories, and painteth pictures there. Love is the golden clasp that bindeth up the trust. O, break it not, lest all the leaves should scatter and be lost. - Selected



People are always planning to come to church when they get "straightened out." HE DID.

## HOW IS YOUR MEMORY?

Quiet often we are forced to confess that we simply forgot something that was very important. We shrug it off by saying, "my memory is not as good as it used to be." It is quite embarrassing to forget your wife's birthday or anniversary. Yes, we all need a memory jog every once in a while. We tend to forget things if someone does not remind us. Sad though it is, God's people have a history of forgetting.

David was concerned with the fact that the children of Israel had forgotten all of God's marvelous works. He said, *Then believed they his words; They sang his praise, They soon forgot his works.* (Ps. 106:12,13). He went on to say, *They forgot God their Saviour, who had done great things in Egypt, Wondrous works in the land of Ham, and terrible things by the Red Sea.* (Ps. 106:21,22). This so distressed David that he went on to lament, *Oh that men would praise Jehovah for his lovingkindness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men.* (Ps. 107:8).

Too often, we like the children of Israel, are prone to think that everything we have is the result of our own labor. No so! Solomon reminds us, *Every man also to who God hath given riches and wealth, and hath given him power to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labor; this is the gift of God.* (Ecc. 5:19). Peter stressed his message was for the purpose of reminding men **not** to forget. He stated that he stood ready always to put them in remembrance (II Pet. 1:12,13). Likewise, we should strive to get ourselves and others to remember all of the great things God has done for us.

Some things we forget are of no great importance. However, our remembering the great things God does for us show how conscious we are of Him and says a whole lot about our spirituality. How is your spiritual memory? {T.L.}

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Darron Shuster
Scripture	II Pet. 3:1-18
Lord's Table	*Harold Cook
	*Dwight Davis
	Barry Hendrixson
	Larry Powers
	David Thaxton
	Shannon Locke
	Chip Cantrell
	Sidney Grove
Sermon	Larry Vinson
Dismiss	Bill Womack

**Communion To Barnes Rest Homes:**  
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**Nursery Attendant:** Peggy Shuster

**Bus Driver:** Eddie Hennessee

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Ken Lee Family  
**P.M.** Bill & Freda Womack and Cecil & Nan Cantrell

**Pantry Item:** Rice

**Attendance & Offering**

<b>A.M. Worship</b> .....	<b>351</b>
<b>Bible Study</b> .....	<b>256</b>
<b>P.M. Worship</b> .....	<b>242</b>
<b>Wednesday Bible Study</b> .....	<b>191</b>
<b>Contribution</b> .....	<b>\$2,199</b>

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bill Biles
Reading	Hal Cook
Scripture	Acts 11:19-26
Lord's Table	*Winfrey Hennessee
	Eugene Wilcher
Sermon	John Biddle
Dismiss	Buell Warren

**Wednesday Bible Study**

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Dismiss	Joe T. Cantrell

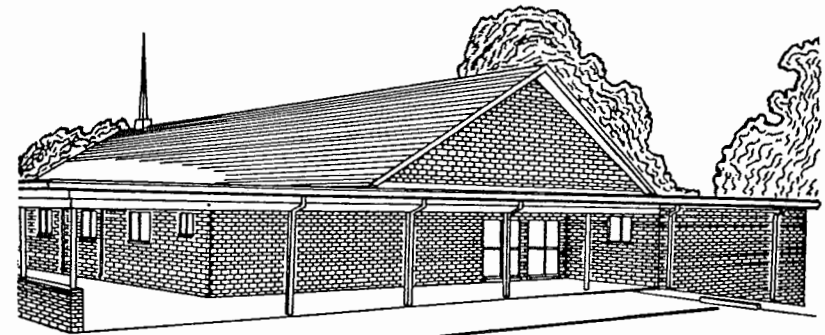
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Monday  
Youth Class.....7:00 p.m.

Tuesday  
Ladies Bible Class.....10:00 a.m.

Wednesday  
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

*Elders*

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Bill Biles.....473-2343  
Lee Flatt.....668-4690  
J.N. Foster.....473-4039  
Rodney Reynolds.....473-3570

*Evangelist*

Tony Lawrence.....473-8079

*Missionary*

Paul Kidwell, Jr.

Church Office.....473-2486

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**Weddings:** On Saturday, June 21, Willie Newby and Donna Tucker will be married in Murfreesboro at the East Main church of Christ at 3:30 in the afternoon. There will be a wedding for Greg Allen and Julie Griffith on June 29, at 2:00 p.m. at the Central church of Christ.

**Books for Library:** Brother and Sister Joe Gray donated two books to our library, Speak A Good Word For Jesus, and Unity in the Midst of Slavery and War. Our library is a valuable tool, please use it. Also, if you have good religious books at home and are not using them, why not contribute them to the church's library?

## V.B.S. Teachers:

Nursery	Missy Lee & Lennie Ruth Kesey
Toddlers	Judy Cook & Sharla Chilton
2's & 3's	Sherry Graves
4's & 5's	Janice Lewis
Grades 1 & 2	Corretta Lawrence & Brenda Bost
Grades 3 & 4	Kathy Thaxton & Patsy Reynolds
Grades 5 & 6	W.C. Chilton
Teenagers	Tony Lawrence
Adults	Guest Teacher

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Please bring cookies for the refreshments for V.B.S. If you have any questions, ask Nelma Chilton.

**Sympathy:** We extend our sympathy to the family of Oma Flatt (the aunt of our Lee Flatt) who passed away last Saturday in Cookeville.

**Sick:** Sister Mildred Lowery is now home from the hospital and recovering. Helen Lawrence (mother of Tony) is scheduled to have surgery Friday in Columbus, MS at the Golden Triangle Medical Center. Please pray for all our sick.



*"prove all things;  
hold fast that which  
is good; abstain from  
every form of evil"  
1 Thess. 5: 21,22*

## LIVING ON THE EDGE

Remember childhood? Parents? Lessons learned? Many of these lessons were needlessly learned from experience. A more mature and caring voice said, "Don't touch that iron! You'll be burned and it will hurt," yet we had to find out for ourselves. When told, "Don't play in the street," we had to play right beside it. Fortunately it was our favorite ball that rolled into the street and lost to an oncoming car and not us.

It seems somewhere along the line the principle involved would be learned yet apparently many go a lifetime not learning this very simple lesson.

God cares about you and about me. From wells of divine understanding and love he has revealed loving guidelines of understanding for our good, yet many continue to needlessly learn from personal experience. The pain and emotional distress to our physical bodies is bad, but insignificant when compared to a failure to learn this principle spiritually.

The physical body can scar and still retain life, but spiritually the scars can make it impossible for life to exist. We learned not to touch the hot iron or play in the street. Would that more of us could learn the dangers of spiritually living on the edge.

The Bible clearly states the result of one who lives as close to sin as they can without it being called outright sin. "But each man is tempted, when he is drawn away by his own lust, and enticed. Then the lust, when it hath conceived, beareth sin: and the sin, when it is fullgrown, bringeth forth death" (James 1:14,15).

May God create within us hearts that "flee the very appearance of evil".

Paul T. Kidwell, Jr.

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Danny Duncan
Scripture	I Tim. 4:16
Lord's Table	*Winfrey Hennessee
	*Ronnie Prince
	John R. Porter
	Cecil Cantrell
	W.C. Chilton
	Ward Golden
	James Locke
	Bill Haston
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jeff Bond

**Communion To Barnes Rest Homes:**

Jim Slotton & Leonard Clemons

**Nursery Attendant:** Janice Lewis

**Bus Driver:** Leonard Clemons

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Doug Hendrixson Family

**P.M.** Jason Smith Family

**Pantry Item:** Tuna

**Attendance & Offering**

<b>A.M. Worship</b> .....	376
<b>Bible Study</b> .....	239
<b>P.M. Worship</b> .....	221
<b>Wednesday Bible Study</b> .....	225
<b>Contribution</b> .....\$	2209

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Ronnie Rogers
Scripture	Psalm 23:1-6
Lord's Table	*Harold Cook
	Tommy Crouch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Greg Allen

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Bob Bonner
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Lee Flatt
Reading	Jason Smith
Dismiss	Doug Hendrixson

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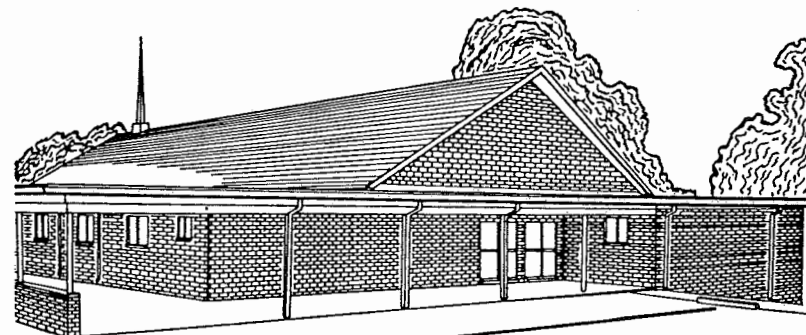
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SICK: Bro. Noel Foster is in Riverpark Hospital. Richard Bonner, the Uncle of Bob Bonner, is in Warren County Hospital in I.C.U. Helen Lawrence, the Mother of Tony, has undergone surgery for a back problem. Tony and his family have gone to be with her this week. Our prayers are with each of these families.

FIRE: The Glenn Young family lost their home by fire. Bybee Branch has helped financially, and with food; however, household items and clothing are still needed. The clothing sizes are on the bulletin board at the church building. Please help in any way that you can.

PANTRY: The Pantry is in great need of the following items: tuna fish, corn meal, soup, grits, green beans, macaroni and cheese, oatmeal, shortening, pancake mix, and jelly. Please donate any items that you can.

SINGING: On July 4th at Short Mountain Bible Camp there will be a singing and get-together. Everyone is invited to attend. The snack bar at the camp will be open for refreshments. Everyone's support is greatly needed for this activity. The singing starts at 6:00 p.m.

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NOTE: The Elders and Deacons Meeting will be held on Monday night, June 23. Elders and Deacons please plan to attend.

COOKBOOKS: If anyone is interested in a Short Mountain Bible Camp Cookbook see Melba Bonner for details. The cost for each cookbook is \$8.00.



## "The Church of Tomorrow?"

All of us, at one time or another, have heard our young people referred to as the "church of tomorrow". While there is appreciation for the intent of that statement, there is feared a programming of young minds contrary to scripture. People have the uncanny ability to act as they are programmed, or expected, to act. This includes all of us, young and old alike.

ARE WE STEALING PART OF THE ZEAL, VITALITY, AND POTENTIAL OF THE LORD'S ARMY WITH THE WISDOM OF MAN?

By planting in these young minds the idea that they are the "church of tomorrow", are we programming them to behave as though they are not an active, essential, and important part of the body today? Sadly, this is often the case.

Consider the God-breathed words of the apostle Paul to the young man, Timothy.

"LET NO MAN DESPISE THY YOUTH; BUT BE THOU AN ENSAMPLE TO THEM THAT BELIEVE, IN WORD, IN MANNER OF LIFE, IN LOVE, IN FAITH, IN PURITY"

Does this admonition to the young man Timothy sound like words written to part of the "church in waiting"? Certainly not! Not only was the young man Timothy to be active, he was to "be an ensample;" he was to lead.

This is how Paul describes that leadership: "Be thou an ensample to them that believe" (to the church, the body):

"IN WORD." Our words become an index to our character (Matthew 12:34,35). Christians are often encouraged in the New Testament to be pure in speech (Ephesians 4:29; 5:3,4; Colossians 4:6). When those redeemed by the blood of the Lamb speak with a lack of self-control, participate in shaded humor, or use vulgarity, what do you think their influence says?

"IN MANNER OF LIFE." Nothing influences others lives greater than the way we conduct our lives (Philippians 1:27). Our lives are watched constantly by those with whom we come in contact, and we are thereby making impressions on them, either for good or bad (II Corinthians 3:2).

"IN LOVE." If this attribute were thoroughly shown in the Lord's body, the world would beat a path to become part of such a caring group, but when members of the body tear each other apart through envy, jealousy, and slander, the influence of the church is severely damaged, if not wrecked, in the community. Consider Jesus' words in John 13: 34, 35.

"IN FAITH." That means, faithful in all areas of service to God. Our faith is something that is seen by others (James 2:18).

"IN PURITY." A Christian should be pure because he has been washed in the blood of the Lamb (Revelation.1:5). John wrote, "If we walk in the light, as he is in the light; we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us of all sin" I John 1:7.

Our young cannot fulfill these obligations without being an active, vibrant part of the Lord's body today. Our young in age, are as greatly an important part of the church today as those wise with the passing of time. Let us never diminish in their minds their great role in the church.

Paul T. Kidwell, Jr.



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Billy Gilbert
Reading	Richard Black
Scripture	Philippians 1:12-21
Lord's Table	*Dwayne Johnston *Ken Lee
	John Stenbridge
	Robert Bumbalough
	Eddie Hennessee
	James Goolsby
	Ralph Crouch
	Jim Case
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tommy Crouch

**Communion To Barnes Rest Homes:**

W.C. Chilton & Bill Haston  
**Nursery Attendant:** Sandy Jones

**Bus Driver:** Tommy Crouch

**Welcome Committee:**

A.M. Dwight Davis Family  
 P.M. Lee Flatt Family

**Pantry Item:** Chili

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship.....	342
Bible Study.....	255
P.M. Worship.....	242
Wednesday Bible Study.....	184
Contribution.....	\$1994

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Scott Griffith
Lead Singing	Chip Cantrell
First Prayer	Barry Hendrixson
Reading	Larry Powers
Scripture	Matthew 28:19,20
Lord's Table	*David Thaxton Jeff Bond
Sermon	Ronnie Rogers
Dismiss	Shannon Locke
Locke	

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Dwayne Johnston
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	John R. Porter
Reading	Bill Biles
Dismiss	Danny Duncan

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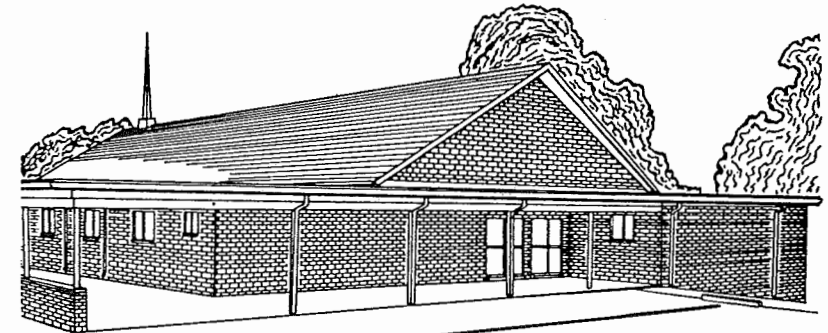
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**GOSPEL MEETINGS:** The Blues Hill congregation will be having a Gospel Meeting with Charles Marshall, June 23-29, with services at 7:00 p.m. each evening. On Sunday, they will be having a lunch served with a singing that afternoon at 2:00. The Mt. Leo congregation will be having a meeting with Charles Sennett and services will be at 7:30 p.m. June 23-29. The Bethany congregation will be having a Gospel Meeting with Steve Short, June 22-27, with services at 7:30 p.m. nightly.

**SICK:** Brother Don Griffith had surgery in Baptist Hospital last week but is now at home recovering. Brother Noel Foster has returned to the hospital after having surgery last week. Tony's mother, Helen Lawrence, is still waiting for surgery which will take place as soon as the bone becomes available.

**NEW MEMBERS:** We welcome back Richard and Brenda Bost to our family at Bybee Branch and are glad to announce the John Biddle's have placed membership also!

**ANNUAL ICE CREAM SUPPER:** After services on Wednesday, July 2, please plan to stay for the ice cream supper. If you have a freezer please plan to bring some, if not, please bring cookies or kool-aid. By the way, if you have a freezer and do not plan to make ice cream, why not loan it to someone else so we will have plenty?

## Can You Take Rebuke?

One of the problems that we all struggle with is how to react when someone points out to us that we are wrong. We all err in varying ways and in varying degrees, but we all err. Solomon stressed that a wise man would accept rebuke where a scoffer would not.

He who reproves a scoffer gets shame for himself, and he who rebukes a wicked man gets himself a blemish. Do not reprove a scoffer, lest he hate you; rebuke a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a just man, and he will increase in learning. (Prov. 9:8,9 NKJV).

Perhaps our problem is pride. We do not want to admit that we are ever in the wrong about something. Certainly, we ought never compromise what we feel to be the truth but we must guard, lest in our personal lives, we let pride become our ruling decision-maker.

What are we suggesting? That we study the Bible with an open mind, searching the scriptures to find out God's will. Let us do as Paul told the Thessalonians: Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you. (II Thess. 3:1 KJV) What was great about these Christians? They had let the Word of God guide them rather than them trying to force God's Word to fit their lives. We want to be like Apollos who, after have the word of God shown to him more perfectly, followed the Bible where it led and started teaching the whole truth (cf. Acts 18:24-28). We want to be open to learn and ready to change when we see that we are in error. Can you take rebuke? If not, perhaps your heart has become hardened and is in need of some stronger rebuke.

Tony Lawrence

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	Ronnie Prince
Scripture	Psalm 139:1-24
Lord's Table	*Richard Bost
	*James Locke
	Ed Griffin
	Edgar Webb
	Harley Northcutt
	J.B. Gribble
	Sidney Grove
	Dwayne Christian
Sermon	Paul Kidwell, Jr.
Dismiss	Jim Statton

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Billy Gilbert & Bill Haston

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Teenage Class Students

**Nursery Attendant:** Gail Crouch

**Bus Driver:** Greg Allen

**Pantry Item:** Canned Tomatoes

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship.....	317
Bible Study .....	253
P.M. Worship.....	214
Wednesday Bible Study.....	190
Contribution.....	\$2154

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Danny Duncan
Scripture	I Peter 4:12-19
Lord's Table	*Cecil Cantrell
	Joe T. Cantrell
Sermon	Paul Kidwell, Jr.
Dismiss	Buell Warren

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**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Dwaine Johnston
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Everett Green
Reading	Ward Golden
Invitation	Don Shuster
Dismiss	Ken Lee

**Welcome Committee:**

A.M.	Everett & Dot Green
P.M.	Flosy Smartt & Doris Smith
	Janice Lewis Family

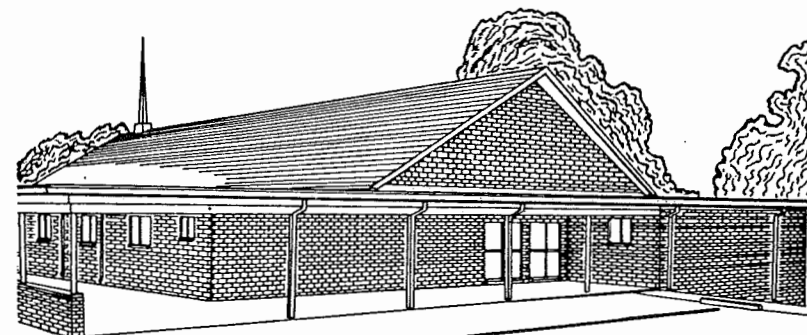
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**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Scott Griffith
Scripture	Jeremiah 10:23
Lord's Table	*Richard Bost *Cecil Cantrell
	Robert Bumbalough
	Harley Northcutt
	J.B. Gribble
	Edgar Webb
	Ward Golden
	Buell Warren
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	W.C. Chilton

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Jim Slotton & Leonard Clemons

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Teenage Class Students

**Nursery Attendant:** Beverly Davis

**Bus Driver:** Dennis Gann

**Pantry Item:** Shortning

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship	_____	357
Bible Study	_____	277
P.M. Worship	_____	248
Wednesday Bible Study	_____	199
Contribution	_____	\$2,183

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	James Locke
Reading	Dwayne Christian
Scripture	Psalms 95:1-11
Lord's Table	*Joe T. Cantrell
	Kelly Thaxton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slotton

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Dwaine Johnston
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Leonard Clemons
Dismiss	Don Shuster

**Welcome Committee:**

A.M.	W.C. Chilton Family
P.M.	Hal Cook, April Gilley, & Linda Cantrell

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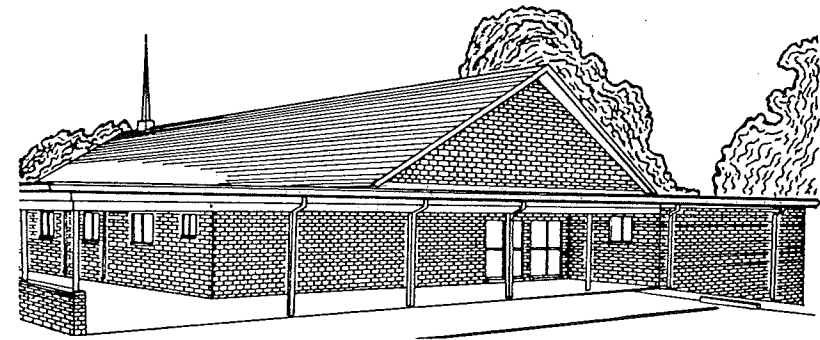
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**SICK:** We have several of our number that have been sick. Bettie Cantell is in the Nursing Home. Ed Gann, Gracie Nunley, Ethelene Rollins, and Jonathan Goodman were all sick at home. Sister Catherine Flatt is in Parkview Hospital/Nashville (#3124) and hopes to come home this week. Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother) remains in the Golden Triangle Medical Center/Columbus, MS (#354) and will probably be in the hospital for the rest of the week.

**GOSPEL MEETINGS:** We are blessed to live in an area where one can hear the Gospel preached often. Some of the meetings in our area are: **Ivy Bluff** with Owen Ivery through this Friday evening with services at 7:30 p.m. **Smartt Station** with James Harris through Friday with services at 7:30 p.m. **Rockliff** with James Vandiver, August 3-7, with services at 7:30 p.m. Also, the **Arlington** congregation will be having their V.B.S. this week through Friday with Vernon Joines teaching the Adult class. Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**CHURCH DIRECTORIES:** The church directories are in and each family is asked to pick up their copy (one per family please) out of the box which is located near the rear of the auditorium.

**CHRISTIAN BIBLE TEACHER:** The Elders made a decision some time back to purchase two subscriptions to the magazine **Christian Bible Teacher** for the benefit of our teachers. Teachers may find these copies on the table in the library. Please leave at least one of the copies in there so others can use it. If you find an article which you would like to have, just copy it on the copy machine. Teachers please take advantage of this tool as many good ideas are found in each issue.

 Are you a Daily Bible Reader? If not, why not start now? The Sunday Evening Lessons are arranged so that you may read the context of the lesson before it is preached. A list is provided for your convenience on the table at the rear of the auditorium.

# A Baptist's Impression Of The Church.

{Edward T. Dalhbert, minister of the Delar Baptist Church of St. Louis, MO, recently visited the Central church of Christ in that city and gave his impression of the visit over the radio, "Protestant Hour." He mailed copies of his impression to all those interested in the radio and T.V. audience. Here in part is his letter.}

I had a very interesting experience on Sunday, when I was not preaching myself. I walked over to the nearest neighboring church close to my home. Now this church is very different to my church. It does not believe in any instrumental music...there was not an organ or piano in the entire building. Now, you might say when you hear about a church like that, "Well, they must be queer... to introduce old fashioned ideas like that into the middle of the 20th century." But to the contrary, that was one of the most inspiring services I ever attended. The church was crowded to the doors with a youthful congregation and the singing was led by a well-mannered young man, with quietness and dignity the singing was of superb volume and praise to God, and until the time of the sermon, the minister took no part in the service. Eight capable young laymen, fine looking, read the scriptures, offered prayer, gathered the contribution, and even administered the Lord's Supper. It was a perfect demonstration of the priesthood of believers, and I felt myself virtually in the fellowship of the 1st Century Church. I went home inspired, saying, "It was good to be in the house of the Lord today."

{Editor's Note: Though I do not know anything about either the church in St. Louis or the Baptist preacher who wrote the above letter, I do know that if people will only "come and see" that they will be impressed with the simple worship of New Testament Christians. T.C.}

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Bill Biles
Reading	Tommy Crouch
Scripture	II Timothy 4:1-5
Lord's Table	*Bill Haston
	*Harold Cook
	Rodney Jones
	James Goolsby
	Dwaine Johnston
	Everett Roller
	Otis Morgan
	Jeff Bond
Sermon	Paul Kidwell, Jr.
Dismiss	John R. Porter

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Doug & Barry Hendrixson

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Teenage Class Students

**Nursery Attendant:** Judy Cook

**Bus Driver:** Rodney Reynolds

**Pantry Item:** Canned Vegetables

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship	311
Bible Study	243
P.M. Worship	246
Wednesday Bible Study	Unavail.
Contribution	\$2364

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	David Thaxton
Scripture	Galatians 3:23-29
Lord's Table	*Chip Cantrell
	Barry Hendrixson
Sermon	Paul Kidwell, Jr.
Dismiss	Shannon Locke

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Dwaine Johnston
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Jason Smith
Reading	Kelly Thaxton
Invitation	Larry Flatt
Dismiss	Dennis Gann

**Welcome Committee:**

A.M.	Bill Biles Family
P.M.	Thuman Bennett Family

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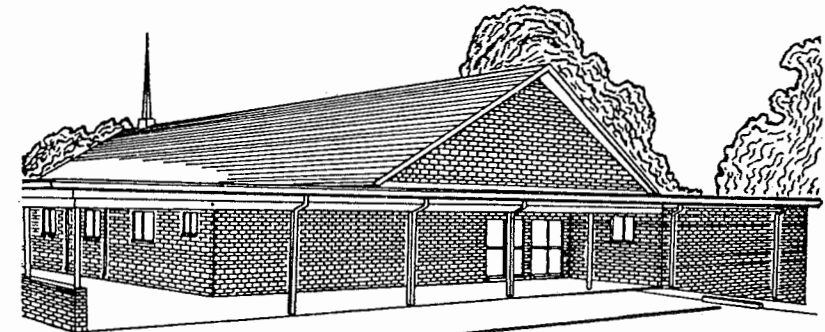
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## Make Prayer A Part of Life



"Ask, and you will receive; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks will receive, and he who seeks will find, and the door will be opened to him who knocks. Would any one of you fathers give his son a stone, when he asks you for bread? Or would you give him a snake, when he asks you for fish? As bad as you are, you know how to give good things to your children. How much more, then, your Father in heaven will give good things to those who ask him!"

MATTHEW 7:7-11

PRAYER - certainly one of our most cherished opportunities each day. Are we truly reaching the benefits of this privilege or is this an area of neglect?

We all need the prayers one of another. Do you pray regularly? Are the shepherds remembered in your petitions? Deacons? Your evangelists? The sick? Those with special needs? Bible class teachers? Those who misuse you?

One reason many become "out of touch" with God is because they have broken the lines of communication.

Prayer and Bible study must be a part of our every day. "...the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much..."

Sister Catherine Flatt is in room 45 at Riverpark.

At home are:

Elsie Fisher  
Bettie Cantrell  
Bertha Stewart



...bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.



Ephesians 6:4



Our hearts are saddened at the passing of one of our shepherds, brother J. Noel Foster and that of our brother Haskel Neal. Let us keep these families in our prayers and actions that they might find comfort in their time of sorrow. All who would like to contribute for flowers see Earlene Ray, Jane Golden or Mildred Glenn.

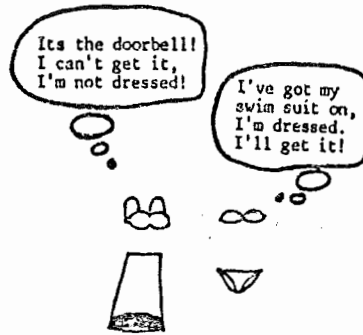


GOSPEL MEETINGS July 20 - 25:  
Earlyville - Ed Vanhouser  
Hebron - James Watkins  
Ivy Bluff - Owen Ivery  
All services are at 7:30 PM

Attention! Attention!

The new membership directories are in!! If you have not gotten one please pick one up at the next service. One per family please.

## SUN, SAND, AND SIN!



Some years ago I saw this little illustration. I don't know who thought of it or where I saw it, but it made an impression on my mind that I've never forgotten.

In Colossians 3:8, Paul said, "But now ye also put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication from your mouth." Will someone please show me the verse that says "put off your clothes!!" Yes, friends, it's about that time of year again. Time for sunshine, sand and sin!! We may have put off our clothes all of our life during the summer months, but now that we consider ourselves mature Christians, let us be grown up enough to obey what God says about it.

In the beginning there was nothing shameful about nakedness (Genesis 2:25). But after sin, it took on a completely different meaning. Adam and Eve realized their nakedness (Genesis 3:6-9). Instead of God saying, "nakedness is alright," he "made for Adam and Eve coats of skins, and clothed them" (Genesis 3:21). From that day forward nakedness was considered shameful and in rebellion against God and his law.

Read Genesis 9:20 and following concerning the nakedness of Noah. Then turn to Exodus 20:26 and consider the reason for the priests not to climb the altar. If you truly desire to know what the Bible teaches about nakedness, peruse an exhaustive concordance and read the verses with the word "naked" or "nakedness" in them. It doesn't take a certificate of graduation from elementary school to figure out that nakedness is shameful and sinful (Revelation 3:18).

Jesus said, "Whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart" (Matthew 5:28). From this verse it is obvious that if a man lusts after a woman, he has sinned. The opposite is true when a woman lusts after a man. When a "dresser" dresses in such a way to cause another to look and lust, the "dresser" shares in the sin. The "dresser" is as guilty for provoking the evil thoughts as is the individual who has them. "It is impossible but that offenses will come: but woe unto him through whom they come" (Luke 17:1). It is not forgotten that there are some who will have immoral thoughts regardless of the apparel, but those instances are not the fault of the "dresser".

God gave special counsel to women concerning their apparel because he knew the effect it would have on the opposite sex. Paul said that women should wear "modest apparel" which can be worn "with shamefastness and sobriety" (1 Timothy 2:9). Women who follow the standards set by the world and pretend to be unaware of the evil effects had on men are rebelling against the beauty that God intended for them to have - inward beauty.

Have you stopped to notice some of the arguments people give in defense of "nakedness". "Modesty is a matter of opinion!" "There was a time when a dress above the knee was immodest." "It is impossible to draw a line between modest and immodest." "My wife and daughter both have very modest bikinis!" Brethren, let me plead with you to consider this: HOWEVER AN INDIVIDUAL MAY DRESS THAT EXCITES SEXUAL DESIRE IN ANOTHER IS IMMODEST AND SINFUL! This principle has never changed, regardless of fashion.

After having been fully clothed during the cold months, have you ever noticed that when you first put on your "swim suit" and go outside, you feel "naked"? That's because you are! But as you continue to dress like that, you begin to feel more and more comfortable about the way you dress, or should I say undress. Before long, you "feel" there is nothing wrong with this apparel! Brethren, before you put off your clothes this summer and your heart is hardened by the deceitfulness of sin, think on these things and just how ridiculous that it is to attempt to defend "fashionable nudity".

Micky Bell



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Greg Allen
Reading	Dale Bennett
Scripture	Matthew 16:13-18
Lord's Table	*Chip Cantrell
	*Barry Hendrixson
	Larry Powers
	Sidney Grove
	Shannon Locke
	David Thaxton
	Jeff Bond
	Rodney Maynard
Sermon	Paul Kidwell, Jr.
Dismiss	Darron Shuster

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Billy Gilbert & Bill Haston

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Teenage Class Students

**Nursery Attendant:** Linda Griffin

**Bus Driver:** Bill Haston

**Pantry Item:** Paper Towels

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship	_____	330
Bible Study	_____	269
P.M. Worship	_____	237
Wednesday Bible Study	_____	212
Contribution	_____	\$ 1,980

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Doug Hendrixson
Scripture	Isaiah 62:1,2
Lord's Table	*Jim Case
	Clyde Christian
Sermon	Paul Kidwell, Jr.
Dismiss	Dwight Davis

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First Prayer	Billy Gilbert
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Dismiss	Don Shuster

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THE "GRANNIE" ARGUMENT

In his epistle to the Romans, Paul reminds the saints of that city that they had been buried with Christ in baptism and subsequently were raised to walk "in newness of life" (Rom. 6:3,4). In the same context, the apostle describes this process as their "obedience unto righteousness" (16). Further, he observes that this obedience to that "form of doctrine" had been rendered "from the heart" (17). The expression "from the heart" denotes that these people had understood exactly what they were doing when they obeyed the gospel plan. By way of contrast, note how the Lord rebuked certain Jewish leaders who did not "understand with their heart" (Mt. 13:15). Biblically speaking, the term "heart" is frequently used of the intellect (cf. Rom. 10:9,10). Since the stated design of water baptism is "for the remission of sins" (Acts 2:38; cf. 22:16; Mark 16:16; 1 Pet. 3:21), it should be clear to any informed person that if one's baptism is to be valid, he or she must understand the purpose of the ordinance when submitting to it.

Occasionally, however, there are those who argue that so long as one submits to the ritual, whether the significance of it is understood or not, the blessing of salvation will be received. The following is a recent defense of this position. For lack of a better descriptive, we shall simply call it the "Grannie Argument."

"In her eighties, Grannie is ordered by her doctor to take several kinds of medication. She gets confused about the purpose of the various pills. She may think the pill given to relieve her dizziness is the one to ease her arthritis. Will her confusion and misunderstanding make the pill ineffective in relieving her dizziness? She follows the orders of the doctor who understands. She only has to obey him. So when a penitent believer obeys his or her Lord, though that person may be confused as to when the Lord fulfills His promise, it will not cause the Lord to withhold the promised results" (Cecil Hook, *Free In Christ*, 1984, p. 77).

It is not Grannie who is confused; it is the author of this erroneous analogy who is disoriented! Let us analyze this argument as to its soundness.

In the first place, the argument draws a comparison between dissimilar situations. It is hardly appropriate to compare the reception of a pill, which produces an automatic physical response, with lucidly obeying a divinely-given command. Comprehension is not necessary in the former instance, but the Bible makes it quite clear that understanding is required in spiritual matters. Learning precedes obedience to God (cf. John 6:45).

I venture to say, however, that the advocate of the foregoing position will scarcely be willing to follow his argument to its logical consequence. Let us reflect upon this momentarily.

First, it is contended that so long as the doctor understands, and administers the proper medication, poor Grannie, even though confused, will be alright. If the comparison to baptism is proper, shall we then conclude that as long as the administrator understands the purpose of the command, the comprehension of the candidate is irrelevant? The has been the position of paedobaptists for centuries; infants are baptized upon the basis of the parents' faith. Surely we are not ready to contend for infant baptism! (Cf. *Christian Courier*, May 1985, p. 1).

Second, for the sake of further exploration, let us assume that our "Grannie" is a bit obstinate. She decides that she just does not want to take her necessary medication. As the case sometimes is, we may find it necessary to gently "force" the dear lady to receive her medicine. Will the fact that she was coerced negate the effect of her pill? Of course not. Might we thus assume that baptism will be valid even though forced upon the subject? With a couple of strong-arm fellows we could surely swell the membership of the church!

Third, what if Grannie should slip into a coma, yet still need medication. Would the fact that she is unconscious cancel its effect? Certainly not. Then might we join the Romanists and administer baptism to those who are unconscious? Such would hardly be conceded.

But let me make an argument similar to the one under review. Instead of Grannie, consider the case of Junior. Junior is six years old and sick, but doesn't want to

take his medicine. His mother promises that if he will take it, she will give him a dollar. He grabs the money and takes the pill. Now tell me, will the medication work? Surely. If the argument advanced above is thus legitimate, could we not offer \$100.00 "a head" for all who would submit to baptism? Don't bother to answer the question.

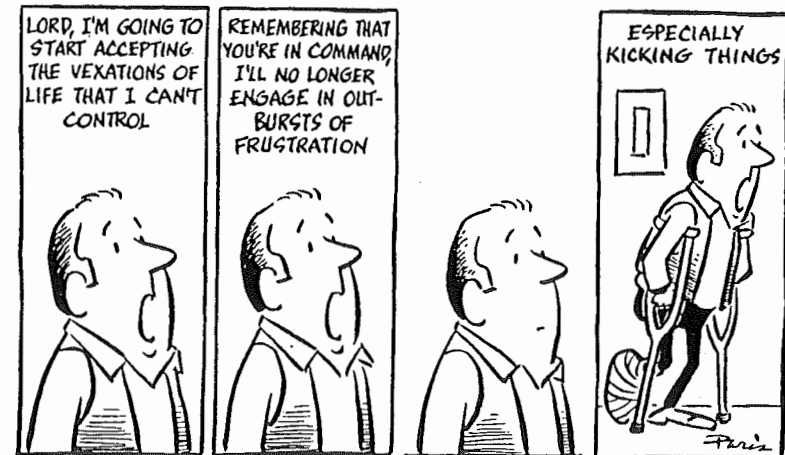
It appears to me that some men have not only abandoned their regard for the plain testimony of the Holy Scriptures, they have also lost the ability to reason clearly. WJ

This article by Wayne Jackson appeared in the most recent edition of the *Christian Courier*. I encourage you to read it carefully.

**Sick:** Several of our number remain on the sick list. Catherine Flatt is now home and improving. Rosie Rogers (grandmother of our Ronnie Rogers) is in St. Thomas in Nashville. Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother) is doing better and hopes to come home from the hospital this week. Benny Bristow and Susie Shaw (Corretta's father and grandmother) are both in the Cabrini Hospital in Alexandria, LA.

**Gospel Meetings:** The **Rockliff** church of Christ will be having a meeting beginning Sunday going through Thursday night with James Vandiver preaching. Services will be at 7:30 p.m. The **Pleasant Knoll** church of Christ will be having a meeting beginning Sunday and going through Friday night with the following speakers: Chris Whitaker-Sunday, Phillip Smith, Jr-Monday, George Dehoff-Tuesday, Orion Hicks-Wednesday, George King-Thursday, and George Goldtrap-Friday. Services will be at 7:30 each evening.

**Short Mountain Cookbooks:** Those who ordered Short Mountain cookbooks may pick them up from Melba Bonner. Also, if any are interested in purchasing one, you may see her also.



# AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 Youth Sponsor's Luncheon - 12:15 Larry Flatt's	4 Grades 7-12 with Mt. Leo 7-9 PM at Boyd Softball	5	6	7	8	9 7:00 AM - Work in the garden at Sister Foster's
10 Devotional Grades 7-12 Paul Kidwell's	11 Grades 4-12 7-9 PM SKATING \$2.00 each	12	13	14	15	16 Planning Session for Sponsors - 5:30 The Clemmon's
17 Devotional Grades 10-12 Don Shuster's	18 Grades 7-12 7-9 PM Cookout Larry Flatt's	19	20	21	22 Grades 7-12 7 PM - Old Philadelphia - Singing 12-6 AM \$3.00 BOWLING	23
24 Grades 7-9 Devo Vinson's	25 Grades 7-12 Activity at the Clemmon's 7-9 PM	26	27	28	29	30 ALL CHURCH PICNIC 4:30 PM Thurman Bennett's
31 Devo Family Ice cream Supper						

Our Purpose: To bring our young people from where they are to a stable Christian growth pattern by encouraging the development of spiritual kinship, growth, and maturity

#### Primary Objectives

- 1) Train our youth for leadership - "These things command and teach. Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an ensample to them that believe, in word, in manner of life, in love, in faith, in purity" I Timothy 4:11,12.
- 2) Provide a study of God's word to stimulate knowledge and inspiration to godly living - "Every scripture inspired of God is also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in righteousness: that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work" II Timothy 3:16,17.
- 3) Provide Christian recreation (companionship) - "Be not deceived: Evil companionships corrupt good morals" I Corinthians 15:33.
- 4) Develop opportunities to serve in the congregation and the community - "That they do good, that they be rich in good works, that they be ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may hold on the life which is life indeed" I Timothy 6:18,19.

These objectives serve as the framework for our work with the young people and all of our classes and activities should stem from these goals. Make a conscious effort to think about and work toward these objectives daily.

#### Philosophy

INVOLVEMENT is the key. Involve the young people, parents, and members in the planning and carrying through of all activities. No one man show. We are all God's people commissioned equally to do God's work.

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Ronnie Rogers  
 Lead Singing Larry Vinson  
 First Prayer Richard Black  
 Reading Dwayne Christian  
 Scripture Luke 16:19-31  
 Lord's Table \*Harold Cook  
 \*Everett Green  
 James Goolsby  
 Ed Griffin  
 Eddie Hennessee  
 Eugene Wilcher  
 John Stembidge  
 Ralph Crouch  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Steve Wilcher

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Teenage Class Students

**Nursery Attendant:** Linda Powers

**Bus Driver:** Dwight Davis

**Pantry Item:** Peanut Butter

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 330  
 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 240  
 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 253  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 210  
 Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 3423

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Ronnie Rogers  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Ronnie Prince  
 Reading Ken Martin  
 Scripture Psalms 51:1-19  
 Lord's Table \*Bill Womack  
 Jim Case  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Ken Lee

**Wednesday Bible Study**

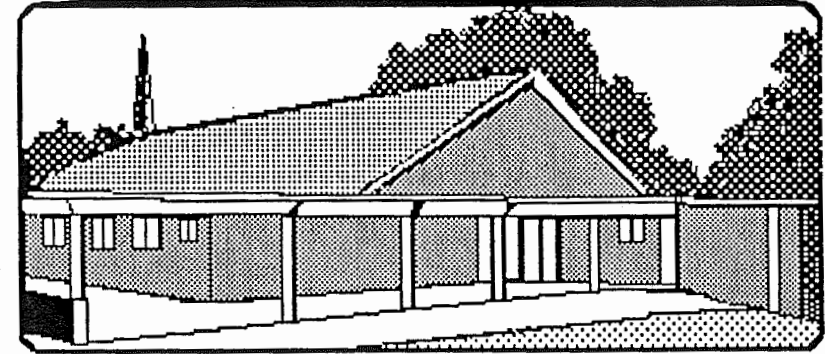
Announcements Rodney Reynolds  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Danny Duncan  
 Reading Tommy Crouch  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss John R. Porter

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### Always Abounding

Paul T. Kidwell, Jr.

VICTORY - Sunday was a day of victory for the family of God at Bybee Branch. Good singing and inspiring periods of Bible study and the return of \$3423 to our God from generous souls made it so. To God be the glory!

Also 20 adults met for the first time as volunteers to plan the work with our young people. God is truly glorified by such caring hearts. Enclosed you will find a copy of the calendar for the month of August for our young people. Please make these days a priority in your plans for the month. Notice please that the 4th - 6th graders will meet for a devotional this coming Sunday evening.

On the back of the enclosed calendar the aim of our focus in working with the young people is defined. Please take time to look it over.

Below are listed the adults who have volunteered their time to serve God in working with the young people. They are listed according to the group which will be their primary concern.

#### Grades 4 - 6

Leonard and Avie Clemmons  
Dwayne and Paula Johnson  
Jason and Sandy Smith

#### Grades 7-9

Richard and Brenda Bost  
Dwight and Beverly Davis  
Ronnie Rogers  
Larry and Debbie Vinson

#### Grades 10-12

Greg and Julie Allen  
Bob and Melba Bonner  
Larry Flatt  
Don and Peggy Shuster

We appreciate these people and encourage you to pray for and encourage them in this service.

#### Ray Krok-McDonald's and Us!

Ray Krok died recently - 81! He masterminded McDonalds. You opine, "So what?" We can learn from this man. I first knew McDonalds in California - way back in the 50's (Happy Days). Then, in the late 50's in Houston. Sherri, to a degree, worked her way through college at McDonalds. Now they are everywhere - open 24 hours daily, breakfasts, chicken, fish, barbeque, ice cream.

What can we learn? Food is food..That is the business. But the McDonalds of 1959 would go broke in 1984! You should have seen those early buildings. The selection was minimal. So what did McDonalds do? They changed their buildings, hours, locations, menus, way of service, advertisement, etc. to meet the needs of the public. They always were "one jump ahead". If they survive by the year 2000, more radical changes will be made! McDonalds grew by changing with the times! By the way - their food is better.

So also the Church. Truth is truth is truth. That is our business. But our methods, buildings, hours, advertisement, etc. must change with the times. 1984 is not 1954! What worked then is silly now! We must stay "one jump ahead" with method and means. What works now will fail in the year 2000! The Gospel is for people where they are as they are. Businesses would fail if they operated like the Church!

By the way - midst all this - our spirituality can be better.

Charles Hodge

### News -N- Notes



#### HOSPITAL:

Lora Boyd - WCGH

#### HOME:

Ruth Newby  
Hobart Griffith  
Beverly Davis



#### GOSPEL MEETINGS

August 3-7, 7:30 PM  
Rockliff church of  
Christ - James Vandiver  
August 3-8, 7:30 PM  
Mt. Arrarat church of  
Christ - Micky Bell

### COMING EVENTS!!



- August 10 - Devotional for 4-6 grades at the home of Jason Smith from 7:30 - 9:00 PM.
- August 11 - Skating for grades 4 up with the young people from Mt. Leo and Smithville.
- August 16 - Workday at the bldg. 8:00 AM beginning
- August 22 - Bowling at Pioneer Lanes from 12 - 6 AM
- August 30 - All church picnic!! 4:30 PM beginning at the Thurman Bennett's
- August 31 - Family Devotional and Ice Cream supper 7:30 - 9:00 PM

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Bill Haston
Scripture	Il Cor. 12:19-21
Lord's Table	*Jim Statton
	*Tommy Crouch
	Joe Maynard
	Buell Warren
	Edgar Webb
	Rodney Maynard
	J.B. Gribble
	Harley Northcutt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Doug Hendrixson

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Doug & Barry Hendrixson

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Teenage Class Students

**Nursery Attendant:** Sandi Smith

**Bus Driver:** Eddle Hennessee

**Pantry Item:** Fruit Juices

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship	_____	330
Bible Study	_____	263
P.M. Worship	_____	252
Wednesday Bible Study	_____	206
Contribution	_____	\$ 2,103

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Dwight Davis
Reading	Dale Bennett
Scripture	Proverbs 3:1-8
Lord's Table	*Danny Duncan
	Ward Golden
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dwaine Johnston

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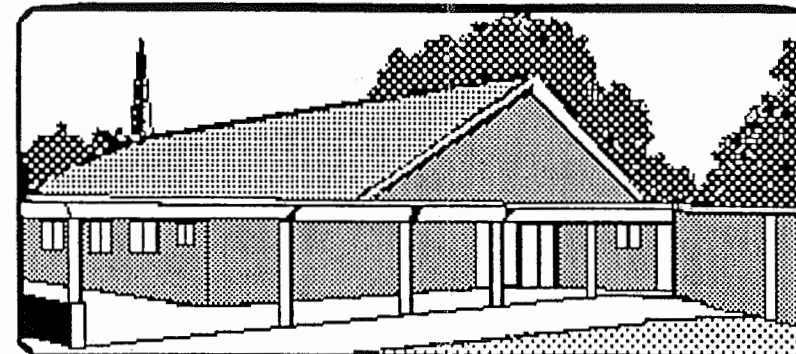
**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Stanley Graves
Invitation	Bob Bonner
Dismiss	Greg Allen

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## Gospel Meetings

The **Central** congregation will begin their meeting August 17-22, with James Watkins (brother of our Mary Davis) preaching. Services will be at 7:30 each evening. Also, an area-wide singing is planned for 2:00 p.m. the afternoon of the 22nd. The **Bluff Springs** church will be having their Gospel Meeting August 29-31, with Glenn Ramsey preaching. Services will begin at 7:30 each evening except Friday when the service will begin at 7:00 with a special singing.

## Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Bettie Cantrell who passed away this past Wednesday.

## Nashville Bible School

The Nashville Bible School will be having classes at the **New Union** church building in Manchester. Classes will begin on September 18. For those who wish to take the classes, you need to fill out a registration form (see the table in the rear of the building) and send in the \$30 registration fee. Teachers for the classes will be Gary Fulks and Tom Holland.

## Work Day

This Saturday, August 16, there will be a work day to take care of some repairs around the building. If you are able to come, please try to be here at 8:00 a.m.

## Talented Writers

It is without doubt that Bybee Branch has been blessed with great talent. We have so many that are talented in different areas. If you would like to write an article for the bulletin, please do so! It cannot be long due to the space, but, I am sure that many of you have a word of edification to give, so, "say on." T.L.

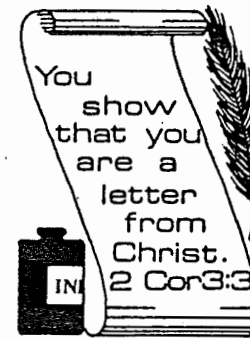
## Always Abounding

EXCITEMENT - Such is the atmosphere surrounding the work with our young people. Last evening more than 201 from grades 4-6 met for a devotional period. On Monday evenings the count has regularly exceeded 60 with counts into the 70's. To God be the glory!

This Sunday evening grades 10-12 will meet at the home of Darron Shuster. Make your plans to be there and bring someone with you. With school starting there will be many opportunities to invite your friends to the activities. Already we are seeing several in attendance. Keep up the good work!

This weekend I will be away looking at potential mission sites in East Tennessee and in North Carolina. Please continue your prayers for us and our shepherds as we search. PTK.

## From The Preacher's Pen...



## What Does Your Letter Say?

In II Cor. 3:2, Paul told the saints, *Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men.* Every one of us are preaching a sermon or writing a letter by type of lives we live each day. Some are showing that they are a letter from Christ, while others are saying they are servants of Satan.

Too many of us do not realize the profound impact that our lives have on others. They only need to see us doing something less than Christian then they feel that they have an excuse to do their pet sin. One need only to see us preach that church attendance is not necessary by our lack of attendance and then they will become bold to do the same. If others here us talk bad about our brothers and sisters in Christ, then they will think it fine also. On the other hand, our influence can be positive as well. When others see that we are studying our lessons and participating in the classes then they will want to do so also. When we strive to live the gospel in our daily lives it will cause others to realize that we have placed God as #1 in our lives. The question is, what are you saying by the letter of your life? T.L.

## A TIME TO LAUGH



"THIS MUST BE THE SERMON WE'VE HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT."



"THIS WAS A JOB DONE BY A PRO."



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 Lead Singing Larry Vinson  
 First Prayer Thurman Bennett  
 Reading Bill Haston  
 Scripture  
 Lord's Table \*James Locke  
 \*Winfrey Hennessee  
 Otis Morgan  
 Rodney Jones  
 Dwayne Christian  
 Everett Roller  
 Robert Bumbalough  
 Stanley Graves  
 Paul Kidwell  
 Ronnie Prince

Sermon  
 Dismiss

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Jim Slatton & Leonard Clemons

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Larry Powers, Chip Cantrell, Barry Hendrixson, Doug Hendrixson

**Nursery Attendant:** Glyna & Missy Lee

**Pantry Item:** Canned Tomatoes

**Attendance & Offering:**

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 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 274  
 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 247  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 216  
 Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 2,074

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Announcements Ronnie Rogers  
 Lead Singing Jason Smith  
 First Prayer Larry Flatt  
 Reading Jeff Bond  
 Scripture  
 Lord's Table \*Clyde Christian  
 Joe T. Cantrell  
 Paul Kidwell  
 W.C. Chilton

Sermon  
 Dismiss

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements W.C. Chilton  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Lee Flatt  
 Reading Billy Gilbert  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Bill Womack

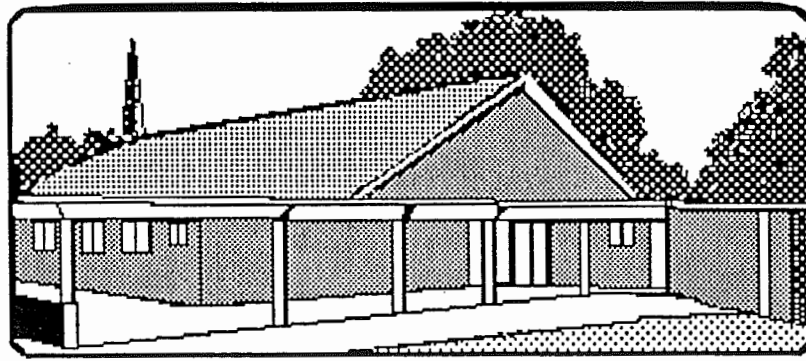
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<b>Wednesday</b>		Church Office	473-2486
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

## Sick

Floyd Harris is still in Warren Regional Hospital (#248), Lena Mae Gribble is sick at home. Cathrine Flatt is scheduled for eye surgery in Nashville Thursday, and will be at the home of her daughter in Brentwood for a few days.

## Hats Off!

Last Saturday there were about 20 people who gathered to do work on the building. Dwight Davis was in charge and did an exceptional job of organizing the work.

## Library Books and Pew Bibles

There have been three books contributed to the library recently in memory of some of our departed members. In memory of Noel Foster two books have been contributed: Questions and Answers: Vol. II by Guy N. Woods and The Bible Only Makes Christians Only and the Only Christians by Thomas B. Warren. In memory of Haskel Neal Commentary on I Corinthians by Burton Coffman. In addition to these you may have noticed several new pew Bibles, these and others to come have been purchased in memory of Bettie Cantrell, Maureen Brewer, and Grady Foster.

**Be sure to let us know if your address changes! Before you move!**

## Bowling Party

This Friday night/Saturday morning from 12:00 midnight until 6:00 a.m. the young people gather for a bowling party. The cost will be \$3.50.

## Elders/Deacons Meeting

This Monday, August 25, is the monthly meeting of the Elders and Deacons.

## Watch those Ushers!

In Oakland, California, at the Sunday evening services, the sermon was underway and at the back door Gle Jackson had been trying to keep a small dog from getting in. Halfway through the service the door opened and a man and a woman walked in. Jackson saw the dog and gave a kick at him and missed, catching the woman on the shin! She was double in pain and began rubbing her leg. Then, before he could apologize, she looked up and said, *I'm sorry we're late, but we're from out of town!*

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## GETTING PERSONAL

The little cartoon to the left shows the attitude of many. Condemnation of sin is alright so long as it concerns someone else. This is simply not the Lord's plan for preaching the Truth.

In the Old Testament, Amos was a prophet of God who spoke against error. In chapter 7, Amos condemned the sins of Jeroboam and proclaimed that he would die and that the children of Israel would be led away captive (7:11). The response was that Amaziah, the priest and one of Jeroboam's strongest supporters, rebuked Amos for condemning the King and for speaking a message that

stepped on their toes so bad. Amos quickly and correctly told Amaziah that his commission was from God and that the message that he spoke was from God. This is the crux of the matter. Preachers do not decide *what* they will preach, God has already decided that! Preachers must simply declare what God has said and if that gets personal to anyone, that is the way God intended it. The greatest problem for the preacher is deciding *when* to preach what God has already said.

After all, what is preaching for? Is it not to help us be better people and be pleasing to God? If preaching never gets personal and never rebukes us of the sins in our life then something is wrong, either we have a deluded view of ourselves by denying our sin, or the preacher is not "telling it like it is." When I get where I don't ever step on your toes, let me know, perhaps I am not doing my job as I should.

Tony Lawrence

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Announcements Ronnie Rogers  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Bob Bonner  
 Reading James Locke  
 Scripture \*Ken Martin  
 Lord's Table \*Winfrey Hennessee  
 Ed Griffin  
 Bill Haston  
 Sidney Groves  
 Danny Duncan  
 John Stembidge  
 Rodney Maynard  
 Paul Kidwell  
 Dennis Gann

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**  
 Billy Gilbert & Bill Haston

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**  
 Scott Griffith, Shannon Locke, Chip Cantrell, Jeff Bond, Greg Allen, W. C. Chilton

**Nursery Attendant:** Mary Lois Cantrell

**Pantry Item:** Snack Foods

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 326  
 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 263  
 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 241  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 211  
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**Sunday Evening Worship**

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 Lead Singing Paul Kidwell  
 First Prayer David Thaxton  
 Reading Barry Hendrixson  
 Scripture \*Jeff Bond  
 Lord's Table Darron Shuster  
 Dale Bennett  
 Sermon Chip Cantrell  
 Dismiss

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 First Prayer Don Shuster  
 Reading Dwight Davis  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Ward Golden

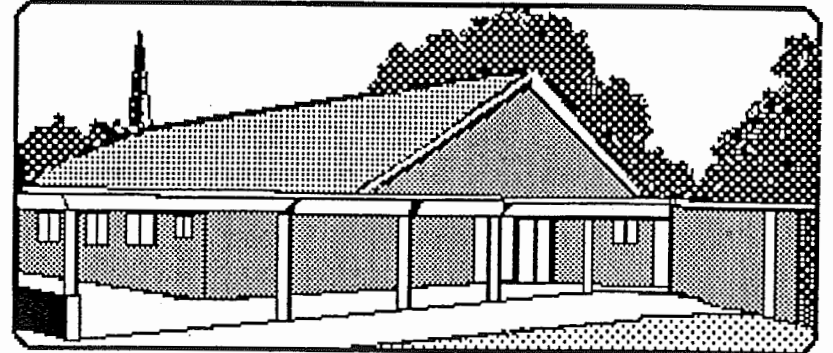
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## THANK YOU

Corretta's father (Benny Bristow) and grandmother (Susie Shaw) both wish to express their thanks for the cards sent by several of the church here.

## THURMAN'S GET-TOGETHER

Saturday, August 30, there will be a get-together at Thurman Bennett's home. It will begin at approximately 2:00 p.m. with the meal at approximately 4:00. If you plan to attend, please sign the sheet in the rear of the auditorium. You are also asked to bring a couple of vegetables or desserts. If you have any questions, be sure to ask Thurman or Hazel. Be sure to bring a good appetite for some good food.

## FAMILY RETREAT

A very exciting event is only a little over three weeks away! Last year we had a great family retreat at Short Mountain and are looking forward to another one this year. Start now making your plans to be with us then. It is a great opportunity for you and your family to get away from the hustle and bustle and enjoy the company of Christians.

## SICK

Catherine Flatt had eye surgery last week in Nashville and is staying for a few days at her daughter's home (address %Kathy McMurtry, 658 Cloverbrook Dr., Brentwood, TN 37027). Carl Newby is in Riverpark Hospital (#1). Gracie Nunley is also in Riverpark Hospital (#11). Edith Cantrell is sick at home. Paul Cantrell (son of Hallie Cantrell and brother of Judy Cook) is recovering from back surgery in New Mexico.

## GOSPEL MEETINGS

**Bluff Springs** with Glenn Ramsey August 29-31 with services at 7:30.  
**Morrison** with William Wilder, August 24-29 with services at 7:00.

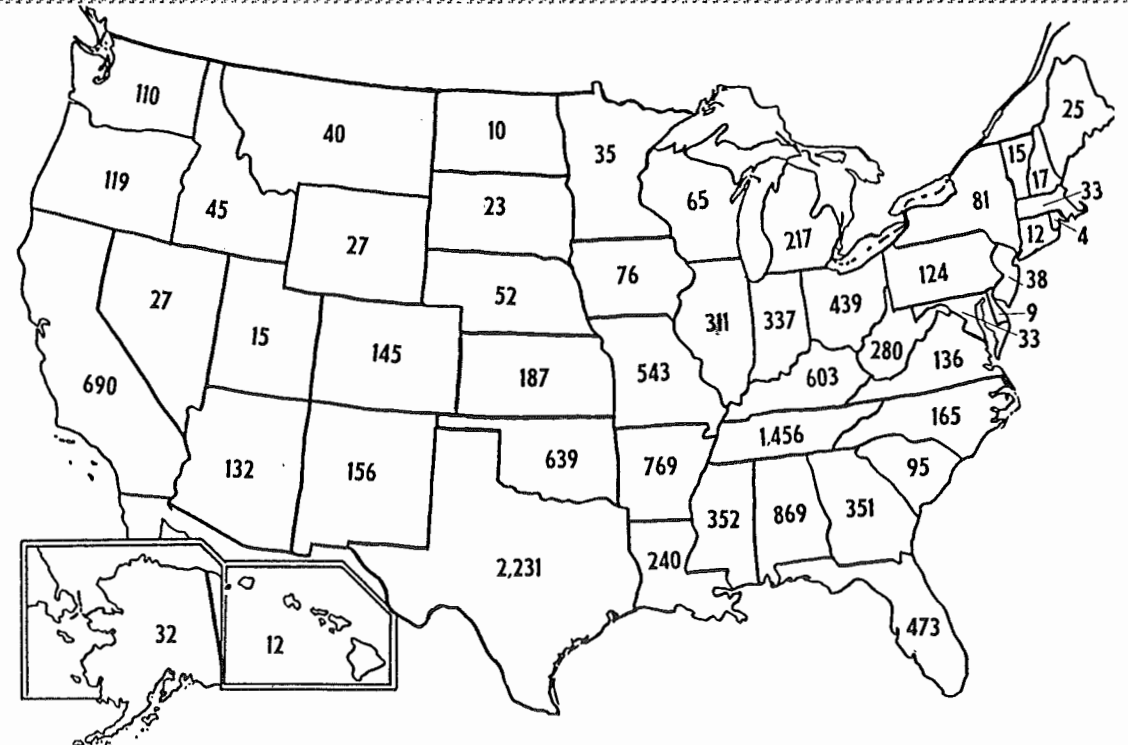
## ICE CREAM SUPPER

Next Sunday evening after services there will be a devotional and ice cream supper at the new park next to the river. Everyone who can bring a freezer of ice cream is encouraged to do so. Those who cannot bring ice cream are asked to bring desserts or drinks. Don and Darron Shuster will be in charge of the devotional.

## Our Country's Great Need For The Gospel

So often since we live in an area where the church is considered to be so strong (there are 51 churches of Christ in Warren County according to the Southern Standard Fact Book) it is easy to fail to see that the church is not very strong elsewhere. In fact, there are more churches in Warren County than in 19 of the states! This is the reason why our emphasis on mission work is so important. We simply cannot allow the world to remain lost without our trying to do something to help save it. Let us continue to support the preaching of the Gospel with our contributions. Let us pray for those who labor in those hard and difficult places. Let us remain interested in mission works everywhere. And, when Paul and his family find the suitable location for their work, let us pray for their success and be involved in every opportunity we can to help.

To illustrate the point I am making, just glance at the map below. The map appeared in an April 1983, edition of the Firm Foundation. It was prepared by Mac Lynn of Harding Graduate School of Religion while doing research for the book, Where the Saints Meet. It does not take one long, looking at the map, to see our country's great need for the Gospel message here. T.L.



# SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Devotional Grades 10-12 Greg Allen's	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Youth Sponsor's Luncheon 12:30 Richard Bost's Devotional Grades 4-6 Edith Morrow's	15	16	17	18	19 ----- SHORT	20 MOUNTAIN
21 RETREAT - - -	22	23	24	25	26	27 Grades 7-12 2:00 - 6:00 Rock Island Park
28 Devotional Grades 7-9 Clay Hill's	29	30				

**Our Purpose:** To bring our young people from where they are to a stable Christian growth pattern by encouraging the development of spiritual kinship, growth, and maturity

#### **Primary Objectives**

- 1) Train our youth for leadership - "These things command and teach. Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an ensample to them that believe, in word, in manner of life, in love, in faith, in purity" I Timothy 4:11,12.
- 2) Provide a study of God's word to stimulate knowledge and inspiration to godly living - "Every scripture inspired of God is also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in righteousness; that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work" II Timothy 3:16,17.
- 3) Provide Christian recreation (companionship) - "Be not deceived: Evil companionships corrupt good morals" I Corinthians 15:33.
- 4) Develop opportunities to serve in the congregation and the community. "That they do good, that they be rich in good works, that they be ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may hold on the life which is life indeed" I Timothy 6:18,19.

These objectives serve as the framework for our work with the young people and all of our classes and activities should stem from these goals. Make a conscious effort to think about and work toward these objectives daily.

#### **Philosophy**

**INVOLVEMENT** is the key. Involve the young people, parents, and members in the planning and carrying through of all activities. No one man show. We are all God's people commissioned equally to do God's work.

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Dwayne Christian
Scripture	
Lord's Table	*John R. Porter
	*Everett Green
	Steve Wilcher
	Eugene Wilcher
	Joe Maynard
	Ralph Crouch
	Rodney Jones
	Harley Northcutt
Sermon	Joe Gray
Dismiss	Leonard Clemons

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**  
Billy Gilbert & Bill Haston

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**  
Greg Allen, W. C. Chilton, David Thaxton,  
Sidney Grove

**Nursery Attendant:** June Slatton

**Pantry Item:** Saltine Crackers

**Attendance & Offering**

A.M. Worship	_____	350
Bible Study	_____	264
P.M. Worship	_____	248
Wednesday Bible Study	_____	212
Contribution	_____	\$ 2,428

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Dwaine Johnston
Reading	Tommy Crouch
Scripture	Ecclesiastes 9:1-18
Lord's Table	*Doug Hendrixson
	Scott Griffith
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Buell Warren

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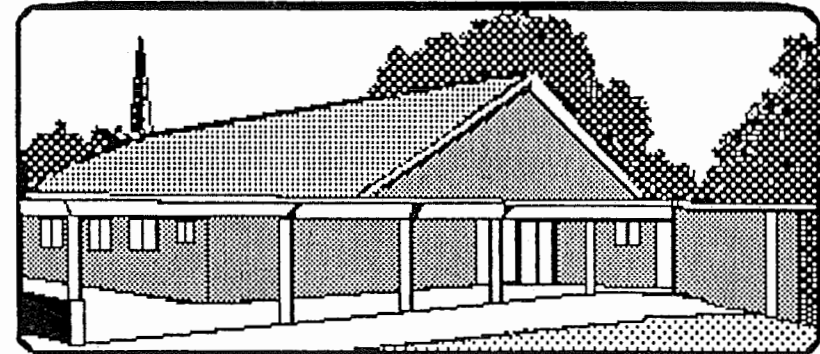
Announcements	Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Clyde Christian
Reading	Ward Golden
Invitation	Larry Vinson
Dismiss	Joe T. Cantrell

**Welcome Committee:**

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P.M.	Don Griffith Family

**Bus Driver:** Greg Allen

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## SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Carl Newby. He certainly was a man well spoken of who will be missed greatly.

## SICK

Sister Catherine Flatt is to return home this week after recovering from eye surgery. Sister Mary Martin was sick and unable to be out. There may be several others but they were not made known. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** If you know of sick that should be included in the bulletin, please call the building on Monday if possible and Tuesday morning at the latest.

**We have Bible Correspondence Courses available--Try to get your friends to sign up...**

## ALWAYS ABOUNDING

Paul T. Kidwell, Jr

During the past two weeks some 320 miles have been travelled while continuing the search for the right location for our new mission emphasis. Ten locations have been investigated and consideration is being given to those that are within the objectives of our search. Please continue to pray for our shepherds and for us as this decision is being made.

The Family Devotional last Sunday evening at Boyd School was a great beginning. Darron Shuster did a fine job presenting a message from the word of God. Larry Flatt tells me there was 200 or more in attendance. Thank you for your support!

Our young men were well prepared and did a splendid job in leading our regular Sunday evening service. Such training and leadership at this age will be invaluable both to these young men and the work of the Lord where they serve throughout their lives.

**NOTE THIS CHANGE!!!**

The activity at ROCK ISLAND has been changed due to a scheduling conflict for that day at the park. Be listening for plans for that day. They will be announced as soon as they are completed. The devotional for grade 10-12 is this Sunday. **BE THERE!!!**

# YOUTH

## A Hen House Parable

Once upon a time there was a Papa Rooster and Mama Hen, and they had a little baby chick. "This little chick is never going to scratch his living like I did," declared the Papa Rooster. "We shall see that he has everything he needs to grow up and be a fine chick."

And they did. They worked their beaks off trying to provide things for their little chick. He wore the finest, shiniest feathers in the whole chicken yard. They taught him the finest manners and allowed him to associate with only the best chickens. "I want" is all the baby chick needed to say, and his want was provided. The other chicks were so envious that he had parents who took pride in the meeting of his every wish!

In Chick-school he was always the leader. He led in reading, writing and arithmetic; played in chicken football and basketball and held down the first chair in the school crowing choir. He was valedictorian of his chicken class and was voted the most likely to make tracks! He went to Barnfowl University, and continued his education. He met a cute little chicken co-ed and was wed in an elaborate barnyard affair that had the henhouse talking for weeks afterward.

His career seemed assured and the future bright, but one morning tragedy struck. He disappeared, and was never seen again. The last anybody saw of him he was tucked under the arm of a hungry-looking hobo, who was headed for a campfire down by the railroad tracks. Alas, for the little Chick! His parents did everything for him except on thing that was absolutely needful: They never taught him how to save his life!

**MORAL:** Unless your child is learning how to save his soul, he doesn't have a chance of making it to heaven.

Submitted by Dot Foster



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Greg Allen
Reading	Richard Black
Scripture	Joshua 6:18,19
Lord's Table	*Bill Womack *Cecil Cantrell
	James Goolsby
	Eddie Hennessee
	Edgar Webb
	Ed Griffin
	Robert Bumbalough
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Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	W.C. Chilton

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**Pantry Item:** Canned Vegetables.

**Attendance & Offering:**

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First Prayer	Ken Martin
Reading	Dale Bennett
Scripture	Matthew 1:18-25
Lord's Table	*Billy Gilbert
	Ronnie Prince
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

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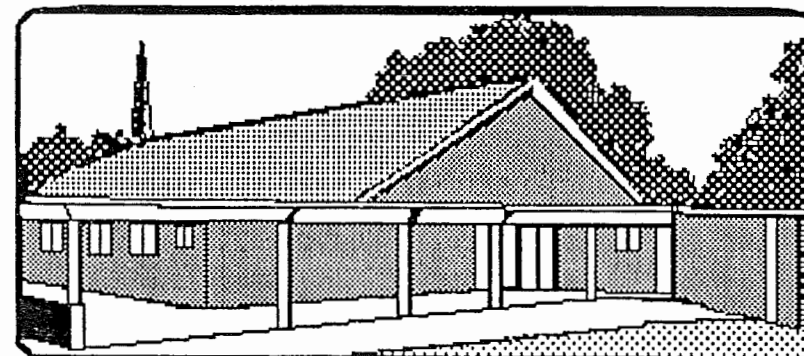
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Reading	Bob Bonner
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Case

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<b>A.M.</b>	Ruth Newby, Edna Smith, & Mary Davis
<b>P.M.</b>	Woodrow & Mildred Glenn

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## From The Preacher's Desk.

Tony Lawrence



As many of you know I am a fan of books, especially old ones. It is good to look back and see how things were thought of not too many years ago. One thing the Bybee Branch has done for many years is to keep a copy of each week's bulletin and these are stored in the church Library. If you have the time, why not go into the Library and sit and read some of the history of the church here. Please, do not take the copies out of the Library since we have only one copy of each year and they cannot be replaced. If you find something that you want to keep, we can make a copy of it.

The church Library can be a great tool for the congregation. We have commentaries, dictionaries, biographies, and various devotional books. Many of these books provide excellent reading, so why not try to use them. And, when you have the ability to do so, why not put a book in the Library in memory of your friends or family. *T.L.*



## Family Retreat

The time for the Family Retreat is drawing closer, it is only a week from Friday. If you can please try to go, as this will make the gathering much more special. **IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Those who plan to go need to put the meals that they plan to eat on the sheet on the bulletin board. This is essential if we are able to purchase the correct amount of food. Also, if you are able to help prepare the meals, see Harold Cook.

## New Church Secretary

As most of you know, Jason and Sandi Smith have moved to their new home in Tupelo, MS. This left the church in need of a secretary. We welcome Melba Bonner to this position. She will be in the office from 8:00-1:00 Tuesdays and Thursdays.

## Sick

Gracie Nunley has returned home after a stay in the Hospital. John Stembridge was also sick at home. Caleb Graves is in Riverpark Hospital (#42) after breaking his leg in a bicycle accident last Saturday. He is expected to be in traction for three weeks. Susie Shaw (Corretta's grandmother) is in critical condition in the hospital in Alexandria.

## Always Abounding

Paul T. Kidwell, Jr

It was sure good to roll back into McMinnville last evening. Don, Peggy, and Darron Shuster, Thurman Bennett and the Kidwell's visited potential mission points in East Tennessee and South Carolina over the weekend. It was a profitable weekend. Please continue to keep us in your prayers during this time of decision.

## FALL CREEK FALLS RETREAT !!!

September 26 - 28 will be the dates for a weekend retreat for grades nine through adult singles. Devotional services, group discussion sessions and recreational activities are being planned. We **MUST** know who is going AND have \$10.00 in advance. More details will be made available in the coming days.

Grades 4 - 6 will have their devotional this Sunday evening. I'll see you there!

## Bulletin Numbers

A word of explanation is in order about the numbering of the Volume of the bulletin in this issue. We have bulletins dating back to 1957 and rather than starting Volume II, we will finish 1986 (the 29th year) by numbering the weeks and the 30th volume will begin January 1, 1987. This way the bulletin can be filed better.

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 First Prayer Thurman Bennett  
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 Scripture Jeremiah 18:1-12  
 Lord's Table \*Doug Hendrixson  
 \*Don Griffith  
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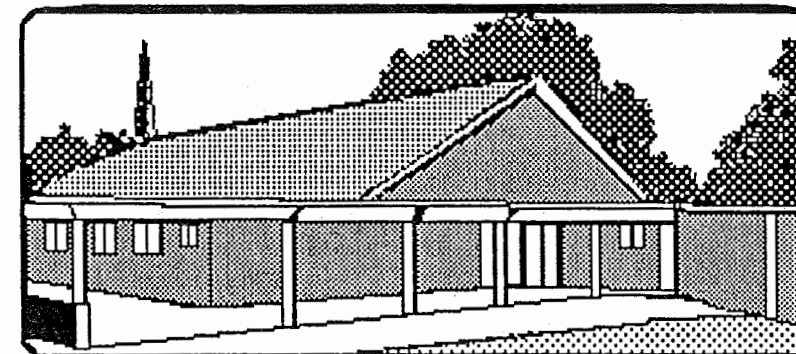
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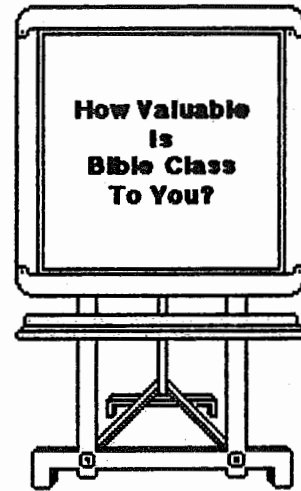


All of us have things of value to us. Some find that they cherish some things more than others. This is a part of life. However, there is usually something that we often overlook that is truly valuable to us. It may be our body or our family, but we usually do not see the true value of many things in our life. It often takes someone to jog our memory to get us to see that we need to be more aware of what is of true value.

One of the things that evidently many people do not see great value in is the Bible Classes. On Sunday morning we generally have 50-75 less at Bible Classes than we do at our Worship Service. And, on Wednesday evening we lose another 50-75 who evidently do not appreciate the value of the Bible Classes. We recognize that some of the number who leave on Sunday Morning are those who visit with us so they can get an early start on the "trip to the lake." People who build church around their social activities rather than arranging social activities around their commitment to the church generally have a much deeper problem, that will have to be dealt with at another time. What is a problem is those who do not "stay" for Bible Classes on Sunday or "return" for Classes on Wednesday evening. Many people will use as an excuse that they do not feel well or they cannot drive at night, but then you see those same people in town just after the classes. All of you know that this is so! What this leads one to believe is that many feel that the Bible Class is just not that valuable to them.

Then one must address the issue of how valuable is the Bible Class. Attending Bible Classes is just like being fed. The more one feeds on the Word of God, the greater his spiritual strength. How many feel that they could survive physically on 1 out of every 3 or 4 meals. How does one expect to be a Christian, growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ (II Pet. 3:18), and only be fed 1 out of every 3 or 4 spiritual meals? In the days of Amos the people were guilty of neglecting to study God's Word and God's reply to them was: *Behold, the days come, saith the Lord Jehovah, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of Jehovah. And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from north even to the east; they shall run to and fro to seek the word of Jehovah, and shall not find it.* (Amos 8:11,12). The old cliché, "use it or lose it."

T.L.



## Family Retreat

This weekend is the time for our Family Retreat! So many have made plans for the events of this weekend, so why not come on and be a part of the weekend. This event last year helped me to get to know the congregation much better. When one looks at the Bible, much of the time was spent in teaching others but there was also time when the Christian got together to spend time together. The Lord's church is a family and events like this help to build the "family" ties between brothers and sisters in Christ.



## For Your Information

A publication called YOUR CHURCH comes to the church building monthly. In it are various news and notes relative to the denominations. In the most recent issue there appeared a column on a Lutheran judgement regarding homosexuals. The suggestion of the Lutheran Church Executive Council was that *many more of our congregations can extend a welcome, withhold judgement, and offer pastoral support.* The primary emphasis of the 75 page report issued by the Executive Council was that homosexual behavior was a *given* trait rather than a *chosen* lifestyle. It is nothing less than blasphemy to accuse God for the deviant lives of those who openly choose to sin! T.L.

## Recipe for Good Gossip

1. Take a harmless event.
2. Add an ugly motive.
3. Add a suspicious tone.
4. Stir in own opinion.
5. Put in a measure of, "they say."
6. Add imaginary details to heighten the taste.
7. Sprinkle well with the spice of rumor.
8. Heat slowly over the flame of envy.
9. Serve secretly and as often as possible to anyone who will listen.

-Selected-

## Sick

**Caleb Graves** remain in Riverpark Hosptial (#42). **Susie Shaw** (Corretta's grandmother) has improved a little. **Edna McClain** fell and bruised herself and was unable to be out Sunday. It was good to see **Floyd Harris** back last Sunday!

## Memorial

Mrs. Ella Hendrixson & children have contributed a book to the memory of Carl Newby to the Church Library.

SUNDAY'S SERMONS:

A.M. *Thou Art The Potter*  
P.M. *I Am The Clay*

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Larry Vinson  
 Reading Jeff Bond  
 Scripture Matthew 5:13-16  
 Lord's Table \*Danny Duncan  
 \*Tommy Crouch  
 Dwayne Christian  
 Joe Maynard  
 Rodney Maynard  
 Kurt Maynard  
 Shannon Griffin  
 Ed Griffin  
 Sermon Paul T. Kidwell, Jr.  
 Dismiss Dennis Gann

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Jim Slatton & Leonard Clemons

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Barry Hendrixson, Doug Hendrixson, Chip Cantrell, Larry Powers.

**Nursery Attendant:** Nelma Chilton

**Pantry Item:** Chili

**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 331  
 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 240  
 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 276  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 220  
 Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 2,226

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Paul T. Kidwell, Jr.  
 First Prayer Winfrey Hennessee  
 Reading Steve Wilcher  
 Scripture Mark 4:1-9  
 Lord's Table \*Bill Womack  
 Joe T. Cantrell  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Doug Hendrixson

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements Jim Slatton  
 Lead Singing Larry Vinson  
 First Prayer Richard Bost  
 Reading W.C. Chilton  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Billy Gilbert

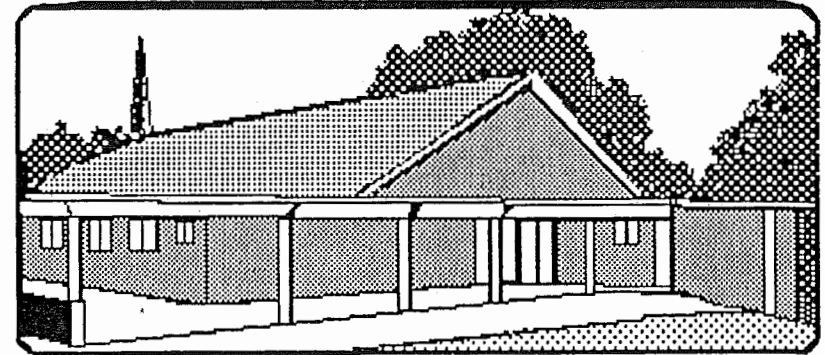
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From The Preacher's Desk.

Tony Lawrence



## CAST THY BREAD UPON THE WATERS

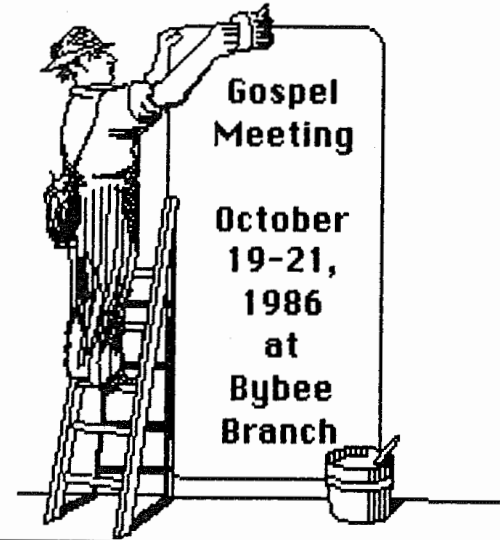
Solomon said, **Cast thy bread upon the waters; for thou shalt find it after many days.** (Ecc. 11:1). The point Solomon was trying to emphasize was essentially one that is found throughout the Bible, that is, a man will reap what he sows. The Law of God relative to sowing and reaping has both its negative and positive aspects.

Paul stated it, **Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth unto his own flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth unto the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap eternal life.** (Gal. 6:7,8). We emphasize, and rightly so, that people must be careful not to unfairly treat others or else they will have to suffer the consequences of sowing bad treatment of others. In the same vein we emphasize to our young people that they should stay away from the defilements of the world because they will have to pay for their sins! Solomon told his son, **Can a man take fire into his bosom, and his clothes not be burned? Or can one walk upon hot coals, and his feet not be scorched?** (Prov. 6:27,28). One will, sooner or later, reap what he has sown!

On the other hand, we have not emphasized enough the fact that one will reap what he sows if it is good. The principle is found in several passages. An example of just one of these is found where Paul said relative to the government, **do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise from the same.** (Rom. 13:3). Though Christianity is not a "merit" system, it is one based on "good works" (cf. Eph. 2:8-10). Christians must be taught that they will reap based on their sowing. In fact, the picture given in the Bible is clear, judgement will be a good thing for those whose lives have been filled with sowing good things (cf. Jn. 5:28,29; II Co 5:10). For many this must be a sobering thought. Many are like the one talent man in Matthew 25, they bury what they could use. Others are like the five talent man and quickly develop what they have been given.

Let us now determine that we will sow that which is good and from that reap good things here and eternal life in the world to come. Let us also determine that we will refrain from doing that which is wrong, knowing that we will have to give an account for those things.

T.L.



### Memorial Bible

An Instant Index Bible has been contributed by A.A. Allison in memory of John Wood (a former elder at Bybee Branch).

### Sick

**Caleb Graves** remains in Riverpark. **Lena Bratton** is in Warren Regional after having surgery for a pacemaker. **Willard Bouldin** (Avie Clemons father and Sidney Groves grandfather) is home after a logging accident. **John Stenbridge** is still confined home with a case of the shingles. **Elsie Medley** and **Mary Martin** were also sick at home. Let us continue to remember these in our prayers!

### Fall Festival

The annual Fall Festival this year will be on October 25. This event is always popular. Last year there were close to 200 who came. More details will be given later.

### Gospel Meeting

The **Quebeck** congregation will be having a Gospel Meeting and Homecoming October 5-10 with services at 7:00 p.m. each evening. Full-time students of Tennessee Bible College will be the speakers. I know most of these men personally and know that they will do an exceptional job as they were exceptional students.

### Always Abounding

Paul T. Kidwell, Jr.

Sunday was a day of rejoicing long awaited at Bybee. After months of search, diligent prayer and planning the announcement was made that the Kidwell's would begin working with God's family at Greer, S. C. January 1, 1987. The saints at Greer along with those involved in the search and planning in McMinnville feel that this is an answer to prayer and look forward to God's blessings in this work. Greer is a city of 18,000 with one church of God's people numbering 40. Ten miles to the west is Greenville, a city of 217,000 and fifteen miles east is Spartanburg, a city of 201,000. The county in which Greer is located has a population of over 250,000. Georgia has been long recognized as a mission field with over 100 counties with fewer than 30 known New Testament Christians, yet it takes all the congregations of North and South Carolina and Virginia to surpass the number of congregations in Georgia. The fields are truly white unto harvest. Let us diligently pray to God for increase.

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Harold Cook
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Bill Haston
Reading	Greg Allen
Scripture	Jude 3
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee
	*Ken Martin
	Edgar Webb
	J.B. Gribble
	James Goolsby
	Harley Northcutt
	Rodney Jones
	Eugene Wilcher
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John Biddle

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**  
Billy Gilbert and Bill Haston

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**  
W.C. Chilton, Greg Allen, David Thaxton,  
Sidney Groves

**Nursery Attendant:** Gail Crouch

**Pantry Item:** Snack Food

**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship	330
Bible Study	251
P.M. Worship	235
Wednesday Bible Study	204
Contribution	\$ 2,039

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Harold Cook
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Ronnie Prince
Reading	Dwight Davis
Scripture	Luke 9:46-50
Lord's Table	*Clyde Christian
	Danny Duncan
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Case

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**Wednesday Bible Study**

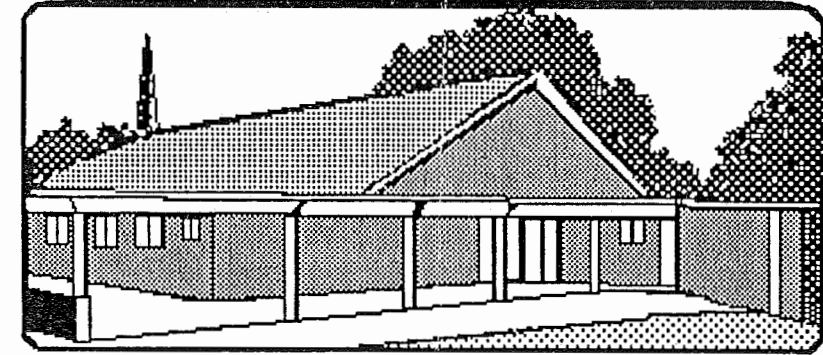
Announcements	Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Stanley Graves
Invitation	Bob Bonner
Dismiss	Buell Warren

**Welcome Committee:**

A.M.	Leonard Clemons Family
P.M.	Paul T. Kidwell, Jr. Family

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Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

## From The Preacher's Desk.

Tony Lawrence



# ARE THEY SO KIND??

I get a lot of religious papers! They range from almost every extreme. Sometimes I get so fed up with one paper or another I say I ought to just ask to be removed from its mailing list. One of the religious papers I get is produced by a very caustic element the Independent Christian Church. The paper, **The Banner of Truth**, and its editor, Fred O. Blakely seem bent on saying something bad about the Lord's church and those who would strive to keep it pure. In the most recent issue he attack brother Thomas B. Warren for insisting *the Bible teaches that only that which is authorized by the New Testament may be done with God's approval, that is, without sin.* (pages 2,3) On page 14, Ray Downen unleashes an attack by stating, *A symptom often shown by a legalist is a demand for "authority" for each action performed in Christ's Name.* Then on the back cover (page 16) he says under the title "A Formula for Human Legislation" *One brother writes, "We should do only that which is authorized and taught in the Bible and follow the principle of walking by faith—faith that comes by hearing the Word" That sounds almost right. ...this turns God's silence into prohibitive I believe...* Can one imagine a man, supposedly a teacher of the Word, making such statements? Certainly, by these quotes it become increasingly clear that they have no intention of giving up their instruments of music or any other practice which they want for they have already rejected principle clearly laid down in scripture. God demands that we not go beyond the things written (I Cor. 4:6; II Jn. 9). He demands that we have His authority for everything we say or do (Col. 3:17). And, we must respect the silence of the scriptures (Heb. 7:13,14).

Yet, out of all of this one cannot help but notice the tone used by these people. The only good words he has to say are about those who have led in the compromise. He calls them *some of the more spiritually minded Church of Christ preachers.* It is usually true that those who speak so loudly about being loving and kind are characteristically the most cruel and ugly when they are disagreed with.

The next time someone else talks with you about the mean and ugly spirit that is held by some of our brethren, ask them about men such as these who *would rather fight than switch.*

T.L.

## SICK & SHUT-INS

We have a great concern here for our sick and shut-ins, but sometimes they get overlooked because we do not know who they are. In an effort to see that these are checked on we are going to have the teachers ask in their classes **and** there will be cards left near the *Question and Suggestion* box so that you may fill out a visitation card and drop it in the box. Your help in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Our sick are: **Caleb Graves**-Riverpark, **Dot Green**-Riverpark, **Lena Bratton**-Warren Regional. At home were: **Essie Medley**, **W.C. Chilton**, **Annie Johnson** (mother of Scena Christian), and **Judy Young**. It was good to see **John Stenbridge** back with us Sunday.

## PERFECT CHURCH

I think that I shall never see  
A church that's all it ought to be:  
A church whose members never stray  
Beyond the straight and narrow way;  
A church that has no empty pews,  
Whose preacher never has the blues.  
A church whose deacons always deak  
And none are proud, and all are meek;  
Where gossips never peddle lies,  
Or make complaints or criticize;  
Where all are always sweet and kind,

And All to others' faults are blind.  
Such perfect churches there may be,  
But none of them are known to me.  
But still I'll work and pray and plan  
To make the church the best I can.

-Selected-

Gospel Meeting  
Bybee Branch  
October 19-21, 1986  
Services at regular times on  
Sunday and at 7:00 p.m.  
Monday and Tuesday.



## SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES

The Mount Leo congregation sponsors a program which airs every Sunday (2:00-2:30) and Thursday (5:30-6:00) on the local cable channel 6. This week there will be a special program. A video presentation called "**The Golden Thread of the Bible**" a program which was produced by Corretta's father will air. Try to get a chance to watch it!



### Ladies Bible Class

Starting October  
7, at 10:00 a.m.  
the Ladies Bible  
Class will resume.  
If you have any  
questions contact  
Tony.



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Harold Cook
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Darron Shuster
Reading	Larry Powers
Scripture	Jeremiah 5:30,31
Lord's Table	*Barry Hendrixson
	*Chip Cantrell
	Shannon Locke
	Kurt Maynard
	Rodney Maynard
	Scott Griffith
	Shannon Griffin
	Sidney Groves
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	David Thaxton

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Rodney Jones & Kelly Thaxton

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Greg Allen, Bill Biles, Shannon Locke, Jeff Bond

**Nursery Attendant:** Mary Davis

**Pantry Item:** Cereal

**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship	_____	346
Bible Study	_____	261
P.M. Worship	_____	246
Wednesday Bible Study	_____	216
Contribution	_____	\$ 2,352

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Harold Cook
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Dwaine Johnston
Reading	James Locke
Scripture	Luke 11:1-13
Lord's Table	*Joe T. Cantrell
	Steve Wilcher
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John R. Porter

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell
Reading	Doug Hendrixson
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ward Golden

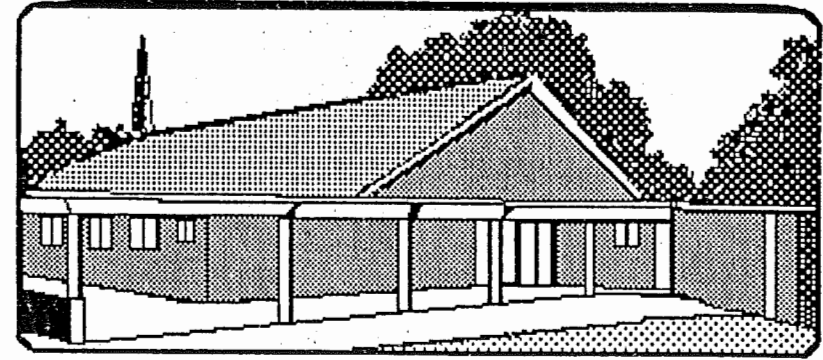
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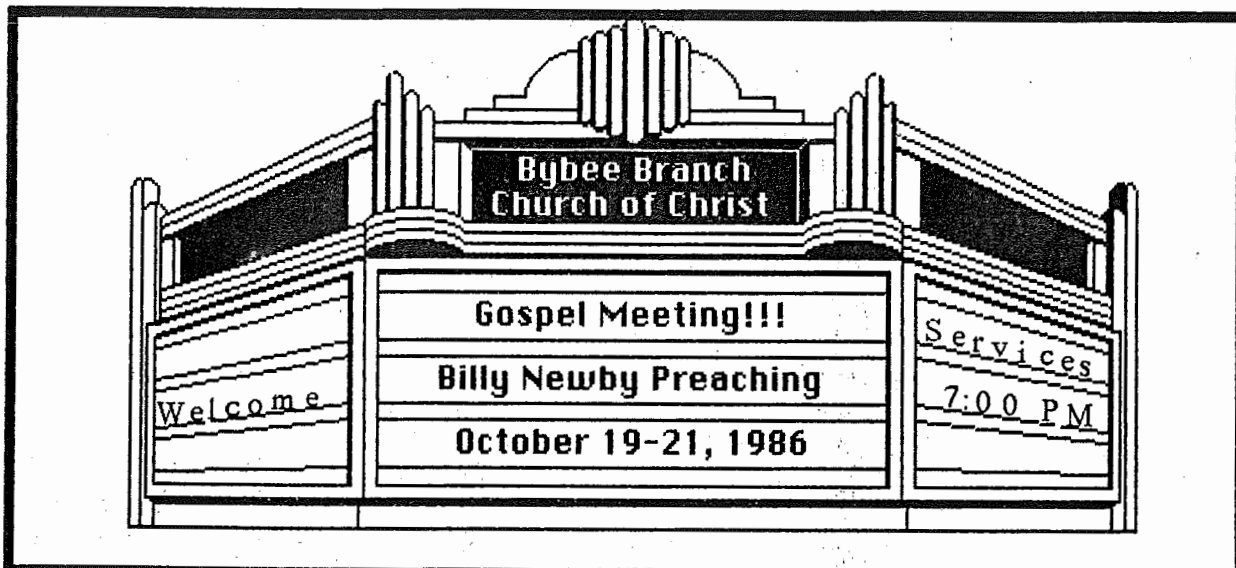
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Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		



## Sick

Caleb Graves is in Riverpark and hopes to come home this week, Dot Green, Lena Bratton are now home after being in the hospital. Also at home were: Mary Martin, Sidney Groves, and Junetta Gilbert. Adina Rowland fell at the church building last Sunday but did not break any bones. Please remember these and our shut-ins in your prayers.

## Fall Festival

Remember that the Fall Festival will be Saturday, October 25, here at the building. Several events have been planned. It is great when Christians can enjoy one another's company Listen for more details later...

**NEW LEADERS:** The Elders have asked Richard Bost to head up a new personal work program. Also, the Elders have asked Larry Vinson to direct the young people in their activities. We are sure that they will do an excellent job! Both of these men are extremely talented and will help the church here grow. Let them know that you appreciate their willingness to serve. If you wish to help them in their areas of responsibility please talk with them.

From The Preacher's Desk

Tony Lawrence



Are You Gladly Looking For The Lord's Return?



Is your attitude toward the Lord's return as it should be? Are you anxiously looking for Him to return or would it *upset* your day? Perhaps that will say something about you and your attitude toward spiritual things. When Peter told the Christians about the second coming of Christ and the events to follow he said:

*But the day of the Lord will come as a thief; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall be dissolved with fervent heat, and the earth and the works that are dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy living and godliness, **looking for and earnestly desiring the coming of the day of God**, by reason of which the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?* (II Pet. 3:10-12)

Peter was trying to get the Christians to remember (cf. 1:12,13) that this world is only a temporary dwelling place and that life at best is short. And, that Christians should have their attention turned toward spiritual things. Paul, in like manner said, *while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.* (II Cor. 4:18). It is a great temptation to man to get too caught up in this life and all of its pleasures. Thus, we should realize their limited duration and turn our attention to that which will survive throughout eternity. When one does this he will learn to **look for the coming of Christ**. If you are not looking forward to Christ coming, WHY? Perhaps you need to be making some changes before his return.

T.L.

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Lee Flatt  
 Reading Rodney Reynolds  
 Scripture Proverbs 18:22  
 Lord's Table \*Thurman Bennett  
 \*Bill Biles  
 Ralph Crouch  
 Otis Morgan  
 Everett Roller  
 Ed Griffin  
 Robert Bumbalough  
 W. C. Chilton  
 Billy Newby  
 Richard Black

Sermon  
 Dismiss

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Doug & Barry Hendrixson

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Greg Allen, Shannon Griffin, Rodney & Kurt Maynard, Scott Griffith, Harold Cook

**Nursery Attendant:** Judy Cook

**Pantry Item:** Chili

**Attendance & Offering:**

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 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 234  
 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 215  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 211  
 Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 1,739

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Everett Green  
 Reading Bill Womack  
 Scripture Proverbs 22:6,15  
 Lord's Table \*Jim Slatton  
 Kelly Thaxton  
 Billy Newby  
 Larry Flatt

Sermon  
 Dismiss

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements Larry Flatt  
 Lead Singing Larry Vinson  
 First Prayer Don Shuster  
 Reading Dale Bennett  
 Invitation Thurman Bennett  
 Dismiss Jeff Bond

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Robert Bumbalough Family  
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# Making Sermon Plans For The Coming Year

Not too many years ago I read in a religious paper an article by a preacher who suggested that every preacher should prepare his sermons for a year in advance. Some of the advantages to this became immediately obvious to me. First, I would not be guilty of preaching the *same ole stuff* that so many preachers are accused of. Second, I would be certain that I was getting closer to *declaring the whole counsel of God*. Also, in this way I would be able to gather material for those lessons on an ongoing basis and then when time came to preach that lesson all I would have to do is organize (well, its not quite that simple). In other words, the idea of planning truly has its merits. I began doing this on a quarterly basis some time ago.

If you will notice on the bulletin board located just across from my office door there is a list of the sermons I have planned from now until January 18, 1987. You must recognize that this is a tentative list and may have to be altered for various reasons but represents my plans for the next several weeks.

At this point I am starting to plan for the sermons in 1987. I would like to know if any of you have a text or a topic you would like to hear a lesson on. I will try my best to work it in at an appropriate time. If you have a suggestion, please write it on a piece of paper and give it to me (this preacher cannot remember things said to him on the way out the back door) or, if you wish to remain anonymous, place it in the box outside my office door. In this way I can be sure that I am meeting the needs of the congregation. *Please, feel free to make suggestions !!*

## McMinnville Times

### Bybee Branch To Have Gospel Meeting!!

<b>LOCALS STUNNED</b>	<b>TORONTO, ATHENS, LONDON, PARIS,ROME, HONOLULU, WASHINGTON</b>	<b>TRENDS</b> 	<b>GENEVA SHOCKED</b>
<b>CHICAGO</b>		<b>NO PROBLEM!</b>	<b>HOUSTON</b>
<b>SEATTLE</b>		<b>SAN FRANCISCO</b>	


This Sunday begins our Gospel Meeting with brother Billy Newby. Let's try to have 400 plus at our morning service. Also, do not forget that there will be a covered dish meal following the morning service.

### Sick

Douglas Spurlock (Cynde Bourdon's father) is quite ill at home. Dot Green and Wyona Neal were unable to be out last Sunday but it was great to have Lena Bratton and Caleb Graves back with us.

### Response

Last Wednesday evening **Susan Harris** came forward to be restored.



**Church Library**

We are in the process of trying to reorganize our church library by the various types of books. This will be done to make it easier to find the type of book you are looking for. It would help if you would look at home and see if you have any of the books that belong to the church library and return them if you have finished with them. Remember, **AFTER YOU FINISH WITH A BOOK YOU NEED TO RETURN IT.** Use the library, there are some good books there!



**Singing Class**

The Elders have decided for the present time to discontinue the singing class on Sunday evening at 5:00. We certainly appreciate all of those who have attended for the past several weeks. At some point in the future the class may be resumed.

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Larry Vinson  
 First Prayer Don Griffith  
 Reading Dwayne Christian  
 Scripture Mark 16:15-20  
 Lord's Table \*Bill Haston  
 \*Tony Lawrence  
 John Stembridge  
 Edgar Webb  
 J.B. Gribble  
 Steve Wilcher  
 Rodney Jones  
 Harley Northcutt  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Danny Duncan

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Jim Slatton & Leonard Clemons

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Chip Cantrell, Barry Hendrixson, Larry Powers, Doug Hendrixson

**Nursery Attendant:** Judy Cook

**Pantry Item:** Washing Powders

**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 411  
 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 296  
 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 282  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 205  
 Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 2,613

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer John Biddle  
 Reading Darron Shuster  
 Scripture Acts 4:1-4  
 Lord's Table \*John R. Porter  
 Joe T. Cantrell  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Jim Case

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements Larry Flatt  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Ken Martin  
 Reading Chip Cantrell  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Dale Bennett

**Welcome Committee:**

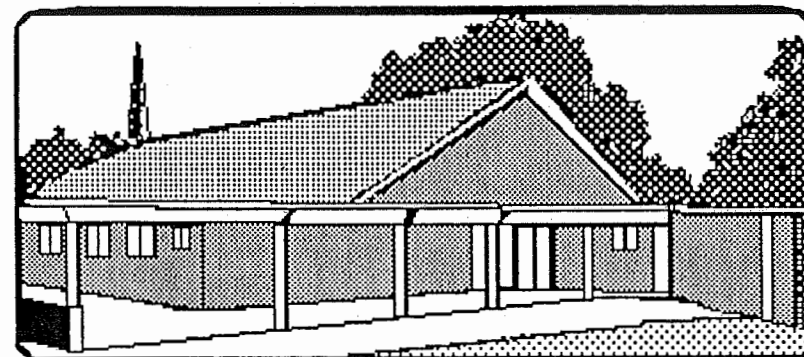
**A.M.** Harold & Judy Cook &  
 Eddie & Kathy Hennessee  
**P.M.** Woodrow & Mildred Glenn  
 Edith Morrow & Mildred Gambrell

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*Schedule of Services*

**Sunday**  
 Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.  
 Bible Study 10:15 a.m.  
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

**Monday**  
 Youth Class 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
 Ladies Bible Class 10:00 a.m.

**Wednesday**  
 Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

*Elders*

Thurman Bennett 668-4648  
 Bill Biles 473-2343  
 Lee Flatt 668-4690  
 Rodney Reynolds 473-3570

*Evangelist*

Tony Lawrence 473-8079

*Missionary*

Paul Kidwell, Jr. 473-5437

Church Office 473-2486

From The Preacher's Desk.

Tony Lawrence



# Alcohol America's #1 Drug!



Lately there has been quite a bit in the news about beverage alcohol. Just a few weeks ago we had a representative of the Koala Adolescent Center talk to our young people about drugs, and alcohol was the number one drug. We all know the staggering statistics of those who kill innocent people on the highways in a drunken stupor. Yet, we still find people stupid enough to distribute and buy this deadly poison. With no partisanship intended, it is distressing to have a man running for the highest office of our state who peddles this deceptive drug. It would be sad for any man of any party. In our state there are cities facing referendums of "liquor by the drink" and thankfully I have noted that some of the brethren in those places are opposing it. It disturbs me to live in a city and county where the Lord's church is in the majority and see all of the alcohol for sale. Would to God that we could banish the stuff from the earth! One might ask, *Why are you so opposed to alcohol, especially one only drinks socially?* I am glad you asked!

It is a violation of God's law! Solomon said, *Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler; and whosoever erreth thereby is not wise.* (Prov. 20:1; cf. also 23:29-35). Paul said that *drunkenness* was one of the works of the flesh by which one *shall not inherit the kingdom of God.* (Gal. 5:19-21). Those named as brethren who indulge are not to be fellowshiped (I Cor. 5:11). Why, might you ask, am I so against alcohol? *Through thy precepts I get understanding; Therefore I hate every false way.* (Ps. 119:104). Whether little or a lot, sin is sin!



## Fall Festival-October 25!



This Friday will be our annual Fall Festival. It is probably the best attended activity of the year. This year some special events have been planned. If you wish to help contribute to pay for the food, you may give your money to Leonard Clemons or Tony Lawrence (as with all activities of this type, no money is taken from the church treasury).

## How Great Is Your Faith

### TOO LOW TO REGISTER

I once was a faithful member, but I never darken the doors now; and I live just like other people in the world.

### 10% FAITH

I come once a year to worship. If I should die, I would want my obituary to say that I am a member of the church.

### 20% FAITH

I attend about once a month. I give when I am present, but I am sure I give the Lord less than 1% of my yearly income. I like to criticize what others are doing.

### 30% FAITH

I am present every Lord's Day providing it is nice weather and I don't have something more important. I don't talk against the church, but I don't talk for it either.

### 40% FAITH

My record will show that I attend 3 out of 4 mornings. I won't let just anything keep me away. I'm not spiritually minded but I give pretty good.

### 50% FAITH

I rarely miss a morning service for worship. I give as much as the average person. I let others do all the work.

## Sick

Dot Green remains at home and is slowly getting better following her surgery. Wyona Neal is in Crestwood Hospital in Huntsville, Alabama having tests. In addition to these there are likely others who we do not know about. Be sure if you know of our sick that you let us know so we can pray for them.

## Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Edgar Webb and family over the loss of his sister Hallie Webb. Funeral services were at 3:30 Tuesday in Smithville.

### 60% FAITH

I seldom miss a morning service, but I never come to Bible study or other services. I help when I am called on and give better than the average member.

### 70% FAITH

I never miss a word of the morning service and I willingly take part. I usually come to Bible study and occasionally to other services. My contribution is good.

### 80% FAITH

I never miss a morning service or other service unless providentially hindered. I volunteer my help and suggestions. I give as I have been prospered but get discouraged pretty often. I'm afraid I never would be the one to take the lead in establishing a new congregation.

### 90% FAITH

I never miss. I take a leading part. I never criticize adversely, but I suggest how to help. I teach others every day. I give until it hurts. If I moved to a city where there was no church, it wouldn't be long until there was one.

### 100% FAITH

The kind none of us have. It brings perfection.

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Rodney Reynolds  
 Reading Tommy Crouch  
 Scripture Matthew 28:18-20  
 Lord's Table \*Dwaine Johnston  
 \*Cecil Cantrell  
 Eddie Hennessee  
 James Goolsby  
 Joe Maynard  
 Rodney Maynard  
 Ronnie Prince  
 Ken Lee

Sermon Richard Bost  
 Dismiss W.C. Chilton

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Everett Green  
 Reading Dale Bennett  
 Scripture Col. 3:1-11  
 Lord's Table \*Ward Golden  
 Buell Warren

Sermon Don Shuster  
 Dismiss Billy Gilbert

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements Thurman Bennett  
 Lead Singing Larry Vinson  
 First Prayer Dwight Davis  
 Reading Jeff Bond  
 Invitation Winfrey Hennessee  
 Dismiss Bill Womack

**Welcome Committee:**

**A.M.** Thurman Bennett Family  
**P.M.** Ronnie Rogers, Jeff Bond, &  
 Willie Holmes

**Bus Driver:** Greg Allen

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Billy Gilbert & Bill Haston

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Sidney Groves, David Thaxton, Mike Bost, W.C. Chilton

**Nursery Attendant:** Ruth Foster

**Pantry Item:** Canned Fruit Juice

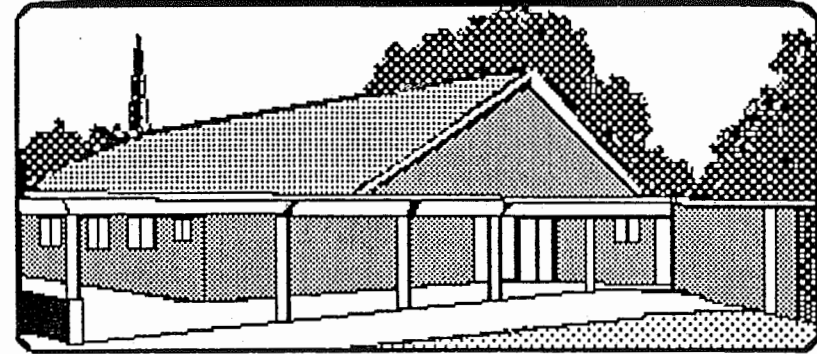
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**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 359  
 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 265  
 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 234  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 208  
 Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$1,874

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Morning Worship	9:00 a.m.	Bill Biles	473-2343
Bible Study	10:15 a.m.	Lee Flatt	668-4690
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.	Rodney Reynolds	473-3570
Monday		<i>Evangelist</i>	
Youth Class	7:00 p.m.	Tony Lawrence	473-8079
Tuesday		<i>Missionary</i>	
Ladies Bible Class	10:00 a.m.	Paul Kidwell, Jr.	473-5437
Wednesday		Church Office	473-2486
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

## Football Games Are Not For Me!!

I've made up my mind never to attend another football game. I've been an avid football fan for many years, but now I've had it. Let me list the reasons why:

1. I was taken to too many games by my parents when I was growing up.
2. The games are always played when I want to do something else.
3. Every time I go to a game, somebody asks for money.
4. Although I go to games quite often, few people are friendly enough to speak to me.
5. The seats are too hard and uncomfortable. Besides, I often have to sit down front on the fifty yard line.
6. I suspect there are hypocrites sitting nearby. They come to see their friends and to look at what others are wearing rather than to see the game.
7. The field judge says things I don't agree with.
8. The band usually plays some numbers I've never heard before.
9. Some games last too long, making me get home late.
10. I have a good book on football, I can stay home and read that.

Well, there they are—ten reasons why I will never attend another football game. Kind of foolish, isn't it, to miss the joy of football for reasons like these? I wonder how many of us are missing the joys of worship, Bible study, training, and prayer for reasons just as foolish?

-Mountain City Messenger-

## Preacher Away

This weekend my family and I will be in Dallas, TX for the wedding ceremony of Corretta's sister, Alesa. We hope to be back at the first of the week.

## Sick

Lynder Holmes is home following surgery. Wyona Neal is at her daughter's home in Huntsville, Alabama. Dot Gree remains at home as well as Elsie Fisher. Please continue to remember these in your prayers and send a card if you can.

## Fall Festival

The Fall Festival has been rescheduled for this Saturday at 5:00 due to the rain last Saturday. One thing that we have failed to mention is that the women need to prepare and bring a dessert.

## Radio Program

Many of you noticed that our radio program did not air last Sunday. This was due to technical difficulties. Hopefully this will not happen again. Yet this may have been a mixed blessing. We found out that our program has a good listening audience. Remind your friends and neighbors that our program airs each Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m. on WAKI.

## From The Preacher's Desk.

Tony Lawrence

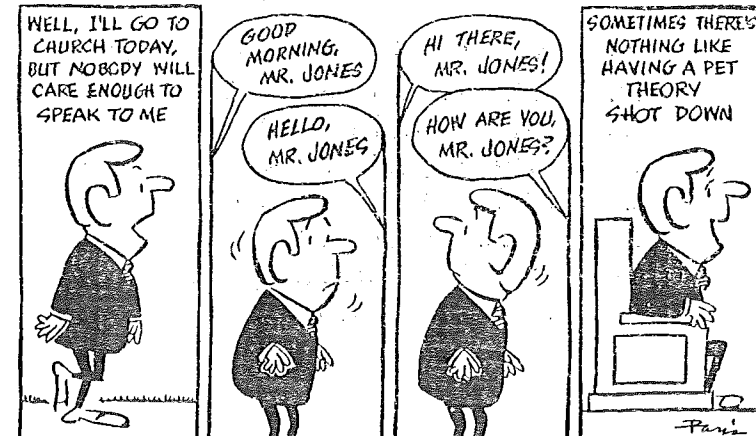


# ETERNAL DECISIONS

Lord, Which Church Is The Right One?



From time to time all of us realize that our decisions are longer lasting than we think. One's decision regarding education may mean the difference between a job with which one is unhappy and which causes one to struggle financially. The person which one chooses as their spouse with certainly have an effect on one's happiness and contentment in this life. However, there is a matter where people give very little attention, that is what church are they going to be a member of. To many, this may seem like a trivial matter. Some would suggest that we are, after all, wanting to go to the same place. Yet, God's word teaches, *Every plant which my heavenly Father planted not, shall be rooted up.* (Matt. 15:13). And, when it comes to churches, there is only *one body.* (Eph. 4:4). We must get men and women to see that this is an *ETERNAL DECISION.* We may only be here a short time but eternity is forever. While some of the decisions we make that are bad here may only cause a short term burden, the failure to make the correct decision about the Lord's church will result in eternal damnation.





**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Don Shuster  
 Reading Larry Flatt  
 Scripture Romans 6:1-6  
 Lord's Table \*Richard Black  
 \*Dennis Gann  
 Larry Powers  
 Barry Hendrixson  
 Shannon Locke  
 Chip Cantrell  
 David Thaxton  
 Sidney Groves  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Kelly Thaxton

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Rodney Jones & Kelly Thaxton

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Greg Allen, Shannon Locke, Jeff Bond, Bill Biles

**Nursery Attendant:** Donna Goolsby

**Pantry Item:** Paper Products

If you cannot serve, call Doug Hendrixson (668-3115) or Everett Green (668-8527)

**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 319  
 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 243  
 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 232  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 227  
 Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$2,324

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Larry Vinson  
 First Prayer Lee Flatt  
 Reading Ronnie Rogers  
 Scripture Acts 20:17-38  
 Lord's Table \*Clyde Christian  
 Danny Duncan  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Buell Warren

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**Wednesday Bible Study**

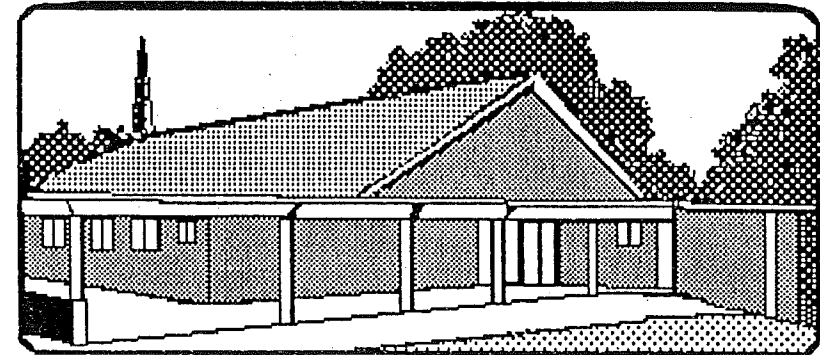
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 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Bill Biles  
 Reading Steve Wilcher  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Doug Hendrixson

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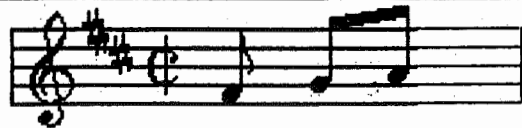
A.M. Gilbert & Willene Kell  
 P.M. Dennis Gann Family

**Bus Driver:** Jim Slatton



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Monday		<i>Evangelist</i>	
Youth Class	7:00 p.m.	Tony Lawrence	473-8079
Tuesday		<i>Missionary</i>	
Ladies Bible Class	10:00 a.m.	Paul Kidwell, Jr.	473-5437
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Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		



## Hymns And Heart

1. We sing *Sweet Hour Of Prayer* and are content with 5-10 minutes a day.
2. We sing *Onward Christian Soldiers* and wait to be drafted into His service.
3. We sing *O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing* and don't use the one we have.
4. We sing *There Shall Be Showers Of Blessings* but do not come when it rains.
5. We sing *Blest Be The Tie That Binds* and let the least little offense sever it.
6. We sing *Serve The Lord With Gladness* and gripe about all we have to do.
7. We sing *I Love To Tell The Story* and never mention it at all.

8. We sing *We're Marching To Zion* but fail to march to worship or church school.

*-Selected-*

**Ladies—You Are  
Welcome To Come  
To The  
Ladies Bible Class  
on Tuesday  
Mornings at  
10:00 o'clock.**



## Sick & Shut-In

Dot Green and Elsie Fisher remain at home. Ruth Newby is in River Park Hospital. Among the sick were Fate Cantrell, Bessie Case, and Ronnie Rogers. It was good to see Lynder Holmes back with us Sunday. Remember to pray for the sick.

RESTORED

Debra Hollis was restored Sunday evening.

**From The Preacher's Desk.**

Tony Lawrence



NO SMOKING

## Why I Cannot Smoke...

I have been asked many times to say something about the Christian and smoking. When one says something he must be sure that he does so out of a right attitude. Sometimes people think that you are against something simply because you just don't like it yourself or that you have some "bone to pick" with others. What I say, I say with kindness with genuine concern for those who are members of the Lord's church. When you read the following, I ask that you consider what is say with an open and honest mind.

### *I cannot smoke because...*

1. I value my influence on those round about me. The Christian's life is an open book for others to read (II Cor. 3:1-3). Our lives are to be examples to those round about us for good so that glory will be brought to God (Matt. 5:13-16). I doubt very seriously if I would have even been considered as a preacher for this congregation if I had been addicted to tobacco. Why? How could a preacher have any influence if he smoked? How then is it that a Christian can have influence while being given to smoking? You might say, "but no one told me." People generally do not tell us when they think that we are providing a bad example in any area.
  2. I want to live. It is likely that not too many years ago that people had a legitimate doubt as to whether or not that smoking was harmful. We have many times been told this or that causes cancer, yet, today there is no doubt that smoking harms our body. God gave me a body and I am to take care of it, for it is the temple of the Holy Spirit (I Cor. 6:19,20). Why do so many family members plead with their loved ones to give it up? They want to keep them around longer.
  3. I don't want to be wasteful. We are poor stewards in many areas. Some things that we do have no useful purpose at all. Smoking has no useful purpose. And, at today's prices, it is a very expensive habit. One who smokes two packs a day with today's prices, can expect to spend at least \$3,650 in five years just for tobacco, not to mention other things like lighters or matches.
- Smoking is something that many people have done almost all of their lives and is not easy to give up. But, we beg you, try to give it up. I have never known a person who gave it up who thought he was worse off, either physically or spiritually.

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Harold Cook
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	W. C. Chilton
Scripture	John 4:24
Lord's Table	*Bill Haston
	*Jim Slatton
	Kurt Maynard
	Rodney Maynard
	Shannon Griffin
	Harley Northcutt
	Rodney Jones
	John Stembidge
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Case

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Doug & Barry Hendrixson

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Greg Allen, Scott Griffith, Shannon Griffin, Harold Cook, Rodney Maynard, & Kurt Maynard

**Nursery Attendant:** Christine Gribble

**Pantry Item:** Jelly

If you cannot serve, call Doug Hendrixson (668-3115) or Everett Green (668-8527)

**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship	_____	309
Bible Study	_____	246
P.M. Worship	_____	243
Wednesday Bible Study	_____	206
Contribution	_____	\$ 1,903

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Harold Cook
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Greg Allen
Reading	James Locke
Scripture	Matthew 13:13-17
Lord's Table	*Bill Womack
	Joe T. Cantrell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dwaine Johnston

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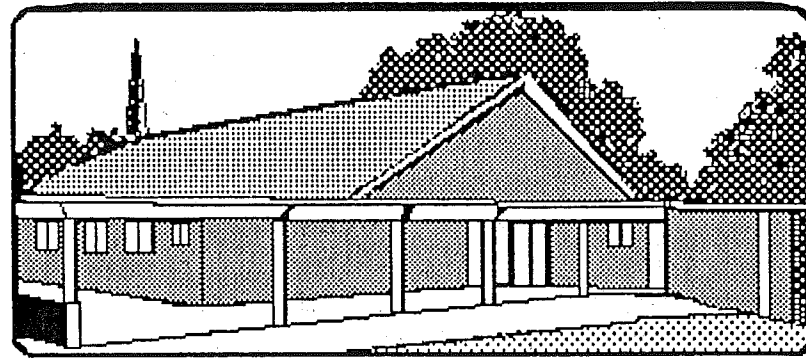
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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Billy Gilbert
Reading	Jeff Bond
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

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P.M.	Essie Medley, Betty Hill, Eunice Simpson.

**Bus Driver:** Ronnie Prince



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## Lectureship Tapes

For those who might be interested, brother W.C. Chilton has placed in the Library the tapes of the *Spiritual Sword Lectures* this year. The theme was on the book of Colossians.



## Sick



Brandi Wilcher is in Riverpark Hospital. At home are: Dot Green, Ruth Newby, Katherine Bennett, and Randolph Lowery.



## Congratulations

Congratulations are in order for Steve and Teresa Atnip on the birth of their newest daughter, Mary Beth, who entered this world last Tuesday.



## Personal Work Meeting



As was mentioned in a previous bulletin, Richard Bost has been asked by the Elders to direct the personal work program. There was a meeting at the Bennett's home last Friday evening to get organized. Another meeting has been

scheduled for Sunday, November 16, at 5:00 p.m. at the building to get the program started. All who are interested need to attend. If you have any questions, see Richard.



## Elders-Deacons Meeting

Next Monday evening has been scheduled as the next Elders-Deacons meeting. The Deacons are to have their budget requests prepared and ready to present at that time. The meeting was moved up one week due to the Thanksgiving holidays.



*Where are you going? We need you in church on Sunday. If you have been slipping off. Come on back. We need you!!!*

## Sermon Topics

Sunday Morning:  
*Why Go To Worship?*  
Sunday Evening:  
*How Are Your Eyes?*

## From The Preacher's Desk.

Tony Lawrence



# Do You Know *Why* You Believe *What* You Believe?

The church in Warren County has been around for a long time and most of the people who are Christians are the children of parents who were Christians. In this there is a great danger that we follow what our parents were without considering for ourselves whether or not the churches of Christ is the one church taught in the Bible. And though it may be, there are many today who call themselves Christians who do not know why we do not have fellowship with the denominations. The reason why the church is facing such problems with the new unity movement is a lack of understanding of what the nature of the church is.

Do you know why we partake of the Lord's Supper every first day of the week? Do you know why we do not use instruments of music in worship? Do you why you were baptized? To give an acceptable answer to these and many similar questions one would have to go to the Bible. In fact, the Bible itself demands that one be able to answer these kind of questions. Peter said, *but sanctify in your hearts Christ Jesus as Lord: being ready always to give answer to every man that asketh you a reason concerning the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear.* (1 Pet. 3:15). Too often we will get ourselves in a religious controversy with one of our friends or neighbors and argue a point then pick up the phone and call the preacher and ask him if what we were saying was right. We need to study the Bible ourselves! We need to believe what we do because that is what the Bible teaches not just because that is what our parents believed or what the preacher says.

One's religion is shallow if he is afraid to go to the Bible and put it to the test. If we really believe that we are right we ought to be willing to go to the Bible to see. We chide others in the denominations because they are willing to follow a man-made doctrine but how do we differ if we do not know if what we believe is actually God's Word. We all need to be spending more time in THE BOOK learning what God expects out of us. And, then when we talk with others about spiritual matters that should remind us of something in the Bible. *Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.* (II Tim. 2:15 KJV).

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Thurman Bennett  
 Reading Dwayne Christian  
 Scripture I Corinthians 16:8,9  
 Lord's Table \*John R. Porter  
 \*Everett Green  
 James Goolsby  
 Eugene Wilcher  
 Everett Roller  
 Otis Morgan  
 Larry Vinson  
 Stanley Graves  
 Tony Lawrence  
 W.C. Chilton

Sermon  
Dismiss

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Leonard Clemons and Jim Slatton

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Larry Powers, Chip Cantrell, Barry Hendrixson, & Doug Hendrixson

**Nursery Attendant:** Susie Griffith

**Pantry Item:** Rice

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 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 224  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 192  
 Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 2,064

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Cecil Cantrell  
 Reading Dale Bennett  
 Scripture I Corinthians 12:1-3  
 Lord's Table \*Kelly Thaxton  
 David Thaxton  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Ken Martin

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements Thurman Bennett  
 Lead Singing Larry Vinson  
 First Prayer Don Griffith  
 Reading Steve Wilcher  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
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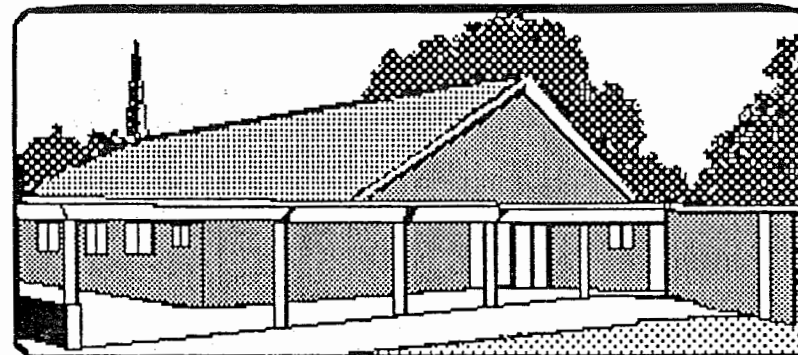
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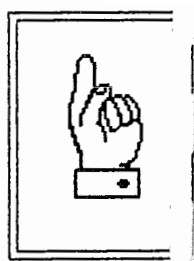
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## Where Is Your Mind At?

The Bible teaches that we are to set our minds on the things above. Paul said, "If then ye be raised together with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated on the right hand of God. set your mind on the things that are above, not on the things that are upon the earth." (Col. 3:1.) His point was that our minds should be tuned in to the spiritual things and not the earthly things. Y... what do we spend most of our time thinking about? Do you give more thought to the new car you would like to have or to the soul you would like to save? Do you think more about that new dress or about t person who needs your help? The point is simple. We do what we think about all of the time. Or, as Solomon so eloquently said, "For as he thinketh within himself, so is he" (Prov. 23:7).

When you have some time to set back and think, say to yourself, "I will think on some spiritual things." The more you do so, the more you will find yourself like Abraham and Sarah whose mind was directed toward that heavenly country. The goal of Christianity was stated well by Paul to 1 Corinthians. He told them that the type of warfare they used was one of, "casting down imaginations, and every high thing that is exalted against the knowledge of God, and **bring every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ.**" (II Cor. 10:5). Where is your mind at?

### Sentence Sermon



#### Hold Your Tongue

If it "goes without saying," don't insist on repeating it!

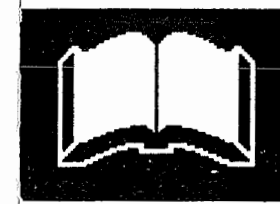
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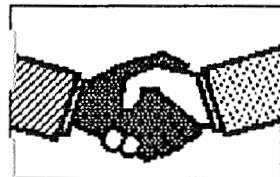
#### Tested by Love

We know we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren (1 John 3:14).



## Are You A Daily Bible Reader??

We started a "Daily Bible Reading" program several month's ago. Are you current with your reading. This week you should read first Corinthians 4-Second Corinthians 3. As you will note, both of this Sunday's lessons will come from this section of reading.



## Personal Work

Sunday Evening there was an exceptionally good meeting with almost thirty people in attendance for the Personal Work Group Meeting. Several suggestions were made regarding how to get contacts. There was a sheet prepared for any of the congregation to fill out if they know someone who needs to be contacted, either a wayward member or a prospect to convert. Sheets to fill out are available either on the front pew or at the rear of the building. Also, we need to be able to have a better record of our visitors. If there is a visitor

sitting on the pew next to you and notice that they are not filling out a visitors card, please hand them one and a pencil. In this way, we can have a more accurate of our visitors.



## Sick & Shut-ins

Ruth Newby and Katherine Bennett are still sick at home. It was good to see back at services Dot Green and Brandi Wilcher. Bill Biles entered the V.A. Hospital Monday for tests. Certainly there must have been others but these were all that were known about. Be sure to let the announcer know if you know of those who are sick. Also, do not forget to remember these in your prayers.



### Teachers Meeting

Next Sunday Evening after Services.

Please be there!  
*It is important!*

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Harold Cook  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Larry Vinson  
 Reading Jeff Bond  
 Scripture Colossians 3:16,17  
 Lord's Table \*Dwight Davis  
 \*Danny Duncan  
 Ed Griffin  
 Eddie Hennessee  
 Ralph Crouch  
 Robert Bumbalough  
 Edgar Webb  
 Buell Warren  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Tommy Crouch

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**

Billy Gilbert & Bill Haston

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**

Chip Cantrell, Scott Griffith, David Thaxton, W.C. Chilton, & Shannon Griffin

**Nursery Attendant:** Wanda & Missy Hendrixson

**Pantry Item:** Peanut Butter

If you cannot serve, call Doug Hendrixson (668-3115) or Everett Green (668-8527)

**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 353  
 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 264  
 P.M. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ 219  
 Wednesday Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 206  
 Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 1,857

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Mike Bost  
 Lead Singing Chip Cantrell  
 First Prayer Scott Griffith  
 Reading Larry Powers  
 Scripture .....  
 Lord's Table \*Rodney Maynard  
 Shannon Griffin  
 Sermon Darron Shuster  
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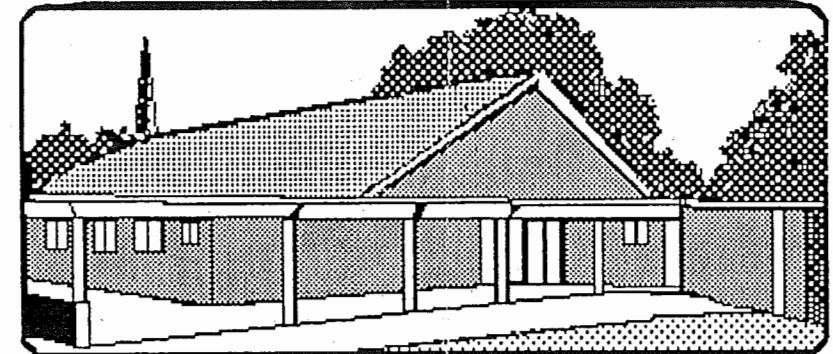
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 Reading Ken Martin  
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 Hilda Jones, Linda Gribble

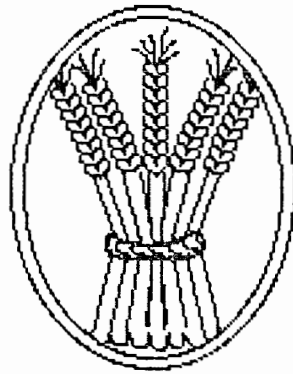
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# THANKSGIVING

The time of year has come for what has traditionally been called "Thanksgiving." Many of us find ourselves looking at all our many blessings and feeling that we have not been thankful enough. How many do we really take time to think of all the good that God has blessed us with? Do we even realize that God is the one to be thanked? James tells us that "every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of Lights..." (Jas. 1:17). I am afraid that like in so many things, God is left out. We are told to thank our parents for all they have done. That is great, but who gave our parents? We are told to thank our teachers. Excellent, but who gave us the word which they teach. In other words, everything that is good ultimately come from God. When you start thinking about who to be thankful to and what things to be thankful for, please remember God first.

## 'THANKS!' LORD

I read of a man who lived with his six children in the suburbs of Philadelphia. Just before school was to start all of his children were in need of new shoes. At the same time the washing machine played out. To top it all off, because of bad weather his work had been reduced.

He was able to manage the shoes but finally ran an ad for a used washing machine. He answered a call concerning a used washing machine and the home was filled with all the comforts anyone could ever want. After arranging to pick up the old washer, the conversation got around to children, and Claude Powell commented on the problems of feeding and clothing six children. The woman of the home ran out of the room crying. In explaining the father observed that they had one child who had been paralyzed from birth, and he had never needed a pair of shoes. And Claude says: "When I got home I picked up the worn-out shoes, worn out from skipping rope, kicking rocks, and jumping puddles, and I went off to be by myself. Kneeling by my bed I gave thanks to God for the worn-out shoes in our house." How many of your gripes in your life should be a means of giving "thanks" to the Lord?

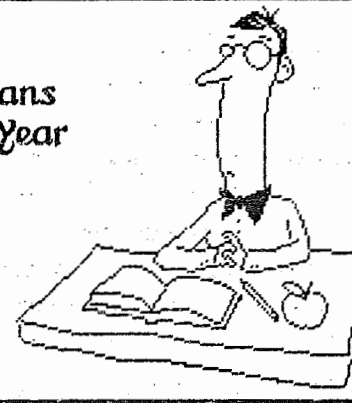


## Sick & Shut-ins



We continue to have several of our number who are out sick. Among them are Ruth Newby, Catherine Bennett, Ralph Crouch, and Donna Goolsby. It was good to have back with us Bill Riles, Lena Bratton, and Wyona Neal. It was so good to have Mary Beth Attrip with us for the first time!

## Sermon Plans For Next Year



A few weeks ago in the bulletin I asked for suggestions for the coming year for sermon topics or texts that you might be interested in. As of yet, I have had no suggestions. Please, if you plan to turn in a suggestion, do so in the next couple of weeks as I am making final plans. On Sunday morning a series on "Studies in the teachings of Christ" is planned. This will be a study of the teachings of Christ found in the Gospel of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. On Sunday Evening we will probably be having more chart sermons on various topics. The Daily Bible reading sermons will be discontinued after we complete the reading of the New Testament this year. However, do not let this keep you from reading your Bible on a daily basis. Thank you for your many positive comments regarding these lessons.

## Family Devotional

The quarterly Family Devotional will be at Boyd School Gym next Sunday Evening following the Evening Worship Service. All who can try to come and take part.

### Hang In There!

So often the ole Devil seeks to discourage us by hindering the Lord's work. He is a master at discouraging the brethren. He knows every trick and ploy. So often godly saints want to quit and say, "It is not worth the effort...."

Often elders grow discouraged because sheep stray and reject all efforts to rescue them. Many members could care less that brethren grow weak and die spiritually, so they become grounds of discouragement by hindering the reclamation and discipline of lost members. Elders often feel, "It is not worth the effort..."

Often deacons grow discouraged because so few will cooperate with them in getting the job done. Other deacons do not bear their fair share of the load and this discourages, too. They say, "It is not worth the effort..."

Often Bible class teachers grow discouraged. Students do not study their lessons, and if comments are made, half are wrong or off the point! Many act as if Bible study is an "optional expedient" instead of "growth unto salvation." Then the old expression arises, "It is not worth the effort..."

Often preachers despair. People often fail to react as they should to the Word. Preachers' words and actions are often misunderstood, misrepresented or actually opposed...so he becomes discouraged. After years of study, application and faithful service, a handful of brethren can destroy the preacher's work by getting the ear of the eldership, so the preacher says, "It is not worth the effort..."

All of us have felt this on occasions about something we are doing for the Lord's cause. But through it all we must remember that what we do, we do for God! Many times it takes tremendous effort to persevere in our work in the kingdom. Only those who have been there really understand the unremitting toil, sacrifice, time and effort and even money it takes to continually achieve for the Master. No one else may even notice, much less sympathize or help. But God notices! God cares! God is concerned and God is worth it!

Hang in there!

Andrew Connally  
Seagoville, TX



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Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Cecil Cantrell  
 Reading James Locke  
 Scripture I Timothy 4:11-16  
 Lord's Table \*Bill Womack  
 \*Ken Lee  
 Eugene Wilcher  
 Rodney Jones  
 Joe Maynard  
 James Goolsby  
 J.B. Gribble  
 Harley Northcutt  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Clyde Christian

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**  
 Billy Gilbert & Bill Haston

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**  
 David Thaxton, W.C. Chilton, & Shannon Griffin, Mike Bost, & Sidney Grove

**Nursery Attendant:** Scarlet Griffith

**Pantry Item:** Flour  
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 Everett Green (668-8527)

**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship	_____	333
Bible Study	_____	281
P.M. Worship	_____	220
Wednesday Bible Study	_____	206
Contribution	_____	\$ 2,247

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer Bob Bonner  
 Reading W.C. Chilton  
 Scripture Ephesians 5:22-6:4  
 Lord's Table \*Joe T. Cantrell  
 Doug Hendrixson  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Billy Gilbert

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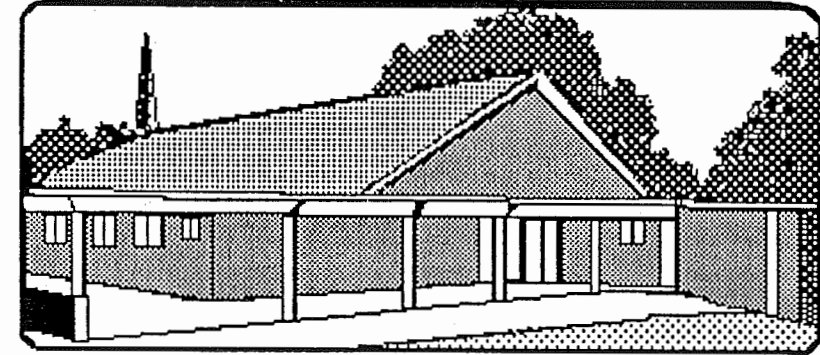
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## "A Man's Command"

When one goes back to the Old Testament he can see in principle all of the problems which the Lord's church faces today. The Lord's church today faces a very serious problem of those who are in leadership positions compromising with the denominations of this world. This cannot be overstressed! If we fail to see this we are like the people of Jeremiah's day who refused to listen to him telling them that they would soon be sent into captivity if they did not repent. God's people during the days of Hosea had the problem of turning to the ways of men and not following God's pattern. About them Hosea wrote:

*The princes of Judah are like them that remove the landmark: I will pour out my wrath upon them like water. Ephraim is oppressed, he is crushed in judgement; because he was content to walk after a man's command. (Hosea 5:10,11)*

The problem that these people had was that they did not respect the divinely laid landmarks of God's Word. They were content to follow a man's commandment. Today, we have people of similar inclination. They will give lip service to God's Word but are content to follow after a man made doctrine or practice. Yet God does not desire to have these people continue in that way. In fact, the whole purpose of sending the prophets was to to have them to return and obey. In Hosea 8:5, He asks, "...How long will it be ere they attain to innocency?" God wants His people to follow Him and His Word!

Tony Lawrence

### SEEN ON A TOMBSTONE IN A CEMETERY

"Remember friend as you pass by, as you are now so once was I; as I am now you soon will be; so prepare to die and follow me." Someone else had written with a black crayon under the above words, "To follow you I'm not content until I learn which way you went." Certainly, we should be careful whom we follow.

## Sick

Several of our number have been sick at home recently among them are: Ruth Newby, Donna Goolsby, Edith Cantrell, Lona Bratton, Paula Bonner and Sonja Clemons. Jonathan Cantrell (Linda Cantrell's grandson) is in the Murfreesboro Hospital.

## UpComing Events

Teen Banquet, December 5, at 6:00 p.m. at Boyd School.

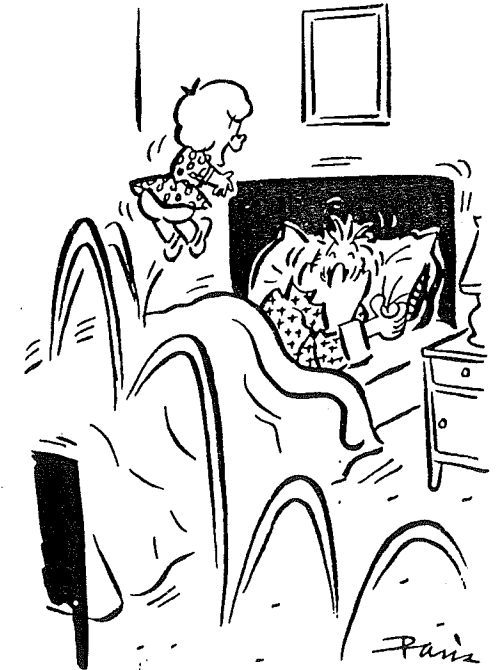
Prepare Fruit Baskets, December 17, after Bible Study

Holiday Party after evening services on December 21.



"SAYS HE WANTS TO CONFESS HIS NEIGHBOR'S SINS."

The Children of  
Mr. and Mrs. Buford Cantrell Holt  
request the pleasure of your company  
at a Reception  
in honour of the  
Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary  
of the marriage of their parents  
on Saturday, the twentieth of December  
nineteen hundred and eighty-six  
from three until five o'clock  
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"The Old Depot"  
Elkymont, Alabama



"TIME FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!"

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Harold Cook
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	John R. Porter
Reading	Greg Allen
Scripture	Psalms 15:1-5
Lord's Table	*Dwaine Johnston
	*Ronnie Rogers
	John Stenbridge
	Everett Roller
	Otis Morgan
	Dwayne Christian
	Buell Warren
	Steve Wilcher
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

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**Attendance & Offering:**

A.M. Worship	336
Bible Study	270
P.M. Worship	228
Wednesday Bible Study	216
Contribution	\$ 2,018

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Harold Cook
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Don Shuster
Reading	Dwight Davis
Scripture	I Timothy 4:1-6
Lord's Table	*J.C. Case
	Sidney Grove
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Doug Hendrixson

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Bill Haston
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Everett Green
Reading	David Thaxton
Invitation	Greg Allen
Dismiss	Ward Golden

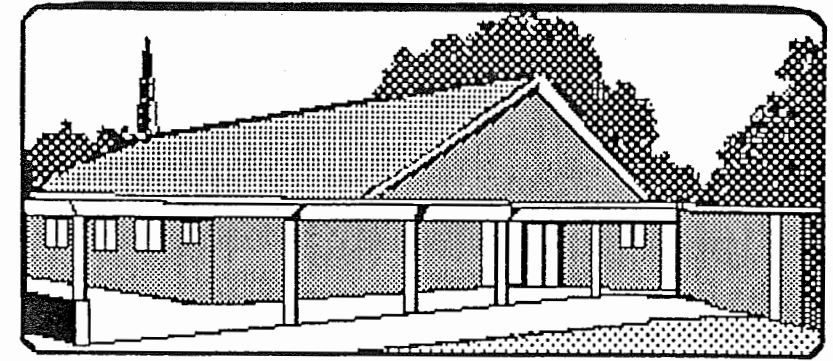
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## † Special Article †

[Special Note: I came across this article a few years ago. It comes from the 1838 Millennial Harbinger. I think that you will see its obvious value.]

### The Religion of Excitement and the Excitement of Religion

In the present day we seem to have more of the religion of excitement than we have of the excitement of religion. The ancient and apostolic plan of the first enlightening the understanding by declaring and illustrating the testimony of God, seems to be both too rational and slow for the ardent demands of the proselyting spirit of the age. Our Saviour and his Apostles spoke plain good sense to the understandings of men, knowing it to be God's chartered way to the heart. Paul teaching that "faith came by hearing" -- that "hearing came by the word of God" -- and that as he "preached so the people believed," was only anxious to declare the whole testimony of God, with its innate and cogent evidences of the divine authenticity. His preaching being first understood and then believed, he knew could not possibly fail to seize the heart with omnipotent power, and turn it to God, and Christ, and heaven. Therefore, he never made an effort to excite the feelings of any audience until he had "declared to them the whole counsel of God." He threw no artificial exciting circumstances around them: he

never thought of "an anxious seat," nor of "a mourning bench," (nor of turning out of the lights, holding hands, etc. -- Editor) and never called up convicted and trembling sinners to pray for them. These are all of the greenhouse or hotbed appliances of the present day. Our mushroom Christians sometimes grow to perfection in a night, and wither in a day. They have no roots in themselves. They are born in the midst of excitement -- they live in the midst of excitement, and soon as it wanes they generally sicken and die. They have no taste for religion that demands both reading and meditation as food of its devotion, and greatly prefer those feelings which a warm exhorter can produce, to all the moral feelings and refined and purifying sentiments and sympathies, which the truth believed and read, and pondered in the heart, can awaken within us. They are deluded by the idea that religion is the *effect*, and not the *cause* of feeling. Religion, with them, is the fruit of excitement, rather than the root and reason of it. Hence such converts display little or nothing of that constant and powerful excitement to love and good works, which so visibly and constantly attended the profession of the faith in the New Testament age. The faith of Christ and the consequent hope and joy which simultaneously arise in the heart of a true convert, like the mainspring of a watch, or the *primum mobile* of a

complicated machinery, set our whole frame in motion, and excite to every praiseworthy deed both towards God and man.

The Christian religion is, indeed, a religion of the purest, noblest, and most refined feeling and excitements of which our fallen nature is susceptible. It exerts a constant power upon all the affections and moral sensibilities of our hearts; but it is itself the offspring not of fancy, but of faith; not of excitement, but of reason; not of visions, dreams, or extraordinary impulses, but of the testimony of God, developed and confirmed by the Holy Spirit. It is, in one word, the effect of the Christian truth believed, and not the cause of faith: for it is faith, and not feeling, that works by love and purifies the heart, and that overcomes the world.

-Alexander Campbell-



I'LL BET THAT WAS ONE SERMON YOU'D LOVE TO HAVE BACK!

## Sick

Many of our sick were better and able to be out with us this past Sunday. Sister Ruth Newby remains unable to be out but is improving some. If you know of others who are sick, please let us know so we can announce it.

## Singing

There will be a singing at the Central church of Christ this Friday evening from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.

## Benevolent Clothes

Those who wish to donate clothes for benevolence need to give them directly to Kathy Thaxton. Since there is such a shortage of space to store these clothes, Kathy is going to sort and decide what clothes to best put in the room. If you have any question, just ask Kathy.

## Personal Work Meeting

The next scheduled Personal Work meeting is December 28, at 5:00 p.m. Those who have assignments need to remember that they are due December 14. If you are interested in becoming a part of the program, see Richard Bost. We can use all those who are interested in trying to reach the lost. Also, if you know of those who could be contacted, please fill out a sheet.

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 Sidney Groves  
 Rodney Maynard  
 Joe Maynard  
 Kurt Maynard  
 Shannon Griffin  
 Ed Griffin  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Dwight Davis

**Communion Barnes Rest Home:**  
 Jim Statton & Leonard Clemons

**Communion Kay's Rest Home:**  
 Doug Hendrixson, Barry Hendrixson, Chip Cantrell, & Larry Powers

**Nursery Attendant:** Cynthia Duncan

**Pantry Item:** Shortening

**Bus Driver:** Leonard Clemons

**Attendance & Offering:**

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 Bible Study \_\_\_\_\_ 265  
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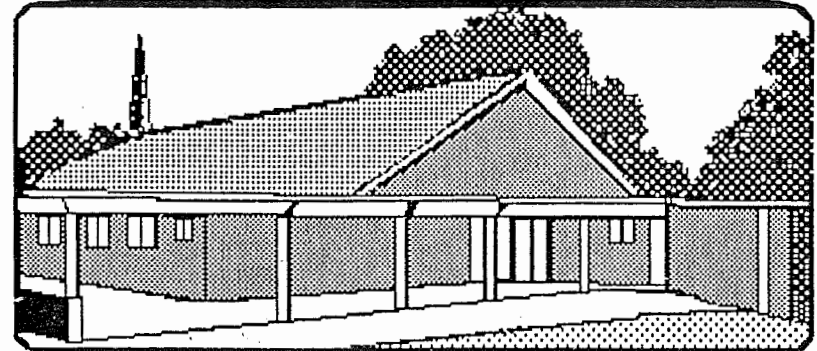
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If you cannot serve, call Doug Hendrixson (668-3115) or Everett Green (668-8527)



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<i>Schedule of Services</i>		<i>Elders</i>	
Sunday		Thurman Bennett	668-4648
Morning Worship	9:00 a.m.	Bill Biles	473-2343
Bible Study	10:15 a.m.	Lee Flatt	668-4690
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.	Rodney Reynolds	473-3570
Monday		<i>Evangelist</i>	
Youth Class	7:00 p.m.	Tony Lawrence	473-8079
Tuesday		<i>Missionary</i>	
Ladies Bible Class	10:00 a.m.	Paul Kidwell, Jr.	473-5437
Wednesday		Church Office	473-2486
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		



The Lawrences,  
Tony, Corretta, Mark & Micah  
want to wish you a  
happy and healthy  
Holiday Season.  
And many thanks for the  
nice gift from the  
congregation!

## Sick

Jodie Pennington (father-in-law of Barbara Pennington) remains in VA Hospital. Aggie Belle Miller is in Riverpark. Linzy Masson (Drucilla Crouch's father) is in Warren Regional. Kelly Thaxton was able to return home from the hospital this past week. Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother) is still in the Columbus, Mississippi hospital but hopes to come home soon.

## Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of brother John Brock (husband of our Lucille Brock) who passed away Sunday Morning. His funeral was Monday at High's.

## From The Desk of...

Tony Lawrence



## Sunday Morning's Sermon

This Sunday Morning's Sermon will be a little different. It is a conscious effort to look at ourselves objectively and see how we fare. The Bible teaches that we must "try your own selves" (II Cor. 13:5) and we must look to see if we are doing what we ought. The charts on the opposite page were prepared to use in this lesson—to show us where we have been and where we are headed. It is very easy to manipulate statistics in lessons like these, but I assure you these are simple "as they were." The statistics show some good and some bad. We want to look at areas where we need to improve and to continue to exhort those areas where we are faring well. What is the title for Sunday Morning's lesson? **Accomplishments and Failures for 1986.** Sunday Evenings lesson will be presented by the Elders.

## Personal Work

The personal work group is scheduled to meet this Sunday Evening at 5:00 to receive new assignments and make further plans.

## New Year's Fellowship

Following Bible Study on December 31 there will be a period of fellowship until midnight. There will be singing, food, and etc. This will be sponsored by the Young People's Group.

