

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements ..... (686-8675) Rickey Burkes  
 Lead Singing..... Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer ..... Jamie Brock  
 Reading.....David McColloch  
 Scripture.....John 18:8-9  
 Lord's Table (N).....\*Tyler Boyd  
 (S).....\*Ronnie Prince  
 (N)..... Marty Boles  
 (N)..... Robert Elam  
 (N).....Derek Vinson  
 (S).....Tommy Turner  
 (S).....Rodney Maynard  
 (S)..... Matt Martin  
 Sermon ..... Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss ..... Tommy Crouch

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements ..... (686-8675) Rickey Burkes  
 Lead Singing..... Stanley Graves  
 First Prayer .....Jeff Templeton  
 Reading..... Dale Bennett  
 Scripture..... Acts 2:36-39  
 Lord's Table ..... \*Danny Duncan  
 ..... \*Rickey Hurst  
 Sermon ..... Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss .....Rodney Reynolds

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements ..... (668-8473) W.C. Chilton  
 Lead Singing..... Justin Griffin  
 First Prayer .....Leonard Clemons  
 Reading.....Jack Keele  
 Invitation ..... Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss ..... Doug Hendrixson

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.....W.C. & Nelma Chilton  
 P.M..... Larry & Jane Flatt

**Bus Driver:** .....Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

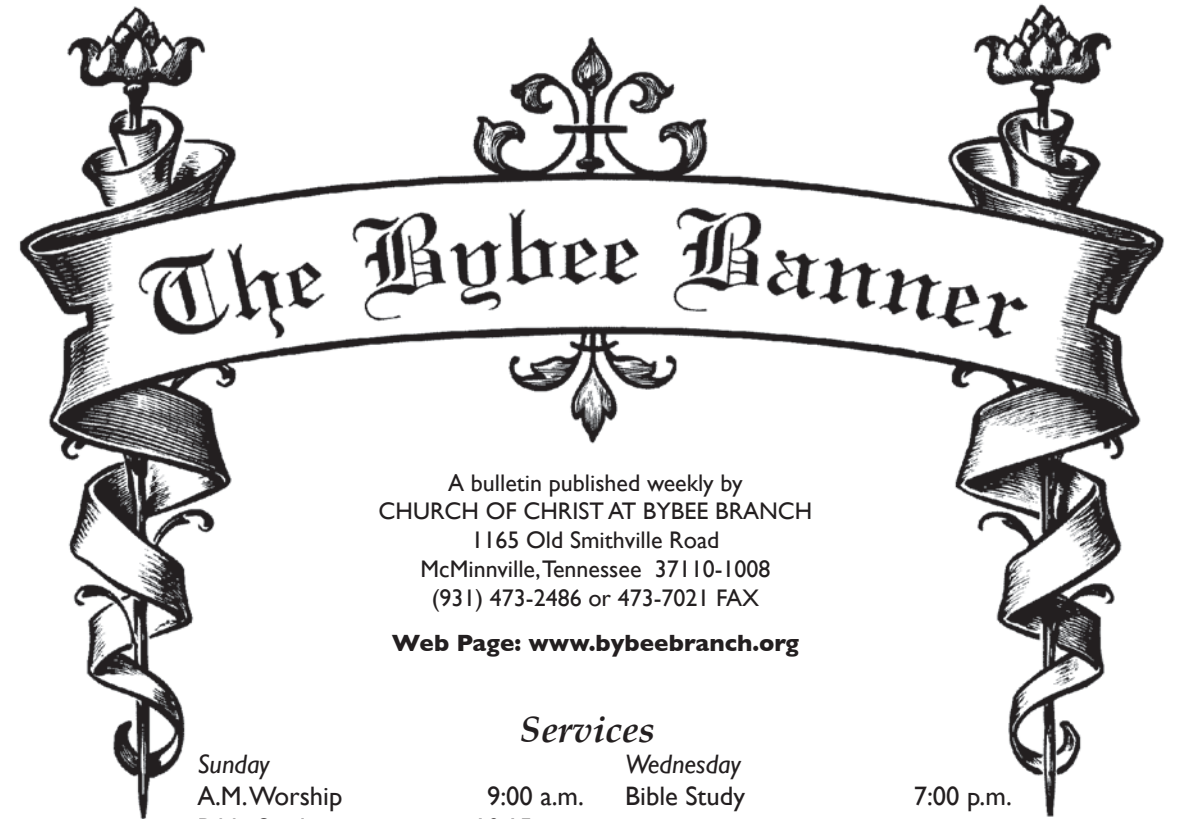
**Ushers:** .....Ronnie Hoover & Dustin Rhea  
**Attend Nursery:**.....Angie Caldwell  
**Un/Lock Building:**...David Roberts/Jeff Flatt  
**Prepare Communion:** .... Allen Hughes Family  
**Assist with Baptisms:** ..... Elaine Hoover & Gail Crouch  
**Pantry Item:** ..... Jelly  
**Elder Closing Remarks:** ..... Don Griffith

**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship..... 318  
 Bible Study ..... 234  
 P.M. Worship ..... 232  
 Wednesday Bible Study..... (Snow) 86  
 Contribution ..... \$5,728

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*Services*

<i>Sunday</i>	A.M. Worship	9:00 a.m.	<i>Wednesday</i>	Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
	Bible Study	10:15 a.m.		<i>Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> of each month)</i>	Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 a.m.
	P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.			

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Jeff Templeton	

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## Sick

### At Home:

David Bouldin  
Thelma Redmon (Rita Prince's mother)  
June Crouch  
Leah Jones  
Almetia Jones  
Justin Griffin  
Jeff & Josh Templeton  
Glenda Faye Bell  
Tyler Boyd  
WC Chilton  
Nonie Grizzell  
Erica Aguilar (attends Hispanic congregation and has tumor)

### In The Hospital:

Dennis Gann - St.Thomas (Room 479)  
Florene Nokes - River Park

## Sympathy

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of Kenneth Duke, brother of our Gerry Waddell. He passed away this past Monday in Murfreesboro.

## Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....Closing The Back Door Of The Church  
P.M..... Manual of Discipleship-Lord & Christ

## Church Directory Photos

It is time to again produce another Church Directory. Photos will be taken for the next two Sunday evenings prior to services (February 20 & 27). Please sign the list on the bulletin board. Time slots begin at 4:30 pm. We would like 100% participation if possible. We will do as we have done with the past two church directories, we are producing this ourselves and thus no one will ask you to purchase anything. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

## Youth News

### TABS

TABS will be this Sunday evening at New Union. Bus will leave at 5:15.

### SYR 2011!

One of my all time favorite events with the BBYG is our annual Spring Youth Retreat. As we have every year, we will retreat to Hylake Christian Camp on March 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. Sign-ups and information are now on the youth bulletin board. Our theme will be "The Joy of the Lord!" An important reminder is for those who have friends to invite, you must have a Guest Request Form turned in to me by February 27<sup>th</sup>. See me for those.

## A Climbing Faith

How strong is your faith  
As you onward go?  
Does it climb high mountains  
Or stay in valleys below?

Does it reach into heaven  
Where beautiful angels trod  
While living God's promises  
With the will to serve God?

Powerful things never happen  
With a faith that is weak  
But we can move mountains  
If a strong faith we seek.

~Benny Bristow~

## Gospel Meeting

Please make your plans now to be present at our Gospel Meeting that will be April 17-20, with brother Dan Jones. Dan grew up in the congregation here at Bybee Branch and is a very effective preacher of the Gospel. He is currently working with the Cowan church of Christ in Cowan, TN. Dan will be preaching lessons keying on the theme: Edifying the Local Church.

## Why Can't We Be Friends

James, the Lord's brother, has a very unreligious way of discussing religion. Take his definition of pure religion: "...to visit orphans and widows in their troubles and to keep oneself unspotted from the world" (James 1:27). The word translated "visit" carries with it the idea of "looking after" or "caring for" and reminds me of Jesus' request of John to care for his mother (John 19:25-27). I cannot imagine that request being fulfilled by monthly visits or brief conversations in the foyer.

One of the deepest needs our widows' deal with is the loneliness that comes from losing a lifelong companion. There is no way any of us can ever hope to fully meet that need or replace that loved one, but we need to be aware of the real need that is present. Physical needs are relatively easy to address, but becoming a companion requires a much greater investment of time than a few visits.

Our widows, however, are not the only ones who need friends. We do not just need acquaintances we see at church or even those we feel comfortable chatting with after services, but people we look forward to getting together with just to hang out or go out to run errands. You know, those people you create excuses to be with. With this in mind, what better place to find friends than in the Lord's Church. Am I, however, making myself available so I can be found? Time is tight and it keeps getting tighter. Am I too busy to spend time with other Christians so I may cultivate friendships? What opportunities are there to reach out to those I don't know as well? There are the meals at the Church where I can start new relationships by sitting with someone I don't know. Or I can invite a few families over to the house to play games. Or I can ask someone to get coffee or a coke after Church, it doesn't have to be Starbucks, but go someplace where for a buck you can just sit and talk.

Jesus didn't call us to be friends, rather He committed us to be family. Remember He promised the disciples that no one would sacrifice for His Gospel without

receiving "a hundredfold houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands" (Mark 10:29-30). Just in case you were wondering, this promise was made to be fulfilled in the "here and now" by "you and me", even though it will be more perfectly realized when we all get to heaven.

~Allen Mercer~ (via Bulletin Gold)

## A Forgiving Spirit

They cruelly tortured Him. They beat Him repeatedly. They ripped the flesh from His back. They nailed Him to a cross. He responded to all of this by saying, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34). Jesus has a forgiving spirit. He has an attitude of mercy.

Stephen was being stoned to death. Large rocks were thrown at his body for the purpose of killing him. The crowd continued to stone Stephen as he said, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." (Acts 7:60). Stephen had a forgiving spirit. Stephen had an attitude of mercy.

Jesus said, "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive me their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." (Matthew 6:14, 15). A warning has been given. Fail to forgive and you will not be forgiven.

Peter wanted to know how often he would have to forgive a brother. In response Jesus gave a parable. The parable was a man who was forgiven a great debt by his master. However, the same forgiven man refused to forgive one who owed him very little (Matthew 16:21-35). At the end of the parable Jesus said, "And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses." (Matthew 18:34, 35)

Do you have a forgiving spirit?

~Kevin Rutherford~