Sunday Morning Worship
Announcements (686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing: Leonard Clemons
First Prayer: Rickey Burks
Reading: Kelly Thaxton
Scripture: John 5:1-7
Lord's Table (N): Calvin Rogers
(N): Charles Gilles
(N): Joe T. Cantrell
(N): Don Cathey
(N): Jordan Thomas
(S): Tommy Turner
(S): Dustin Rhea
(S): Matt Martin
Sermon: Tony Lawrence
Dismiss: Bruce Pryor

Sunday Evening Worship
Announcements (686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing: Leonard Clemons
First Prayer: Tim Fisher
Reading: Sam Gilles
Scripture: Acts 8:4-8
Lord's Table: Steve Hills
(N): Stephen Felty
Sermon: Tony Lawrence
Dismiss: Jeff Templeton

Wednesday Bible Study
Announcements (224-8791) Jeff Templeton
Lead Singing: Leonard Clemons
First Prayer: Paul Hurst
Reading: David Keele
Invitation: Tyler Boyd
Dismiss: Leonard Clemons

Welcome Committee
A.M. Ken & Nona Martin
PM. Marty & Sharon Boles

Bus Driver: Paul Hurst (668-7088)

Ushers: Tyler Boyd & Ryan McColloch
Attend Nursery: Susan Pryor
Un/Lock Building: W.C. Chilton/Clent Kesey
Prepare Communion: Jeff Rhea Family
Assist with Baptisms: Maggie Hurst & Marsha Collins
Pantry Item: Peanut Butter
Elder Closing Remarks: Don Griffith

Record For The Week...
A.M. Worship: 323
Bible Study: 245
P.M. Worship: 219
Wednesday Bible Study: 197
Contribution: $5,640

Services
Sunday
A.M. Worship
Bible Study
P.M. Worship
9:00 AM
10:15 AM
6:00 PM
9:00 AM
Monday Morning Bible Class
Monday (2nd & 4th of each month)
Monday Morning Bible Class
9:00 AM

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Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. ...........................................Are You The Missing Link?
PM......A Manual of Discipleship—Acts-Samaritan Expansion

Gospel Meetings

The West Sparta church of Christ will host a Gospel Meeting April 15-17, services at 7 pm with Jerry Rogers as the guest preacher.

Meeting April 10-13, services at 7 pm with James Kinns as the guest preacher.

The Shady Grove church of Christ will host a Gospel Meeting April 3-7 with services at 7 pm. B.J. Lake is a very special place for our youth group (and yours truly) and is a perfect setting for our retreat. I would love to mention the names of those who worked tirelessly to make this one of the best retreats ever, but please excuse me if I don’t. I would have to leave someone off who contributed so much. However, be assured, we know who you are and what you did. Thank you – Thank you – THANK YOU! The efforts you put forth were not wasted. I would like to thank our eldership for allowing us to go on retreats. I know the kids are missed and leave a huge hole in the auditorium. But you allow us these moments anyway because you understand the importance of giving our kids special opportunities to grow in the wisdom and knowledge of God’s Word. To all the kids who attended I must say you were model “retreaters” and YOU are the reason SYR is the success it is. We (adults & workers) love you and give our best to make sure you are spiritually fed and all provisions are in place. Finally, hats-off to you Bybee Branch, for your prayers, financial assistance, food prep, and the many other things you do for our youth group.

PEW PACKER NEWS

The pavilion by the Jungle Gym is reserved for this Friday, April 8th, from 5 to 8 pm. We will have hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, drinks, and desserts. Also, after we eat a devotional is planned then the kids can play. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for further details.

Then this Sunday, April 10th, our monthly class will meet at 5 pm in the fellowship room. Our theme this year has been “Numbers” and the number for April is 40. We really grew last month and hopefully that trend will continue.

HOME DEVOTIONAL

Ronnie and Denise Prince will host our next Home Devotional following evening services this Sunday, April 10th.

YOUTH PRAYER BREAKFAST

Last month our prayer breakfast crowd doubled!! Again this is a promising sign. Our next time together is Tuesday, April 12th. We will begin at 6:45 am.

PAT

The hotel is booked and the plans are finalized for the 17th Annual Prom Alternative Trip. The trip is to St. Louis leaving Thursday, April 28th and arriving back Sunday night, May 1st. The sign-up sheet is on the youth bulletin board with all the details. Please note the dates for your deposit, final payment, and release forms.

BBYN

The April Bybee Branch Youth Newsletter is on the table in the foyer.

Bridal Shower

There will be a bridal shower for Kaitilyn Britt, bride elect of Abram Pryor on Sunday, April 10, from 1-3 pm at the home of Tim & Cindy Fisher.

Work Day

This Saturday beginning at 8 am. For those who cannot come there is a list on the bulletin board of some jobs that can be done through the week.

Wedding Invitation

The congregation is invited to the wedding of Laura Mahler and Daniel Boyd on Saturday, May 21st at 2:00 p.m. The ceremony will take place at Fall Creek Falls State Park with reception to follow at the Fall Creek Falls Conference Center. To facilitate the set up of the ceremony site, please respond by April 30th with the number attending. Contact numbers and additional information are on the maps in the foyer.

Ladies Day

The East End church of Christ will host a Ladies Day on Saturday, April 16, at 9 am. Hannah Colley will be speaking on “When Life Gives You Lemons.”

Expiration Date

In the last few days the ladies who arrange the pantry informed me that expired food had been brought into the pantry. One can expire in 2006. My typical male response was, “I would probably eat it…” in the interest of safety the can and all the other expired ones were thrown away.

This morning I opened a new bar of soap and right on the end of the box was an expiration date. On top of that the soap was very near the expiration date. Really? Soap has an expiration date? Then I thought, I guess the chemicals break down and thus the reason for an expiration date. I suppose I should stop buying the 50 bar packs at SAM’S. Then it dawned on me that everything has an expiration date, including me! Thankfully none of us have that date printed on us. Yet the Bible clearly says, “And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,” Hebrews 9:27, NKJV There will be a date on which each of us will expire.

This serves to illustrate a very important biblical truth, everything in this physical universe is wearing out and growing old. On the other hand, God and spiritual things do not wear out, grow old or expire. The writer of Hebrews quoted the Psalmist in a section extolling the Christ. “They will perish, but You remain. And they will all grow old like a garment,” (Hebrews 1:11, NKJV). God doesn’t “grow old.” His Word is as alive, vibrant, fresh, and relevant as the day it was written. “For the Word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword…” (Hebrews 4:12; Luke 21:33). Peter reminds us that this world and all in it will ultimately be burned up (2 Peter 3:7-10). The world as a whole has an expiration date. Sorry, but no one knows that date either (Matthew 24:36).

What lessons should one draw from the expiration date? First, there is a limited time in which things may be used. Use an item before it expires. Man, likewise is limited in the time in which he has to respond to God. “Seek the LORD while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near.” Isaiah 55:6.

Second, one must learn to put his confidence in things that last. The spiritual realm is eternal (2 Corinthians 4:16-5:7). It has no expiration date! ~Tony Lawrence~