

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements(668-9537) Larry Flatt
 Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves
 First Prayer.....Don Sullivan
 Reading.....Bob Cantrell
 Scripture.....Hebrews 11:13-16
 Lord's Table (N).....*Kelly Thaxton
 (S).....*Jeff Templeton
 (N).....Jason Vandagriff
 (N).....Joe Roller
 (N).....Kane Maynard
 (S).....John Nussbaum
 (S).....Marc Martin
 (S).....Justin Griffin
 Sermon.....Tony Lawrence
 Dismiss.....Tim Gann

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements(668-9537) Larry Flatt
 Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves
 First Prayer.....Paul Hurst
 Reading.....Caleb Graves
 Scripture.....Acts 23:1
 Lord's Table.....*Leonard Clemons
*David Keele
 Sermon.....Tony Lawrence
 Dismiss.....Bruce Pryor

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements(668-7916) Joe Collins
 Lead Singing.....Rickey Hurst
 First Prayer.....Noel Pepper
 Reading.....Caleb Hughes
 Invitation.....Tony Lawrence
 Dismiss.....Aiden McVey

Welcome Committee

A.M.Don & Susie Griffith
 P.M.Ronnie Prince Family

Bus Driver:.....Paul Hurst (668-7088)

Ushers:Rickey Hurst & Kurt Maynard
Attend Nursery:.....Angie Caldwell
Un/Lock Building:.....Jeff Templeton/W.C. Chilton
Prepare Communion:Jeff Templeton Family
Assist with Baptisms: Doris Smith & Missy Biles
Pantry Item:Kool-Aid Mix

Elder Closing Remarks:Steve Boyd

Record For The Week...

A.M.Worship.....286
 Bible Study.....252
 P.M.Worship.....219
 Wednesday Bible Study.....232
 Contribution.....\$11,171

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Services

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

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Jeff Flatt	Shannon Griffin
Allen Hughes	David Keele
Ken Martin	Kurt Maynard
Willie Newby	Ricky Prince
Jim Slatton	Jeff Templeton

Missionary

Robert Garibaldi	314-1387
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Sick

At Home:

Doug Hendrixson
Charles Bradshaw (father of Denise Prince) - at home following surgery for a broken hip.
Nan Cantrell
J.T. Mitchell
Gerry Waddell
Ryan & Stefanie McColloch

In The Hospital:

Ellamae Holloway (Maggie Hurst's mother)-St. Mary's Hospital in Knoxville

Sermon Preview

Sunday AM.....Pilgrim, Do You Have A Guide
Sunday PM.....Paul, Past-Present-Potential

An Eternal Crown

Look up to heaven where angels dwell
Tell me, what do you see?
Do you see Jesus reigning there
Planning for eternity?

Look down to earth where humans dwell
Tell me, what is found?
Are you wearing your cross daily
To wear an eternal crown?

~Benny B. Bristow~

The Correct Attitude

The church that I attend is composed of people like me. We make it what it is. It will be friendly
--- if I am. Its pews will be filled
--- if I help fill them. It will do a great work
--- if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes
--- if I am a generous giver. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship
--- if I bring them. It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a church with a noble spirit if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these. Therefore, with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want the church that I attend to be.

~via BulletinGold~

Shut-ins

NHC

(P.O. Box 528, McMinnville, TN 37111)
Carol Sue Taylor (#212)

Riverview Terrace

(114 Highland Dr., Mc Minnville, TN 37110)
John Biddle
Hoyt Crouch

Raintree Manor

(415 Pace St, Mc Minnville, TN 37110)
Clercie Delon

Life Care Center of Sparta

(508 Mose Dr; Sparta, TN 38583)
Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Creekside At Three Rivers

(2744 Ashers Fork Dr., Murfreesboro, TN 37128)
Vivian Ferrell

Home:

Mary Davis
June Slatton
Dennis Gann
Greg Grizzell
Georgia Jones
Willene Kell
Clyde Paris (Nona Martin & Nelma Chilton's brother-in-law)
Essie Hillis
Lucille Newby - at her son's, Carl Douglas
Kathy Neale (Chris's mother)
Betty Dixon (Darron's mother)
Fuston Womack (at son's home)

Address Update

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Youth News

With a new year come new opportunities for each of us to grow closer to God and to each other. When planning events for the **BBYG** and **PEW PACKERS** that is always the number one priority. What class, activity or event can help each kid realize his or her potential of growth? I am always thinking of ways to help our youth want to connect with God in a real and meaningful way. In doing so the hope is we will rid ourselves of prejudices and cliques and honestly try to help each other go to heaven. Sunday is a very important night for our youth. Each person who has an interest in a kid of the **BBYG** or **PEW PACKERS** is given this invitation to meet with us this Sunday night (January 8th) following services to discuss plans for January thru April. I initially wanted to separate the two groups, but due to not having everything available for the meeting last Sunday night we will all meet together. So, again, to each parent, grandparent, and/or guardian of a child at Bybee Branch, please make every effort to meet with us.

The **BIBLE BOWL** is upon us once again. The test for January is I Samuel 17 – 21. Morrison will host this month and the bus will leave at 1:30 this Sunday afternoon. I would appreciate, if it is convenient for you, that everyone rides the bus. Our **BIBLE BOWL STUDY** session will be Saturday, January 7th, here at the building.

Continuing with a busy Sunday, the **PEW PACKERS** will meet at 5:00 pm! We are starting a brand new theme entitled: **HEROES OF FAITH** with Hebrews 11 as our reference text. I really want to encourage ALL of our kids in 5th grade and down to attend. We have changed the format and hope that you will make this a part of your personal calendar.

ADOPT will meet next Wednesday, January 11th, in Room 1. All students in grades 5 thru 12 will be part of the session. I am not sure if many of you are aware of exactly what **ADOPT** is. Our theme is "Growing as an individual to create a stronger group." We can only be as strong collectively as we are personally. Personal growth involves a zeal for the knowledge of God's Word and talking to Him on a daily basis multiple times. Thus the stronger we become personally, the more we will understand the value of one another's soul. I will touch more on the acronym **ADOPT** Sunday at the meeting.

Careful Where You Pitch Your Tent

Abraham's nephew Lot is a very interesting study in many areas. One of those areas can show us how sin can work its evil in our lives. It can be seen in the various places Lot finds himself and how his condition worsens each time. You may remember that when Abraham gave him a choice of which way he and his herdsman would go, "Lot lifted his eyes and saw all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere" and "chose for himself all the plain of Jordan" (Gen. 13:10-11).

From this point on, it is very interesting to note the places where Lot ends up. From them, we can learn the progressive and aggressive nature of temptation and sin.

First, we see Lot pitching his tent "toward Sodom" (Gen. 13:12, KJV). This meant that he set up camp in the direction of Sodom. Every day he went about his business, Sodom may well have been in sight, and Lot may have indeed been tempted to move ever closer toward Sodom's wickedness.

We next see Lot dwelling in Sodom (Gen. 14:12). By this time, Lot had moved into Sodom and was likely being influenced by the citizens' wickedness in even greater proportions, since he was living amongst them.

Finally, we see Lot sitting at the gate of Sodom (Gen. 19:1). No longer was he simply a resident of that wicked city, he was apparently a leader of it (or at least in association with the leaders). The city gates are where the elders and city officials sat and conducted business. While compared to Sodom's standards, Lot remained righteous (cf. 2 Pet. 2:7-8), the fact remains that by this time Lot had become quite influenced by evil. Else why would he call the Sodomites "brethren" (Gen. 19:7) or offer his daughters to be used sexually at the Sodomites' wildest whims (Gen. 19:8)?

I realize that some of what I have written is conjecture. We do not have all of the facts to know what was in Lot's intentions or heart. But I do know this: the closer we dwell to sin, the easier it becomes to commit sin. And remember this - it all begins with where you pitch your tent.

"But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death. Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren." (Jas. 1:14-16).

~Edd Sterchi~