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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements.....(668-8936) Allen Hughes
 Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons
 First PrayerBrian Moody
 Reading.....Paul Hurst
 Scripture.....Ephesians 4:17-19
 Lord's Table (N).....*Bobby Ashford
 (S)*Eddie Palmer
 (N).....Darron Dixon
 (N).....Aiden McVey
 (N).....Ryan McColloch
 (S)Jeff Rhea
 (S)Robert Elam
 (S)Kevin Flatt
 SermonTony Lawrence
 Dismiss.....Tommy Crouch

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements(815-3033) Caleb Graves
 Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons
 First PrayerBruce Pryor
 Reading.....Marty Boles
 ScriptureEcclesiastes 9:4
 Lord's Table*Clent Kesey
*Shannon Griffin
 SermonTony Lawrence
 DismissNorman Sain

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements(473-8760) Dale Bennett
 Lead Singing.....David Keele
 First PrayerJacob Griffin
 Reading.....Jack Keele
 InvitationTony Lawrence
 DismissJeff Flatt

Welcome Committee

A.M.Ronnie & Elaine Hoover
 P.M.David & Iona King

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

August 12, 2012

Ushers:Rickey Hurst & Kurt Maynard

Attend Nursery:Kathy Elam

Un/Lock Building:Jeff Flatt/Jordan Thomas

Prepare Communion:Keeles

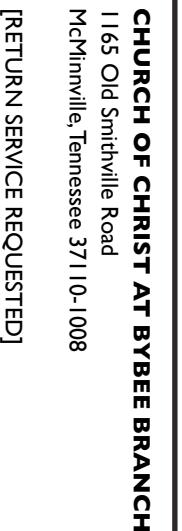
Assist with Baptisms:Stephanie Maynard & Corretta Lawrence

Pantry Item:Spaghetti Noodles

Elder Closing Remarks:Stanley Graves

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship.....	347
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Services

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

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Sick

At Home:

Leonard Crouch
James Thomison
Mary Lois Cantrell
Benny & Gwen Bristow (Corretta Lawrence's parents) both just discharged from the hospital

In The Hospital:

Hoyt Crouch - moved to Rain Tree for rehab #505
Carl Wallace (brother of Linda Fults)-Vanderbilt

Sermons For Sunday

AM Ephesians: Your Mind Matters
PM Ecclesiastes: Now & Then

Opportunities For Edification

Curlee church of Christ will host a Gospel Meeting August 12-15 at 7 pm with Tim Mitchell, Al Bugg, James Lively, and Ralph Richardson preaching.

Central church of Christ will host a Gospel Meeting August 19-22 at 7 pm with Gary McDade preaching.

The Middle Tennessee School of Preaching meets on Thursday nights from 6-9 pm. Classes begin on August 23. Classes being offered this quarter are:

Galatians (taught by Jim Boyd) 6 pm
Denominational Doctrines (taught by David Costello) ... 7 pm
I & 2 Peter (taught by Charles Williams) 8 pm

Harold Cook to India

Brother Harold Cook is scheduled to make a return mission trip to India in September. Traveling along with him will be Steve Hilton. The church here will be contributing some support toward this effort but if members would like to make a direct additional donation they can see Harold or one of the elders.

Youth News

We get back to our monthly **PEW PACKERS CLASS** this Sunday. Our theme is "Heroes of Faith." The person we will study about next is Samuel. Starting time is 5:00 pm and we meet in the Fellowship Room.

It's Group Picture time at Bybee Branch! *All* kids in 5th grade and down should meet in the front of the auditorium this Sunday morning immediately after worship and before we go to class. Then, the following Sunday (August 19th) the **BBYG** will have their group picture. Dress nice!

A **PARENT'S MEETING** will be this coming Sunday following evening services. Plans for September thru December will be discussed. Parents, be thinking about when you would like to host a **BIBLE BOWL STUDY** or **HOME DEVO**.

Friends & Family Day

Friends & Family Day will be coming up September 16. Our last one two years ago was a tremendous success with 536 for our Sunday morning attendance. This can be a great outreach tool for us to let our family and friends see how we worship and to spark an interest in those not presently worshiping with Christians every week.

When Philip found Nathanael and told him that he had found the Lord, Nathanael was skeptical. Philip's response was "Come and see..." I encourage you to invite your friends and family to "come and see."

God's Promise

Now that I've become A Christian
Some say, "There'll be no tears
The pathway will always be brightened
With no darkness or fears!"

This is not what God has spoken
To His faithful few
But He promised, "Come what may,
I will be with you."

~Benny B. Bristow~

Modesty

There is one criticism that Muslims have charged America with that is correct: we have an immodest society. When vulgar performers like Madonna and Lady Gaga are allowed to display their immodesty so prominently with little to no criticism there is no wonder that we are held up to scorn.

Sin can become so ingrained within a society that it no longer is capable of recognizing it. Jeremiah stated, "Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? No! They were not at all ashamed; Nor did they know how to blush." (Jeremiah 6:15). Paul describes them as being "past feeling" (Ephesians 4:19). Peter said some people's hearts have been "trained" in sinful practices (2Peter 2:14). Paul told the young preacher Timothy that some people's consciences can become "seared with a hot iron" (1Timothy 4:2). In Hosea's prophecy he said of Israel, "Yes, gray hairs are here and there on him, Yet he does not know it" (Hosea 7:9).

Our society has witnessed immodest clothing so long that it no longer seems to know what modesty means. And, this problem in society has certainly affected the church. It is hard to tell Christians from heathens by their dress. Even at the assemblies of the church indecent clothing is being worn! Christian men who serve the Lord's Supper, who teach Bible Classes will tell you that one frequently has to look away when performing their jobs due to a woman (or girl) wearing clothes too revealing. Dresses and skirts are too short, and tops are too low. This is to say nothing about the kind of clothing some young men and women are wearing to school and to recreational activities.

What is the proper solution? First, it should not be the preachers or the elders that have to encourage someone to dress modestly. That should be a matter taken care of within the home. Husbands and fathers should accept their responsibility to be the head of the home. If their wife or daughters come out wearing clothing that is not appropriate they should insist they should change. This is biblical. "22 Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. 24 Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything." (Ephesians 5:22-24). "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right." (Ephesians 6:1). Ideally Christian mothers and grandmothers should instill within their daughters an understanding of why modesty is important. Would any deny that there is not a problem with young people conceiving children outside of marriage? Who would deny that much of the clothing today is provocative and contributes to the problem?

We cannot control everything society does, but we do not have to contribute to it or participate in it. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." (Romans 12:1, 2).

Oh yeah, I have one more verse if the above was not convincing. "in like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing, 10 but, which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works." (1 Timothy 2:9, 10). I challenge everyone to make a greater effort to dress more appropriately. Buy the right kind of clothing, Be and example of a Christian in everything you say and do.

~Tony Lawrence~