

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....(668-2632) Steve Hillis  
 Lead Singing.....Herb Rowland  
 First Prayer.....Ronnie Hoover  
 Reading.....Christian Barrett  
 Scripture.....I Corinthians 11:23-26  
 Lord's Table (N).....\*David Chilton  
 (S).....\*Norman Sain  
 (N).....Aiden McVey  
 (N).....Clent Kesity  
 (N).....Derrick Pennington  
 (S).....Ezra Dixon  
 (S).....Farris Young  
 (S).....John Nussbaum  
 Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Tyler Judkins

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....(668-2632) Steve Hillis  
 Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer.....Ricky Prince  
 Reading.....Jared Mullican  
 Scripture.....Ezra 7:10  
 Lord's Table.....\*Vernon Keith  
 .....\*Caleb Graves  
 Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Tommy Crouch

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Jeff Flatt  
 Lead Singing.....Rickey Hurst  
 First Prayer.....Michael Andrews  
 Reading.....Bob Cantrell  
 Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Philip Brock

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.....Leonard & Avie Clemons  
 P.M.....Marty & Sharon Boles

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

**Ushers:** .....Danny Duncan & Harry Felty  
**Attend Nursery:** .....Barbara Sain  
**Un/Lock Building:** .....Stanley Graves/Kurt Maynard  
**Prepare Communion:** .....Doris Smith & Missy Biles  
**Assist Baptisms:** .....Mary Flatt & Monica Hall

**Pantry Item:** .....Oatmeal

**Elder Closing Remarks:** .....Don Griffith

**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship.....369  
 Bible Study.....262  
 P.M. Worship.....256  
 Wednesday Bible Study.....215  
 Contribution.....\$8,312

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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 (2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> of each month)</i>	
		Monday Morning Bible Class	9:00 AM

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## Sick

### At Home:

Leslie Myers  
Linda Hamilton  
Johnnie Paris (sister to Nelma Chilton & Nona Martin) able to go home after rehab

### In The Hospital:

John Biddle (returned to NHC following heart attack and stay in River Park)

## Sermons For Sunday

AM.....The Lord's Supper.  
PM.....Favorite Bible Passages: Ezra 7:10

## Gospel Meetings & Etc

The Elkins church of Christ will host a Spiritual Renewal weekend on November 8-10, Friday-Saturday services will be at 6 pm and Sunday at 9:15, 10, and 12:30. Lonnie Jones will be the guest speaker.

The Leoni church of Christ will host a Seminar on Atheism on November 8-10, with Alan Adams and Sidney White speaking.

The Findlay church of Christ will host a Ladies Day on November 9 at 8:30 am, Janie Craun will be the speaker.

The Pleasant Knoll church of Christ will host a Singing on November 15, at 7 pm.

## Baptism

We rejoice that this past Friday afternoon Marsha Pitts was baptized into Christ. Please remember to welcome Marsha into the family!

## Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the family of Melba Curtis, sister of our Lillie Rutledge and Wilma Rogers. Her funeral was this past Friday.

## Shut-ins

### Raintree Manor

(415 Pace St., Mc Minnville, TN 37110)  
Clara Roller #506

### NHC

(P.O. Box 528, McMinnville, TN 37111)  
John Biddle #114  
Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister) #201  
Marion Ward (brother-in-law to Juanita Oliver) - #123

### Creekside At Three Rivers

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

### Home:

Leonard Crouch  
Mary Davis  
Betty Dixon (Darron's mother)  
Dennis Gann  
Billy Gilbert  
Greg Grizzell  
Ronnie Hamilton (Linda's husband)  
Winfrey Hennessee  
Essie Hillis  
Grady Hurst (Rickey's dad)  
Georgia Jones  
Willene Kell  
Shirley Keith (Vernon's wife)  
Kathy Neale (Chris's mother)  
Mattie Maxwell  
Lucille Newby (at her son's, Carl Douglas)  
Barbara Northcutt  
Evelyn Northcutt  
June Slatton  
Cora Stembridge  
James Thomison  
Fuston Womack (at his son's home)

## Something To Think About

"What if you woke up today with only the things you "thanked" God for yesterday."

"All things in life are temporary. If going well, enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong, don't worry, they can't last long either."

## Youth News

What a blessing to witness so many young people at **BIBLE BOWL** this past Sunday. Our young people did a great job coming in 5<sup>th</sup> place overall. I am personally so proud of each of them and really want to encourage more of our youth group to get involved. Those taking ribbons this time were: 1<sup>st</sup> Earleyville, Jericho, and Woodbury, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bluff Springs and Ivy Bluff, 3<sup>rd</sup> Hebron, New Union, Smith Grove, and Smyrna, 4<sup>th</sup> East End and Hillsboro. For the next few weeks we will be studying John 9 – 11.

**H.E.Y.** is back this Wednesday night. Everyone meet in Room 10/11 to begin the "investigation."

The **PEW PACKERS** meet this Sunday evening beginning at 5 pm. Hope to see you there!

Don't forget to check the Youth Bulletin Board for details about **EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY** and **CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE**. The deadlines will be here before you know it!

### ADDITIONAL UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>—Lads to Leaders/ Leaderettes Meeting  
Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>—Home Devotional  
Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>—Birthday Wednesday  
Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>—Wednesday Nite Youth Something

## The Hooks Are Hidden

Growing up in coastal Georgia afforded me many opportunities to fish in fresh waters directly and indirectly fed by the Ohoopiee, Altamaha, and Canoochee Rivers, proud rivers known especially for their large mouth bass. Add to the fishing expeditions to local lakes and ponds, and you had the recipe for juvenile bliss.

My buddy David used nice, expensive lures and Little Stinker spray if fishing for mud or channel cats. On a much more limited budget, I bought a dollar's worth of Crappie Jigs (that was usually four or five, figuring in taxes). Many days a cup of gizzards for thirty cents would provide fish food enough for half a day. If they were biting, the fish ate my fast food as often as Dave's five star cuisine.

One of the keys to successful fishing, whether using lures, chicken parts, or live bait, is sufficiently burying the hook from sight. Those cheap jigs worked well with the first few casts, but soon the feathery thread tail bushing out of the painted wood body would mat down and the silver hook would shine brightly underwater. At that point, the jig lost its splendor. An exposed hook is the death of good fishing.

The hungriest, savviest angler of all is Satan (cf. 1 Pet. 5:8). He is a master at burying the hooks. Gambling looks like a quick, easy way to financial freedom and enormous wealth. Pornography appears to be a private, harmless distraction from reality, an excursion into one's most exciting fantasies. Smoking seems like a calm, pleasurable enjoyment, a way to unwind, or a satisfying diversion. Sex outside of marriage looks like an exciting, passionate, even thrilling way to spice up one's life, live on the edge, and appeal to one's unbridled lust. There they dangle. No consequences. "Just swallow me," they say. "You'll love it!" they say. These and other sins shine like tinsel and are so enticing. Why not? Just one nibble. Eat and run. No harm. No shame.

Then the barb sticks. Financial ruin and dark addiction. A warped and twisted mind, where nothing seems pure anymore. A man in his forties with an oxygen tank, needing five minutes to wheeze and gasp for air just to go from his car to the post office! In his pocket is a pack of cigarettes. Unwed pregnancies, shattered marriages, and untold embarrassment and shame. The perpetrators of sin are now victims of their own folly. They flounder in bad habits and draining depravity. They have been reeled in by Satan's devices (cf. 2 Cor. 2:11).

By the time the lure is old and worn out--and the hook is in plain view--it may be too late. The hunter may have already captured his prey (cf. 2 Tim. 2:26). Yet, while wilful and habitual sin may seem like a hopeless trip the other end of which is Satan's table, there is a way to "get off the hook." It takes a mighty struggle. You will have to fight for your life (cf. 1 Tim. 6:12; 2 Tim. 4:7). You will have to become sober and alert (1 Pet. 5:8). You will have to be cagey enough to see past the bait and, by faith, see the barbed, painful hook underneath the temptation. Is a moment of pleasure worth the ride on which you will go that leads where you do not wish to be? God wants to provide all we need, but His way leads to safety and life. Let's remember that with Satan, the hooks are hidden!

~ Neal Pollard ~