

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements.....(668-8936) Allen Hughes
 Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons
 First Prayer.....Tim Fisher
 Reading.....Larry Cook
 Scripture.....Matthew 7:7-11
 Lord's Table (N).....* Bernie Gierucki
 (S).....*Norman Sain
 (N).....Joe Maynard
 (N).....Aiden McVey
 (N).....Ryan McColloch
 (S).....Mike Mullins
 (S).....Kurt Maynard
 (S).....Junah Bouldin
 Sermon.....Tony Lawrence
 Dismiss.....Rickey Hurst

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements.....(668-8936) Allen Hughes
 Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons
 First Prayer.....Jeff Flatt
 Reading.....Josh King
 Scripture.....Jeremiah 1:4-5
 Lord's Table.....*Caleb Hughes
*Paul Hurst
 Sermon.....Tony Lawrence
 Dismiss.....Noel Pepper

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements.....Gordon Mayfield
 Lead Singing.....Steve Hillis
 First Prayer.....Josh Templeton
 Reading.....David Roberts
 Invitation.....Jamie Brock
 Dismiss.....Kelly Thaxton

Welcome Committee

A.M.Bruce & Susan Pryor
 P.M.Paul Hurst Family

Bus Driver:.....Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

Ushers:Ricky Prince & Shannon Griffin
Attend Nursery:Elaine Hoover
Un/Lock Building:Paul Hurst/Ken Martin
Prepare Communion:Rickey & Maggie Hurst
Assist Baptisms: Amy Prince & Regina Templeton

Pantry Item:Cornbread Mix

Elder Closing Remarks:Don Sullivan

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship.....286
 Bible Study.....242
 P.M. Worship.....201
 Wednesday Bible Study.....219
 Contribution.....\$6,684

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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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Sick

At Home:

Dickie Kesity
Winona Ward (Juanita Oliver's sister)
Joe T. Cantrell
Jane Wilcher
Penny Keele
Marsha Pitts
Linda Hamilton

In The Hospital:

Mary Meeks (Angie Caldwell's mother) Centennial Medical Center
Clayton Cook (Larry & Roger's brother) - Raintree Manor #510
Grady Hurst (Rickey's father) - St. Mary's Hospital, Knoxville #C097

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Courtney Andrews, niece of Don Sullivan. She passed away on Saturday evening. Her funeral was at the Rome church of Christ on Tuesday.

Sermons for Sunday

AM.....Studying With The Savior-Goodness
PM.....Formed In The Womb

Resignation

This past Sunday the Elders announced that brother Rodney Reynolds was stepping down as one of the Elders. Brother Rodney had the longest tenure of the currently serving Elders, having served for the past 30 years. Through the years Rodney has been a source of great strength and leadership within the Eldership. Please be sure to let him know how much you appreciate him for the service he has given to the church at Bybee Branch.

Fall Festival

Our annual Fall Festival will be held again this year at Dale Bennett's Hickory Creek farm. It will be on Saturday, October 25th with the meal starting at 5 pm.

Youth News

A **YOUTH DAY** at the Vervilla Community Center is this Saturday.

The monthly **TABS** will be hosted this Sunday by New Union. We will leave at 5:15 pm. The topic assigned is "Actions Speak Louder than Words."

The 2014 version of **FALL RETREAT** was a huge success. The singing was great and the spiritual discussions were even better. I appreciate so much the opportunity to grow closer to our youth. I thank each of the kids that were able to make the trip and trust they learned lessons that will help them make godly decisions moving forward. A special thanks to Robert and Regina for helping things run smoothly, to Paul for helping us get to all the various destinations safely, and to Russ and Lori for the meals. Again, though, I give a salute to the BBYG for the fellowship, laughs, and inspiration. To God be the glory!

UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

Sunday 26th Pew Packers
Sunday 26th Home Devotional
Wednesday 29th Birthday Wednesday

Gospel Meetings

The **Iconium church of Christ** will host a Gospel Meeting on October 19-22, services at 7:30 pm with Clint Oppermann (Sunday) and Brad Harrub (Monday-Wednesday) preaching.

The **Main Street church of Christ** in Manchester will host a Gospel Meeting on October 26-29, services at 6:30 pm with Garland Robinson preaching.

The **Campaign church of Christ** will host a Gospel Meeting on October 26-29, services at 7 pm with James Watkins preaching.

Ladies Day

The **Mt. Leo church of Christ** will host a Ladies Day on October 25, services at 9 am with Donna Vaughn.

Looking for a Short-Cut?

When James A. Garfield was president of Hiram College, a father brought his son to enroll him in higher education pursuits. After reviewing what would be required, and wishing for a shorter course of study for the boy, the father said to Mr. Garfield, "The boy can never take all that in. He wants to get through quicker. Can you arrange it for him?" Garfield was quick to respond, "Oh yes. He can take a short course. It all depends upon what you want to make of him. When God wants to make an oak, He takes a hundred years, but He only takes two months to make a squash."

Many often dream of and sometimes even expect to grow to spiritual maturity in a very short time. However, there are no short-cuts when it comes to spiritual development and maturity. Moses spent 40 years in the wilderness of Midian preparing to be the one to lead God's people out of Egypt. Jesus spent 30 years preparing for his 3 year ministry. It takes 20 years to be considered an adult, and many more years to actually become a mature adult. Why then are we surprised that it takes a considerable amount of time to reach spiritual maturity?

Yet even time itself does not ensure maturity. The writer of Hebrews pointed out that there were some Christians who ought to be mature enough to be teaching others, but were, in fact, still needing to be bottle-fed themselves on milk (the "elementary principles of God's word" - Heb. 5:12-14). Some of these baby Christians had been Christians close to 30 years. Can you imagine? 30 years and still not mature enough to feed on "meat"; they still needed "milk." Sad, isn't it!

Spiritual growth requires a steady diet of God's word. Peter, addressing this same subject, wrote, "like new born babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation" (1 Peter 2:2). Paul adds that by "speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him ..." (Eph. 4:15).

Learning takes place in consistent, regular, small doses. Many years ago, a friend of mine, Dan Light-

foot, said that he doesn't remember what he learned on any given day during his school days, but he knows each day a little progress was made. That's why regular Bible study is so important. That's also why God wants parents to teach their children His ways as they go about their daily activities (Deut. 6:6-9). Just 15 minutes of focused Bible study each day will pay rich rewards.

There are no short-cuts. Do you want to mature to be an oak ... or a squash?

~ Joe Chesser - via BulletinGold ~

For What Will this Church Be Known?

- For its love of selves or its love of lost souls? (1 Thess. 2:8)
- For its spreading gossip or its spreading the gospel? (Mark 16:15)
- For its rudderless drifting or its strong leadership? (1 Pet. 5:1-4)
- For its low ideals or its lofty goals? (Phil. 3:14; Col. 3:2)
- For its knowledge of the world or its knowledge of the Bible? (Acts 17:11; 2 Tim. 2:15)
- For its financial limitations or its generous giving? (2 Cor. 8:1-6)
- For its comatose Christians or its many active members? (Eph. 4:16)
- For its selfish pursuits or its selfless serving? (Gal. 5:13; Heb. 12:28)
- For its internal strife or its brotherly love? (John 13:34-35)
- For its indifferent positions or its defense of the truth? (1 Pet. 3:15)
- For its cold shoulders or its warm fellowship? (1 Pet. 1:22)
- For its living below God's expectations or its living above the world? (1 John 3:3-6)
- For its helping itself or its helping the needy? (2 Cor. 9:12-13)
- For its passionless "praise" or its spiritual and truthful worship? (John 4:24)
- For its accolade of men or its glorifying of God? (Eph. 3:21)
- For its stagnation or its vibrancy? (2 Pet. 3:18)

~ Edd Sterchi ~