

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....(668-9537) Larry Flatt  
 Lead Singing .....Larry Cook  
 First Prayer.....Paul Hurst  
 Reading .....Tommy Turner  
 Scripture .....Genesis 13:7-9  
 Lord's Table (N).....\*Willard Dunlap  
 (S).....\*Tim Fisher  
 (N).....Dwight Barrett  
 (N).....Marty Boles  
 (N).....Junah Bouldin  
 (S).....Tommy Crouch  
 (S).....Kenny Dillard  
 (S).....Ethan Duncan  
 Sermon ...*Abraham, Generated Fraternity* Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss .....Randy Griffith

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....(668-9537) Larry Flatt  
 Lead Singing .....Larry Cook  
 First Prayer .....Kane Maynard  
 Reading.....Dale Bennett  
 Scripture .....TBA  
 Lord's Table .....\*J.D. Keele  
 .....\*Ken Martin  
 Sermon *Jesus Taught About The Kingdom* Jeremiah Tatum  
 Dismiss .....Herb Rowland

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Jeff Flatt  
 Lead Singing .....Rickey Hurst  
 First Prayer .....Jeff McVey  
 Reading.....W.C. Chilton  
 Invitation.....Joe Collins  
 Dismiss.....Russ Chilcutt

**Welcome Committee**

A.M. ....Harold & Teresa McGinness  
 P.M. ....Ronnie & Denise Prince  
 Bus Driver: .....Paul Hurst (668-7088)

Ushers: .....Tim Fisher, Mitchell Ferrell, Bruce Pryor  
 Attend Nursery: .....Chancy Woodside  
 Un/Lock Building: .....Ronnie Prince/Steve Hillis  
 Prepare Communion: .....Phyllis Bailey  
 Assist Baptisms: ..... Cynthia Duncan & Amy Lawrence

Pantry Item: .....Crackers

Elder Closing Remarks: .....Don Griffith

**Record For The Week...**

	July 2	July 9
A.M. Worship -----	312	288
Bible Study -----	257	210
P.M. Worship -----	217	222
Wednesday Bible Study -----	224	163
Contribution -----	\$7,781	\$8,806

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**Services**

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

### At Home:

Sarah Kell  
David Bouldin  
Frankie Hobbs (no visitors please)  
Randall Gann  
David McColloch

### In The Hospital:

Paul Davis - Parthenon Pavilion

## Shut-ins

### Raintree Manor

(415 Pace St., McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Clayton Cook (Larry & Roger's brother) #200  
Gordon Fults #101  
Shirley Keith #308  
Clara Roller #104  
Gary Ward #118

### NHC

(P.O. Box 528, McMinnville, TN 37111)  
Winfrey Hennessee #412  
Willene Kell #311  
Brenda Davis #116

### Prestige Assisted Living

(110 River Rd W, Loudon, TN 37774)  
Dennis Eller

### Home:

Bill Ashford (Bobby's brother)  
Bill Brown  
Wilma Chisam (at her sons's home)  
Dennis Gann  
Greg Grizzell  
Joan Hillis  
Daisy Maxwell  
Kathy Neale (Chris's mother)  
Morris Newby (Willie's father)  
Willus & Edith Roberts  
Doris Settles (Zollie's sister-in-law)

## Sermon Preview

AM.....Abraham, Generated Fraternity  
PM .....Jesus Taught About The Kingdom

## Youth News

### UPCOMING:

Sun. 7/16 Softball Devotional  
Wed. 7/19 Wednesday Night Sing  
Wed. 7/26 H.E.Y.  
Thur. 7/27 NHC Devotional  
Sat. 7/29 Youth Blowout  
Sun. 7/30 Young Men Led Worship  
Sun. 7/30 Parents/Youth Dinner

## Why be a part of VBS

Why should one be a part of VBS?

### Because of the time spent in . . .

- **Studying of the Scripture** 2 Timothy 2:15; Psalm 1:1-3
- **Singing of Songs** Colossians 3:16; Ephesians 5:19
- **Strengthening of Souls** Acts 20:32; Hebrews 10:24-25
- **Sowing of the Seed** (Word of God) Luke 8:11; Matthew 28:18-20
- **Sustaining Spiritual Soundness** 1 Cor. 16:13-14; 2 Peter 1:5-11
- **Serving our Savior** Matthew 6:24; 16:24
- **Seeking Things that are Spiritual** Matthew 6:33; Colossians 3:1-3
- **Shielding Ourselves against Satan** James 4:7-8; 1 Cor. 10:12-13
- **Supplying Opportunities for Service** 1 Cor. 15:58; Revelation 2:10

~ Jerry Joseph ~

The Proclaimer, St. Peters church of Christ

## VBS Report

The attendance at the Monday Night VBS was 243. This was an excellent attendance considering that numerous VBS's (Earleyville, Rockliff, West Sparta ) and Gospel Meetings (Ivy Bluff, Hebron, Summitville, Gassaway, New Brick) are this week in our area. Look for a full report next week. THANKS to everyone for your help!

## I Don't Want You To Join My Church

We run into people on a more or less frequent basis that are looking for a church. Many times you will hear people who are undergoing this process say things like, "How do I know which church to join," and "How do I choose the right church?" It is well understood that these individuals are looking to be a part of a particular church but they just do not know which one they should be a part of. However, I submit to you that this type of terminology when looking for a church is foreign to the Bible. In fact, let me emphatically say that I don't want you to join my church.

I don't want you to join my church because it is not my church. It may be the church I attend or the group of people with whom I assembly, but technically speaking, it is not my church—it is the Lord's church. Jesus said in Matthew 16:18 "And I say unto you that thou art Peter and upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it." The church belongs to Jesus; it is His church; He is the Owner. The Bible also says that Jesus is the Head of the body (Eph. 1:22, 23), the Savior of the church (Eph. 5:23), the King of the kingdom (1 Tim. 6:15), the Husband of the bride (Eph. 5:21ff), the Foundation of the church (1 Cor. 3:11) and the Chief Cornerstone (1 Peter 2:5, 6). So I want you to be part of the church that belongs to Christ, not "my church."

I don't want you to join my church because you can't join the church. One will search the scriptures all day long and never find an instance of a person "joining a church." We read of the church having members in 1 Corinthians 12:12ff and Romans 12:4ff. However we never read of someone "joining" the church. Rather we read where God adds a person to the church. In Acts 2:47 we have, "And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." The Lord adds those who are saved to the church. If you are saved you already have membership within the church. The question that stands before you is whether or not you will worship with God's church. If you are not a Christian, the question that stands before you is "Will you be added to God's church?" I don't want you to join my church; I want you to be added to the Lord's church.

I don't want you to join my church because you nor I have a right to determine the characteristics of the church. Many people visit different churches in their search for a church. They look at the church and weigh the differences and then determine which characteristics most please them. This is not, however, how we should view the church. We should look for the church whose characteristics most please God! God has given us His word so that we can know about His church and He has given us His church so that we can know about His word (Ephesians 3:10). It is God's church that we should be seeking. I don't want you to join my church; I want you to seek God's church (Matthew 10:33).

There are some things that I do want. I DO want you to be obedient to God. I DO want you to worship God. I DO want you to be a faithful Christian. I DO want you to be saved. I DO want you to be a member of the Lord's church for which He shed His blood (Acts 20:28). Take the necessary measures today to ensure that you are part of the church that belongs to Jesus—the church of Christ (Romans 16:16)!

~ Mike Dyer ~

Willow Ave church of Christ

## Summer Series

Our Summer Series continues this Sunday evening at 6 pm with brother Jeremiah Tatum, preacher at the Willow Ave church of Christ in Cookeville. Brother Tatum spoke on our 2013 Summer Series and did a tremendous job. He will be speaking on *Jesus Taught About The Kingdom*.

## Gospel Meeting & VBS's

The **Mt. Leo church of Christ** will have a VBS July 17-20, from 6-8 pm.

The **Arlington church of Christ** will have a VBS July 16-19, from 7 pm. Theme: God's Promises

The **Jericho church of Christ** will have a Gospel Meeting July 23-26, with Samuel Bain, Jon Simmons, Drew Milligan, Gene Brock and Jason Gann preaching.