Volume 61, Number 21	June 3, 2018
Sunday Morning Worship Announcements(668-7916) Joe Collins Lead Singing	Ushers:Dwight Barrett, Tim Gann, Stan Hillis Attend Nursery:Matthew Woodside/David Keele Prepare Communion:Brocks, Cunninghams, Turners Assist Baptisms:Judy Sullivan & Monica Rowland Pantry Item:Cornbread Mix
(N)	Elder Closing Remarks:
Sunday Evening Worship Announcements	CHURCH OF CHRIST AT BYBEE BRANCH 1165 Old Smithville Road McMinnville, Tennessee 37110-1008 [RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED]
A.MBrandon Fuston Family P.MDon & Susie Griffith Bus Driver:Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)	Non-Prot Organizati U.S. Posta PAID McMinnville Permit # 2

If you cannot serve, please contact David Keele (273-5566)



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Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM

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Sick

At Home:

Clifford Markum (father of Tina Lance)

In The Hospital:

Kevin Flatt - Vanderbilt Penny Keele - St.Thomas Rutherford Jim Mullins (Mike's dad) - St.Thomas West Bill Watkins (preacher at Crieve Hall) - St.Thomas West

Kathy Bouldin (Glenda Hughes' sister) - St. Thomas West 501

Jerry Cathey (Don's brother) - St.Thomas Rutherford Dennis Eller - Parkwest Medical Center-Knoxville Carolyn Cantrell - River Park

Shut-ins

Raintree Manor

(415 Pace St., McMinnville, TN 37110) Clayton Cook (Larry's brother) #200 Shirley Keith #308 Clara Roller #120 Gary Ward #206

NHC

(P.O Box 528, McMinnville, TN 37111) Winfrey Hennessee #315 Willene Kell #311

Home:

Bill Ashford (Bobby's brother)
Dennis Gann
Greg Grizzell
Joan Hillis
Daisy Maxwell
Kathy Neale (Chris's mother)
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)
Barbara Pryor (Bruce's mother)
Willus & Edith Roberts

Sympathy

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We extend our sympathy to the family of Polly Woodlee, grandmother of our Chris Neale. Her funeral was this past Friday.

Diana Singing

This will be the 49th year of the Diana Singing on June 8th & 9th.

Youth News

Upcoming Youth Events:

- May 30 Birthday Wednesday
- June 2 VBS at Smartt Church of Christ, 9am to 12
- June 10 Pew Packers
- June 24 Home Devo @ Jamie & Melissa Brock's
- June 30 Fishing & Fellowship at Randy & Vickie Griffith House

Fishing and Fellowship:

June 30th Randy and Vickie Griffith will be hosting a fishing tournament & fellowship at their house. You will be recognized for the "Biggest Fish" the "Smallest Fish" and the "Ugliest Fish".

Youth Ideas:

Last Wednesday in the youth class we were discussing different ways to spread the Gospel here in McMinnville. The youth have come up with some GREAT ideas so keep an eye out for upcoming events in spreading the Gospel.

Youth Group Funds:

As you know every activity takes money. Our account is getting low, so if you can help in any way please make checks out to Bybee Branch and in the memo put youth fund. Thank you for all of your help.

Polishing The Pulpit:

A huge spiritual week/weekend in Sevierville Tennessee, August 17-23. Each day they have classes for all ages (3-Adult). This is by far the best event you and your family can attend all year. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Birthday Wednesday:

Birthday Wednesday is this week, please join us.

Vacation Bible Schools

Smartt, June 2, services at 9 am Morrison, June 3-6, services at 7 pm Ivy Bluff, June 3-6, services at 7 pm Smyrna, June 3-6, services at 7 pm Central, June 3-6, services at 6-8 pm

Gospel Meeting

Rockliff, June 10-13, services at 7 pm, with Randy By-

The Bed Is Too Short and the Covers Too Narrow

"Wherefore hear the word of the Lord, ye scornful men, that rule this people which is in Jerusalem. Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves: Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste. Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place. And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall betrodden down by it. From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning by morning shall it bass over, by day and by night; and it shall be a vexation only to understand the report. For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it: and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it" (Isaiah 28:14-20).

Israel had departed from God and was comfortable in her sins. God sent a warning by the prophet Isaiah to warn Israel relative to their sinful condition. They had made a "covenant with death" that the destruction that was coming would not affect them. God, however, had "disannulled" their covenant. Relative to their condition, God said; "For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it: and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it" (Isaiah 28:20).

The bed was too short and the cover was too narrow! Have you ever tried to sleep on a bed that was so short you could not stretch yourself upon it? Have you ever tried to cover yourself with covering that was too narrow? Now, have you ever had both of these conditions at the same time? It would be a cramped and cold situation! Judgment was coming upon Israel. Within in few decades of Isaiah's prophesy, Assyria came against Israel and took them into captivity.

There is another judgment day coming. This is the final judgment in which all the nations will be gathered together before the judgment seat of Christ. "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory" (Matthew 25:31). "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad" (2Corinthians 5:10). Many will realize their bed is too short and their cover is too narrow. Who are some of these?

THOSE THAT DO NOT BELIEVE IN CHRIST

Atheists do not believe in God and consequently do not believe Christ is God. God had the Psalmist to write; "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are

corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good" (Psalm14:1).

Many of the Jews, though they believed in God, did not believe in Christ. John wrote; "He came unto his own, and his own received him not" (John 1:11). In fact, they had Christ crucified. But Jesus Christ rose from the dead and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God! Their bed is too short and their cover is too narrow.

FAITH ONLY ADVOCATES

Many are the preachers who tell people believe in Christ and accept Him into their hearts and they will be saved. While the Bible does tell us that faith is essential to salvation, it is not the only condition for the remission of sins. Jesus tells us that we must also "repent." He said, "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3). One must confess Christ, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Romans 10:9-10). And, one must "be baptized" in order to be saved. The Bible records, "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of lesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:38). Jesus says; "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:16). Those that have not obeyed what the Lord has said will find that their bed is too short and their cover is too narrow.

NOMINAL CHRISTIANS

"Nominal Christians" are those who are Christians in name only. Such "serve" Christ when it is convenient for them. These have no true convictions or dedication relative to serving God. They attend worship services when they want to instead out of deep devotion to God. They live lives that make them a "good - ole Joe", but not a faithful child of God. Such people need to be converted. Following Jesus requires surrender: "Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me" (Matthew 16:24). Every branch in Christ that doesn't bear fruit will be cut off, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit"(John 15:1-2). Nominal Christians will find that their bed is too short and their cover is too narrow.

Let's make sure that our bed is made according to God's specifications. Then, and only then, can we lie down in peace and sleep. "I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety" (Psalm 4:8).

~ Billy Bland ~