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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements(668-9727) Randall Gann
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons
First PrayerBobby Ashford
ReadingKeith Chilcutt
ScriptureProverbs 14:14
Lord's Table (N)*Rickey Hurst
(S)*David Keele
(N)Derrick Pennington
(N)David Roberts
(N)Steve Smith
(S)Chris Snow
(S)Jason Vandagriff
(S)Farris Young
SermonTony Lawrence
DismissNoel Pepper

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements(668-9727) Randall Gann
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons
First PrayerEthan Duncan
ReadingTommy Crouch
ScriptureJude 20-21
Lord's Table*Willie Newby
.....*Eddie Palmer
SermonTony Lawrence
DismissKelly Thaxton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements.....Ken Martin
Lead Singing.....Jacob Griffin
First Prayer.....Tim Gann
ReadingShannon Griffin
InvitationJason Adams
DismissMichael Andrews

Welcome Committee

A.M.Don Sullivan Family
P.M.Stanley & Jean Clendenon

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

November 24, 2019

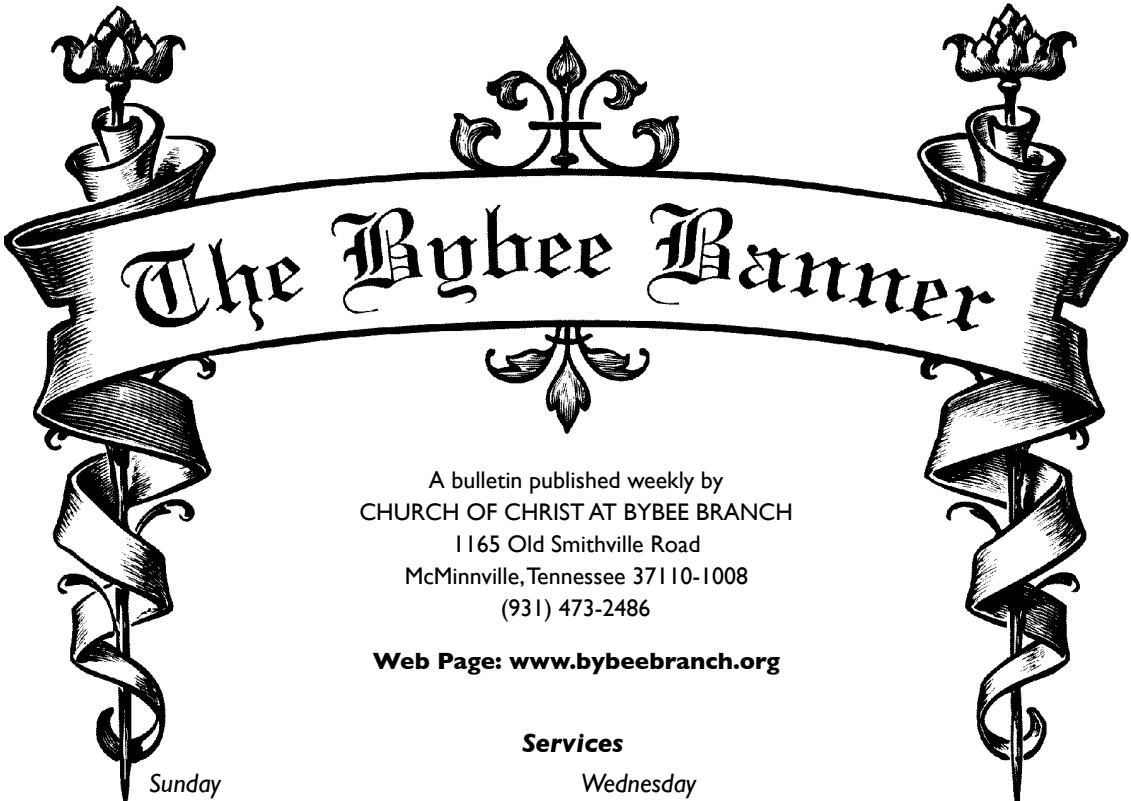
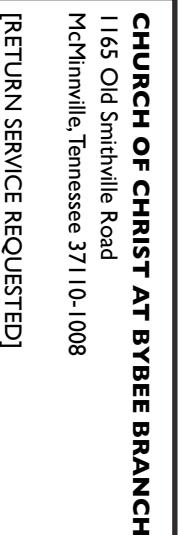
Ushers:Jared Mullican, Ronnie Hoover, Herb Rowland
Un/Lock Building:Randy Griffith/David McColloch
Prepare Communion:Keele
Assist Baptisms:Mary Flatt & Barbara Witty

Pantry Item:Corn

Elder Closing Remarks:Don Sullivan

Record For The Week...

A.M.Worship	305
Bible Study	231
P.M.Worship	188
Wednesday Bible Study	163
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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

Radio Program

Each Wednesday at 12:45 on WBMC 960 AM and 97.7 FM.

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Sick

At Home:

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Jim McColloch (at David & Stefanie's home)
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Alan Niles
Jerry Simons
Brenda Young (knee surgery)

In The Hospital:

Terry Coppinger - Alan Hughs' Uncle
River Park
Louis Wiseman (uncle of Judy Sullivan) - NHC
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Ladies Holiday Dinner

All ladies of the congregation are invited to the annual Ladies Holiday Party. It will be held on Thursday, December 5th at 6:30pm at Boskey's Grill. Details are available on the signup sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer. Deadline to sign up will be Wednesday, November 27th. Carpooling will also be available for those that might need it.

Annual Holiday Fellowship

Our annual Holiday Fellowship will be Sunday evening, December 15th, following the evening services. More details will follow...

Bybee Banner Archives

Over the past few weeks we have been scanning the past issues of the Bybee Banner and they are now available on the website. Go to www.bybeebranch.org, then click Bybee Banner from the links at the left. Then from there you can choose by year going back to 2005 with each week as an individual bulletin. However, at the bottom there is a link to 2004 and older. There each year is included in one document. What's even better is they have been run through OCR so they are fully searchable as well. Whole years are available back through 1987. Plans are to complete this project soon going back as far as we have bulletins available.

Youth News and Updates

- **Home Devo** - Our next home devotional will be on Sunday, December 1st 2019 at the home of Robert Garibaldi.
 - **Bible Bowl** -will be on December 8th at the Hwy 56 congregation. PLEASE be reading I Corinthians chapters 1-4.
 - **Ignite Youth Rally** - The Willow Avenue congregation in Cookeville is hosting a youth rally on December 7th from 9am - 2pm. Eric Lyons will be the keynote speaker. There will be lessons on doubt, temptation, (this class will be divided boys and girls), the tongue, priorities. There will also be some lessons for the parents (Answering Hard Questions, with Eric Lyons speaking in that class). This event is specifically for 7th grade and older. Jason will be taking a group, so if you are interested, PLEASE sign up on the youth board. We need to **RSVP** by December 1st.
 - **CYC Youth Rally** - Jason will be taking the older youth to Challenge Youth Conference on February 28th - March 1st in Pigeon Forge. There will be 3 male and 3 female chaperones attending this trip. This trip is for 7th grade and up. If we get enough interested in going, the cost should be around \$70 per person, plus the personal cost of four meals and entertainment at The Island.
 - **Spring Youth Retreat** - Jason is in the planning process of next years retreat. The theme will be "The Great Escape" looking at characters from the Bible who could or could not escape things in their life. The cost will be \$65 per person. Please be looking for updated information in the months to come.
- "As the deer pants for the water brooks, So pants my soul for You, O God."**
Psalm 42:1

Extra-Biblical Books

No doubt you have heard on TV about the "Lost Books of the Bible." Ever since the first century AD, pretenders have been writing books claiming to be inspired Scripture. Sometimes they even forged the signature of an apostle or other well-known Christian to give the fake book an air of legitimacy. But I'd like to suggest that there really are at least eight books that some folks seem to have in their Bibles that are not in yours or mine. See if you recognize any of these:

The book of Speculations

This little jewel is chock full of "might have" and "could have." "It might have happened like this." "He could have said that." Eventually, these morph into statements of fact: "They did it just so."

The book of Traditions

We've always done it this way, so it must be the right way. Eventually this morphs into "the only way."

The book of Opinions

I think thus & such, so that's how it ought to be. Statements from this book are generally treated as binding law.

The book of Regulations

Many things God did not bind, so the author of this book completed the task.

The book of Suppositions

Possibly same author as Speculations.

The book of Regurgitations

I've always been taught such and such . . . - so I regurgitate whatever I was spoon-fed.

The book of Pontifications

May be a companion volume to Regulations.

The book of Assumptions

I'd really like for these things to be true; therefore, they are so.

God's Team Wins!

Christ's gospel does for us what the Law could not do for those who lived under it. Specifically, it frees us from the condemnation of sin (Romans 8:1-5), gives us spiritual life (8:6-13), makes us full-fledged sons of God (8:14-17), and provides us with genuine hope for resurrection unto eternal life (8:18-25). God provides everything we need to be saved and stay saved (8:16-30). In light of this magnificent truth, Paul asks five rhetorical questions which are well worth our consideration:

"If God is for us, who can be against us?" (8:31b). Of course the Devil and all his wicked forces are against us. The point is, who can succeed against us? As long as we are faithful to the Lord, our opposition is doomed to fail! Be not deceived – our adversary is formidable! But as John wrote, "He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world" (1 John 4:4).

"He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?" (8:32). Look at what God did in sending Jesus to die for us. He gave the very best – His own son; He sent Jesus to suffer unspeakable agony in our place. Is He going to turn His back, saying to us, "You'll have to make it the rest of the way on your own"? Ridiculous!

"Who shall bring a charge against God's elect?" (8:33a). Satan is "the accuser of our brethren" (Revelation 12:10). He is very good at what he does, and we have all sinned (Romans 3:23). As Paul points out in 8:33b, however, "It is God who justifies." When the Judge acquits us of the charges, the case is dismissed!

"Who is he who condemns?" (8:34a). Like a prosecutor, Satan seeks to condemn us. However, "It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us" (8:34b). In His death, Jesus paid the price for our sins; in rising from the dead, He conquered death for us. Now He intercedes on our behalf. Satan's best efforts fail miserably!

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?" (8:35a). The remainder of Romans 8 gives a long list of ways we might theoretically be removed from Christ's love. The conclusion of the matter, however, is that none of these things will succeed!

Paul's words are not comfort for the careless, but solace for the struggling! God loves you and wants you to succeed. He is on your side! Be sure you stay on His.

~ Joe Slater ~

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