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#### Sunday Morning Worship

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Announcements	(743-0495) Jason Adams
Lead Singing	Jacob Griffin
First Prayer	Kane Maynard
Reading	Marty Boles
	ICorinthians 9:19-22
Lord's Table (N)	*Leonard Clemons
(S)	*Matthew Woodside
	Josh Templeton
	Jeff Templeton
(N)	Micah Lawrence
(S)	Chris Snow
(S)	Steve Smith
(S)	David Roberts
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kurt Maynard

## Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(743-0495) Jason Adams
Lead Singing	Jacob Griffin
First Prayer	Willard Dunlap
Reading	Danny Duncan
Scripture	Isaiah 40:26
Lord's Table	*Gordon Mayfield
	*Ken Martin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Rodney Reynolds

#### Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Robert Garibaldi
Lead Singing	Ethan Duncan
First Prayer	Tim Gann
Reading	Paul Hurst
Invitation	Rickey Hurst
Dismiss	Darron Dixon

## Welcome Committee

A.M	Chris Snow Family
P.M	Stanley & Jean Clendenon

If you cannot serve, please contact Shannon Griffin (808-4470)

Ushers:David McColloch, Eddie Palmer, Shannon Griffin	
Un/Lock Building:	Jeff Templeton/Mike Mullins
Prepare Communion: .	Andrews
Assist Baptisms:Jean Clendenon & Kara Fuston	

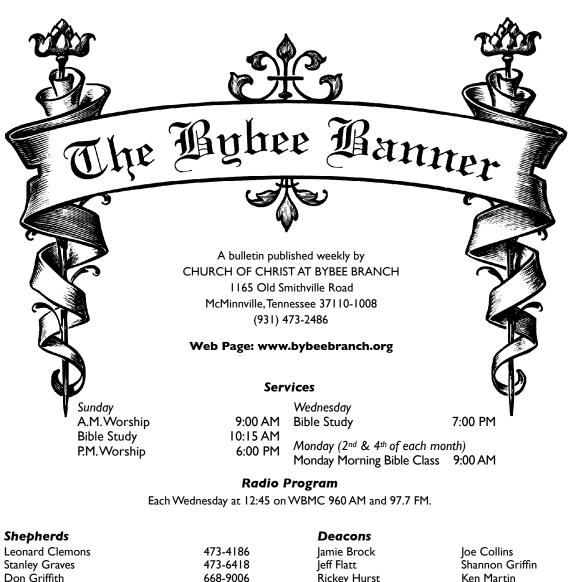
Pantry Item: ..... ...Canned fruit

Elder Closing Remarks: .....Stanley Graves

### **Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship	
Bible Study	
P.M. Worship	
Wednesday Bible Study	
Contribution	\$45,861

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#### At Home:

Mitchell & Glenda Ferrell Rickey Hurst Irene Lawrence Jim McColloch (at David & Stefanie's home) Osburn Huntley (Ruby's husband) Jerry Simons (Eva's husband) Thomas Owens (Glenda Hughes father)

#### In The Hospital:

Nelma Chilton - Cookeville for tests/treatments on Wednesday

## **Elders-Deacons Meeting**

The quarterly elders and deacons meeting will be Sunday evening, January 26, at 5 PM.

# Worrying About What's Next

I have a good friend who lives in Kentucky. He's such a huge fan of UK basketball that he gets a bit too worked up while watching their games. Therefore, instead of watching their games live, he records them and busies himself with other things. Then when the game is over, he checks the final score. If UK won, he can then sit down and watch that game without any worry or stress. No matter how "nip and tuck" the game may be, he doesn't worry because he knows how the game ends.

I believe there's a lesson here for all Christians. Too many of us worry about what tomorrow holds. We fret about what will happen next. However, here's my question: "Why should we worry about what happens next when we know what happens last?"

Life holds a lot of ups and downs, even for the Christian. But that is no reason to unduly worry and fret about tomorrow, for we know what happens in the end! We've read the end of the book, haven't we? And the book records that in the end, we're victorious (Revelation 2:10)!

So, the next time you're tempted to overly concern yourself with what will happen next, just remember that you know what will happen last!

#### ~ Steve Higginbotham ~

# Youth News and Updates

- **Bybee Youth** there are several activities and updates regarding our youth that you can read about in the Bybee Youth monthly publication. You may pick up a copy of the Bybee Youth on the back table.
- **H.E.Y.** will be this Sunday, January 12th. The Smartt Station congregation will be hosting this event. The van will leave the building at 4:30 pm and return between 6:30 pm and 7:00 pm.
- Jackson, Missouri Trip Ignite 2020 Youth Rally in Jackson, MO. A trip itinerary will be handed out on Sunday, January 12th. See Jason for a copy of it.
- Friday Night Singings one Friday night each month we will meet in someone's home to simply sing. If you are willing to host a month please sign the sheet on the youth bulletin board. This is a congregational activity, not just a youth activity.
- Youth Service Project We will be conducting a service project as a youth group. If you are interested in participating, please sign the sheet on the youth board
- CYC tickets have been purchased. There is a list of names, on the youth board, of those who are going. If your name is NOT on the list and you want to go, please see Jason. The cutoff date is Sunday, January 26th.
- **Spring Youth Retreat** is well underway in its preparation stages. We will need many volunteers that weekend to assist with the activities that are being planned. There is a sign-up sheet on the GREEN BULLETIN BOARD. Please sign up if you are able to help us.
- **Prom Alt Trip** if you are interested in going on the Prom Alt Trip this year, please sign the sheet on the youth board.

## Son of Jesus or Son of the Devil?

On Paul's first missionary journey the proconsul (governor) of Cyprus, Sergius Paulus, summoned him and Barnabas "and sought to hear the word of God" (Acts 13:7). One of his advisors, a sorcerer and false Jewish prophet named Bar-Jesus, did his best to resist them and "turn the proconsul away from the faith" (v. 8). "Bar" means "son of," but it is highly unlikely that Bar-Jesus had been named in honor of our Lord. Jesus ("Yahweh is salvation") was a very common name among first-century Jews. His name did, however, turn out to be rather ironic.

He was commonly known as Elymas, the Arabic form of "magi" which means wise man. That, too, was ironic. Aside from being a false prophet and practicing sorcery, resisting God's message and His messengers wasn't among the wisest things Elymas ever did!

Paul would tolerate none of it. He "looked intently at him and said, 'O full of all deceit and all fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord? And now, indeed, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time.' And immediately a dark mist fell on him, and he went around seeking someone to lead him by the hand" (vv. 9-11).

Elymas was anything but "son of Jesus." He was a son of the devil! (diabolos = slanderer).

Are you living up to your God-given name, "Christian" (Acts 11:26)? Just wearing it doesn't make you a true follower of the Anointed One. You confessed Him as Lord. "But why do you call Me "Lord, Lord," and do not the things which I say?" (Luke 6:46).

Be truly wise! Be a son of Jesus!

 $\sim$  Joe Slater  $\sim$ 

## **General Business Meeting**

The quarterly men's General Business Meeting will be Sunday evening, January 26, at 5 PM. All the men of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

## When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

The songs of Isaac Watts, who lived from 1674 to 1749, continue to influence Christians worship over 250 years after his death. During his lifetime, he wrote approximately 600 hymns, many of which are still used in worship today.

In 1707, he wrote "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross." The words to the second verse are: "Forbid it Lord that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my Lord. All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood." This thought is surely based on the apostle Paul's affirmation in Galatians 6:14, "But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world."

When we reflect on (survey) the cross, we should truly be amazed and humbled. When we survey the cross, we see the reality of sin, for if it were not for mankind's sin, the death of Jesus would not have been necessary. We also see the high cost of redemption. To redeem us required the death of the Son of God! The cost of redemption reminds us of how serious sin truly is.

When we survey the cross, we are reminded that the price for our redemption has been paid. Because of the cross we have been spared from condemnation.

When we survey the cross, we are told in no uncertain terms that God loves us. As unbelievable as it may seem, He really loves us.

May we, like Paul, determine to glory only in the cross of Jesus.

~ Patrick Hogan ~

# The Truth

- Know it (John 8:32)
- Love it (2 Thess. 2:10)
- Believe it (2 Thess. 2:12)
- Obey it (1 Pet. 1:22)
- Tell it (Eph. 4:15)
- Help it (3 John 8)