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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	Caleb Graves
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Barry Mayes
Reading	Marty Boles
Scripture	Mark 14:1
Lord's Table	
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joe Collins

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Caleb Graves
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Leonard Clemons
Reading	Don Sullivan
Scripture	John 10:11, 14
Lord's Table	*Kurt Maynard
	*Kane Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Danny Duncan

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Mike Mullins
Lead Singing	Jared Mullican
First Prayer	Norman Sain
Reading	Nate Turner
Invitation	Rickey Hurst
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship	179
Bible Study	
P.M. Worship	
Wednesday Bible Study	81
Contribution	\$5,203

Welcome Committee

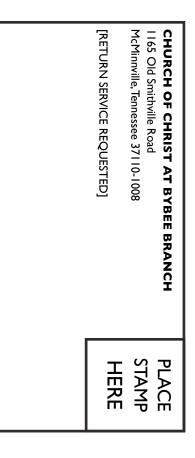
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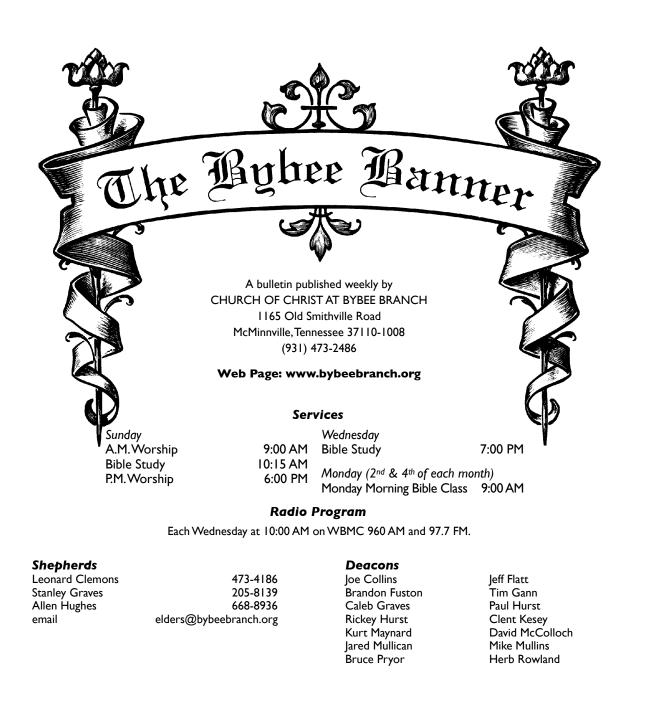
If you can not serve, please contact Mike Mullins (931) 743-8093

Ushers:Eddie Palmer, David Mc	Colloch, Bruce Pryor
Un/Lock Building:Co	ory Prince/Jeff Flatt
Assist Baptisms:	Jane Flatt
Pantry Item:	Jelly
Check Pantry:	Glenda Ferrell
Check Kitchen:	Cynthia Duncan
Check Workroom:	Marsha Collins
Video	Clent Kesey
Elder Closing Remarks	Stanley Graves

Van Driver

Sunday AM & PM	Chris Snow
Wednesday PM	Kelly Thaxton





Preachers

Tony Lawrence (Preaching) 212-6067 email preacher@bybeebranch.org Josue Castorena (Hispanic)

Sick

At Home:

Herb Rowland Glenda Ferrell Judy Nussbaum Sidney Grove Corretta Lawrence Willard Dunlap (surgery on the 21st)

Hospital

Linda Fults - NHC for rehab

Sympathy

We are saddened to announce the passing of sister Iva Cunningham. Arrangements are incomplete.

Area Events

- West Riverside will host a Ladies Day with Lori Boyd, October 26, 9 AM.
- **Spencer** will host a Gospel Meeting, October 26-28, with Chad Ramsey preaching.
- **Arlington** will host a Gospel Singing, November 1, refreshments at 6 PM, singing at 7 PM.
- **Noah** will host a Ladies Day with Lydia Rubelsky, November 2, 9 AM.

Meetings

The Elders-Deacons meeting will be October 27, at 5:00 PM. Following services will be the Men's General Business Meeting

PTP 365

For those of you who have signed up for PTP365, some new additions are lectures from this year's PTP organized by themes. Also as an additional bonus are the lectures from the Spiritual Sword Lectureship just last week. If you are not signed up and wish to do so, Go to <u>http://polishingthepulpit.com/welcome-to-ptp365/</u> After signing up shortly thereafter you will be able to watch.

Youth News

25-27 Erupt Youth Rally30 Birthday Wednesday

Fall Festival

The annual Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, November 9, beginning at 5 PM at the home of Jeff & Mary Flatt (1400 Wilson Road). Be sure to bring a lawn chair. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board for what items to bring.

Optimism

Optimism is an essential ingredient for the growth and well-being of the body of Christ both individually and congregationally. Leroy Brownlow writes, "The world is not going to follow the man who has a gloomy outlook. We like the person who enjoys the donut rather than gripes at the hole in it."

Optimism is a by-product of hope. The Christian's hope is not rooted in this world, but anchored in the next (Heb. 6:19). It is a hope that "does not disappoint..." (Rm. 5:5). When life grows dark and dreary, threatening to dampen our enthusiasm, we must set our "mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth" (Col. 3:2). Easier said than done. An optimistic outlook requires a disciplined mind. Paul says, "Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if here is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things" (Ph. 4:8).

Output is determined by input. So long as we fill our minds with polluted, negative thoughts, we will enjoy little success maintaining a positive attitude. By contrast, when Paul sought to fill his heart with things lovely and noble, he was able to rise above physical hardships and proclaim, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me (Ph. 4:13).

Wouldn't you rather look at life through the hopeful optimism of faith in Christ? We will not always be treated fairly in life. Hardships will come even into the lives of Christians. But, in Christ, we have the resources to deal with life at its worst and still maintain our hope in the future. Remember, "This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Ps. 118:24).

~ Glen Elliott~ Preacher for the Greenbrier church of Christ in Greenbrier, AR, via BulletinGold

A Chart on Dangers Facing The Church

The chart below was one that belonged to and was preached by brother Titus Ward (Judy Sullivan's father). Brother Titus was a faithful and dedicated servant of the Lord who served many years with the Jericho congregation.

The church, like Old Testament Israel, faced a number of potential dangers. The prophets were sent to call Israel from the brink of disaster. In much the same way the apostles and prophets did the same for the church in the New Testament. The human penman of the book of Hebrews said, "Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin." (Hebrews 3:12-13).

The message of Scripture is remarkable in that it remains relevant to every generation. While this chart was prepared on a bed sheet and preached to people of a past generation those same dangers remain for the church today. And, the answers to those dangers are likewise just a relevant today as they were to a previous generation. I want to encourage you to look up the points made in the chart and the Scriptures that support them. You will definitely be blessed for doing so.

Over the next few weeks look for some other Bible Teaching charts...

