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Sunday Morning Worship			
Announcements	Brandon Fuston		
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves		
First Prayer	Chris Snow		
Reading	David McColloch		
Scripture	Ecclesiastes 2:11		
Lord's Table	*Tim Gann		
Sermon	Tony Lawrence		
Dismiss	Caleb Graves		

Sunday Evening Worship

Brandon Fuston
Stanley Graves
Allen Hughes
Barry Mayes
Revelation 1:8
*Eddie Palmer
*Jared Mullican
Tony Lawrence
Don Sullivan

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Jared Mullican
Lead Singing	Lincoln Sain
First Prayer	Mike Mullins
Reading	Tucker Gann
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jeff Flatt

Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship	161
Bible Study	128
P.M. Worship	
Wednesday Bible Study	82
Contribution	.\$5,494

Welcome Committee

Temporarily suspended

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

Ushers:Dale Bennett, Willie Newby, Herb Rowland		
Un/Lock Building:	Rickey Hurst/Don Sullivan	
Assist Baptisms:	Judy Sullivan	
Pantry Item:	Noodles	
Check Pantry:	Rebecca Mullican	
Check Kitchen:	Mary Flatt	
Check Workroom:	Kara Hurst	
Video	Tommy Turner	
Elder Closing Remarks	Leonard Clemons	

Van Driver

Sunday AM & PM.	Cory Prince
Wednesday PM	Mike Mullins

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Radio Program

Each Wednesday at 10:00 AM on WBMC 960 AM and 97.7 FM.

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		Bruce Pryor	Herb Rowland

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Tony Lawrence (Preaching) 212-6067 Josue Castorena (Hispanic) 580-2477 email preacher@bybeebranch.org

Sick

At Home:

Eunice Haley Herb Rowland (surgery on the 10th) ludy Nussbaum (surgery on the 17th)

Eva Simons

Louise Miller

Sidney Grove

Glenda Ferrell

Linda Fults

Irene Fuston (knee replacement on Wednesday) Maggie Hurst (surgery on Thursday)

Hospital

Scarlett Griffith - River Park

Church Holiday Fellowship

The annual holiday fellowship for the whole congregation will be Sunday evening December 15, following services. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board with more details. Please check the list of items needed.

Youth News

December 22, Sunday night Eats December 29, PM Youth Led Worship lanuary 5, Bible Bowl at Hebron (Acts 22-23) January 19, HEY at Rockliff

Something to Think About...

If you haven't figured out where you are going, you are lost before you start.

You can't go in the wrong direction and arrive at the right destination.

The world is better, either because you lived in it, or because you left it.

A good leader is one who takes a little more than his share of the blame and a little less than his share of credit.

When you're inclined to sound off, remember the drum - in spite of all its noise, it is empty!

The trouble with people these days is that they want to reach the promised land without going through the wilderness.

Wisdom is knowing when to speak your mind and when to mind your speech

If you'll hunt for the good in the other fellow maybe he'll be able to find some good in you.

More time in God's house will bring about better times in our house.

The empty tomb proves Christianity, but an empty pew in worship denies it.

Few people have good enough sight to see their own faults.

Seldom does the one who really needs advice ask for it.

Enabling Grace

As Cain protested in despair: "My lot is more than I can bear!" But it wasn't...

Or Elijah cried with troubled moan: "Lord, let me die, for I'm alone!" But he wasn't ...

Or Jesus prayed with aching heart: "My Father, let this cup depart!" But it didn't ...

And Paul, harassed and anguish worn, Asked God to take away the thorn, But he didn't...

So when I plead, with tear-stained face, For lighter loads, or death's release, I seem to hear, in tones of peace: "Be patient, child; I'll give you grace!" ...And he does!

~ I . Curtis Manor ~

Ten Mistakes To Avoid

- Remorse over yesterday's failure.
- 2. Anxiety over today's problems.
- Worry over Tomorrow's uncertainty.
- Waste of the moment's opportunity.
- 5. Procrastination with one's present duty.
- 6. Resentment of another's success. 7.
- Criticism of a neighbor's imperfection.
- Impatience with youth's immaturity. Skepticism of our nation's future. 9.
- Unbelief in God's providence. 10.

~ Maude Louise Ray ~

James 4:13-15 - Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell, and make a profit" whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that."

Think Up Something To Worry About?

Our Lord never worried, never hurried and never doubted the outcome. You see, there was no place for anxiety in His heart because He trusted in His Father. Because He was the Beginning and the End there was no reason to hurry. He waited 30 years before starting His personal ministry. The Hebrew writer tells us his secret to enduring life's difficulties was respect for the reward. (Hebrews 12:2)

Living in an age when we enjoy the greatest advantages ever accorded mankind, we have more anxiety, stress, and worry than ever before. Duress and strain have left their mark on Americans' health. Heart failure is our number one killer. Dr. Charles Mayo said, 'Worry affects the circulation, the heart, glands, the whole nervous system, and profoundly affects the health. I have never known a man who died from overwork, but many who died from doubt."

At this writing my aged sweet mother lies on her deathbed. (No, I'm not worried. She shall soon go where she has longed to be.) While two sons were on the other side of the globe doing missionary work, she sometimes remained awake at night worrying about their welfare. I would ask her. "Mother, didn't you pray for God to watch over them?" She would reply in the affirmative. I then pled with her to go on to sleep and not stay awake to see if God answered her prayers.

You recall the man who enumerated his anxieties and discovered:

- 1. 40% were about things that probably would never happen;
- 2. 30% concerned past decisions that he could not unmake;
- 3. 12% dealt with other people's criticism of him;
- 4. 10% were worries about his health.

This left him with only eight percent that even this worldly man deemed legitimate. The Frenchman Montisgne said, "My life had been full of terrible misfortunes most of which never happened."

Our Lord implored, "Take no thought for your life, what ye should eat: neither for the body, what ye shall put on. This life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment." (Luke 12:22-23) Plainly. He asserted worry is needless, hopeless, faithless and useless.

If the Christian would read his Bible, erase all grudges, forgive all transgression, seek righteousness and pursue it, cease and desist from covetousness and lusting while keeping his affections on Jesus, I guarantee you he would have to think up something to worry about.

~ Doug Lawyer ~

Both of the articles above were posted by brother Glenn Hitchcock on Facebook. He serves as an elder at the Peninsula church of Christ, Hampton, VA. He also preached for over 50 years before retiring.

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;" Philippians 4:6