

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Don Sullivan  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer .....Tim Fisher  
Reading.....Nate Turner  
Scripture.....Mark 12:26-27  
Lord's Table .....\*Ronnie Hoover  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Bobby Ashford

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Don Sullivan  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer .....Norman Sain  
Reading.....David McColloch  
Scripture .....John 8:12  
Lord's Table .....\*Ronnie Prince  
.....\*Kurt Maynard  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss..... Brandon Fuston

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Jeff Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Jared Mullican  
First Prayer .....Don Sullivan  
Reading .....Tucker Gann  
Invitation.....Joe Collins  
Dismiss .....Jacob Graves

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship ..... 174  
Bible Study..... 126  
P.M. Worship..... 111  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 103  
Contribution .....\$6,599

**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:.....Herb Rowland/Mike Mullins  
Assist Baptisms: .....Kara Hurst  
Pantry Item: .....Sliced Pineapple  
Check Pantry:.....Susan Pryor  
Check Kitchen:.....Nancy Mayfield  
Check Workroom: .....Cynthia Duncan  
Video .....Tommy Turner  
Elder Closing Remarks .....Stanley Graves

**Van Driver**

Sunday AM & PM .....Willie Newby  
Wednesday PM .....Rickey Hurst

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**Services**

<i>Sunday</i>		<i>Wednesday</i>	
A.M. Worship	9:00 AM	Bible Study	7:00 PM
Bible Study	10:15 AM		
P.M. Worship	6:00 PM	<i>Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> of each month)</i>	
		Monday Morning Bible Class	9:00 AM

**Radio Program**

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

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**Deacons**

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Caleb Graves	Paul Hurst
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Kurt Maynard	David McColloch
Jared Mullican	Mike Mullins
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## Sick

### At Home:

Willard Dunlap

Eva Simons

Glenda Ferrell

Jessica Adams (following knee surgery)

Judy Nussbaum

Rusty Rydner (Daniel Schillinger's son-in-law)

Osborn Huntley

### Hospital

Helen Morgan - NHC rehab #123

## Autumn Street Fair

The Autumn Street Fair is coming up soon on Saturday, October 5. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those willing to volunteer for 90 minutes slots.

## Area Events

**East End** hosts a Ladies Day with Celine Sparks on September 14

**Smartt** will host HEY on September 15

**West Riverside** will host a Gospel Meeting with Bill Cantrell, September 15-17

**Morrison** will host a Gospel Meeting with Chris Whitaker, September 22-25

**New Union** will host a Gospel Meeting with Jeff Archey, September 22-25

**Old Philadelphia Meeting House** will host a Gospel Singing on October 4.

Remember the ongoing events like...

**School of Bible Emphasis** that meets the second and fourth Monday's at Mt. Leo

**Middle Tennessee School of Preaching and Biblical Studies** that meets on Thursday evenings at 6 and 7 PM at West Riverside.

## Youth News

September 15 -H.E.Y. @Smartt

September 22 -Home Devo @Gann's

September 25 -Birthday Wednesday

September 29 -Youth Led Services

## Joint Service with Hispanic Brethren

On Sunday, September 22, we will enjoy a joint worship service with our Hispanic brethren. Following services we will also enjoy a fellowship meal together. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for items to bring. Feel free to invite your friends.

## PTP365 Reminder

The elders have provided a subscription for the congregation to *Polishing The Pulpit 365*. It is best compared as Netflix for Bible teaching. To sign up go to: [polishingthepulpit.com/welcome-to-ntp365/](http://polishingthepulpit.com/welcome-to-ntp365/) and sign up. Choose Church of Christ at Bybee Branch as the congregation. It will require an approval email and then you can watch for free.

## Bybee Branch to host Bible Bowl

On Sunday, October 6, Bybee Branch will host the first Bible Bowl for the season. The young people will be studying Acts 13-15. That morning we will be having a student from Memphis School of Preaching with us to preach and speak at the Bible Bowl. This year we will have with us Blake Haas.

## Update To Pews and Flooring

The week of October 7-11, the church auditorium will be undergoing a major facelift. The flooring and carpet will be recovered and the pews will be refurbished and recovered. The adult class that Wednesday evening (October 9) will meet in the fellowship room.

## Make Something Happen

A young boy complained to his father that most of the church hymns were boring to him too far behind the times, boring tunes, meaning less words. His father put an end to the discussion when he said, "If you think you can write better hymns, then why don't you?" The boy went to his room and wrote his first hymn. The year was 1690; the teenager was Isaac Watts. In case you don't know the name Isaac Watts, he wrote "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," "Joy to the World" and about 350 other hymns.

~ Roy Deaver ~

## They That Mourn

Jesus said, "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted" (Matt 5:4). The late V.P. Black organized mourning into three categories: natural, unnatural, and godly.

Natural mourning is the result of suffering in this world of decay: "As by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men" (Rom 5:12). Many may assume Jesus is speaking of natural mourning at Matthew 5:4. Truly God is the God of all comfort (2 Cor 1:3-4) and He knows and cares about our natural mourning (cf. 1 Cor 10:13; Rev 21:4); however, at Matthew 5:4, Jesus is not speaking of natural mourning.

Unnatural mourning includes worldly sorrow, ungodly fear, and unnecessary guilt. Worldly sorrow is insincere and selfish. If not repented of, it leads to spiritual death (2 Cor 7:10). It is the person who is only sorry because he got caught. Ungodly fear is deceptive, futile, and destructive (cf. Matt 6:25-34; Phil 4:4-9; 2 Tim 1:7; Rev 21:8). Unnecessary guilt happens when we will not forgive ourselves for something for which we've already been forgiven (cf. 1 John 1:7-9; 3:20). Certainly, it is not unnatural mourning Jesus is speaking of at Matthew 5:4.

Godly mourning is the result of an honest heart recognizing sin and the consequences of it (2 Cor. 7:10; Rom. 6:23). It is connected to being "poor in spirit," since the person who is poor in spirit recognizes he is in need when he sins, and he is nothing without God. King David's godly mourning is evident in the words of Psalm 51: "Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me" (Psalm 51:1-3).

What does it mean to be among them that mourn? It is the grief felt and expressed over the acknowledgement of one's sin and its consequences. The blessing is that with proper direction, this soul will be comforted. "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Matt. 11:28-30).

~ Clifton Angel ~

Preacher for Coldwater MS Church of Christ

## Doing As You Please

Brother G. K. Wallace asked the following question in his autobiography: How could a man accept one part of God's revelation and reject the other unless he is determined to do as he pleases?"

Some argue that there are parts of the Bible that are not inspired. Of course, these disputers are the "all wise ones" who can tell you which part is from God, and which part is not from God! This is the mentality that brother Wallace was commenting on.

When it comes to the Word of God, we must be willing to accept it all! I have met many who claim to be religious, and who seem to be religious, but they reject the simple, clear Word of God. Simon Peter declared on the day of Pentecost, "... Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:38). Why would anyone reject the teaching of an inspired apostle? Jesus, the Son of God, and Captain of our salvation said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:15-16).

Let us never be guilty of picking and choosing what we want to believe in the Word of God; for in doing this, you are clearly "doing what you please". "By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God" (Hebrews 11:5). Just as Enoch pleased God, so we need to please God by believing His Word and by obeying His commands.

Let us love the Lord God with all our heart, mind, and soul. "And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all? And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment" (Mark 12:28-30). And let us never forget that Jesus said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Let us always strive to please God. This is the only choice that leads to heaven.

~ Dan Bailey ~

Preacher for the State Street Church of Christ in Bristol, VA

