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### November 09, 2025

Sunday Morning Worship			
Announcements	Willie Newby		
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves		
First Prayer	Danny Duncan		
Reading	Jason Vandagriff		
Scripture	Kings 17:13-15		
Lord's Table	Barry Mayes		
Sermon	Derrick Stiles		
Dismiss	Mike Mullins		

### Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Willie Newby	
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves	
First Prayer		
Reading	Marty Boles	
Scripture		
Lord's Table		
	Bruce Pryor	
Sermon		
Dismiss		

### Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Brandon Fuston
Lead Singing	Rickey Hurst
First Prayer	Tim Gann
Reading	Tucker Gann
Invitation	
Dismiss	Ronnie Hoover

#### Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship	186
Bible Study	
P.M. Worship	
Wednesday Bible Study	
Contribution	

#### **Welcome Committee**

Temporarily suspended

If you can not serve, please contact Brandon Fuston (931) 235-3248

Ushers:Joe Maynard	d, Kurt Maynard, Rodney Maynard
Un/Lock Building:	Bill Jennings, Willie Newby
Assist Baptisms:	Marsha Collins
Pantry Item:	Canned Beans
Check Pantry:	Kara Fuston
Check Kitchen:	Stephanie McColloch
Check Workroom:	Denise Rhea
Video	Caleb Graves
Elder Closing Remarks .	Allen Hughes

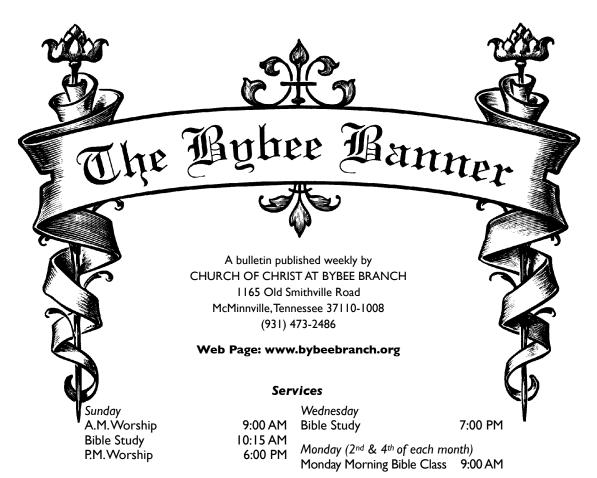
#### **Van Driver**

Sunday AM & PM	Stanley Graves
Wednesday PM	Kelly Thaxton

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#### Radio Program

Each Sunday at 1:00 PM on WBMC 960 AM and 97.7 FM.

#### TV Program

Each Sunday at 11:00 AM on BLTV Channel 6

Shepherds		Deacons	
Leonard Clemons	473-4186	Joe Collins	Jeff Flatt
Stanley Graves	205-8139	Brandon Fuston	Tim Gann
Allen Hughes	668-8936	Caleb Graves	Paul Hurst
email	elders@bybeebranch.org	Rickey Hurst	Clent Kesey
		Barry Mayes	Kurt Maynard
		David McColloch	Jared Mullican
		Mike Mullins	Cory Prince
Preachers		Bruce Pryor	Herb Rowland
Derrick Stiles email	743-2951 derrick@bybeebranch.org	Josue Castorena (Hispanic)	580-2477

### **Shut-In At Home**

Irma Castorena (Josue's mother)
W.C. & Nelma Chilton
Janice Foster
Myra Bell
Greg Grizzell
Ronnie Hamilton
Sarah Kell
Corretta Lawrence
Daisy Maxwell
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)
Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan's mother)
Howard Witty
Maggie Hurst
Glenda Ferrell
Deven Grove

#### **NHC**

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110) Morris Griffith #301 Jean Henderson (Cindy Fisher's mother) #412 Cathy Hennessee #408

#### **Brookdale Retirement Center**

(910 Murfreesboro Rd, Franklin, TN 37064) Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother)

### **Riverview Terrace**

(114 Highland Drive McMinnville,TN 37110)

Anna Jean Bond #B4

## **Sympathy**

Our deepest sympathies and prayers go out to the families of:

Tommy Bess - Buried November 3rd James Woods - Buried at private service Melba Hale - Buried November 4th

## **Upcoming Area Events:**

Leoni church of Christ will host a Gospel Meeting on November 9-12. Guest Speaker Charles Blair.

Trousdale church of Christ will host a Gospel Meeting on November 9-12. Guest Speaker Don Blackwell.

Hiawassee church of Christ will host a Homecoming on November 16. Guest Speaker Eric Bonner.

West Riverside church of Christ is hosting the Middle Tennessee School of Preaching and Biblical Studies each Thursday night through November 20. Classes at 6 & 7pm.

## **Congratulations to our Youth!**

Bybee Branch youth did a great job at Morrison last Sunday! They participated in the Bible Bowl and tied for first place. The next Warren County Bible Bowl will be December 7th at Arlington church of Christ. Service and testing to begin at 2PM. Be studying and preparing for the comprehensive test of I Corinthians 7-9.

#### Youth Fall Festival...

We want to extend our deepest gratitude to the Gann family for hosting our Youth Fall Festival on their property. It was a night filled with great fellowship, food and devotion. We have several more events coming this month. Be watching this bulletin for any changes or announcements pertaining to the youth!

## **Monday Morning Bible Class**

We'll meet again on November 10th at 9am and begin our study with I Kings 8:54. The class will not meet again in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

# **Youth Fellowship Outing...**

On November 25 the youth will be going to Topgolf for a time of fun and fellowship. The details are incomplete at this time. As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches more decisions will be made as to what time and location this will take place.

## H.E.Y. @ Bybee Branch Nov. 16

It's Just around the corner! Bybee Branch will be hosting H.E.Y. (Helping Edify Youth) program on the I6th of November. We will need all hands on deck as we are host to the kids from several congregations in the Warren County area. The goal is to provide an interactive activity at 5pm, followed by a lesson connecting the activity to scripture at 6pm. What good would youth fellowship be without the necessary fellowship meal to follow at 7pm. More information will be provided in the coming weeks. In the meantime, be making plans to attend and be a part of this great work!

### **Ladies Bible Class**

Here at Bybee Branch we are very blessed to have a wonderful group of ladies who spend a great deal of time together in study of God's word. The Ladies meet each Wednesday night at 7PM where time is well spent praying, edifying and encouraging one another. You are invited and/or encouraged to invite other ladies in the community to come and be a part of this wonderful work.

## Is Your Cup Half Empty or Full?

I want to discuss the well-known idiom that asks whether the cup is half empty or half full. A person who sees a cup as half full is usually more optimistic and focuses on what is already present in the cup. Someone who sees the cup as half empty is more pessimistic, focusing on what is missing from the cup.

What is your perception of the cup? More specifically, how do we perceive our lives and react to the situations that happen to us?

Half-full (optimistic) people have a positive outlook and are hopeful about the future. This positive view can help people see the good in situations and even help influence others to do the same. While viewing things as half-empty (pessimistic) can sometimes be realistic, it may also lead to negativity and discouragement.

When the road of life is easy, we can view the cup as half full. When challenging or difficult times come, we can easily become discouraged and view the cup as half empty. We may start to question God about why this is happening.

When we face difficult situations that we don't understand, one of the best things to do is to trust in God. "We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28). How do we learn to trust God? By studying his words more thoroughly. Verses like Proverbs 3:5-8 remind us to "trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

Things will happen in life that will make our cup look more empty than full, but no matter what we are going through, we have to keep our outlook on life focused on God. God knows we are challenged at times, and we must trust he knows what is best for us. He use these difficult situations for the completion of his works.

The last question we must ask involves internal thought. Are these challenges just a random occurrence due to living in a broken world, or have our life decisions or benevolent discipline brought them on? "Is it not from the mouth of the Most High that good and bad come? Why should a living man complain, a man, about the punishment of his sins?" (Lamentations 3:38-40). Let us test and examine our ways to make sure we are still on the Christian path forward. When the cup begins to feel more empty than full, just remember God has made our cup runneth over with the hope of heaven (Psalm 23:5).

A.L. Horton, 1961

## Are you Building with both hands?

He that gives good advice builds with one hand; he that gives good counsel and example builds with both; but he that gives good admonition and bad example builds with one hand and pulls down with the other.

- Author Unknown