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December 7, 2025

Sunday Morning Worship			
Announcements	Larry Flatt		
Lead Singing	Barry Mayes		
First Prayer	Kurt Maynard		
Reading	Dale Bennett		
Scripture	John 13:34-35		
Lord's Table	Tim Fisher		
Sermon	Derrick Stiles		
Dismiss	Bruce Pryor		

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Barry Mayes
	Stanley Graves
	Jason Vandagriff
	Psalm 1:1-6
	Norman Sain
	Lincoln Sain
Sermon	Derrick Stiles
Dismiss	Michael Pack

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Cory Prince
Lead Singing	Eddie Palmer
First Prayer	Paul Hurst
Reading	Tucker Gann
Invitation	
Dismiss	Dale Bennett

Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship	169
Bible Study	116
P.M. Worship	
Wednesday Bible Study	92
Contribution	\$10028

Welcome Committee

Temporarily suspended

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

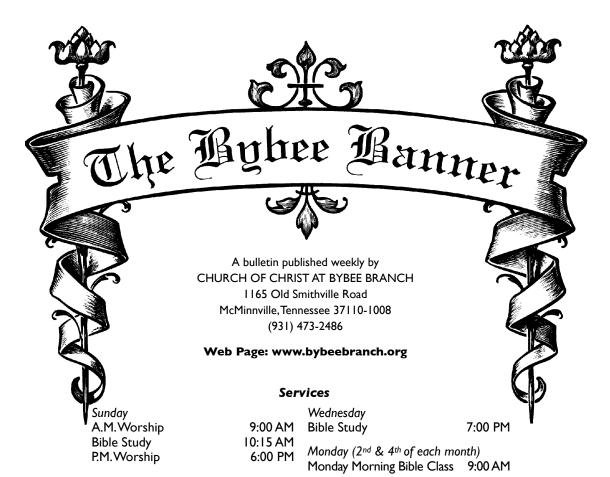
Ushers:	.Dwight Barrett, Ronnie Prince, Stan Hillis
Un/Lock Building:	Rickey Hurst, Don Sullivan
Assist Baptisms:	Mary Flatt
Pantry Item:	See List on Bulletin Board
Check Pantry:	Rebecca Mullican
Check Kitchen:	Thelma Rowland
Check Workroom:	Judy Sullivan
Video	Tommy Turner
Elder Closing Rem	arksLeonard Clemons

Van Driver

Sunday AM & PM	Derrick Pennington
Wednesday PM	Allen Hughes

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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
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		Barry Mayes	Kurt Maynard
		David McColloch	Jared Mullican
		Mike Mullins	Cory Prince
Preachers		Bruce Pryor	Herb Rowland
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Sick List:

Shut-In At Home:

W.C. & Nelma Chilton Irma Castorena (Josue's mother) **Janice Foster (No visits)**

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

Elmer Rutledge

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Morris Griffith #301 lean Henderson (Cindy Fisher's mother) #412 Cathy Hennessee #408

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(910 Murfreesboro Rd, Franklin, TN 37064)

Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother)

Riverview Terrace

(114 Highland Drive McMinnville, TN 37110)

Anna Jean Bond #B4



Upcoming Area Events:

Rock Island church of Christ will host H.E.Y. Program on January 18th at 5pm.

Bible Bowl at Arlington

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 over I Corinthians 7-9.

Monday Morning Bible Class

We will meet again on December 8th at 9am and begin our study with I Kings 9:1. We will enjoy our fellowship breakfast at 8am before class. Hope to see you there!

Youth Led Services

Sunday evening November 30th we hosted our youth led services. I want to extend my deepest appreciation to all the young men who participated in our worship. Each of these men are exceptional examples for our youth coming up. Keep up the good work as you lay up treasure in Heaven.

Congregation Holiday Fellowship

Start making plans for our annual holiday fellowship here at the building on December 14th. Good food and fellowship to follow the evening services. A food sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

Food Pantry

Thank you to all who give so generously to the food pantry. This is a simple, yet beneficial work here at the church. As we work to replenish inventory in the pantry, please be checking the bulletin board each week for items needed. We will be checking off items as we reach each items maximum stock quantity. Again, Thank you all for your willingness to give to such a good work!

Deuteronomy 15:7-8

"If there is among you a poor man of your brethren, within any of the gates in your land which the LORD your God is giving you, you shall not harden your heart nor shut your hand from your poor brother, but you shall open your hand wide to him and willingly lend him sufficient for his need, whatever he needs."

God's Family

The idea of belonging is one of the deepest longings of the human heart. From the beginning, God created mankind for fellowship with Him and with one another. Throughout Scripture, the Lord uses family language to describe His relationship with His teaching reflect the design God intended for His people. In the New Testament, this theme reaches its fullness as God invites all who obey the gospel to become part of His family-a spiritual household built upon Christ. Understanding what it means to be God's family helps us appreciate our identity in Christ and our responsibility toward one another in the church.

foundation of the world. Paul wrote that God "chose us in Him before the foundation of the world" (Ephesians 1:4). His desire was to bring redeemed people into a relationship that mirrors the intimacy, unity, and love found within a household. When one weep with those who weep (Romans 12:15). The obeys the gospel—believing, repenting, confessing Christ, and being baptized for the remission of sins (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38)—that person is added by the Lord to the church (Acts 2:47). The church is not a social club, an institution of human design, or a loose collection of religious ideas. It is the family of God, called out of darkness and brought into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9).

As God's family, we have the privilege of calling Him our Father. Paul reminds Christians, "For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:26). This is not a mere figure of speech but describes a real spiritual adoption. Through Christ, we are no longer strangers or outsiders but His children—loved, protected, and disciplined for our good (Hebrews 12:6-7). Because we have been adopted into God's household, we share an inheritance that "does not fade away, reserved in heaven" (I Peter I:4). Every Christian, no matter background or nationality, becomes part of this same family.

In God's family, Christ is the head of the church (Ephesians 1:22-23). As members of His body, we are connected to Him and to one another. This unity is not based on personal preference, cultural similarity, or human tradition. It is rooted in our common

submission to God's word. Jesus prayed that His followers "may be one" (John 17:21), and this unity is maintained as we walk together in the doctrine of Christ (2 John 9). The church of Christ emphasizes returning to the New Testament pattern so that our worship, organization, and

The New Testament also describes Christians as brothers and sisters. This language highlights our responsibility to love one another deeply. Jesus teaches that the world will know we belong to Him by our love (John 13:35). This love is not superficial but sacrificial, patient, and sincere. Paul God's plan for His family began before the writes, "Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love" (Romans 12:10). In God's family, we bear one another's burdens (Galatians 6:2), encourage the fainthearted, restore the erring (Galatians 6:1), rejoice with those who rejoice, and church becomes a place where no one should feel alone because every member is connected by a spiritual bond stronger than blood.

> Being part of God's family also carries responsibility. As children of the King, we are called to holiness: "But as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct" (I Peter 1:15). We strive to reflect our Father's character in purity, kindness, faithfulness, and obedience. Just as earthly families share values and identity, God's family is distinguished by Christlike living.

> In a world filled with division, loneliness, and uncertainty, the church stands as a living testimony of God's love. To be part of God's family is the greatest blessing on earth and the greatest hope for eternity. Let us cherish our place in His household and live each day as faithful children of the Father.

> > Derrick Stiles

1Thessalonians 5:16-18

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ lesus for you."