

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Scott Griffith
Scripture	II Thessalonians 1:7-9
Lord's Table (N)	*Steve Hillis
(S)	*Bob Mayfield
(N)	Joe Maynard
(N)	Buell Warren
(N)	Marty Boles
(S)	Danny Duncan
(S)	J.B. Gribble
(S)	Shannon Griffin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John Biddle

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	Jason Vandagriff
Scripture	I Timothy 5:6
Lord's Table	*Steve Boyd
	Don Sullivan
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kurt Maynard

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-8760) Dale Bennett
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Joe Roller
Invitation	Alan Collins
Dismiss	Jeff Bond

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Dennis Gann Family
P.M.	Shannon Griffin Family

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Usbers: Mark Lance & Tommy Crouch

Attend Nursery: Barbara Pennington

Lock Building: Stanley Graves

Pantry Item: Potted Meat

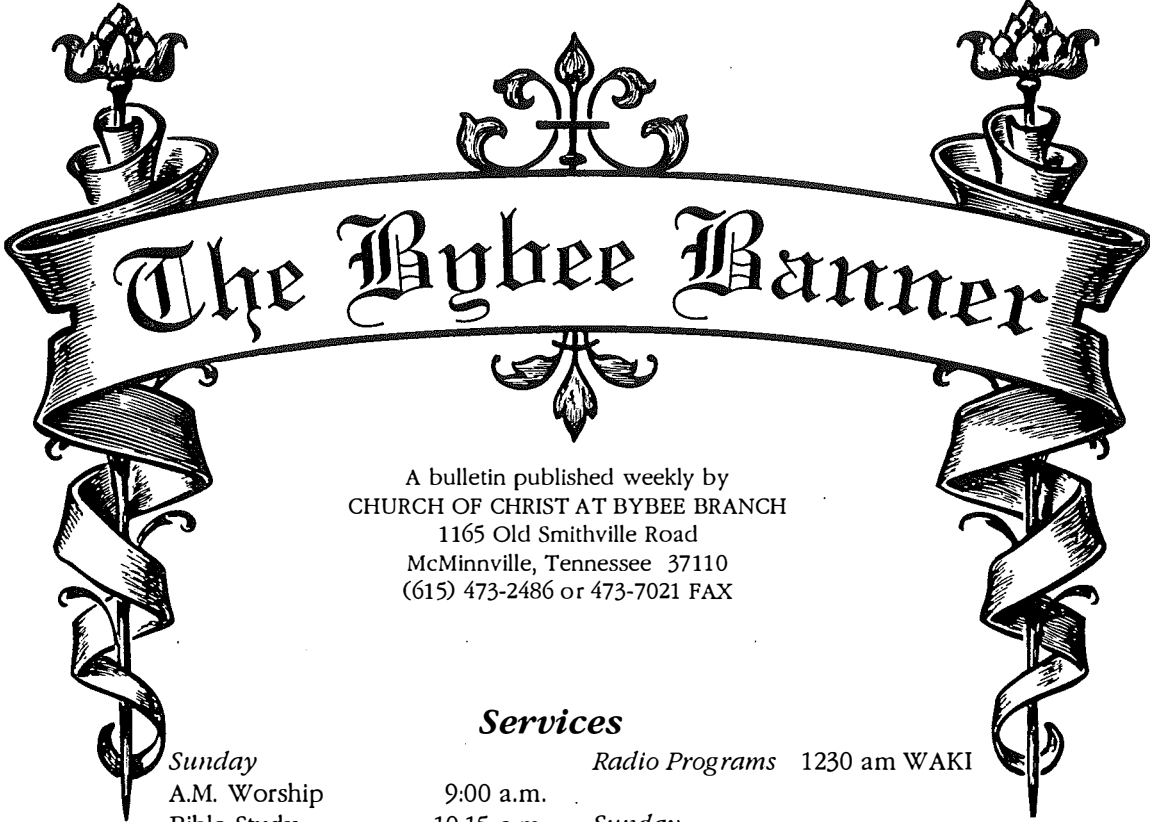
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	322
Bible Study	298
P.M. Worship	236
Wednesday Bible Study	196
Contribution	\$3,853

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Sick

At Home:
Katherine Bennett
Lucille Brock
Roberta Brooks (at daughter's home)
Clyde Christian

In The Hospital:
Melba Dodson (sister of Marsha Collins)-St.
Thomas

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Failure To Obey The Gospel
P.M. The Living Dead

Bible Bowl

Congratulations to the Mt. Leo and Main Street/ Manchester congregations on tying for first place in the Bible Bowl. Our young people came in third place missing only four on the test. Next month the Bible Bowl will be at Mt. Leo and will cover John 13-16.

Great Lessons

A big debt of gratitude is owed to Dickie Kesey and Mark Lance for the lessons they delivered Sunday. Dickie did an excellent job at presenting the drug problem our young people are facing.

Sunday evening Mark Lance presented the lesson planned for last week but was postponed due to the snow. He also presented an excellent lesson on "Why bad things happen to good people."

Thought For The Week

Watch your tongue. It is in a wet place and it might slip

Food For Thought

Defeated

I meant to study all the week
And very carefully prepare.
I meant to kneel—yes, every day
And bear each pupil up in prayer.
But, I was weary and I found
So many things that I must do—
Important things that could not wait—
The week was gone before I knew.

I meant to visit several homes,
And mail some cards to absentees
To let them know that they were missed,
For such a word is sure to please
And often brings them back quickly.
But, somehow every day went by,
And not a single card I sent,
And now, I ask, Why didn't I?"

So this morning when I rose
I tried to study while I ate.
I briefly read my quarterly,
And hurried out five minutes late.
I found them singing, and I dropped
Breathless, ashamed, into my seat,
For I intended to be there
That I the earliest child might greet.

Time for the lesson, and a group
Of eager voices beg their turn
To quote from memory the verse
Which I, alas, forgot to learn.
And so I stumbled through the hour,
And built with stubble, hay and wood,
Instead of gold and precious stones
And silver, as His servants should.

Go teach the world was His command,
And shall I hope for them to live
On little morsels such as this,
When mighty feasts are mine to give?
Forgive me, Lord, that I should treat
Thy Word in such a shameful way,
And may I never stand again
Defeated, as I've done today.

~World Video Bible School Seminar~

Christ in the New Testament

In **Matthew** He is the king of the Jews. In **Mark** He is the servant of God. In **Luke** He is the perfect son of man. In **John** He is the son of God. In **Acts** He is the ascended Lord. In **Romans** He is our righteousness. In **I Corinthians** He is the firstfruits from the dead. In **II Corinthians** He is made sin for us. In **Galatians** He is the end of the law. In **Ephesians** He is our armour. In **Philippians** He is the supplier of every need. In **Colossians** He is the pre-eminent one. In **I Thessalonians** He is the returning Lord. In **II Thessalonians** He is the world's merciful judge. In **I Timothy** He is our mediator. In **II Timothy** He is the bestower of crowns. In **Titus** He is our great God and Savior. In **Philemon** He is the Father's partner. In **Hebrews** He is the rest of faith and fulfiller of types. In **James** He is the Lord of Sabbath. In **I Peter** He is the theme of Old Testament prophecy. In **II Peter** He is the longsuffering Savior. In **I John** He is the word of life. In **II John** He is the target of the anti-christ. In **III John** He is the personification of truth. In **Jude** He is the believers hope. In **Revelation** He is the victorious Lamb.

~Via Willow Avenue Bulletin in Cookeville ~

Who Will Do the Work?

It may come as a surprise to my parents, but I enjoy hard, physical work. Since most of my time is spent in teaching, studying, etc., not enough time is spent in exercise for the body — therefore, I may be pretty soft when it comes to the muscles. But I really do enjoy an autumn day cutting cordwood, or some kind of physical effort that will "raise a sweat." I haven't always felt that way, and I can still find a good excuse if the "exercise" is not something I enjoy, but hard work is good for me and I like it.

When it comes to work of the church, it's not always easy to find willing people to get the work done. You would think that with 300 members in a congregation there would be a surplus of workers. Not so. Someone once described this problem in an interesting way. Since I misplace the article, I will just write it from my own experience.

300 members to evangelize the community. Great! But 47 show up only once in a great while.
253 left to do the work. But 29 of them are too old or too ill to be counted on consistently. Still . . .
224 can get the job done. But 39 of them are out of town nearly every weekend and aren't much help.
185 left to do the work. That's plenty. But 58 are either too young or have out of town company. That leaves . . .
127 who will get the job done. But 30 don't think it's their responsibility. "That's why we hired the preacher!"
55 left to teach the lost. But 53 either can't be convinced of the need of evangelism or "don't know much Bible," leaving . . .
2 to do the work — you and me. But I'm way too busy, so friend, you'd better get after it, 'cause if you don't do it, it won't get done.

I hope that doesn't sound too familiar, but if it does read Luke 14:18 and Matthew 9:37. It has always been true and probably always will be —90 percent of the work is done by 10 percent of the people. Maybe that is why Matthew 7:13-14 says what it says.

~Carl B. Garner~

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Announcements (668-9537) Larry Platt
Lead Singing Stanley Graves
First Prayer Don Sullivan
Reading Johnny Anderson
Scripture Matthew 16:13-20
Lord's Table (N) *Bob Bonner
(S) *Danny Duncan
(N) Chad Graves
(N) Ralph Crouch
(N) John Stembridge
(S) Micah Lawrence
(S) Mark Lawrence
(S) Bob Cantrell
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Leonard Crouch

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-9537) Larry Platt
Lead Singing Stanley Graves
First Prayer Mark Lance
Reading Chip Cantrell
Scripture I Timothy 5:6
Lord's Table *Willie Newby
Alan Collins
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss W.C. Chilton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (473-8760) Dale Bennett
Lead Singing John Biddle
First Prayer Ronnie Rogers
Reading Joey Reynolds
Invitation Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Frank Reynolds

Welcome Committee

A.M. Harry Felty Family
P.M. Ralph & Drucilla Crouch

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Chris Jones & David Chilton

Attend Nursery: Cynthia Duncan

Lock Building: Stanley Graves

Pantry Item: Jello

Record For The Week...

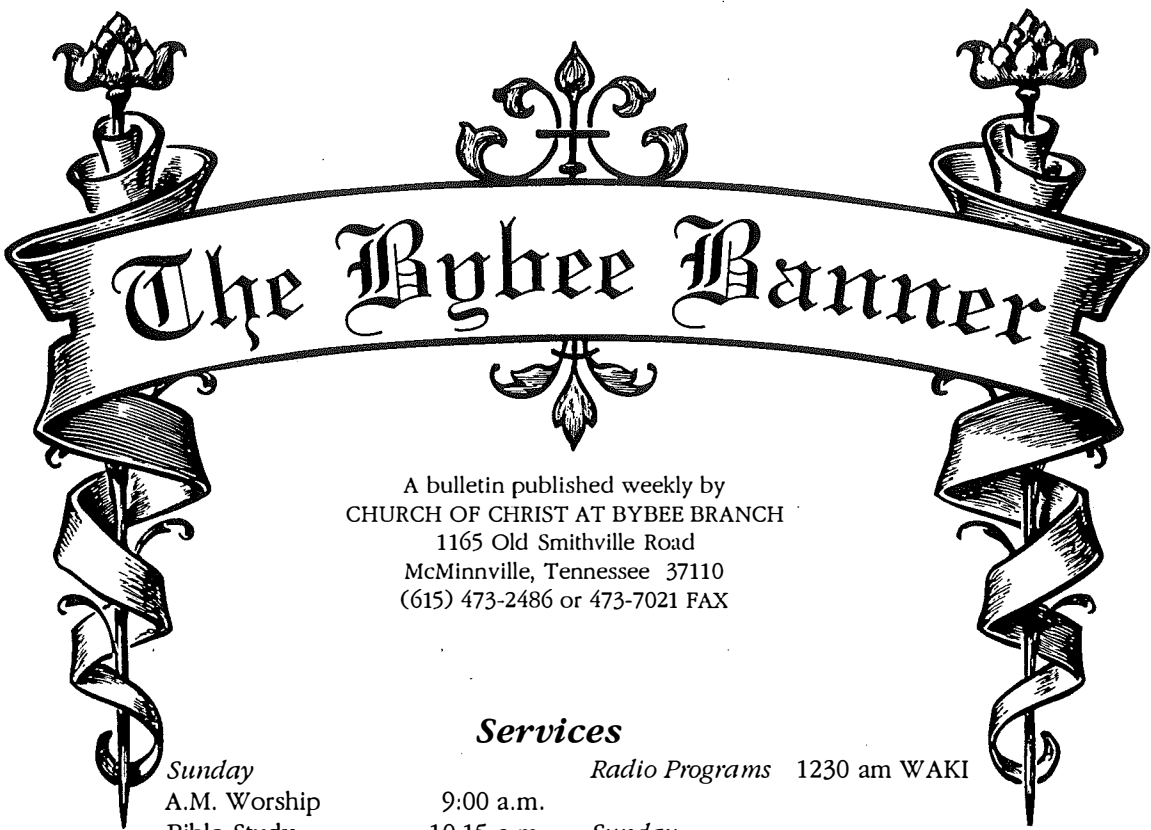
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Bible Study N/A
P.M. Worship 74
Wednesday Bible Study 191
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Katherine Bennett
Lucille Brock

In The Hospital:

Clyde Christian-Riverpark
Harold Mitchell-Riverpark
Adina Rowland-Riverpark

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Irene Turner. Her funeral was Friday, December 29. She was a member here at Bybee Branch.

Restorations

On Sunday, December 31, Angie Caldwell and Flossie Warren came forward requesting prayers.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. "I Will Build My Church"
P.M. The Living Dead

Golden Wedding Anniversary

In honor of the
Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of
Mr. and Mrs. John Biddle
their children and grandchildren
request the pleasure of your company
at a Reception
on Sunday the fourteenth of January
nineteen hundred and ninety-six
from two until four in the afternoon
Wayside Community Center
1745 Bluff Springs Road
McMinnville, Tennessee

New Arrival

Congratulations to Sidney & Jennifer Groves on the birth of a baby daughter, Emily Beth. She arrived into this world on December 26, weighing in at 8 lbs. 8 ozs.

Visitation Program

The list for the teams for the visitation program for the next six months has been posted on the bulletin board and will be put in the bulletin next week. The list was taken from those who signed the service forms last month. If you want to be on the program and your name was not listed, please see Steve Boyd.

The visitation program for the next six months will be a little different, the teams will meet once a month and just pass out the cards and will not be meeting in homes for meals.

Special Presentation

This Sunday morning there will be a special presentation to grades 3 through adult during the Bible class hour. The elders have asked brother Dickie Kesey, one of our members and the chief of police here in McMinnville to speak on the influence of drugs, devil worship and gangs in our area. Please make every effort to be here.

A Big Thanks

Jeff Flatt deserves a BIG thanks for scraping off the parking lot Sunday afternoon making it much safer for those who were able to return to services on Sunday evening.

Bible Bowl

The Bible Bowl will be this coming Sunday afternoon at the Woodbury congregation. The bus will leave at 1:15 sharp. The test this month will cover John 10-12.



Personal Notes From Tony

There is no way I can properly express my deep appreciation for the many prayers uttered on behalf of Tim and myself as we traveled in the Bible lands. It was a "once-in-a-lifetime" experience to walk where Jesus and the apostles walked. Needless to say we learned a lot which will hopefully help in preaching and teaching the truth. I was fortunate enough to video almost 20 hours of video while Tim took several rolls of slides. The Lord willing in a few weeks maybe we will have an opportunity to give a report of our visit to the congregation.

It was thrilling to see that on Sunday, December 31st, \$11,003.00 was given. The generosity of this congregation is remarkable. Many have reported the excellent job that Dale Bennett did in preaching that morning with two responses. Last Sunday, Don Sullivan, delivered an excellent lesson on how the Devil touches the lives of all. We looked forward to hearing the lesson from Mark Lance on Sunday evening but he, like many others, was unable to get to services due to snow on the roads.

There are many good things in store for this coming year and Sunday will be one of them. I personally look forward to hearing Dickie Kesey regarding the problems which exist here in our city. Also, congratulations to John & Pearl Biddle on reaching their 50th anniversary. *Be at services Sunday and bring someone with you!*

Shut-ins

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional. Please let us know of updates we need to add.

McMinnville Health Care:

Minnie Cooper
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Marvin Crouch

McMinnville Boarding Home:

Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt
Pauline Taylor

Raintree Health Care Center:

Flora Smith

Eastside Boarding Home

Earlene Ray

Home:

Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Lucille Brock
Katherine Bennett
Edith Cantrell
Edith Collins
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Joe Maxwell
Edith Morrow
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
Bertha Stewart
June Slatton
Carrie Wilson

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Platt
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Bill Biles
Reading	Willie Newby
Scripture	Luke 16:26-33
Lord's Table (N)	*Lemmie Bratten
(S)	*Joe T. Cantrell
(N)	David Chilton
(N)	Harley Northcutt
(N)	Brett Merritt
(S)	Andrew Collins
(S)	Joey Reynolds
(S)	Rodney Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bill Womack

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Platt
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Bob Mayfield
Reading	Jim Slatton
Scripture	Ephesians 2:19-22
Lord's Table	*Mark Lance
	Chip Cantrell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-8760) Dale Bennett
Lead Singing	Alan Collins
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Jeff Templeton
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Winfrey Hennessee

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Helen Morgan & Doris Smith
P.M.	Joe & Clara Roller

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Regina Templeton

Lock Building: Stanley Graves

Pantry Item: Canned Juices

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Bible Study	267
P.M. Worship	239
Wednesday Bible Study	220
Contribution	\$3,094

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Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Katherine Bennett

Lucille Brock

Roberta Brooks (at daughter's home)

Melba Dodson (Marsha Collins sister)

Eddie Palmer

Jeff Templeton

In The Hospital:

none known

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Cost of Discipleship

P.M. Before And After

Birthday

The children of Nora Lee Griffith cordially invite you to share with them the joy of her 90th birthday on Saturday January 27, 1996 at the Bybee Branch church of Christ Fellowship Room 1:00-3:00 p.m. *Your presence will be your gift.*

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Margaret Weatherton (sister of our Junetta Gilbert). She passed away early Monday morning. Her funeral was scheduled to be Wednesday at Love, Cantrell, and Cope Chapel in Spencer on Wednesday.

Singing

There will be a singing at the Bethlehem church of Christ this Saturday evening starting at 6:30 p.m. The bus will be going to this singing and will leave the church parking lot at 5:30.

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The monthly meeting of the elders and deacons will be this coming Sunday afternoon at 4:30 p.m.

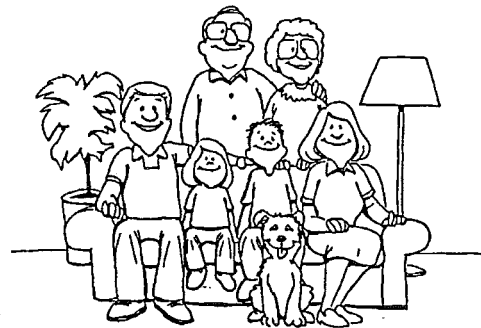
Destruction from Within

Several years ago in Del Mar, California, I witnessed a startling exhibit. A man took a glass beaker which had a small neck, but was enlarged to about seven inches in diameter below the neck. The beaker would hold about a quart. The demonstrator used the glass beaker as a hammer to drive a spike into a wooden plank. The glass was so well tempered that the beaker did not break. The man then took a small steel marble (or bearing) the size of a pea, and holding it at the neck of the beaker, dropped it inside. When it struck the bottom, the glass was shattered. The beaker was broken by the blow from within.

The church of our Lord, when perfectly united in the scriptures can resist the heaviest of blows from the outside. But just a small force on the inside can destroy the unity and harmony. The brethren must also be tempered with love to withstand the blows from within.

We are to always watch. Not only from without, but also from within. The devil will destroy us any way he can (I Peter 5:8). It is utterly foolish to ignore his devices and to completely be blind to those who seek to spy out our liberty in Christ. Open your eyes!

~Copied~



Do you want a happy family?
Attend all of the services faithfully!

D — I — V — O — R — C — E — D!

(A Gospel Preacher's Personal Experience)

I now understand completely why God *hates* divorce (Malachi 4:6). It is ugly. It is heart wrenching. It is almost totally devastating and destructive. At least it was for me.

The courtroom was a cold, harsh and unforgiving place. Lawyers, Judges, legal types—all working to dissolve in a couple of hours what you committed a life time to build. No dignity there. Nothing of which to be proud. Just the emptiness of feeling alone. It took all of the usual and maybe unusual turns to get us there but in the courtroom I knew it was over. Hopeless! And when the gavel finally came, down, it slammed down right on my heart.

Folks were there to comfort me, praise God! In the days that followed, my good sisters and brothers encouraged me. But divorced? I never wanted to be here! Certainly never in my worst nightmares dreamed I would be. It is a strange, new, unwelcome and confusing world.

It's a world of being alone most of the time. Of adjusting to family and friends who are now adjusting to me. It's still a world of pain sometimes. Of dealing with a daughter on the verge of young womanhood who didn't ask for this to happen, but who will be adversely affected by it to some degree. It is a world of "getting on with your life" as I have heard so often. Frankly, it is a world in which I'd rather not be in, but I am. And I'm learning in it.

I've considered Paul's marvelous statement of contentment in Philippians 4:11 and I'm working on it. I'm learning that there are many—more than I imagined, who care. I'm learning the value all over again of prayer, meditation and study. I'm learning as never before the glory, majesty and comfort of God, His Son and Spirit. **He has not failed me!** And I'm also learning from those who unfortunately, have traveled this same path, that it isn't the end of my world. So I'm in there working away at my own personal contentment statement, but it isn't easy.

For I do not recommend divorce! Never did, but now I know why! It produces the king of memories you would rather not have. It is not an alternative to seriously consider. Treat your marriage with honor and your partner with respect. Keep God an ever part of your relationship. Never take each other for granted. Humbly let God mold you and work out your differences. He can! Believe me. You don't want courtroom memories. "What God has joined together, let no man put asunder," (Matthew 19:6) has an entire new and vivid meaning to me.

Divorced! I'm living with it. But if you can, live without it. God knows His business! It is not good for man or woman to be alone.

~Danny Dodd~

(Those who think divorce is not that bad need to read this article-TL)

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Noel Pepper
Reading	Rodney Reynolds
Scripture	I Thessalonians 5:16-22
Lord's Table (N)	*Billy Gilbert
(S)	*Ronnie Rogers
(N)	Derrick Pennington
(N)	Kelly Thaxton
(N)	Dickie Kesey
(S)	Joe Roller
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Matthew Young
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Kurt Maynard
Scripture	Ephesians 3:1-6
Lord's Table	*Chip Cantrell
	Danny Duncan
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tommy Crouch

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7916) Joe Collins
Lead Singing	Eddie Palmer
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	Micah Lawrence
Invitation	Dennis Gann
Dismiss	Bill Biles

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Chris & Merideth Jones
P.M.	Leonard & Avie Clemons

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Attend Nursery: Janie Griffin

Lock Building: Don Griffith

Pantry Item: Cereal

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Robert "Doc" Mullican-St. Thomas (#284)

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Profitable Exhortations
P.M. God's Description Of The Church

Restoration & Baptism

It was a joy Sunday evening when Brett Merritt came forward to ask for the prayers of the congregation and then to see him baptize his wife, Sabrina Merritt into Christ. We rejoice with this Christian couple.



February 4 God, Creator of Heaven and Earth
February 11 God, Sovereign Ruler Of All He Made
February 18 Empty Temples
February 25 . God Does Not Receive Worship From Men's Hands

Air Times: Sunday — 9:00 a.m. on Channel 4 WSMV.
10:30 p.m. on ACTS/VISN Network (cable 34).

In case you haven't noticed, there is an excellent program "Truth In Love" on cable channel 3 (Channel 28 out of Cookeville) that comes on Sunday morning at 7:30. Brother Dave Miller hosts this program with several sound brethren appearing on the program.

Men's Business Meeting

The quarterly men's General Business Meeting will be this Sunday evening following services. All men of the congregation are urged to be present.

Ladies Meeting

There will be a meeting of the ladies Sunday evening following services to discuss updating the supplies in the kitchen. If you have any questions you may see Cynthia Duncan or Donna Newby.

What Can Be Remembered?

As the Lord's church in this area, what do we seek to be known for? What would we desire people to REMEMBER about the church here during the time we were members? Consider some facts from the New Testament about a congregation of God's people, located in the city of Thessalonica about 53 A.D.

Buildling and Facilities Not Mentioned
Preacher Not Mentioned
Elders Not Mentioned
Attendance Not Mentioned
Number Baptized Not Mentioned
Annual Budget Not Mentioned
"Their work of faith and labor of love" I Thess. 1:3
"Their patience of hope" I Thess. 1:3
"Followers of the Lord" I Thess. 1:6
"Examples to all that believed" I Thess. 1:7
"Sounded forth the Word I Thess. 1:8
"Turned . . . to serve the living God" ... I Thess. 1:9

Perhaps, these thoughts can give us an insight to the things the Lord deems "important" about any local congregation.

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February 1996

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Dot Foster	Bill Womack
				1	2	3
	Amy Graves	HAROLD & TERESA MCGINNESS	Stanley Graves	Tim Fisher Buell Warren Ashley Newby	Cory Prince	Scott Griffith
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Bible Bowl at Mt. Leo 2:00 pm	School of Bible Emphasis Mt. Leo 7:00 pm		Joe Maynard Ashley Newby	Harley Northcutt Anna Bennett	Dickie Kesey Forene Nokes	Daisy Maxwell Jonathan Anderson
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Nona Martin	Mark Lawrence Chuck Boles		Avie Clemons	Beth Reynolds Joey Reynolds	JIM & JUNE SLATTON	Rozelle Goodman Leslie Pepper
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Gilbert Kell		Pauline Greene Loy Watson Brent McPeak			
25	School of Bible Emphasis Mt. Leo 7:00 pm	27	28	29		
	26					

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing Leonard Clemons
First Prayer Frank Reynolds
Reading Jeff Flatt
Scripture Numbers 21:4-9
Lord's Table (N) *Chuck Medley
(S) *Eddie Palmer
(N) Don Johnson
(N) Brandon McGinness
(S) Tom McColloch
(S) Jeff Templeton
(S) Ryan Kesey
(S) Jason Vandagriff
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Steve Wilcher

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing Leonard Clemons
First Prayer W.C. Chilton
Reading Bob Mayfield
Scripture Ephesians 1:11-14
Lord's Table *Ken Lee
Johnny Anderson
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Michael Giffith

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-7916) Joe Collins
Lead Singing Tim Fisher
First Prayer Larry Flatt
Reading Chad Graves
Invitation Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Chuck Boles

Welcome Committee

A.M. Steve Hillis Family
P.M. Eugene & Doris Wilcher

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Chris Jones & David Chilton

Attend Nursery: Denice Reynolds

Lock Building: Don Griffith

Pantry Item: Baby food

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship 189
Bible Study 131
P.M. Worship 124
Wednesday Bible Study 189
Contribution \$3,280

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Stanley Graves Everett Green
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At Home:

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Roberta Brooks (at daughter's home)
Melba Dodson (Marsha Collins sister)

In The Hospital:

Katherine Bennett-McMinnville Health Care
Robert "Doc" Mullican-St. Thomas (#284)
Barbara King-Riverpark (New Horizons wing)
Mildred Gambrell-Riverpark
Avis Pauline Taylor-Middle TN Medical Center

SUNDAYS SERMONS

A.M. The Brazen Serpent
P.M. The Holy Spirit In Ephesians

MANY THANKS

We want to express a sincere thanks to Jeff Flatt for clearing the parking lot of snow so everyone could safely enter the building Sunday. He spent several hours in the cold pushing snow to make it better for the rest of us.

BUSINESS MEETING

The quarterly men's General Business Meeting will be this Sunday evening following services. All men of the congregation are urged to be present. It was postponed from last week due to the snow.

LADIES MEETING

There will be a meeting of the ladies Sunday evening following services to discuss updating the supplies in the kitchen. If you have any questions you may see Cynthia Duncan or Donna Newby. This meeting was postponed from last week due to the snow.

SHUT INS

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional. Please let us know of updates we need to add.

McMinnville Health Care:

Mimmie Cooper
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Marvin Crouch

McMinnville Boarding Home:

Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt
Pauline Taylor

Raintree Health Care Center:

Flora Smith

Eastside Boarding Home

Earlene Ray

Home:

Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Lucille Brock
Katherine Bennett
Edith Cantrell
Edith Collins
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Joe Maxwell
Edith Morrow
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
Bertha Stewart
June Slatton
Carrie Wilson

IS THE CHURCH COSTING TOO MUCH?

Last Sunday another golfer sank the last putt on the 18th green and received a check for \$50,000 for four rounds of golf plus an automobile for himself and one for his wife. This week the papers reported that a certain popular singer will receive \$100,000 per week for her current singing engagement. Americans spend annually more on dog food than on church contributions. It is not unusual for an individual to pay more for his country club membership than he gives to the church.

Let me share an experience with you. On June 2, 1940, a little girl was born to us. She cost us money from the moment she was born. As she grew from babyhood to girlhood, she cost even more . . . her dresses and shoes were more expensive and we had to have the doctor through all those childhood diseases. She was even more expensive during her school and teen years. She needed long dresses to go to parties. When she went to college, we discovered, along with other parents, that all the college expenses are not listed in the catalogue. Then after graduation she fell in love and married. She was married in a church wedding and that, too, cost a lot of money.

Then, five months after her marriage she suddenly sickened and within a week she was dead. She hasn't cost us a penny since the day we walked away from her grave.

As long as the church is alive she will cost money, and the more alive a church is, the more money she will cost. Only a dead church, like a dead child, is no longer expensive.

Think it over. A church with a little more in one year than the above mentioned singer receives in one week of singing could minister to thousands both here and around the world. Is church costing too much?

~Via "The Admonisher" Bossier City, La.~

FREED HARDEMAN LECTURES

This week Corretta and I will be away at the annual Freed-Hardeman Lectures at Henderson, Tennessee. I want to thank the church for making this trip possible each year. It is a time to get to hear many excellent lessons from God's word and to renew old friendships. As always I plan to bring back taped copies of several of the lessons to put in the church library. Looking forward to seeing each of you Sunday... T.L.

BE GENEROUS

The more you share and give away,
The more you will be blessed,
A seed of kindness will return
Bouquets of happiness . . .
Try as you may, you can't outgive.
You can't outlove our Lord,
For every generous thing you do
Brings back a rich reward!

~Alice Joyce Davidson~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Tim Fisher
Reading	Bill Womack
Scripture	II Kings 5:8-14
Lord's Table (N)	*Dennis Gann
(S)	*Jim Slatton
(N)	Rodney Maynard
(N)	Scott Griffith
(N)	Harry Felty
(S)	Lynn Gann
(S)	Chad Graves
(S)	Ken Lee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Buell Warren

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Chip Cantrell
Reading	Joey Reynolds
Scripture	Ephesians 2:8,9
Lord's Table	*Chuck Boles
	David Chilton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Leonard Crouch

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7916) Joe Collins
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Johnny Anderson
Reading	Alan Collins
Invitation	Dale Bennett
Dismiss	Bob Bonner

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Willie Newby Family
P.M.	Joe T. & Mary Lois Cantrell

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Mark Lance & Tommy Crouch

Attend Nursery: Hazel Bennett

Lock Building: Don Griffith

Pantry Item: Pasta

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	340
Bible Study	274
P.M. Worship	239
Wednesday Bible Study	138
Contribution	\$3,855

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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Barbara King
Roberta Brooks (at daughter's home)
Melba Dodson (Marsha Collins sister)

In The Hospital:

Robert "Doc" Mullican-moved to McMinnville
Health Care-#120
Joe Maxwell-moved to McMinnville Health Care
Avis Pauline Taylor-Middle TN Medical Center

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. The Mistakes Of Naaman
P.M. Saved By Grace

Special Presentation

BybeeBranch is fortunate to have so much talent. A few weeks ago brother Dickie Kesey gave an excellent presentation on drugs. The elders have asked him to give another presentation and speak on Devil worship and gangs. He will give this on February 25. Mark your calendars!

Bible Bowl

Our young people did very well at the Bible Bowl this past Sunday. They came in fourth place missing only four questions. Congratulations to the Antioch, Main Street, Mt. Leo and New Union congregations for all tying for first place missing only one question. There were 225+ present. It is thrilling to see so many young people with excellent attitudes, and minds filled with the Word of God!

Thailand Trip Update

Thurman Bennett called this past Sunday morning to report that they had one of the best attendances ever at the Gospel Meeting there. They had 384 present. Five were baptized on Saturday evening and one on Sunday evening.

Can't Understand It?

Her manicure and the worship service both ended at the same time. Proper greetings were exchanged and she and her family loaded into the car for the trip home. A feeling of accomplishment was presented at having successfully endured another trip to church and she breathed a sigh of relief that duty was fulfilled — no obligation was satisfied — for another week. The children in the back seat, attentive ears, were treated to "I just don't get anything out of the worship services here. The song leader blah, blah, blah. The preacher blah, blah, blah. And that class teacher blah, blah, blah.

Time passed swiftly and mother began to suffer what so many mothers do. She cries, "I just can't understand it. My children are no longer loyal to the church. Why can't the church do something for the young people?

Can't understand it? Aw, come on.

~Selected~

Root of the Trouble

An old deacon who used to pray every Wednesday night at prayer meeting always concluded his prayer with the same words: "And Lord, clean all the cobwebs out of my life." I think you know what he was talking about. The cobwebs — those things that ought not to have been there but had gathered during the week. Well, it got too much for one man in the prayer meeting, and he heard the old deacon one time too often. So when the old man made that prayer, this fellow jumped to his feet and, in a loud voice, said: "Lord, Lord don't do it! Kill the spider!" That is just what is needed. The old nature must be put in the place of death. **"Reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord"** (Rom. 6:11).

~Selected~

Is the Grass Greener on the Other Side?

In our changing world we hear of more and more who are leaving the old paths (departing from God's Word). Gospel preaching has been replaced with drama presentations. Scripturally authorized singing has been replaced with solos, choirs, and complete brass ensembles. Amidst this direction many are going, it is interesting to hear from someone who has been there for some time. The January '96 issue of JOURNAL OF SONG LEADING has an article by Tom Lawson entitled "Instrumental Music." Lawson is a teacher at Kentucky Christian College, operated by the Christian Church. While he does not see the use of instrumental music as being unscriptural, he does recognize advantages of acappella worship. Note some:

1. "It tends to maintain the central players in worship as the congregation rather than the "performers" up front. When music of worship is the music "of the church" (meaning of acappella, KW) itself, it seems less likely that we will move from "worship" to "watching worship." About worship at his home church he says, "congregational singing has been drastically cut. The worth of a particular service is, many times, gauged by quality of these performances. Applause is not merely tolerated, it is expected" (emphasis mine, KW).

2. "It tends to preserve times of silence within corporate worship. My own church feels obligated to not allow a single moment of silence within the entire worship experience. Every moment where someone is not speaking or singing must be filled with organ or piano . . . I do not need my moods programmed at every moment. I do not need the equivalent of elevator music to provide me with a sense of the presence of God."

3. "It tends to preserve a simplicity in worship that may be increasingly attractive in our complicated age. I am baffled why some within the Church of Christ would pick this time to move toward inclusion of the instrument in worship." Mr. Lawson then writes, "To my friends within the Church of Christ, I would encourage you to think long and hard before you join us and the rest of evangelical world in this area that so clearly impacts the entire worship experience. **THE GRASS MAY NOT BE GREENER ON OUR SIDE AFTER ALL**" (Emphasis KW).

Tom Lawson concludes with this wish: "I find myself wishing that, at least every once and a while, we'd close up the piano, turn off the organ, unplug the guitars, and just see what would happen."

We have a suggestion Tom: Renounce instrumental music and other errors of denominationalism, obey the Gospel of Christ, and participate in simple New Testament worship.

~Ken Willis~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan

Lead Singing Stanley Graves

First Prayer Danny Duncan

Reading David McColloch

Scripture Revelation 11:1,2

Lord's Table (N) *Larry Flatt

(S) *W.C. Chilton

(N) J.B. Gribble

(N) Joe T. Cantrell

(S) Chip Cantrell

(S) Joe Maynard

(S) Ralph Crouch

(S) Alan Collins

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Bob Mayfield

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan

Lead Singing Stanley Graves

First Prayer John Biddle

Reading Shannon Griffin

Scripture Ephesians 4:1-6

Lord's Table *Dale Bennett

Bob Bonner

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Clyde Christian

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-7916) Joe Collins

Lead Singing Mark Lawrence

First Prayer Jeff Flatt

Reading Jeff Bond

Invitation Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Steve Boyd

Welcome Committee

A.M. Scena Christian & Clercie Delon

P.M. Billy & Junetta Gilbert

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Becky Maynard

Lock Building: Don Griffith

Pantry Item: Beans

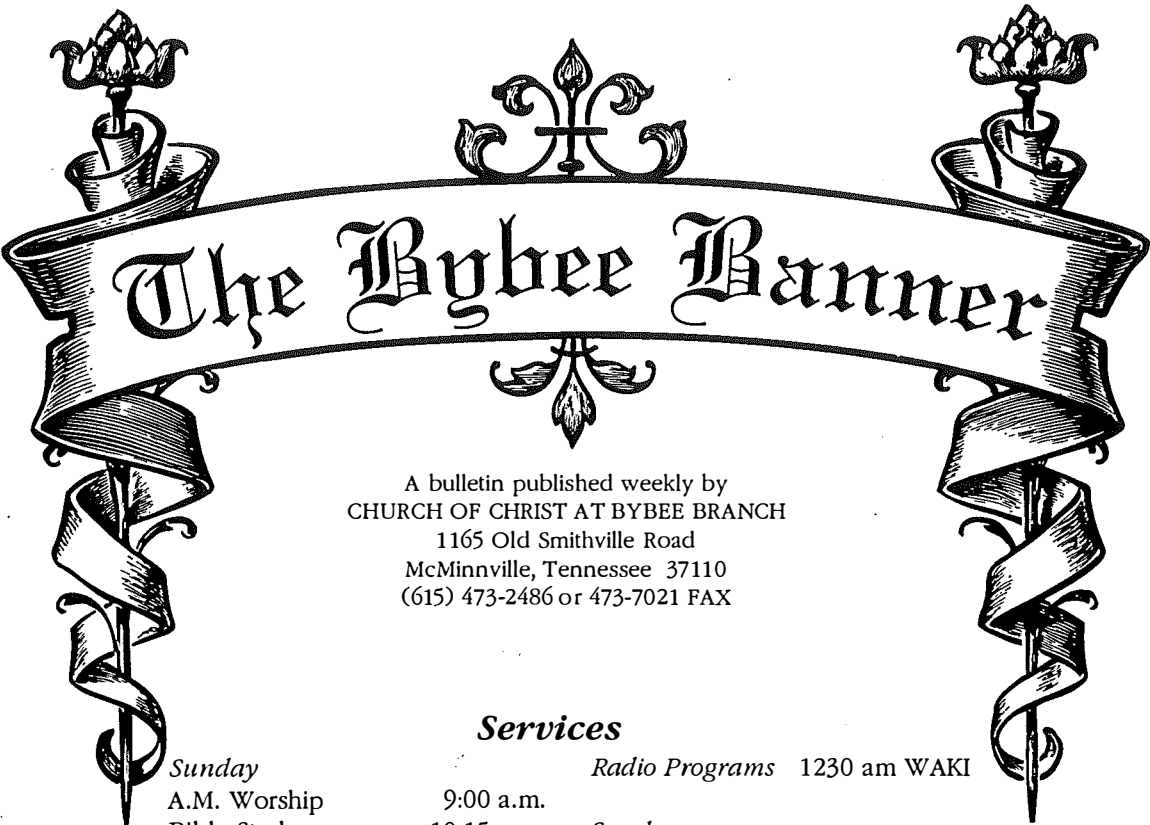
Record For The Week...

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Bible Study	263
P.M. Worship	232
Wednesday Bible Study	204
Contribution	\$3,517

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Melba Dodson (Marsha Collins sister)

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Avis Pauline Taylor-Middle TN Medical Center
Pearl Biddle-Centennial Medical Center #5124

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. A Measured Church
P.M. Unity Of The Spirit

Sympathy

We want to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Lucille Brock. She passed away Sunday morning. Sister Brock was a long time member at Bybee Branch.

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The monthly elders-deacons meeting will be this coming Sunday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. All elders and deacons are encouraged to be present.

School of Bible Emphasis

The School of Bible Emphasis meets twice a month at the Mt. Leo church of Christ educational building. The class will be meeting again this coming Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. Brother William Woodson has been doing an excellent job teaching in this class this year. He has covered material in the Sermon on the Mount and is now teaching from the book of Romans. The School of Bible Emphasis is a work of the Hobbs Street church of Christ in Athen, AL and is directed by brother Winfred Clark.



Special Presentation On Devil Worship

A few weeks ago brother Dickie Kesey gave an excellent presentation on the problem of drugs in our community. This Sunday he will follow up with a presentation on the presence of Devil worship in our community. He is in a unique position as chief of police to give an accurate picture of what is going on.

Why not invite your friends and neighbors to come and worship with us Sunday and stay for the special presentation at the Bible Class hour?

The Sin of Being Neutral

God said through Obadiah, "In the day that you stood on the other side — In the day that strangers carried captive his forces, when foreigners entered his gates and cast lots for Jerusalem — Even you were as one of them." (Obad. 11). This condemnation was spoken against the people of Edom because they allowed the people of Judah to be overtaken without lifting a finger. Even worse than this they rejoiced over it!

In today's world it is unpopular to stand up and be counted on one side or another. It is considered "radical" to protest anything. The media (both in print and T.V.) show those who oppose the excesses of our society as being some sort of ignorant half-crazed person. The watchword of the day is toleration. When it come to referendums on the sale of liquor or the wholesale slaughter of innocent unborn babies many find it hard to even write a "letter to the editor" to make a stand. All of us have contact with the outside world and fail to speak up on matters of truth. How many of us heard people say they had a bet on the Superbowl? Did you say anything? If we expect to have an effect on this world we will have to speak up! It is a sin to be neutral!

~Tony Lawrence~

Temptation and Sin

Temptation is not sin. This distinction is an important one which can help us to live realistically a Christian life.

Every man is tempted to do wrong; that is, every one wants to do things that are wrong. "*But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.*" (James 1:14) To be tempted is to be human; no man can escape the desire to do wrong.

It is possible for us to feel a sense of remorse and hopelessness simply because we are tempted. Young people particularly need to understand that one has not sinned when he is tempted. If one sins, each time he is drawn away by lust, he would be condemned to an endless and repetitious cycle of sinning brought on by his human condition over which he has no control.

Temptation is, in fact, the occasion for the exercise of free will. Jesus was tempted but chose to do right. (Hebrews 4:15) Moses chose to serve God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season. (Heb. 11:24-25) Temptation is a blessing because it provides the occasion for us to choose to deny the animal self and to do right. "*Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.*" (James 1:12)

On the other hand, temptation is the occasion also for sinning. James explains the process: "*But every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin; and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.*" (James 1:14-15) One may yield to the temptation to do wrong. Jesus made it clear that one could sin either by committing a wrong or by giving mental consent to it. (Matt. 5:21-22) In either case, one exercises his free will and chooses which course to follow.

Two very important lessons grow out of this distinction. First is a proper understanding of what God expects of us. If one believes that he should never be tempted (that is, never allow an evil thought to cross his mind) then he must take one of two courses. Either he will develop a hardened and calloused conscience and deny the reality of his own experience (imposing burdens on others which they cannot bear), or more honest souls may become disheartened by their inability to live by their own impossible standards.

Second, we must learn that right conduct is always a matter of right choice. I can advise and counsel others, but every man decides in his own mind whether to resist or yield to temptation. Young people are mortal only when they have a highly cultivated moral sense. It is not enough to establish a code of "dos and don'ts" (although it is clear that the Bible does deal with quite specific moral issues). The only assurance of right conduct as we face different problems each day is a mind that is determined to do right.

~Ed Harrell~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Johnny Anderson

Reading Dale Bennett

Scripture 1 Corinthians 16:5-9

Lord's Table (N) *Chuck Boles

(S) *Rodney Reynolds

(N) Jeff Bond

(N) Bob Cantrell

(N) Micah Lawrence

(S) John Stembridge

(S) Steve Wilcher

(S) Harley Northcutt

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Derrick Pennington

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Doug Hendrixson

Reading Scott Griffith

Scripture Ephesians 5:18-20

Lord's Table *Steve Hillis

Mark Lance

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Jim Slatton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements Tim Fisher

Lead Singing Alan Collins

First Prayer Chuck Medley

Reading Harold McGinness

Invitation John Biddle

Dismiss Winfrey Hennessee

Welcome Committee

A.M. Chuck Medley Family

P.M. Joe Collins Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Steve Boyd & Harold McGinness

Attend Nursery: Sabrina Merritt

Lock Building: Dale Bennett

Pantry Item: Soup

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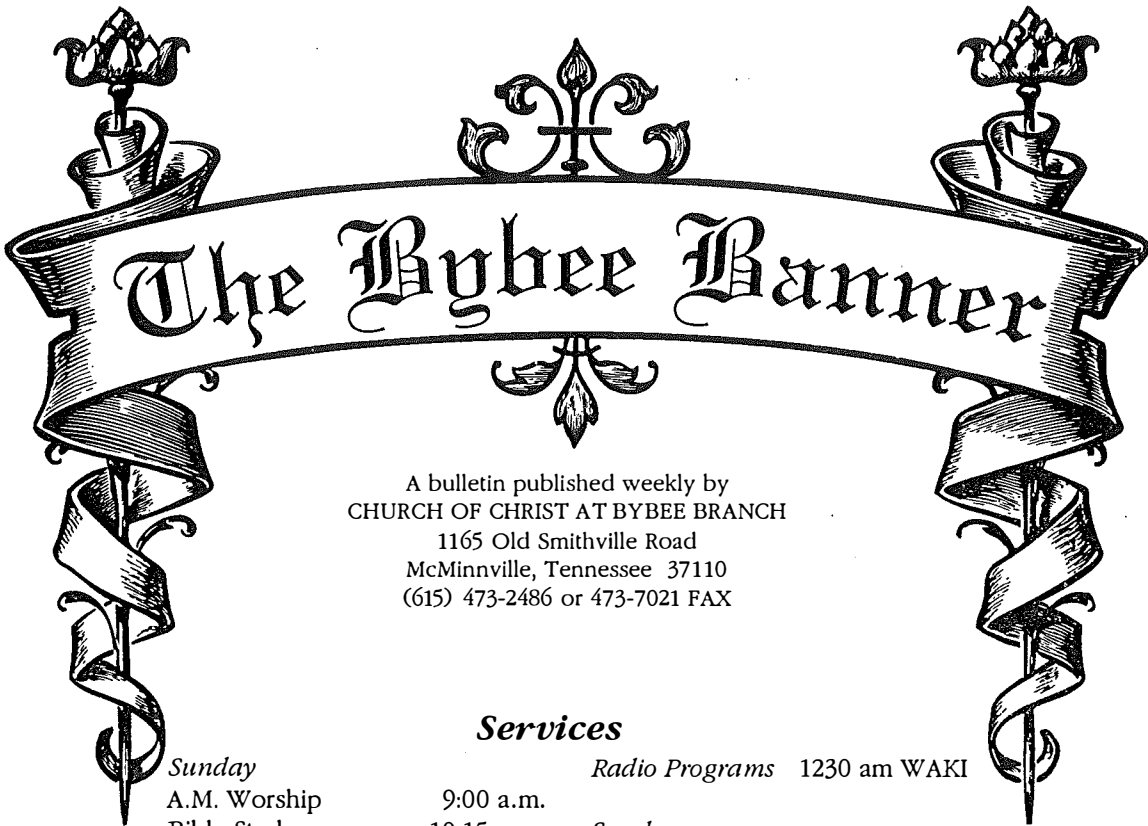
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Bible Study	258
P.M. Worship	226
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Preacher

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Sick

At Home: Earlene Ray-returned to boarding home

In The Hospital: Avis Pauline Taylor-Riverpark Hollie Wilcher-Riverpark

Others who have been listed as sick for some time will be listed in the shut-ins next week.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Open Doors P.M. Worship To The Lord

Satanism Presentation

We want to extend a hearty thanks to brother Dickie Kesey for his excellent presentation given last Sunday on the presence of Devil Worship and Satanism in our community.

Adult Class Rotation

The rotation of the adult Bible class teachers will take place this Sunday. Beginning in the auditorium will be John Biddle teaching the "Overview of the Gospels." Ronnie Rogers will be teaching Hebrews in Adult #2 and Don Sullivan will be teaching Acts in the Young Adult class. John asks that all who are in the auditorium adult class read Matthew 1-4 for next Sunday.

Ladies Retreat

Ladies make your plans now to attend the spring retreat April 19-20. We need to get a good count soon of those planning to go, so please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer as soon as you can. If you have any questions, see Brenda Bratten, Carol Boyd, or Sonia Vandagriff.



IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY with MACK LYON

March 3 God, The Giver Of Life March 10 Of One The Lord Has Made The Race March 17 For Those Who Are Seeking God March 24 God Is Not Far From Any One Of Us March 31 In God We Live , Move And Have Our Being

Air Times: Sunday — 9:00 a.m. on Channel 4 WSMV. 10:30 p.m. on ACTS/VISN Network (cable 34). Notice: At the time of this writing there was a strong possibility that the Search program will move from WSMV-Channel 4 to WZTV-Channel 17 (cable 11) and from 9:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.

Remember Who You Are

A young man was leaving his home for the first time to make his own way in the world. His mother affectionately cautioned him, "Son, remember who you are!" His parents and his family had always been highly esteemed in their community. The mother well knew that through thoughtlessness or recklessness, her son might bring his own name and the good name of the family into disgrace. Every public sin committed by Christians reflects upon the church of our Lord. A realization of this fact should cause all of us to be extremely careful of our conduct before men. Careless words and reckless deeds by members of the body of Christ brings God's family into disrepute and renders more difficult the task of reaching sinners with the gospel. Wherever you are, as a child of God, "Remember who you are."

~copied~

March 1996

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Hollie Wilcher Eddie Palmer	Stanley McNery Crockett McPeak
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	Drucilla Crouch Tara Leigh Felty	Tommy Crouch Ralph Crouch	BILLY & JUNETTA GILBERT Flossie Warren Benji Biles	David McColloch Kaci Chilton Minnie Whiteaker	Glyna Lee	RALPH & DRUCILLA CROUCH Juanita Cantrell Judy Payne
	East Tennessee School of Preaching Lectureship					
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Kaitlyn Reynolds			STEVE & ANGIE CALDWELL			
Bible Bowl at Leoni 2:00 p.m.	School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo 7:00 p.m.					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Lynder Holmes	Scena Christian Hallie Cantrell Matthew Young		Carol Boyd Ada Mayfield Michael Griffith Minnie Whiteaker	Katie Wanamaker	JOE T. & MARY LOIS CANTRELL JOE & BECKY MAYNARD Ronnie Rogers Becky Maynard Memphis School of Preaching Benefit Dinner at East End	Doris Smith
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
SIDNEY & JENNIFER GROVES	Brett Merrit	Jonathan Goodman Johnny Anderson	Larry Goodman GREG & JILL ADAMS	JOHN & JUDY NUSSBAUM		STEVE & TERESA ATNIP
	School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo 7:00 p.m.					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Lela Ann Johnson						
	Memphis School of Preaching Lectureship					
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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers

Lead Singing Joe Collins

First Prayer Willie Newby

Reading Marty Boles

Scripture Ephesians 4:17-19

Lord's Table (N) *Noel Pepper

(S) *Frank Reynolds

(N) Joe Roller

(N) Eugene Wilcher

(S) Andrew Collins

(S) Edgar Webb

(S) Brett Merritt

(S) Harry Felty

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Mark Lawrence

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers

Lead Singing Joe Collins

First Prayer Dennis Gann

Reading Kelly Thaxton

Scripture Ephesians 5:22-32

Lord's Table *Bob Mayfield

Larry Flatt

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Kurt Maynard

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements Tim Fisher

Lead Singing Mark Lawrence

First Prayer Danny Duncan

Reading Michael Griffith

Invitation Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Stanley Graves

Welcome Committee

A.M. Johnny Anderson Family

P.M. Kurt Maynard Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Chris Jones & David Chilton

Attend Nursery: Denise Prince

Lock Building: Dale Bennett

Pantry Item: Cornbread Mix

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	319
Bible Study	255
P.M. Worship	217
Wednesday Bible Study	217
Contribution	\$3,971

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Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

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Jeff Flatt Billy Gilbert

Stanley Graves Everett Green

Willie Newby Jim Slatton

Preacher

Tony Lawrence

473-8079

Sick

At Home:

Floyd Gambrell (husband of Mildred Gambrell)

In The Hospital:

Hollie Wilcher-Riverpark

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Past Feeling

P.M. An Ideal Family

Golden Anniversary

*In honor of the
Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of
Drucilla and Ralph Crouch
their son and his family request the
pleasure of your company
at a reception
on Sunday, the tenth of March
nineteen hundred and ninety-six
from two until four o'clock in the afternoon
Bybee Branch Church of Christ
1165 Old Smithville Road
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Your presence is your gift*

To All Ladies

KITCHEN WORK NIGHT: Friday March 22, 6:00 p.m.
We will get pizza and get to work. Bring a drink and money
for pizza.

Ladies Retreat Extra

Ladies: if you have signed up to go on the retreat and would
like to attend the play "Meet Me In St. Louis" on Saturday,
April 20, see Judy Sullivan for reservations by Wednesday
night or call her at 668-2184

SHUT-INS

*The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If
we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional.
Please let us know of updates we need to add.*

McMinnville Health Care:

Minnie Cooper
Joe Maxwell
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland

McMinnville Boarding Home:

Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt

Raintree Health Care Center:

Flora Smith

Eastside Boarding Home

Earlene Ray

Woodbury Nursing Home

Marvin Crouch

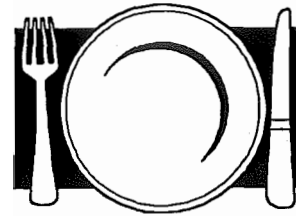
Peachtree Manor (Smyrna) (?)

Avis Pauline Taylor

Home:

Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Katherine Bennett
Edith Cantrell
Edith Collins
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Edith Morrow
Robert "Doc" Mullican
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
Bertha Stewart
June Slatton
Carrie Wilson

A Program Worthy Of Support



The Memphis School of Preaching has served the Lord's church for many years
in training men to be sound and faithful gospel preachers. The church at Bybee
Branch has helped assist some of these men as they have trained at the school.
In addition, several of the faculty have spoken at Bybee Branch in the past few
years. Brother Garland Elkins has appeared on our annual lectureship several
times and is scheduled again this year. Brother Curtis Cates, director of the
school, preached in a meeting here a couple years ago. The quality of the
instructors and the quality of the instruction of the school is excellent. The school is a worthy school!

A need has developed at the school. The Knight Arnold congregation, which has housed the school and whose
elders have overseen the school, has been forced by necessity to seek another location. The area has become so
crime ridden that the members of the congregation and the students at the school simply are not safe.

The elders at Knight Arnold made a decision to relocate to a property in a safer section of town. The school
will also be moved to this new location. This will require building a new facility for the school which will cost
approximately \$900,000. Already over half this money has been raised and much of it coming from the Knight
Arnold congregation itself. However, for the school to operate as it has, it cannot carry an outstanding debt.

In a number of areas those who want to encourage and help the school to be able to continue to turn out good
gospel preachers have planned and organized benefit meals. Such a meeting is planned in our area. *On Friday,
March 22, at 7:00 p.m. there will be a benefit meal at the annex of the East End congregation. There is no cost
for the meal. You may decide to contribute whatever you like, if any, to the school. The meal itself will be
provided by caring and concerned brethren. Brethren Cates and Elkins will both be here that night to answer
any questions that anyone might have. We will need to know how many to plan for by Sunday, March 17. If you
think that you will be able to attend, please let me know by that Sunday.*

~Tony Lawrence~

Gospel Meeting

There will be a Gospel Meeting at the East End
congregation March 10-15, services at 7:00 p.m. with
Larry Acuff preaching.

*The season for "meetings" is coming up. A number
of excellent gospel preachers will be coming our way
delivering sound teaching. Why not try to attend some
of these? It will be food for the soul and strength to
the spirit.*



Are You Reading Your
Owner's Manual?

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing Stanley Graves
First Prayer Steve Boyd
Reading Don Griffith
Scripture I Kings 12:25-33
Lord's Table (N) *Ronnie Prince
(S) *Don Sullivan
(N) Jeff Templeton
(N) Joey Reynolds
(N) Jeff Flatt
(S) Buell Warren
(S) Chuck Medley
(S) J.B. Gribble
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Clyde Christian

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing Stanley Graves
First Prayer Billy Gilbert
Reading Joe T. Cantrell
Scripture Ephesians 6:10-20
Lord's Table *Bill Womack
Willie Newby
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Ken Lee

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements Tim Fisher
Lead Singing Leonard Clemons
First Prayer Thurman Bennett
Reading Jason Vandagriff
Invitation Bob Bonner
Dismiss Dale Bennett

Welcome Committee

A.M. Thurman & Hazel Bennett
P.M. David McColloch Family

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Mark Lance & Tommy Crouch

Attend Nursery: Leslie Pepper

Lock Building: Dale Bennett

Pantry Item: Cake Mix

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship 323
Bible Study 244
P.M. Worship 205
Wednesday Bible Study 224
Contribution \$4,010

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Wednesday		
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence 473-8079

SICK

At Home:
Floyd Gambrell (husband of Mildred Gambrell)

In The Hospital:
None Known

SUNDAY'S SERMONS

A.M. Homemade Religion
P.M. Defeating The Devil

SYMPATHY

We want to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Hollie Wilcher. He passed away last Friday and was buried on Sunday.

BIBLE BOWL

Congratulations to our youth at the Bible Bowl this past Sunday. They came in first missing none on the test. They placed fifth overall in the year.

GOSPEL MEETING

East End church of Christ, March 10-15, services at 7:00 p.m. with Larry Acuff preaching.

MSOP BENEFIT MEAL

As was announced Sunday there will be a benefit meal to help relocate the Memphis School of Preaching (under the oversight of the Knight Arnold congregation) to a new location. This meal will be at the East End church annex on Friday, March 22, at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited. In order to get a good count, please let Tony know by Sunday night if you plan to attend.

GOD'S ETERNAL SPRINGTIME

Though snow may blow
And winter last so long,
Yet Spring will come
With flower and song
For God hath willed it so.

Though death brings low
And sorrows last so long
Yet Christ will come
With joy and song
For God hath willed it so.

Eternal Spring we'll know
With LIFE and LOVE — so long
A million years is a moment
In the land of beauty and song
For God hath willed it so.

~Charles R. Scott~

WHAT MAKES A GREAT CHURCH?

Not big budgets — but larger hearts;
Not tall steeples — but lofty visions;
Not money received — but services rendered;
Not record-breaking attendance — but God's presence;
Not frantic motion — but dedicated action;
Not soft seats — but courageous leadership;
Not loud talking — but quiet doing;
Not beautiful clothes — but beautiful lives;
Not eloquent preachers — but active members;
Not nice buildings — but good deeds;
Not great numbers — but great love for one another.

~Copied from The Beam of Light~
Fayetteville, Arkansas

HAVE ME EXCUSED!

Dear Preacher,

You often stress attendance at worship as important. But I think a fellow has a right to miss now and then. I think I should be excused for the following reasons:

July 4 (National holiday)	1
Labor Day (God had one day of rest!)	1
Memorial Day (1 state holiday)	1
School closing (kids need a break at the beach)	1
School opening (last chance of summer)	1
Family reunions (1 my family, 1 my wife's)	2
Out-of-town games (We support the team)	5
Tournaments (high school, college, tennis and golf - one each)	4
Anniversary (our second honeymoon)	1
Sickness (1 for each member)	5
Business trips (A fella must make a living)	5
Vacation (Only 2 weeks, but 3 weekends)	3
Bad weather (ice, rain, snow, hail, etc.)	5
Dallas Cowboys games (or some other)	4
Unexpected company (can't walk out, they didn't bring church clothes)	2
Alarm clock didn't go off (not my fault)	2
Time change (spring forward, fall back, I never get that right)	2
House and car repair (Who can afford plumbers and mechanics any more?)	3
Special on TV (continuing education)	2
Christmas (It comes only once a year)	1
New Year (I need to start off rested.)	1
TOTAL	50

So preacher, that only leaves two Sundays per year.
We'll see you Easter for sure and the third Sunday in August unless providentially hindered.

"Faithful Member"

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Chip Cantrell

Reading Leonard Crouch

Scripture John 11:25-27

Lord's Table (N) *David Chilton

(S) *Bob Bonner

(N) Chad Graves

(N) Shannon Griffin

(N) Winfrey Hennessee

(S) Eddie Palmer

(S) Michael Griffith

(S) Steve Hillis

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss W.C. Chilton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Lemmie Bratten

Reading Tom McColloch

Scripture Philippians 1:3-11

Lord's Table *Joe Collins

John Biddle

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Bill Womack

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements Tim Fisher

Lead Singing Joe Collins

First Prayer Mark Lance

Reading Johnny Anderson

Invitation Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Bob Cantrell

Welcome Committee

A.M. Brett Merritt Family

P.M. Dot Foster & Lucille Newby

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Doris Wilcher

Lock Building: Dale Bennett

Pantry Item: Cake Icing

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	310
Bible Study	216
P.M. Worship	203
Wednesday Bible Study	213
Contribution	\$3,512

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Rodney Reynolds	473-3570

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Leonard Clemons	Joe Collins
Jeff Flatt	Billy Gilbert
Stanley Graves	Everett Green
Willie Newby	Jim Slatton

Preacher

Tony Lawrence 473-8079

SICK

At Home:

Mildred Glenn
Yuriko Biles
Drucilla Crouch
Gilbert Kell
Joe T. Cantrell

In The Hospital:

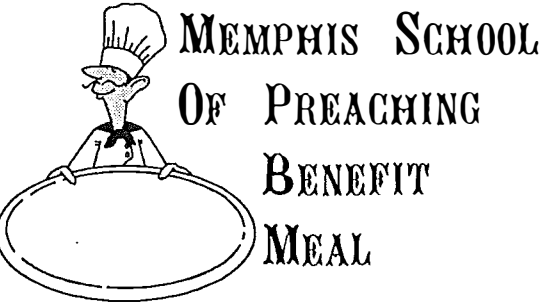
J.C. Clemons (brother of Leonard)-VA Hospital
in Nashville

SUNDAY'S SERMONS

A.M. Do You Believe In Hell?
P.M. Furthering The Gospel

GOSPEL MEETING

Morrison church of Christ, March 31-April 3,
services at 7:00 p.m. with Dan Winkler preaching.



The benefit meal for the Memphis School of Preaching will be this Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the East End church of Christ annex. While the number attending has already been turned in, if you would like to contribute something to the school, please make your check payable to the Memphis School of Preaching and we will see that it gets to brother Cates or brother Elkins this Friday evening. This is truly a deserving work.

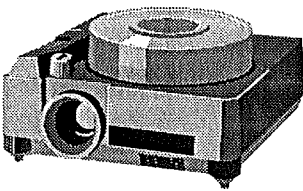
LOVE FINDS SOMETHING TO DO

Often the cry is for something special to do in His Kingdom. The Lord has assigned some specific duties in the scriptures (Mark 16: 15; Matt. 25:31-46; Gal. 6:1-2).

1. Seek out and teach some lost soul about Jesus and His love (Heb. 5:12). Many are dead in sin and doomed for eternity! Like the Lord, we must "seek" if we are to save them. They will not come to us.
2. Make a real effort to restore some fallen Christian to the favor of God (James 5:19,20). In so doing you will "save a soul from death." Don't let them die with their blood on your hands.
3. Drop in on some lonely pilgrim (II Tim. 1:16-18). To know that someone knew, and cared, and remembered will do much to lift the burden from a heavy heart.
4. Visit the sick among us and offer your help (Matt. 25:43). God ministers to these through our efforts. It is mockery to pray for those who are ill while we neglect them.
5. Show hospitality to strangers (Hebrews 13:2). Greet them warmly, show them whatever courtesy you can, and invite them to worship with you. One whom you befriend may become your brother in Christ.
6. Assist in supplying the necessities of a destitute family (I John 3:17-19). Real love, not great ability, is needed to furnish food for the hungry.
7. Drop a letter or make a call to bolster someone who needs encouragement (Heb. 12:12). It may be one who is laboring under great difficulty, or whose faith is being sorely tried by sorrow.
8. Offer prayer in behalf of all those for whom we seek God's special favor (Eph. 6:18-19). The earnest petition of the righteous is powerful in the sight of God (James 5:16). We ought to pray often for all men, and particularly for those for whom we feel a special concern.

There is so much for all to do in the Kingdom of God. Let us not sit idly by while we complain that no one has given us a task to perform! God has graciously saved us from sin and appointed us to His work.

~Selected~



SLIDES OF BIBLE LANDS TRIP

A number of you have asked when Tim and I would give a presentation of our trip to the Bible Lands this past December. I have worked a number of the details of our trip into my lessons over the past several weeks along with putting a set of the video tapes in the church library. Tim made slides while I made video. The elders have asked Tim to show his slides this coming Wednesday

night (March 20) during the Bible class hour. I believe many of you will enjoy this as well as learn quite a bit of Bible geography and history. Tim should be experienced at this by now, he has shown the slides at the Bonner, Oak Grove, and Unity congregations. Plan to be present and bring a friend! T.L.

"BEWARE OF RUMORS"

"I hear you made a million dollars in oil in Texas," one man said to another. "Well," the second replied, "that report is substantially correct; except it wasn't in Texas, but in Oklahoma. And it wasn't I, but my brother-in-law. And it wasn't a million, but a hundred thousand. And he didn't make it, he lost it!" That's the way tales are told. Solomon said, "He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life; but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction." (Prov. 13:3)

A Bulgarian Proverb goes, "You are permitted in time of great danger to walk with the Devil until you have crossed the bridge." It appears that this is the attitude of many people about telling the truth. Under stress or pressure they want to walk with the Devil and fall under the spell of the one who is the father of lies (John 8:44). Leviticus 19:16 states, "Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people."

~Ken Willis~

BUT NOT ON SUNDAY NIGHT

I love the church that Jesus bought,
And I know that it is right.
I go there on Sunday mornings
But not on Sunday night.
I love to sing the songs of God.
Such worship must be right.
This I do on Sunday morning,
But not on Sunday night.
God bless our preacher
And give him power and might
To put the sinner in his place.
I won't be there Sunday night.
I love to hear the gospel;
It gives me pure delight.

I hear it Sunday morning,
But not on Sunday night.
I would go through rain, sleet, and snow,
And do anything that's right
To be at Church on Sunday morning,
But not on Sunday night.
I know I need more strength
To keep me in the light,
To help me go on Sunday morning,
AND on Sunday night.
Yes, we all must die.
I hope I will be doing right;
So I trust that I'll die on Sunday morning,
And not on Sunday night.

~Selected~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Jeff Flatt
Reading	Larry Flatt
Scripture	I Peter. 1:3-5
Lord's Table (N)	*Tommy Crouch
(S)	*Danny Duncan
(N)	Ralph Crouch
(N)	Chris Jones
(N)	Matthew Young
(S)	Bob Mayfield
(S)	Brandon McGinness
(S)	Don Johnson
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joe T. Cantrell

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(473-4887) Joey Reynolds
Lead Singing	Mark Lawrence
First Prayer	Alan Collins
Reading	Chad Graves
Scripture	Nehemiah 4:1-6
Lord's Table	*Jeff Bond
	Chip Cantrell
Sermon	Brett Merritt & Leonard Clemons
Dismiss	Micah Lawrence

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Eddie Palmer
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Harold McGinness
Invitation	Thurman Bennett
Dismiss	Noel Pepper

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Tony Lawrence Family
P.M.	Steve Boyd Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Billy Gilbert & Scott Griffith

Attend Nursery: Patsy Reynolds

Lock Building: Dale Bennett

Pantry Item: Sugar

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	340
Bible Study	244
P.M. Worship	215
Wednesday Bible Study	152
Contribution	\$4,624

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Stanley Graves	Everett Green
Willie Newby	Jim Slatton

Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Mildred Glenn

Yuriko Biles

Gilbert Kell

J.C. Clemons (brother of Leonard) home from
VA Hospital

In The Hospital:

Lela Johnson-Vanderbilt Childrens Hospital

Iola Gribble (Jane Flatt's mother)-Riverpark

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. There's A Beautiful Place Called Heaven

P.M. Nehemiah, Then and Now

Gospel Meetings

Morrison church of Christ, March 31-April 3,
services at 7:00 p.m. with Dan Winkler preaching.

East Main church of Christ/Manchester, March 31-
April 3, services at 7:00 p.m. with Thomas Eaves
preaching.

Leoni church of Christ, April 5-7, services at 7:00
p.m. with Glenn Ramsey preaching.

Earleyville church of Christ, April 7-9, services at
7:30 p.m. with Wayne Lankford preaching.

Fifth Sunday

This coming Sunday is the fifth Sunday and the evening service will be conducted by the young men. Also, the speakers for our fifth Sunday evening program this year will be from those in our sermon preparation class. Be sure to let them know how much you appreciate them.

Thanks

A big pat on the back goes to these ladies who helped clean and organize the kitchen and pantry Friday evening. Avie Clemons, Lou Leatherwood, Cindy Fisher, Donna Anderson, Stefanie McColloch, Mary Flatt, Sonia Vandagriff, Sharla Hillis, Dana Roller, Carol Felty, and Carol Boyd. Much thanks from Donna Newby and Cynthia Duncan.

Notice To Ladies

Currently we are in the process of spring cleaning of the kitchen. If you have any items belonging to you in the kitchen please check the kitchen area. We will be reorganizing the kitchen cabinets within the next two weeks.

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to two families this week:

Sympathy to the family of William Calvin Van Winkle (brother-in-law to our Billy Gilbert). His funeral was Sunday at Spencer.

Sympathy to the family of Mary Cook (mother of Gennean Black). Her funeral was Monday.

Memphis School Of Preaching Benefit Meal

The benefit meal for the Memphis School of Preaching was a resounding success. Over \$7,000.00 was contributed last Friday evening at the meal. Several churches have planned to give their 5th Sunday contribution so this number will rise significantly. The church at Bybee Branch gave \$2,000.00 from the treasury and several individuals also gave.

Prom Alternative Trip

There will be a planning meeting for all who plan on going on the Prom Alternative Trip this Sunday evening following services.

Quarantine the "Changers" to Save Our Children

In this century the church has had to cope with several splinter movements. In the teens there was Bollism which blossomed into the struggle with premillennialism in the '30s. Then came Ketchersideism, which was extremely radical, but later swung to the very liberal view. Another heartache was the battle over support of orphan homes and church cooperation. For decades the church was thwarted by Sommerism, and there is still a residue in some quarters.

For the last 30 or 40 years, there has existed a strong undercurrent of liberalism. This is now a force which the church in the mainstream must face. It promotes fundamental changes in teaching and practice. Some of the most visible and articulate among us are in this scholarly and well-financed group.

"Changers" is an umbrella term to cover various and sundry ideas novel to the New Testament. Not everyone in the camp of the radical changers agrees totally, but there is agreement with the general thrust toward a liberal slant.

To identify the proponents and fellow travelers — preachers, teachers, church leaders, or members — what are some of the teaching flowing from their mouth or pew?

Open fellowship with other religious bodies, especially the evangelicals;

Acceptance of the independent Christian Church;

Promoter of unity forums with the Christian Church;

Instrumental music is not sinful and is a non-issue;

Grace is a constant topic;

Exalting Christ but downplaying the church;

Gashing the church and finding little good about it and in contrast being complimentary of other religious groups;

Exhibiting cynicism;

Teaching that the church is a denomination and one part of the denominational framework;

Worship is to be changed to be more emotional in the Pentecostal denominational style;

Teaching obedience and commandments is legalism;

Women should have a leading role in the church;

Elders had no authority in a congregation;

Advocacy of the Holy Spirit empowering us in sensational ways apart from the Word of God;

After ignoring "doctrine" there may be major stress on social issues;

Salvation is by faith and baptism is not essential for the forgiveness of sins;

The church is not the kingdom and we should pray for the kingdom to come;

Pattern theology is an abomination;

Tradition is bashed and change is touted;

The church needs to be restructured;

The restoration of New Testament Christianity is irrelevant and impossible;

Restoration of the church is not finished;

Using deductions based on Scripture cannot establish truth;

Silence of the Scriptures is not prohibitive;

Greatly enamored by radical youth workshops;

And as did Paul, I would add "and such like."

When any person or a congregation espouses these beliefs or practices or some of them, it is evidence that the *changers* are there. When this happens, many heartaches and divisions will come.

The *changers* should be quarantined at once. This must be done to save our children, for the peace of the brethren, and for unity in the brotherhood. Radical change advocates will divide the brotherhood by the espousal of liberal theology.

We are at the stage where we should start the quarantine.

Advocates of the radical splinter group make the charge of polarization when objections are raised to their "changes."

As a disclaimer: those who hold to New Testament Christianity do not believe matter of opinion should be tests of fellowship. The issue is in changing and rejecting the basics of Bible teaching and substantive matters.

—E. Claude Gardner; 372 Mill Street; Henderson, TN 38340—

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (686-2117) Kurt Maynard

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Winfrey Hennessee

Reading Danny Duncan

Scripture II Corinthians 5:6-10

Lord's Table (N) *Willie Newby

(S) *Ken Lee

(N) David McColloch

(N) Joe Maynard

(N) Jason Vandagriff

(S) Marty Boles

(S) Dickie Kesey

(S) Bill Womack

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Steve Hillis

Sunday Evening Worship

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First Prayer Tim Fisher

Reading Frank Reynolds

Scripture Philippians 2:1-11

Lord's Table *Billy Gilbert

Lemmie Bratten

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss W.C. Chilton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-2632) Steve Hillis

Lead Singing Alan Collins

First Prayer Eddie Palmer

Reading Brett Merritt

Invitation Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Dale Bennett

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Joe T. Cantrell
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Liz Mitchell (sister of Joe Collins)-Vanderbilt
Jenny Kimery (daughter of Lemmie & Brenda Bratten)-Huntsville Hospital (send cards to their home at: 265 Charity Lane, Hazel Green, AL 35750)

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Alton Hendrixson (father of our Doug Hendrixson). He passed away Sunday afternoon and funeral will be Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. at the Wood-Finn Funeral Home in Murfreesboro.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. The "Judgment Seat" Of Christ
P.M. Developing The Right Mind

Youth Activity

For all who are young (or young at heart) there will be basketball game at the gym at Hickory Creek Elementary School this Friday night, April 5, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. If you have any questions, see Steve Hillis.

Gospel Meetings

Leoni church of Christ, April 5-7, services at 7:00 p.m. with Glenn Ramsey preaching.

Earleyville church of Christ, April 7-9, services at 7:30 p.m. with Wayne Lankford preaching.

Restoration

We rejoice with Jeff Templeton who came forward Sunday evening to ask for the prayers of the church. We are thankful for his example.

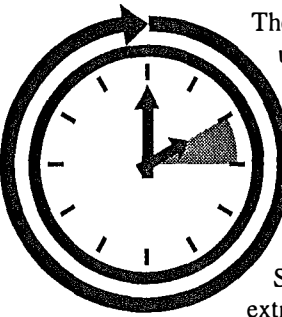
Excellent Job!

Thanks to Brett Merritt and Leonard Clemons who did an excellent job this past Sunday evening, along with the young men. The lesson of Brett and Leonard was well prepared and delivered with confidence. It is thrilling to see such talent in our congregation.

Lectureship Brochures

The program for our lectureship has been set. It will be August 7-11, 1996. Brochures are in the foyer and office. Start now to invite your friends.

Daylight Savings Time



The time has come again for us to "set our clocks" ahead changing to "Daylight Savings Time." If you forget you will be an hour late for worship. Be sure to change your clocks on Saturday night and get extra sleep!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				THURMAN & HAZEL BENNETT	Brenda Bratten Sherry Graves	Edna Lee Smith Sharla Hillis Sharon Boles Nancy Crouch
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Christine Cantrell				Dora Wilcher		Jay Adams
	School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo 7:00 p.m.				Youth Activity at Hickory Creek Elementary School 6-9 p.m.	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
CECIL & NAN CANTRELL	Eugene Wilcher Donna Anderson			Wanda Hendrixson Frank Reynolds	J.B. & CHRISTINE GRIBBLE Lynette Maynard Hannah Maynard	Tamara Campbell Tony Lawrence STEVE & SHARLA HILLIS
					Ladies Retreat	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Jane Golden Denice Reynolds	Cody Lee Prince Junetta Gilbert		Betty Hill		Leslie Caldwell Angie Caldwell Betsy Hill	Lemmie Bratten
	School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo 7:00 p.m.					
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Donald Carothers						
28	29	30				

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Chuck Medley
Reading	Shannon Griffin
Scripture	Deuteronomy 11:26-29
Lord's Table (N)	*Scott Griffith
(S)	*Kelly Thaxon
(N)	Leonard Crouch
(N)	Ryan Kesey
(S)	Derrick Pennington
(S)	Rodney Maynard
(S)	John Nussbaum
(S)	Jeff Bond
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Noel Pepper

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Bob Cantrell
Scripture	Philippians 2:12-18
Lord's Table	*Tommy Crouch
	Joe T. Cantrell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Mark Lawrence

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Don Sullivan
Invitation	Johnny Anderson
Dismiss	Joey Reynolds

Welcome Committee

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Lela Johnson
Jenny Kimery (daughter of Lemmie & Brenda Bratten)

In The Hospital:
Liz Mitchell (sister of Joe Collins)-Vanderbilt

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Mary Louise Carothers (mother of Don Carothers). Her funeral was Tuesday. Also we extend sympathy to the family of Sam Stubblefield (related to several in our congregation) who passed away last Friday. His funeral is on Wednesday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Either/Or
P.M. Work Out Your Own Salvation

Gospel Meetings

Shady Grove church of Christ, April 12-14, services at 7:30 p.m. with Forrest Chapman preaching.
Smyrna church of Christ, April 21-24, services at 7:00p.m. with Stan Stevenson preaching.
Quebeck church of Christ, April 21-26, services at 7:00 p.m. with Larry Acuff preaching.
Bluff Springs church of Christ, April 21-24, services at 7:00 p.m. with Bobby Wilhite preaching.

Restoration

We rejoice with Rebecca Boles who came forward Sunday morning to ask for the prayers of the church. Let us all pray for her.

Shut-ins

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional. Please let us know of updates we need to add.

- McMinnville Health Care:
Minnie Cooper
Joe Maxwell
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
- McMinnville Boarding Home:
Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt
- Raintree Health Care Center:
Flora Smith
- Eastside Boarding Home
Earlene Ray
- Woodbury Nursing Home
Marvin Crouch
- Peachtree Manor (Smyrna)
Avis Pauline Taylor
- Home:
Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Katherine Bennett
Edith Cantrell
Edith Collins
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Edith Morrow
Robert "Doc" Mullican
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
Bertha Stewart
June Slatton
Carrie Wilson

When Our Adult Children Disappoint Us

"I brought him to church with me all of his life." "We tried to teach her God's way." "I've lectured until I'm blue in the face. I don't know what to do!" What should we do when our adult children spiritually disappoint us?

I believe that for too long, all of our positive admonitions to young parents may have produced an unintended guilt-trip among some older Christian parents. They have done their best in instructing their children of God's will, but now find themselves in the role of spectator (rather than instructor), to seemingly unspiritual kids. Their rebellion causes Dad and Mom's heads to spin and hearts to break. The hurt and pain are real. Have they failed? Do the Scriptures offer these folks any answers? Yes. What does God want me to do?

Respect your children's decision. They are adults now. They are accountable to God. In Jesus' most famous parable, the father gave the boy the inheritance, even though dad's years of wisdom told him that his son's squanderous decision was not wise. (Luke 15:12)

Don't rescue. The prodigal son's father did not assemble a caravan of camels and servants to ride off to rescue his son. He could have, but he understood that the boy/man had to learn for himself. (Luke 15:22)

Wait. The father waited, waited, waited, waited . . . then he welcomed! (Luke 15:20)

Be guilt-free. Ask for, then promise God's promised forgiveness. Realize that Proverbs 22:6 is a principle, not a guarantee.

Don't give up hope. Understand that your child's final chapter of life has yet to be written.

Be blame-free. Both parents and children have a God-given responsibility. (Ephesians 6:4; Colossians 3:20) You have done your best. God does not require perfection, just faithfulness.

Don't make excuses for negligent children. Look at what Jesus taught. (Mark 7:9-13)

PRAY! David prayed for his children. (II Samuel 7:25-29; 12-16; I Chronicles 17:16-27; 22:12; 29:19) Job prayed for his children daily. (Job 1:5) Hannah prayed for her child. (I Samuel 1:27) The most important thing you can do, right now, is to pray for your adult child . . . every day!

Lean on your Christian family. God has surrounded you with brothers and sisters who care. Don't be too proud to share your burden. You will get the opportunity to repay them someday. (Galatians 6:2)

Remain faithful. God promises that if you continue your Christian walk, your children will be cared for. (Psalm 37:23-26; Proverbs 20:7) Believe His promise.

God is the perfect parent and we are His children. The fact that we sin is not a reflection on His parenting abilities, but rather, proof that we are free moral agents. Just because our children have strayed does not necessarily mean that we have failed as parents (any more than God has failed), but it is an indication that each individual, even my child, has a God-given freedom of choice.

~Author unknown~

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First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	Ronnie Rogers
Scripture	Luke 11:42
Lord's Table (N)	*Jeff Flatt
(S)	*Steve Boyd
(N)	Harold McGinness
(N)	Lynn Gann
(N)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	Eddie Palmer
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Steve Wilcher
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Joe Roller
Scripture	Philippians 3:12-16
Lord's Table	*Dale Bennett
	Johnny Anderson
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Alan Collins

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	Billy Gilbert
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	David Chilton

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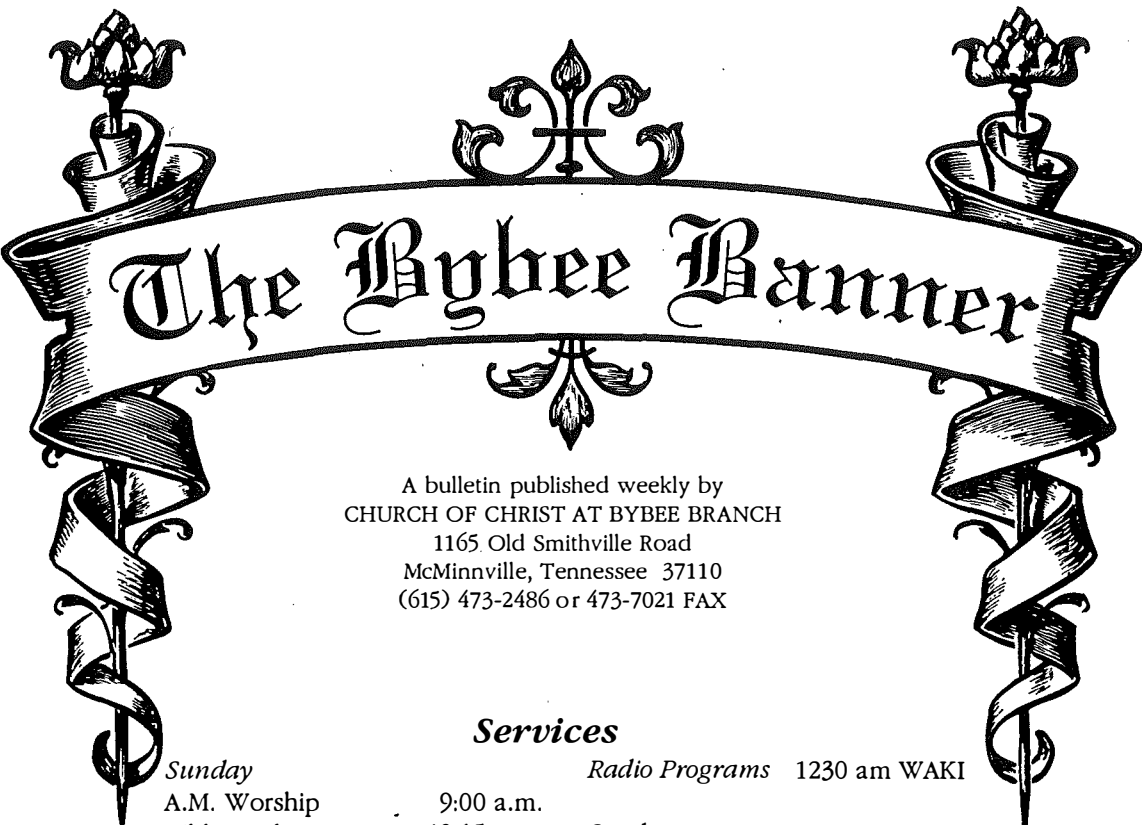
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Lela Johnson

Jenny Kimery (daughter of Lemmie & Brenda Bratten)

Liz Mitchell (sister of Joe Collins) send cards to
315 Powder Mill Rd, Ashland City, TN 37015

In The Hospital:

Robert "Doc" Mullican-Riverpark

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Lessons From Vitamin E

P.M. I Press On...

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Smyrna church of Christ, April 21-24, services at
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Bluff Springs church of Christ, April 21-24, services
at 7:00 p.m. with Bobby Wilhite preaching.

Pleasant Knoll church of Christ, April 21-23,
services at 7:00 p.m. with Arlon Way, George King,
and Paul Sain preaching.

Ladies Days

Central church of Christ, April 27, 9:00-11:30 with
Sandra Humphrey. Theme: What Do You
Communicate?

Church Street church of Christ/Lewisburg, April 27,
8:30-12:00 with Jan Elkins. Theme: Hand in Hand
with Jesus

Should a Christian

Go to the Prom?

The end of the school year is near. Thus, thoughts center upon the school prom for many young people. Often, there is no discussion as to whether to attend; but rather, what do I wear, and with whom do I go? But please allow me to back up, give some thoughts to consider, and plead with you to live righteous, godly, Christian lives (Titus 2:11-14).

There are three types of activities in which a person may engage: (1) Those that positively promote spiritual welfare; (2) Those that neither promote nor weaken one spiritually; (3) Those that definitely promote temptation and weaken one spiritually. Into which of these three categories does dancing fall? Does it encourage spiritual development? Has it not, time and again, weakened or destroyed others spiritually?

A Christian is one who has committed himself/herself to Christ (Matt. 6:33; Luke 9:57-62) - to live acceptably before Him (James 1:27; Rom. 12:1-2) - to live and walk by His laws (Eph. 5:8-11) - to not do anything that will bring disgrace or shame upon Him - to do only those things that will shine as a light, for Him (Matt. 5:16) - to cease any sinful practices or involvements (Col. 3:1-6) - to do only those things that will please the Father, to "exercise ourselves unto godliness" etc.

Dancing is Not "Innocent"

If such activities are harmless and pure, then why is a chaperone necessary? Have all elders, preachers, parents, and others who have spoken against the evils of dancing wasted countless hours and effort? Do the most dedicated men and women that you know dance? Would you like to see your elders and preacher attend the prom and dance with everyone else? If it is harmless, then why does even the non-Christian call the Christian on the dance floor a "hypocrite"?

Dancing promotes temptation and weakens one spiritually. In the list given by the apostle Paul in Galatians 5:19-21, called the "works of the flesh" we find "lasciviousness." This could be defined "indecent bodily movements; unchaste handling of males and females." Can there be any doubt that DANCING must be included in such a condemnation. Such activity will keep you out of heaven! It must be "off-limits" for all who want Jesus to rule their life.

Often a Reply is Stated This Way

"But I really want to go." "All my friends are going." "I don't want to be different, the only one not going." "What will it hurt just this one time?" "I don't see anything wrong with it." "I'm not going to have evil, sinful, sexual desires." These, along with many other questions or thoughts, are often the thoughts of pleading to parents from those who WANT to go to the prom. Let's think for a moment, and consider each thought above. What we WANT is often not what we need, or should do. Even if ALL others do something, it does not make it right. To be a Christian, we must be DIFFERENT, and if we are faithful and strong, we may be the ONLY ONE not doing something wrong. It will HURT, even if we do something just once in a lifetime. It may be that you don't SEE anything wrong, but even if we are not spiritually mature enough to recognize evil, this does not change it from still being evil. It would be more correct to say that some do not WANT to see anything wrong with it. Claiming to not have evil, sinful sexual DESIRES, especially in a young person, is often like saying that you can stop a fast-moving train. When we put ourselves in a circumstance of temptation, and remain there, it is expected that we shall be tempted. Some give in to a temptation, while others may resist. But obviously, why not flee from such temptation?

Some parents have said, "I'd rather my kids be at the prom with chaperones than parked in some remote spot." Yes, I guess I would rather my kids see an X-rated movie than an XXX-rated one, but they will not do either with my permission, much less my approval. Surely we would not be foolish enough to attempt to justify such by saying

it is not quite as evil as what they could be doing.

What Example Will Be Set?

God wants His children to be an example to the world (Matt. 5:16), as we follow the example that Jesus, God's Son, left us (I Peter 2:21). Would Jesus go to a dance, a prom? Would Jesus want to be in "fellowship" with those who are engaging in these activities? Would we want to be there at the time when Jesus comes again?

A Christian must not be conformed to the world (Rom. 12:2). We are to come out from among the world, and "be ye separate" (II Cor. 6:17). We are to be "peculiar" (I Peter 2:9). We are to "have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness" (Eph. 5:11)

If we dare go places where worldly people go, talk as evil, worldly people talk, act just like wicked people act - then are we not worldly also. What we SAY by our ACTIONS is important. Regardless of what we SAY, of our ACTIONS contradict our words - the world will hear the message of our ACTIONS.

The whole issue is this: Shall we try to raise our friends to a Christian level (wholesome, unquestioned behavior, as the Lord wants), or shall we allow our worldly friends to lower us to their evil, destructive practices? Who is our Lord? What "GOD" do we serve? Who rules our life? Are we determined to glorify Jehovah God in our bodies (I Cor. 6:15-20)?

~Paul Sain—Article taken from the East Hill
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(Appreciation is expressed to Dub McClish for
several of the thoughts contained in this discussion.)

Thankfully we have elders who have enough concern and compassion for our young men and women to provide them an alternative. There will be a "prom-alternative" trip scheduled to St. Louis the weekend of the prom. Parents, why not encourage your sons and daughters to go? Thanks to David and Stefanie McCulloch and Steve and Sharla Hillis for heading this program up for the past three years.

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Reading	Lemmie Bratten
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(S)	*Bob Mayfield
(N)	Brett Merritt
(N)	John Stembridge
(S)	Edgar Webb
(S)	Jeff Templeton
(S)	Matthew Young
(S)	Tom McColloch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Buell Warren

Sunday Evening Worship

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First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	Micah Lawrence
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Dismiss	Clyde Christian

Wednesday Bible Study

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		Winford Claiborne	8:30 a.m.
<i>Wednesday</i>		Jim Dearman	11:45 a.m.
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

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Thurman Bennett	668-4648
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:
Lela Johnson
Jenny Kimery (daughter of Lemmie & Brenda Bratten)
Liz Mitchell (sister of Joe Collins) send cards to 315 Powder Mill Rd, Ashland City, TN 37015
Robert "Doc" Mullican-Riverpark

In The Hospital:
Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)-University of Alabama Birmingham Hospital, Room S906B,35233 (home address: P.O. Box 103, Vernon, AL 35592)
Gertrude James (grandmother of Jeff Flatt)-Room 814, Horizon Hospital, Dickson, TN 37055
Lula Woodlee-Columbia Health Care Center, 101 Walnut Lane, Columbia, TN 38401

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Lessons From Vitamin E
P.M. I Press On...

Gospel Meetings

Smyrna church of Christ, April 21-24, services at 7:00 p.m. with Stan Stevenson preaching.

Quebeck church of Christ, April 21-26, services at 7:00 p.m. with Larry Acuff preaching.

Bluff Springs church of Christ, April 21-24, services at 7:00 p.m. with Bobby Wilhite preaching.

Pleasant Knoll church of Christ, April 21-23, services at 7:00 p.m. with Arlon Way, George King, and Paul Sain preaching.

Ladies Days

Central church of Christ, April 27, 9:00-11:30 with Sandra Humphrey. Theme: What Do You Communicate?

Church Street church of Christ/Lewisburg, April 27, 8:30-12:00 with Jan Elkins. Theme: Hand in Hand with Jesus

Sincere Thanks

Thanks to all who have prayed for my mother during her time at UAB Hospital. It has been a trying time. Also, thanks for all of the understanding while I have been away to be with her. At this writing I plan to return to be with her for further tests and will return as soon as it is prudent.

Thanks to Larry Vinson and Joe Collins for filling the pulpit on such short notice. I got to hear the excellent lesson that Joe delivered. TL.

Men's Business Meeting

The quarterly men's Business Meeting will be this coming Sunday evening following the evening services. All the men are encouraged to attend.

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The monthly Elders-Deacons Meeting will be this coming Sunday afternoon at 4:30.

Bridal Tea

There will be a bridal tea in honor of Nicole Neal, bride elect of Brentt Crouch on Sunday, April 28, from 2-4 p.m. in the fellowship room at the church.

Ladies Thanks

We had fun and want to give a special thanks to all the husbands and children who managed without us and to all the dads and grandparents who helped take care of our little ones while we were gone. Carol Boyd

Abortion "Insanity" in America

The "slaughter of innocents" is cutting the heart out of the moral character of our country! Somewhere between two to three million unborn babies are killed in the Untied States every year, ever since the 1973 Supreme Court ruling of "Roe vs. Wade." How anyone could be supportive of such a horrible thing is beyond me! And I don't believe they would be if they actually viewed the bloody brutality of what is involved in the aborting procedures! It is one thing for a person to be "caught up in" the "pro-choice" propaganda and rhetoric of a "woman's right over her own body," and quite another to see with one's own eyes the gruesome reality of "butchering" an unborn human baby! IT IS NOT THE WOMAN'S BODY BEING KILLED, IT IS THE UNBORN BABY'S BODY! Every pro-choice proponent, and every judge and legislator in America should be required to go to an abortion clinic and observe what actually take place, and see for themselves the heartless, bloody deed it is! Especially unconscionable is abortion in the later stages of pregnancy! And yet it is taking place in the U.S.A. EVERY DAY!!!

Reflect on this: The Colorado State Senate recently paid TRIBUTE, mind you, to abortionist Dr. Warren Hern, of the abortion Clinic in Boulder, extending to him "heartiest congratulations and commendations." The Senate citation read, "One of only three physicians to perform late-term abortions, Dr. Hern has been a target of adversity for more than two decades. We applaud him for his years of personal sacrifice and courage in upholding his beliefs." CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT ?!?!?!?! It is my unwavering conviction, that for the Senate of the state of Colorado to officially applaud a man whose daily work is to kill helpless, unborn human babies, even into the late stages of their development, is absolutely insane!!!! Dr. James Dobson, a well known denominational author and preacher, upon hearing of the above, is quoted as saying, "Personal sacrifice?!? Could the senators be serious? Has the killing of near full-term babies become such a noble activity that it warrants legislative commendation?!? This action by the Colorado State Senate, more than any development in recent memory, reveals our breath taking descent into moral depravity!" On this matter, Mr. Dobson's observation was well-stated!

About the same time as the above was taking place, the legislature of the state of South Dakota passed one of the most protective fetal homicide laws in the nation . . . that it is a crime to kill an unborn child . . . EXCEPT IN AN ABORTION!!! South Dakota joins eight other states (Arizona, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, and Utah) that now have laws whereby homicide can be charged in cases of fetal death . . . all of them EXCEPTING ABORTION!!!

The Bible states: "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God" (Psalm 9:17). And as sad and regrettable as it is, America is FAST FORGETTING GOD AS CLEARLY EVIDENCED IN THE MATTER OF ABORTION! My soul cries out . . . "WHY DON'T OUR LEGISLATORS AND COURTS STOP THIS CRUEL, HEARTLESS, BARBARIC INSANITY???"

~Maxie B. Boren~

(It is truly regrettable that President Clinton vetoed the bill that would have criminalized the infanticide of partial birth abortions. The House and Senate are planning to override this veto. This is not a political issue, it is a moral one! The voice of moral people should be heard on this and other moral issues). Tony Lawrence

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	David Chilton
Scripture	Mark 1:1-8
Lord's Table (N)	*John Biddle
(S)	*Winfrey Hennessee
(N)	Harry Felty
(N)	J.B. Gribble
(N)	Don Johnson
(S)	Joe T. Cantrell
(S)	Shannon Griffin
(S)	Andrew Collins
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Steve Hillis
Reading	W.C. Chilton
Scripture	Philippians 3:12-16
Lord's Table	*Don Sullivan
	Ronnie Prince
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Chuck Medley

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Mark Lawrence
First Prayer	Johnny Anderson
Reading	Marty Boles
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Eddie Palmer

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Judy Payne & Denice Reynolds
P.M.	Bob & Ada Mayfield

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Steve Boyd & Harold McGinness

Attend Nursery: Jennifer Maynard

Lock Building: Steve Boyd

Pantry Item: Potato Flakes

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Bible Study	234
P.M. Worship	260
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In The Hospital:
Hesper Reynolds (Rodney's brother)-Peoria, IL
Gertrude James (grandmother of Jeff Flatt)-
Room 814, Horizon Hospital, Dickson, TN
37055
Lula Woodlee-Columbia Health Care Center, 101
Walnut Lane, Columbia, TN 38401
Eugene Cantrell (Joe T.'s brother)-St. Thomas

Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of
William L. Biddle, brother of our John Biddle. His
funeral was this past Thursday in Andersonville, GA.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Have You Considered God's Servant John?
P.M. I Press On...

Departures To Preach

The elders announced last Sunday that two of our
families have departed from Bybees to begin
preaching at other congregations. The Brent McPeak
family is now working with the Bluff Springs
congregation and the Mark Lance family is working
with the Philippi congregation in Dekalb county. We
bid them godspeed as they serve the Lord in their
new capacities.

Congratulations

Congratulations to two births:

Rodney and Jennifer Maynard are the proud parents
of a new baby girl, Kristen Lanae, she was born last
Friday morning and weighed in a t 6lbs 10ozs.

Hoyt and Nancy Crouch are the proud grandparents
of a new baby boy, Derek Alan.

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower given in honor of Regina
Templeton this Sunday afternoon, May 5, from 1-3
p.m. in the fellowship room at church.

Gospel Meeting

Old Philadelphia church of Christ, May 5-10,
services at 7:30 p.m. with Robert Gomes, John Berry,
Charles Williams, Paul Elam, Bobby Wilhite, and
Phillip Smith, Jr. preaching.

Responses

We failed to mention in last week's bulletin that
Andrew Collins came forward to request prayers last
Sunday. This past Wednesday evening Julie Talbot
came forward to be restore. Please pray for these two
as we encourage each other to remain faithful to the
Lord.

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of
Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation
for everyone who believes, for the Jew first
and also for the Greek. For in it the
righteousness of God is revealed from faith
to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live
by faith.'" (Romans 1:16,17, NKJV).

May 1996

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			EUGENE & DORIS WILCHER JEFF & REGINA TEMPLETON		Bob Cantrell	Shirley McPeak
			1	2	3	4
Nan Cantrell DARRELL & LISA CHILTON	Bessie Parker	Teresa Atnip	Tyler Boyd		Regina Templeton Ryan McColloch	Violet Webb Joe Roller
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
LEONARD & JUNE CROUCH Ken Lee Kevin Flatt	Billy Gilbert		GILBERT & WILLENE KELL Pauline Watson JOHN & RACHEL EVERETT		Melba Bonner	Mary Davis Josh Holland
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
David Christian		Mattie Medley				Edgar Webb Pearl Biddle Bertha Stewart Eugene Jones
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Janice Boyd Terann Hillis	Rachel Flatt	Robbie Vandagriff	Edith Cantrell	BOB & JUANITA CANTRELL Harold McGinness		
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Bob Mayfield
Reading	Tommy Crouch
Scripture	Acts 16:13-15
Lord's Table (N)	*Chuck Boles
(S)	*Dale Bennett
(N)	Michael Griffith
(N)	Dickie Kesey
(N)	David McColloch
(S)	Ralph Crouch
(S)	Micah Lawrence
(S)	Noel Pepper
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Scott Griffith

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Brett Merritt
Scripture	Philippians 4:1-4
Lord's Table	*Jim Slatton
	W.C. Chilton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bill Womack

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Jeff Bond
Invitation	Mark Lawrence
Dismiss	Alan Collins

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Jeff Flatt Family
P.M.	Glenda Solomon & Dawn Wanamaker

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Usbers: Chris Jones & David Chilton

Attend Nursery: Merideth Jones

Lock Building: Steve Boyd

Pantry Item: Biscuit Mix

Record For The Week...

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Bible Study	255
P.M. Worship	205
Wednesday Bible Study	216
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Sick

At Home:
none known other than shut-ins

In The Hospital:
Phyllis Brasher (mother of Mary Flatt)-
Centennial Medical Center
Earlene Ray-moved to McMinnville Health Care
Center

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Women Workers In The Church
P.M. We Are Brothers And Sisters

Gospel Meeting

Old Philadelphia church of Christ, May 5-10,
services at 7:30 p.m. with Robert Gomes, John Berry,
Charles Williams, Paul Elam, Bobby Wilhite, and
Phillip Smith, Jr. preaching.

West Riverside church of Christ, May 24-26, services
at 7:30 p.m. with Garland Elkins preaching.

Confused?

A preacher said to a farmer, "Do you belong to the
Christian family?"

"No," said he, "They live two farms down."

"I mean, are you ready for the judgment day?"

"When is it?"

"It could be tomorrow, or even today?"

"Well, when you know for sure when it is, let me
know. My wife will probably want to go both days."

Shut-ins

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If
we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional.
Please let us know of updates we need to add.

McMinnville Health Care:
Minnie Cooper
Joe Maxwell
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Earlene Ray

McMinnville Boarding Home:
Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt

Raintree Health Care Center:
Flora Smith

Woodbury Nursing Home
Marvin Crouch

Peachtree Manor (Smyrna)
Avis Pauline Taylor

Home:
Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Roberta Brooks
Katherine Bennett
Edith Cantrell
Edith Collins
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Edith Morrow
Robert "Doc" Mullican
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
Bertha Stewart
June Slatton
Carrie Wilson

Mission News

Letter from: Church of Christ, P.O. Box 16, Buriram, Thailand, 31000

April 23, 1996

Dear Elders, Church of Christ at Bybee Branch

I and bro. Pradit were gone to preach the Gospel at Thakanto village, Kalasin province. We had the opportunity to visit and preach at Mrs. Pratoom house. Mrs. Thongkam and me, and Mr. Pradit and his wife. They were interested in the Word of God. Then we gone to Nakonphanom beside Maekong River and stayed with bro. Kaey a preacher there one night and I baptized one girl there. Then come back to visit the Church at Sakonnakorn and Sarakam. I thank the Lord so much for the Church where we have visited were growing and the brethren were working for the Lord. The churches of Christ in the Northeast be the host of the summer camp at Nongkai province during April 8-12, 1996. It was very good for brethren in every part of Thailand to come fellowship and joy together in camp. There were 277-285 people and 5 people be baptized into Christ at camp. We have winning soul to christ on April 6 souls.

The Bible training schools at Buriram was started on March 25-29, 1996. There were 30-41 people come from the villages and provinces of Buriram, Surin, and Srisakhet. We studied the Word of God on the book of Genesis and finished 50 chapters in one week by studying in the morning, afternoon, and in the evening. The Bible training at Sakonnakorn was also started on March 18-22, 1996. There were 12 people from village come to study the Word of God. It was very good to train brethren in Northeast in the Word of god. The Bible training schools will start again next month May 6-11, 1996 at Sakonnakorn, sriakhet, Saraken and Buriram will come together and May 13-18, 1996, the Bible training school will start at Luoi. I hope that the Bible training school at Nakornphanom, Surin and some provinces can open on June 1996.

The public schools. Preachers in Northeast Thailand worked with public schools by preaching before class room at the secondary and high schools. In last year, 1995, we worked with 89 schools. There were 15,032 people volunteer to study the Bible correspondence course and baptized 48 into Christ and we have the big goal to preach the Word of God in the year 1996. Brother Thurman Bennett ever worked with schools with us on last September-October 1995, and on February 1996. He knew how exciting to work with schools like these. Bro. Perry Hand, bro. Howard Witty, and bro. Kevin Williams also worked with us at several schools during time visiting Thailand on February and March 1996.

The brethren in Churches of Christ all of Northeast Thailand were always appreciation for you all of the brethren in USA who support for the Lord's work in every provinces of NE Thailand. Would you please try to encourage brethren to continue to support the Lord's work in Northeast of Thailand as they ever help in the past. I knew that there are a lot of souls appreciate you for that. I am praying that if God allow I will go to visit and thank every brethren and Churches in USA by myself next year 1997. May God bless you all.

Love and respect you in the name of the Lord.

Christian Boonla

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	Tom McColloch
Scripture	Romans 15:1-6
Lord's Table (N)	*Tim Fisher
(S)	*Kurt Maynard
(N)	Brandon McGinness
(N)	Chad Graves
(N)	Joe Roller
(S)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	John Stembridge
(S)	Jason Vandagriff
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Jeff Templeton
Scripture	Philippians 4:4-7
Lord's Table	*Lemmie Bratten
	Alan Collins
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Frank Reynolds

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Eddie Palmer
First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	Bob Mayfield
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Boyd

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Doug & Wanda Hendrixson
P.M.	Shana Watson & Nonie Grizzell

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Tommy Crouch & Mark Lawrence

Attend Nursery: Lisa Bennett

Lock Building: Steve Boyd

Pantry Item: Chili

Record For The Week...

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Bible Study	237
P.M. Worship	212
Wednesday Bible Study	217
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence

473-8079

Sick

At Home:

*Phyllis Brasher (mother of Mary Platt)-able to
return home from hospital*

In The Hospital:

*Joe Lawrence-St. Thomas (for tests)
Hunter Chilton-Vanderbilt (surgery)*

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Matters of Faith Versus Matters of Conscience
P.M. Living In Peace

Gospel Meetings

*Jericho church of Christ, May 17-19, services at 7:30
p.m. with Newton Gribble preaching.*

*West Riverside church of Christ, May 24-26, services
at 7:30 p.m. with Garland Elkins preaching.*

Responses

We rejoiced this past Wednesday evening when Lou-Shawna Scott was baptized into Christ. Also Sunday morning Danny and Cynthia Duncan came forward and Sunday evening Tim Fisher came forward all asking for the prayers of the congregation.

McInery Address

The McInery's have moved to another apartment in Selkirk last week and there address has changed to:

Stanley & Elma McInery
RR 1, Box 530
Selkirk, Ontario NOA-IPO Canada

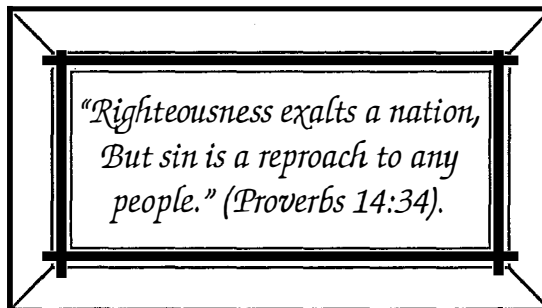
Their phone number is still: (905) 776-3948

Sympathy

We want to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Angie Green who was killed in the tragic ValuJet plane accident this past week. She was the daughter of Alma Green of the Arlington congregation and the niece of our Everett Green.

Wedding

*Nicole Caroline
and Brent Ray
together with their parents
Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Neal
and
Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Crouch
invite you to share in the joy
when they exchange marriage vows
and begin their new life together
on Saturday, the eighteenth of May
Nineteen hundred and ninety-six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Central Church of Christ
101 East Morford Street
McMinnville, Tennessee*



Too Much!

I would like to share with you an article I read in the **Birdville Newsletter**, Fort Worth, Texas. It came originally from Paul Harvey, in the **Daily Oklahoman**, February 12, 1996. It is entitled:

Message of Truth too Much for Kansas Legislature

Man, oh, man! They won't invite Pastor Joe to the Kansas State Legislature again!

The invited Past Joe Wright, of Wichita's Central Christian Church, to deliver the invocation - and he told God on them.

No sooner had their guest chaplain concluded his prayer than three Democrats in the state Legislature were on their feet at microphones protesting, "He can't talk like that about us!" Rep. Delbert Cross considered the invocation gross, calling it "divisive," "sanctimonious," and "overbearing."

What in the world did Pastor Joe say in Topeka that incited the righteous wrath of three Democrats from Hays and Kansas City?

I've secured the entire text of the invocation so you can evaluate it:

"Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask Your forgiveness and to seek Your direction and guidance. We know Your Word says, 'Woe to those who call evil good,' but that is exactly what we have done. We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and inverted our values."
We confess that we have ridiculed the absolute truth of Your word in the name of 'moral pluralism.'
We have worshipped other gods and called it 'multiculturalism.'
We have endorsed perversion and called it 'an alternative lifestyle.'
We have exploited the poor and called it a 'lottery.'
We have neglected the needy and called it 'self-preservation.'
We have rewarded laziness and called it 'welfare.'
In the name of 'choice' we have killed our unborn.
In the name of 'right to life,' we have killed abortionists.
We have neglected to discipline our children and called it 'building esteem.'
We have abused power and called it 'political savvy.'
We've coveted our neighbors' possessions and called it 'taxes.'
We've polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it 'freedom of expression.'
We've ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers and called it 'enlightenment.'
Search us, oh God, and know our hearts today. Try us, and show us any wicked in us. Cleanse us from every sin, and set us free.
Guide and bless these men and women who have been sent here by the people of Kansas and who have been ordained by You to govern this great state."
Grant them Your wisdom to rule, and may their decisions direct us to the center of Your will."
I ask it in the name of Your Son, the living Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen."

~From the East Main/Murfreesboro bulletin, editor Wayne Lankford~

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Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Willie Newby
Reading	Steve Hillis
Scripture	I Corinthians 3:1-8
Lord's Table (N)	*Eddie Palmer
(S)	*Chuck Medley
(N)	Buell Warren
(N)	Joe Maynard
(N)	Rodney Maynard
(S)	Chris Jones
(S)	Joey Reynolds
(S)	Brett Merritt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Derrick Pennington

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	Johnny Anderson
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Bob Bonner
	Ken Lee
Sermon	Thurman Bennett
Dismiss	Steve Wilcher

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Alan Collins
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	Jim Slatton
Invitation	Rodney Reynolds
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Welcome Committee

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P.M.	Bill & Freda Womack

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Usbers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Sherry Graves

Lock Building: Steve Boyd

Pantry Item: Soup Crackers

Record For The Week...

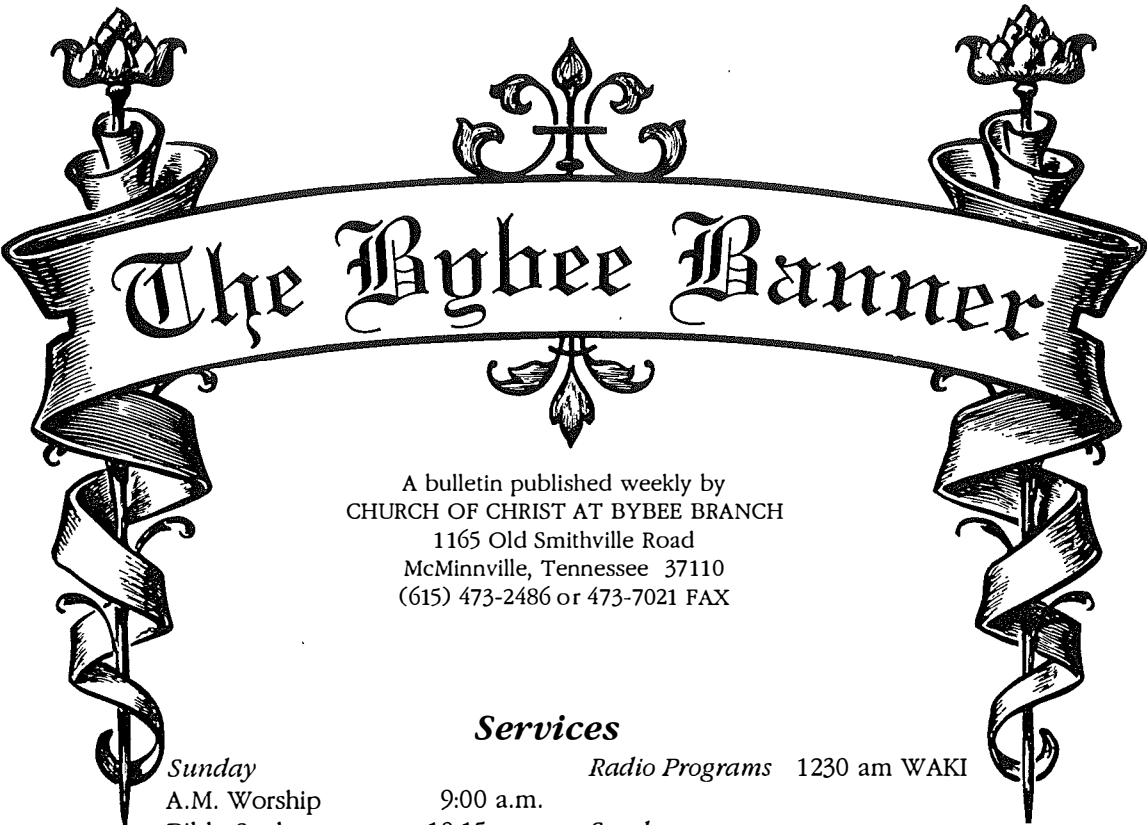
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Bible Study	224
P.M. Worship	241
Wednesday Bible Study	207
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

none known

In The Hospital:

Joe Lawrence-St. Thomas (following triple bypass surgery)

Hattie Keel (sister of our Mildred Bumbalough) surgery this week.

Zada Sain (sister of our Freda Womack)-Centennial Medical Center - quadruple bypass surgery.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Giving The Lord The Credit

P.M. Thailand Report — Thurman Bennett

Gospel Meetings

Oak Grove church of Christ, May 19-24, services at 7:30 p.m. with Clark Elkins preaching.

West Riverside church of Christ, May 24-26, services at 7:30 p.m. with Garland Elkins preaching.

Welcome

We want to welcome Phillip and Teri Smith along with their children Adelia and Johnny. They live at 267 Donovan St. and their phone number is 668-3444.

Responses

This past Sunday six precious souls asked for the prayers of the congregation. Phillip and Teri Smith asked to be restored as they placed their membership. Sunday evening Regina Templeton, Patsy Reynolds, Janie Griffin, and Donna Anderson came forward requesting prayers.

Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Hollis Woods. He was the father of Kenneth Woods and the grandfather of Cynthia Duncan. He passed away this past Thursday and his funeral was this past Sunday.

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The monthly Elders-Deacons Meeting will be this coming Sunday afternoon at 4:30 p.m.

A Million Frogs

A farmer came into town and asked the owner of a restaurant if he could use a million frog legs. Naturally, being rather shocked, he asked the farmer where he could get so many. The farmer replied, "There is a pond near my house that is full of frogs. They croak night and day and are about to drive me crazy." Finally, an agreement was made for the farmer to bring several hundred frogs' legs in the following week.

A week later, the farmer returned, looking rather sheepish, with two scrawny little frogs. He told the proprietor, "I was mistaken. There were only these two frogs in the whole pond. But they sure were making a lot of noise."

LESSON: The next time you hear someone criticizing the elders, the preacher, some member of members, or the church in general, remember the story. It is probably no more than a couple of chronic grouches who have nothing more to do than croak.

~Copied~

Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth;
Keep watch over the door of my lips.
(Psalms 141:3, NKJV).

Example Shows One's Belief

The best-seller lists (Top 20") are based on actual sales in Christian bookstores in the U.S. and Canada. The October 1994 report shows Max Lucado with three books as best-sellers. Number one was *Whe God Whispers Your Name*. Number ten was *He Still Moves Stones*. In the non-fiction list, his book, *God Came Near*, was number seven. Obviously, he is one of the most popular writers in America. His books are being widely read in the brotherhood at home and in the mission field. Max Lucado is also a preacher and lecturer who is on numerous lectureships and workshops.

Additionally, the past two years or more, he has had a daily broadcast on 100 stations, which is aired all over the county and in foreign nations. It is listener sponsored and not church sponsored, and it is said to receive good financial support.

While scanning I happened to get the radio program over a Memphis "Christian radio station." Donations were being requested and donors would be able to get his book, *Stronger in Broken Places*. Since Max Lucado preaches for the Oak Hill church in San Antonio, Texas, I was astonished to hear instrumental music both to introduce and close the program.

The announcer gave at the end of the program its name, address, and phone: Upwords, P.O. Box 5860, San Antonio, Texas 78201, 1-800-822-WORD. After hearing the organ music, I called to see what connection the program had with the church, and also the reason for using instrumental music. The receptionist advised me that such music was "not the issue" and "not a service." She state that doctrinal matters are not argued on the program, but rather it was to give a "message of hope and faith." When I inquired if the program (that had WORD in its telephone number) set forth the conditions of salvation, she gave no answer.

Suppose a person heard the radio messages and wanted to be a Christian. What would Max Lucado teach this one about instrumental music in worship? His example of using the organ on his program demonstrated his belief that instrumental music is acceptable.

~E. Claude Gardner~

Helping Hands

Most all of us are very concerned with the growth of the Church, yet, for some reason we feel that we cannot contribute something worthwhile. We want to see new people attend; we want them to feel welcome. Our problem is we simply are not sure what to do. Let me suggest two simple points:

First, let us realize that though we may not be as talented as someone else there is still something we can do. Not everyone must be "apt to teach" or even "gifted" at some other talent to be helpful in reaching people. When Paul used the illustration in I Cor. 12 of the body of Christ and the physical body, he noted that we were, as members of the body of Christ, like members of our physical body. Most of us do not attach great importance to many of our parts but let them cease to work and we do! Also, many of us do not attach a sense of importance to the "little things" that are done by many of the members but let them cease and we will notice!

Second, some of the things that impress people most are not the eloquent sermons delivered by a preacher or even the most skillfully lead song. What impresses people is sincere helping hands! Let someone suffer misfortune and the helping hands appear, there is simply no way to express the gratitude.

Hence, let us not ever get to the point to where we say, "I am of no value to the Church." As the old song says, "There is room in the Kingdom." Everyone is needed.

~Tony Lawrence~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing Joe Collins
First Prayer Jeff Flatt
Reading Jeff Bond
Scripture Colossians 1:15-20
Lord's Table (N) *Danny Duncan
(S) *Lemmie Bratten
(N) John Nussbaum
(N) Michael Griffith
(S) Alan Collins
(S) Jeff Templeton
(S) Lynn Gann
(S) Edgar Webb
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Clyde Christian

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing Joe Collins
First Prayer Don Griffith
Reading Steve Wilcher
Scripture Galatians 1:6-9
Lord's Table *Steve Hillis
Dale Bennett
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Scott Griffith

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-2088) Tom McColloch
Lead Singing Tim Fisher
First Prayer Billy Gilbert
Reading Chad Graves
Invitation Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Larry Flatt

Welcome Committee

A.M. Lou-Shawna Scott & Helen Morgan
P.M. Leonard & June Crouch

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Usbers: Steve Boyd & Harold McGinness

Attend Nursery: Mildred Gambrell

Lock Building: Joe Collins

Pantry Item: Tomato Soup

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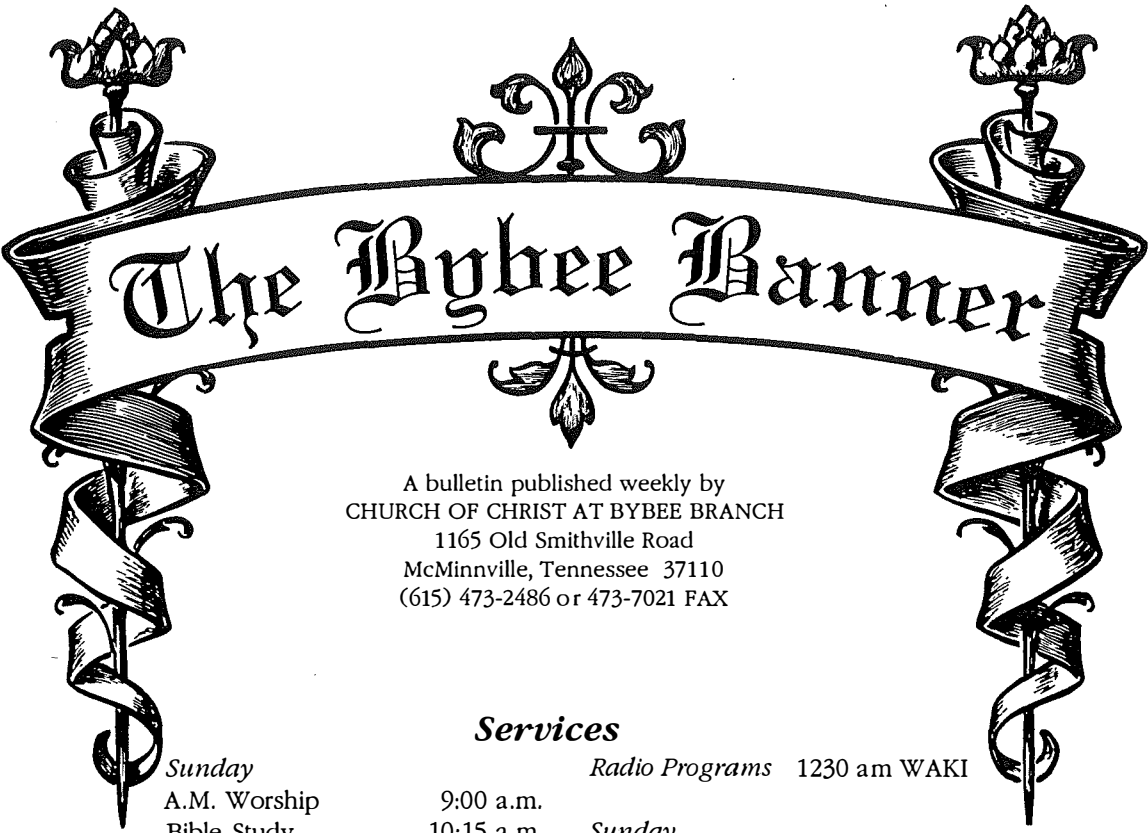
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Sick

At Home:
Joe Lawrence
Zada Sain (sister of our Freda Womack)

In The Hospital:
Hattie Keel (sister of our Mildred Bumbalough)
hopes to come home this week

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Portrait of Jesus
P.M. Troublesome Teachings: Modernism

Responses

This past Sunday sister Denise Prince came forward to be restored. Let us continue to pray for her and also for one another.

Bridal Picnic

The ladies of the congregation are invited to attend a bridal picnic in honor of Rebecca Boles and Jared Mullican at the home Sherry Graves this Saturday, June 1, from 10:00-12:00.

Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Max Foster (brother-in-law to our Janice Foster). His funeral was this past Sunday.

The new quarter begins this Sunday. If you have not been attending a Bible class why not help your soul by enjoying studying in one of the several Bible classes?

Congratulations

We want to extend our congratulations to the following graduates of our congregation:

Warren County High School

Kara Nunley
Rebecca Boles
Michael Griffith
Andy Stevenson

Tennessee Technological University

Sherry Graves - Ed.S.

Also congratulations to

Jennifer Bumbalough (granddaughter of our Mildred Bumbalough). Warren County High School.

Ritchie Gilbert (son of Billy & Junetta Gilbert). B.S. from Tennessee Technological University.

Meetings & Etc.

Bonner church of Christ, May 30-June 2, services at 7:00 p.m. with Ray Winton preaching.

Harmony church of Christ, June 10-16, services at 7:30 p.m. with Charles Marshall preaching.

Lectureship at Adams Ave. church of Christ/Lebanon, June 8,9, services and speakers posted on the board

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VBS at Ivy Bluff church of Christ, June 2-6, services at 7:00 p.m. with different speakers each night in the adult classes.

June 1996

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Jason Newby	DON & JALEZIA JOHNSON KURT & STEPHANIE MAYNARD	DON & BARBARA PENNINGTON
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OSBURN & RUBY HUNTLEY DICKIE & LENNIE RUTH KESEY CHUCK & MATTIE MEDLEY	LARRY & ELAINE GOODMAN DON & SUSIE GRIFFITH June Crouch Bob Mayfield Houston Thaxton		BRETT & SABRINA MERRITT Trista Caldwell	DON & LOU LEATHERWOOD Flossie Smartt		Lynn Cantrell Mildred Gambrell Sidney Groves
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
DANNY & CYNTHIA DUNCAN		John Stembridge Don Leatherwood Carrie Wilson Kayla Maynard			WINFREY & DOT HENNESSEE HOYT & NANCY CROUCH	Clay Hill Mildred Green
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Tammy McKinney	JOHN & CORA STEMBRIDGE STANLEY & SHERRY GRAVES	WILLIE & DONNA NEWBY W.C. Chilton	HAROLD & PEARL MITCHELL Nonie Grizzell	Georgia Jones	Cynthia Duncan June Slatton
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Ruby Huntley DENNIS & TERESA GANN PHILLIP & TERI SMITH	Catherine Flatt Noel Pepper	Jane Flatt	Jalesia Johnson EUGENE & GEORGIA JONES	FRANK & GEORGIA BROOKS John Nussbaum		
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Frank Reynolds
Reading	Marty Boles
Scripture	I Thessalonians 5:12-15
Lord's Table (N)	*Doug Hendrixson
(S)	*Dennis Gann
(N)	Eugene Wilcher
(N)	Matthew Young
(N)	Phillip Smith
(S)	Harry Felty
(S)	Ryan Kesey
(S)	J.B. Gribble
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Leonard Crouch

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	Willie Newby
Scripture	Galatians 1:6-9
Lord's Table	*Bob Mayfield
	John Biddle
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tommy Crouch

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2088) Tom McColloch
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Stanley Graves
Reading	Brett Merritt
Invitation	Ronnie Rogers
Dismiss	Chuck Boles

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Ken & Glynna Lee
P.M.	Larry & Jane Flatt

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Attend Nursery: Amy Graves

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Pantry Item: Vienna Sausage

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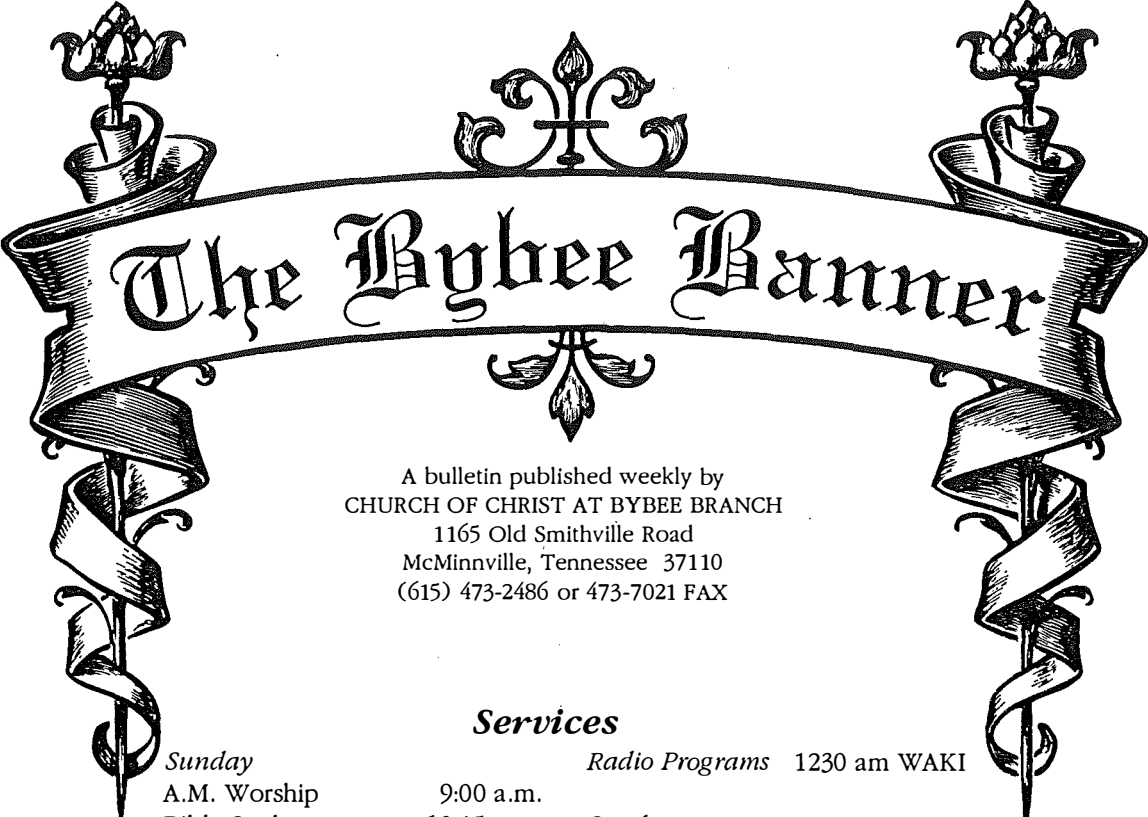
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Bible Study	240
P.M. Worship	252
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Sick

At Home:
Joe Lawrence
Catherine Flatt-twisted ankle
Earlene McColloch (David & Tom's mother)
Don Pennington
Zada Sain (sister of Freda Womack)

In The Hospital:
none known

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Roberta Brooks (sister of Bernice Fults & Essie Hillis, and mother-in-law to Georgia Brooks. Her funeral was Tuesday afternoon.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Support The Weak
P.M. Troublesome Teachings: Calvinism

Diana Singing

The Diana singing is scheduled for June 14. The church bus will be going again this year. The bus will pull out at 5:30 p.m. sharp.

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Shut-ins

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional. Please let us know of updates we need to add.

McMinnville Health Care:
Minnie Cooper
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Earlene Ray

McMinnville Boarding Home:
Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt

Raintree Health Care Center:
Flora Smith

Woodbury Nursing Home
Marvin Crouch

Peachtree Manor (Smyrna)
Avis Pauline Taylor

Home:
Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Katherine Bennett
Edith Cantrell
Edith Collins
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Joe Maxwell
Edith Morrow
Robert "Doc" Mullican
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
Bertha Stewart
June Slatton
Carrie Wilson

Community Churches and Generic Names

Some churches of Christ are changing their names like First Street Church of Christ to generic names, such as The Community Church, or The Family of God. Proponents of such a change, with whom I discussed the matter, say that the traditional name, Church of Christ, has "too much baggage" attached to it, and that "it has a negative effect when people see that name on a sign in front of the church building." It is argued that a generic name will not "turn people off" and will be more effective in reaching people.

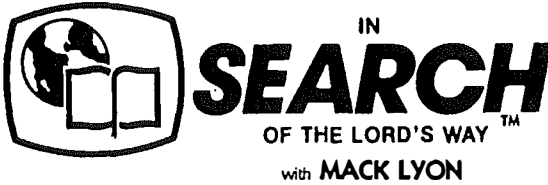
I find this to be so ironic because of something that took place recently in Florence. After worship one Sunday morning, I met a young couple who was visiting us for the first time. Sean and Candice had just moved here from Oregon, after he accepted a position with Big River Broadcasting Company. He was Catholic and was a Mormon.

Rarely have I studied with anyone so hungry to know the Truth as they were, so I was not surprised when they were baptized for the remission of sins and became Christians three weeks later.

Now, here is the ironic part. Sean told me that, before they came to worship that first Sunday, they were walking downtown Florence and saw our sign which reads, Wood Avenue Church of Christ. They did not know anything about us — had never even seen a "church of Christ building." But, Sean said they decided to come to Wood Avenue because they wanted to be a part of a church that unashamedly identifies themselves as a church that belongs to Christ!

How ironic. That which initially attracted Sean and Candice is the very thing that some want to change?

David Sain ~ Wood Avenue Church of Christ ~ Florence, AL



June 2 . Congratulations On Your Choice To Marry!

June 9 Things To Take To Your Wedding

June 16 A Happy And Lasting Marriage

June 23 Problems When Marriage Breaks Up

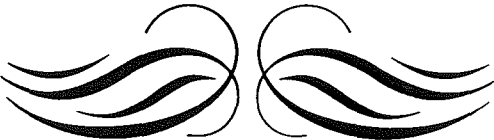
June 30 .. Why Some People Marry & Stay Married

Air Times: Sunday — 7:00 a.m. on Channel 17 WZTV (cable 11); 10:30 p.m. on ACTS/VISN Network (cable 34).

Notice: Search program has moved from WSMV-Channel 4 to WZTV-Channel 17 (cable 11) and from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.

The church here at Bybee Branch has been supporting the Search program for several years. Brother Lyon's kind yet direct approach has been very effective in reaching many with the gospel message.

One very sad note to report is that brother Lyon's wife of many years recently passed away. She has been gravely ill for quite some time. We wish to express the deepest sympathy for him and his family.



Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Eddie Palmer
Reading	Chuck Medley
Scripture	Luke 15:11-13
Lord's Table (N)	*Jim Slatton
(S)	*Larry Flatt
(N)	Joe T. Cantrell
(N)	Jason Vandagriff
(N)	Brett Merritt
(S)	Derrick Pennington
(S)	Brandon McGinness
(S)	David Chilton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Rodney Reynolds

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Steve Boyd
Reading	Harold McGinness
Scripture	Galatians 1:6-9
Lord's Table	*Winfrey Hennessee
	Chuck Boles
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2088) Tom McColloch
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	David McColloch
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Phillip Smith

Welcome Committee

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P.M.	Danny Duncan Family

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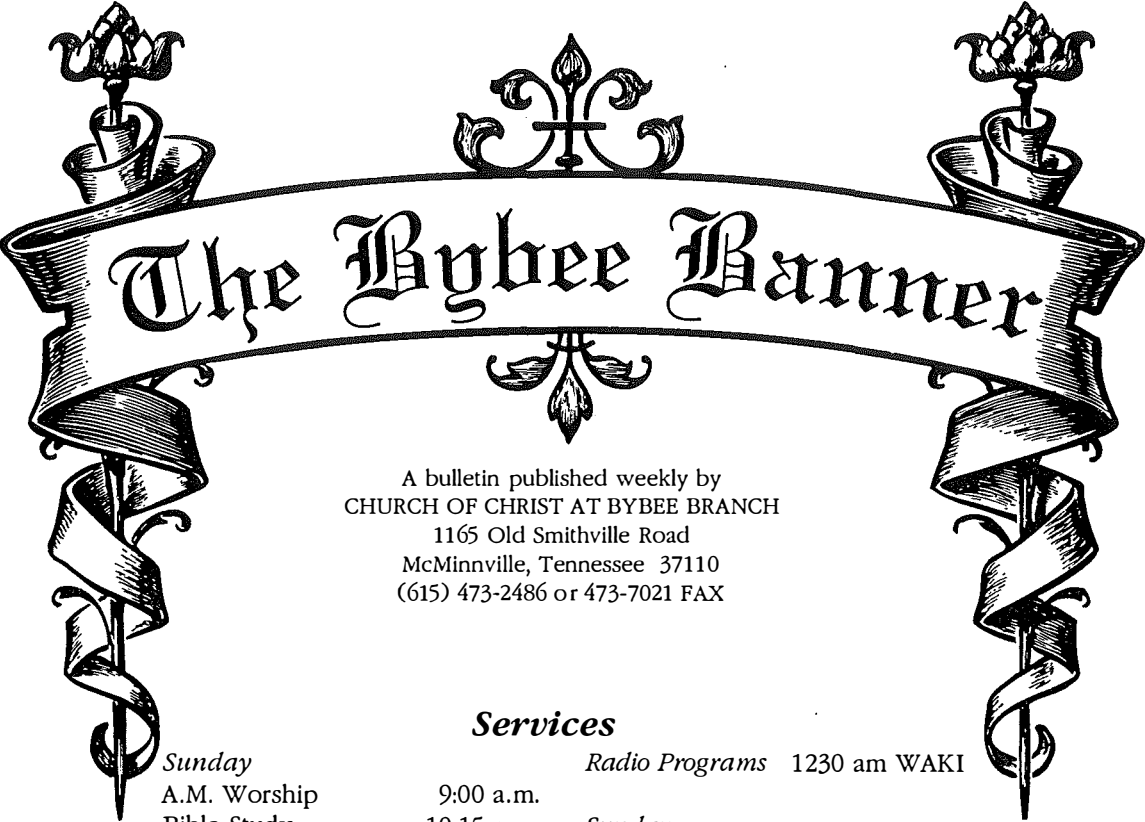
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Sick

At Home:
Joe Lawrence
Mary Davis (broken foot)

In The Hospital:
Stanley Clendenon (member at East End, related to Nelma Chilton, Carmen Cagle, and Nona Martin, having open heart surgery)- Centennial Medical Center.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. In A Far Country
P.M. Troublesome Teachings: Pentecostalism

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Charlie Medley, father of our Chuck Medley. He passed away Saturday and his funeral was Monday afternoon.

Diana Singing

The Diana singing is scheduled for June 14. The church bus will be going again this year. The bus will pull out at 5:30 p.m. sharp.



Meetings & U. B. S.

Rockliff church of Christ, June 9-14, services at 7:00 p.m. with Leroy Dedmon preaching.

Harmony church of Christ, June 10-16, services at 7:30 p.m. with Charles Marshall preaching.

Grange Hall church of Christ, June 16-21, services at 7:30 p.m. with Jim Boyd preaching.

Dibrell church of Christ, June 20-23, services at 7:00 p.m. with Jimmy Wright preaching.

Highland church of Christ, June 23-26, services at 7:00 p.m. with Billy Reed, Tony Lawrence, Newton Gribble, & Raymond Sliger preaching.

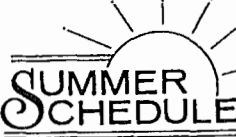
Bethany church of Christ, June 23-27, services at 7:00 p.m. (7:30 on Sunday) with Dan Jones preaching.

VBS at East End church of Christ, June 10-14, services at 9:00-11:00 a.m. for Kindergarten through 6th Grade. Theme: Families Of The Old Testament.

VBS at Centertown church of Christ, June 10-14, services at 7:00 p.m. Theme: Great Bible Wonders. Different Adult speakers each evening.

VBS at Unity church of Christ, June 16-20, services at 7:00 p.m. Different Adult speakers each evening.

Firm Foundation Lectureship at Villages church of Christ/Mt. Juliet, June 21-23. Brochure on bulletin board.



Be sure not to forget all of the things planned for the church here at Bybee Branch this summer. Our joint-VBS with Mt. Leo will be July 15-19. Our annual Lectureship will be August 7-11, and promises to be one of the best yet. The theme for this year will be: The Savior's Sermon On The Mount.

Promise Keepers or Covenant Breakers

Liberals in the church would like us to think they are always on the "cutting edge" of something new. On the contrary, they do not do anything but borrow the old worn ideals already being fostered by denominationalism. What they promote is not new but rather recycled. Now, as they search for new gimmicks, they turn to "Promise Keepers." This program was founded by Bill McCartney, former head football coach of the University of Colorado. His aim has been to encourage husbands and fathers to reclaim their rightful role as head of the home and become responsible once again. This is certainly a commendable goal. However, the problem with "Promise Keepers" is that they are a denominational outfit complete with their own doctrinal creed. This creed clearly rejects many fundamental doctrines of the New Testament. The organization itself exists without any New Testament authority and, therefore, as New Testament Christians, we ought to reject it (II John 9-11).

Sadly, many of our brethren cannot wait to jump on the band wagon of "Promise Keepers" or a least model a program like unto it. At a recent gathering of this organization in Atlanta's Georgia Dome, more than 40,000 preachers from across the country came together. Some of our brethren also came. Max Lucado, who relishes nothing more than wallowing in ecumenism, was a keynote speaker. According to Christian Chronicle, Lucado stated, "members of different religious groups are in the same ship, only dressed in different uniforms." Lyman Mereness of the Park Forest Church of Christ, Matteson, Illinois, responded to Lucado's comments by saying, "He (Lucado) made great efforts to lay the foundation that true unity is biblical unity, and as such demands a belief and commitment to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and as Son of God as revealed in scripture." Do you really think that very many of the denominations would have trouble with such a statement? The fact is Lucado and company are on a sinking ship of Zion, the ark of safety, which is the Lord's church (cf. I Tim. 1:19).

However, several questions come to mind as liberals now seek to save the home through such programs as "Promise Keepers." First, if the liberals really love the home, why do they bash the church of the New Testament? When the inspired Apostle Paul wanted to teach men about the relationship between husbands and wives he compared that relationship with Christ and the church. According to Ephesians 5:22-33, husbands are to be the head of the home (v. 23), wives are to be subject to their husbands (v. 29), husbands are to love their wives (v. 25), and nourish them (v. 29), and wives are to reverence their husbands (v. 33). Now, notice Paul's reasoning. The reason for this relationship is because Christ is the head of the church, the church is subject unto Christ, Christ loves and nourishes the church, and the church shows reverence for Christ. How much reverence does Lucado show when he says that "members of different religious groups are in the same ship, only dressed in different uniforms." The Bible teaches that there is one body (Eph. 4:4), that we are to speak the same thing (I Cor. 1:10), which are the oracles of God (I Pet. 4:11). If liberals do not show love and appreciation for Christ and His Church, how can they properly teach regarding the home?

Secondly, if liberals love the home, why do they promote adultery? They do so by rejecting Jesus' command in Matthew 19:9, "And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery." According to the Bible only three types of individuals may marry: 1. the person who has never been married, 2. the person whose spouse has died, and 3. the person who has put away his spouse because of fornication. To say otherwise is to promote adultery. On one occasion a church member told me that he would not judge people in this matter but let God judge them. However, God has already judged through the pages of holy scripture and Jesus tells us that His words will judge us one day (John 12:48). If liberals reject God's safeguards for protecting the sanctity of marriage, how can they properly teach regarding the home?

Thirdly, if liberals really do love the home, why do they promote the same roles for men and women in the church? They cry out for women to be able to use their talents through preaching and leading singing or through serving in leadership positions and yet, concerning the home, they want men to once again take the lead. They fail to realize that this "equality movement" spawned out of radical feminism which hates both the home and the church. Paul instructs men to pray everywhere, but a woman is to learn in silence, not usurping authority over the man (II Tim. 2:8-11). You cannot promote fathers taking back their rightful role in the home while reversing such in the church.

Fourthly, if the liberals love the home, why do they reject the absolute truth of the Bible? For years faithful brethren have been teaching on a regular basis the importance of building and maintaining godly homes. God is the author of marriage (Gen. 2) and gave us the Bible to build successful and happy homes that will not fall apart (Psalm 27:1). The reason homes meet with such tragedy today is because a younger generation has not heeded the Bible, and because many congregations no longer have confidence in its power.

"Promise Keepers," like all other gimmicks, will fall by the wayside. Liberals will once again be looking elsewhere for solutions to problems they help create. As for the faithful, let us strengthen our homes through that Book which is fit for every generation. When we follow God's Word He will give us what we desire. He is the "True Promise Keeper." (Copied-Author unknown)

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers

Lead Singing

Stanley Graves

First Prayer

Kurt Maynard

Reading

Kelly Thaxton

Scripture

II Kings 22:8-13

Lord's Table (N)

*Ronnie Prince

(S)

*Don Griffith

(N)

Winfrey Hennessee

(N)

Tom McColloch

(N)

Micah Lawrence

(S)

Bob Mayfield

(S)

Steve Hillis

(S)

Ralph Crouch

Sermon

Tony Lawrence

Dismiss

Buell Warren

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers

Lead Singing

Stanley Graves

First Prayer

Lemmie Bratten

Reading

Shannon Griffin

Scripture

Galatians 1:6-9

Lord's Table

*Jeff Flatt

Tommy Crouch

Sermon

Tony Lawrence

Dismiss

Chuck Boles

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements

(668-2088) Tom McColloch

Lead Singing

Mark Lawrence

First Prayer

John Biddle

Reading

Bob Bonner

Invitation

Danny Duncan

Dismiss

Bill Womack

Welcome Committee

A.M.

Buell & Flossie Warren

P.M.

W.C. & Nelma Chilton

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Dawn Wanamaker

Lock Building: Joe Collins

Pantry Item: Macaroni & Cheese

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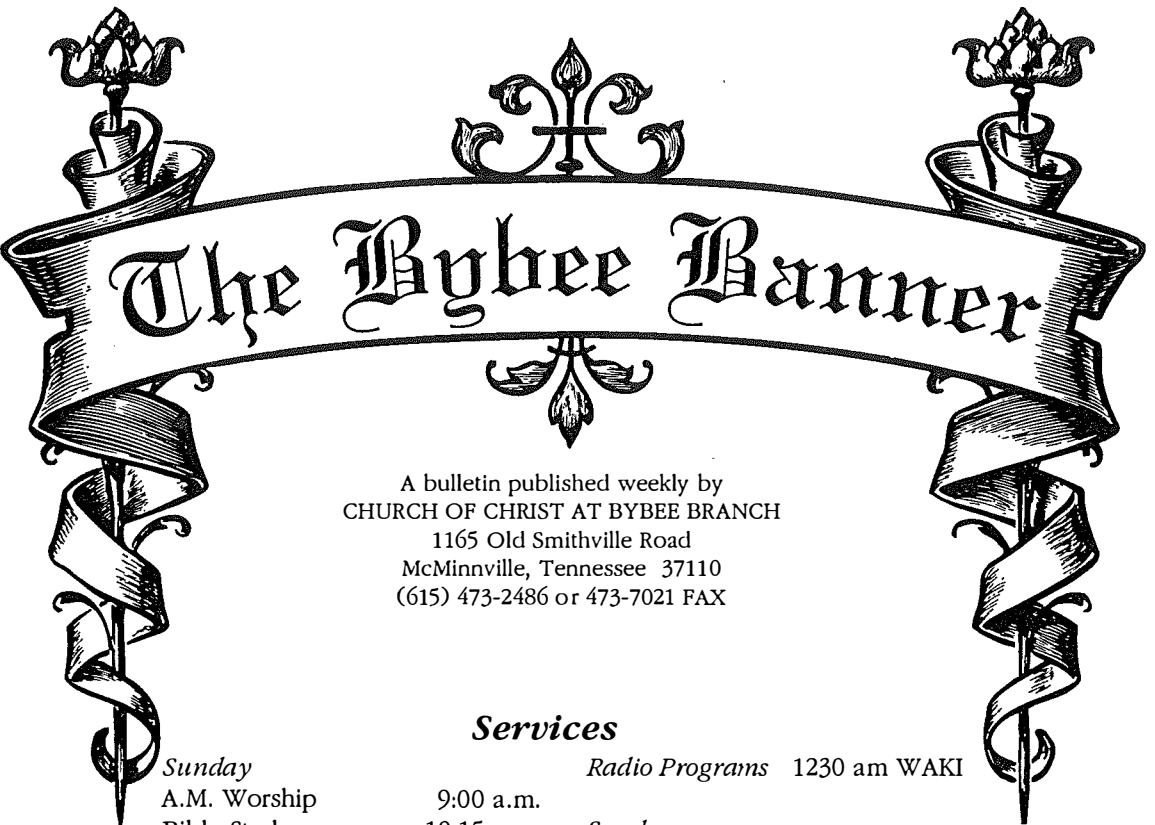
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Bible Study	235
P.M. Worship	214
Wednesday Bible Study	187
Contribution	\$4,003

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Don Griffith	668-9006
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Jeff Flatt	Billy Gilbert
Stanley Graves	Everett Green
Willie Newby	Jim Slatton

Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:
Joe Lawrence
Mary Davis (broken foot)

In The Hospital:
Steve Clendenon (brother of Dana Roller)-
Centennial Medical Center #28

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Have You Lost The Bible?
P.M. Troublesome Teachings: Anti-ism

Responses

We rejoice with the angels of heaven that Steve and Sharla Hillis responded the invitation last Wednesday evening requesting the prayers of the congregation.

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The monthly Elders-Deacons Meeting will be this Sunday afternoon at 4:30. All are encouraged to be present for this meeting.

Ice Cream Supper

The annual Ice Cream Supper is scheduled for July 3, following Wednesday evening services. Put this on your calendar and make plans to come with a freezer of ice cream.

U. B. S. Help

Our VBS with Mt. Leo is scheduled for July 15-19. If you can help in any way, please sign the list in the foyer or call Chuck Medley.

Meetings & U. B. S.

Grange Hall church of Christ, June 16-21, services at 7:30 p.m. with Jim Boyd preaching.

Dibrell church of Christ, June 20-23, services at 7:00 p.m. with Jimmy Wright preaching.

Highland church of Christ, June 23-26, services at 7:00 p.m. with Billy Reed, Tony Lawrence, Newton Gribble, & Raymond Sliger preaching.

Bethany church of Christ, June 23-27, services at 7:00 p.m. (7:30 on Sunday) with Dan Jones preaching.

VBS at Unity church of Christ, June 16-20, services at 7:00 p.m. Different Adult speakers each evening.

Firm Foundation Lectureship at Villages church of Christ/Mt. Juliet, June 21-23. Brochure on bulletin board.

Bridal Tea

The ladies of the congregation are invited to a bridal gift tea honoring Beth Lee, bride-elect of Derek Pennington, to be held Sunday, June 30, from 1-3 p.m. in the church fellowship room.

Visitation Program

Steve Boyd will be reorganizing the visitation program for the next six months. If you wish to be added to the program please see Steve. Also if you wish to be on a team that only meets to pass out cards or if you wish to be on teams that meet monthly in homes please let Steve know.

This program does an enormous amount of good. Please keep up the good work!

On Expressing Thanks at the Lord's Table

The insights shared with the reader in this article are not to be construed as criticism of anybody, but hopefully received as kind suggestions to all brothers in Christ everywhere who are called on to serve at the Lord's table.

Throughout the brotherhood, I sincerely believe there is a great need for more thoughtful and meaningful expressions of thanks as assemblies of worship are being led in prayer before partaking of the emblems representing the body and blood of Jesus. It is spiritually deflating if such prayers are not Scriptural and meaningful, and if they do not convey depth of understanding as to the significance of the great sacrifice Jesus made for us. To illustrate, a brother once prayed: "Thank you, God, for this bread, and bless it to the nourishment of our bodies." Obviously, either he was nervous and did not even realize what he was saying, or else he knew nothing of what the Lords' Supper is all about. Either way, it detracted a great deal from the spiritual mood of the moment. Frequently prayers are offered that never thank God for that for which we should be thankful as we partake of the Lord's Supper. Some brothers, in their prayers at the Lord's table, thank God for most everything imaginable while never even making reference to the sacrifice of Christ. This is deeply regretful, and lays bare a very real problem in so many places. How can we improve in this important part of our worship?

First of all, brethren should read the accounts directly pertaining to the memorial feast of Christ that is to be observed on the first day of the week (Acts 20:7), and spend some quiet time in prayerful reflection upon them: Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-20 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-29. Secondly, other related passages should be considered with equal care, such as: Romans 5:6-11; 1 Corinthians 1:18-24; 15:1-4; 2 Corinthians 5:18-21; Galatians 1:3-4; 2:20; 6:14; Ephesians 1:3-14; 2:4-9; Philippians 3: 7-12; Colossians 1:12-23; 1 Thessalonians 1:10; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Hebrews 2:9-18; 7:26-27; 9:11-28; 10:10-12; 1 Peter 1:18-19; 2:21-25; 1 John 4:9-10; Revelation 7:9, 14. Thirdly, it would be good to read and think about the message of such songs as, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," "Oh the Depths and the Riches," and "Nailed to the Cross." Having read and pondered the above mentioned Scriptures and songs, a brother with the responsibility of leading a prayer at the Lord's table should then give careful thought as to what would be an appropriately worded prayer. The prayer should be prayed sincerely and earnestly, from the deep recesses of one's heart, expressing profound gratitude for God's love and mercy as manifested in Jesus Christ and His willingness to give Himself on the cross in our stead.

Three last observations: (1) Often, prayers are worded, thanking God for the "bread" and the "fruit of the vine" without even mentioning the body and blood of Jesus. Brethren, it is not the literal bread, per se, nor the literal grape juice, per se, that we are primarily thankful for, but the body and blood of Jesus! Only in a secondary sense are we thankful for the emblems themselves, but it is what the emblems represent for which we should be thankful! Why not word our prayers with the emphasis where it belongs? (2) Every public prayer should be worded loud enough and distinctly enough so people can hear and understand. Brethren should never "mutter through" a public prayer. (3) Lastly, please brethren, remember, it is God the Father to whom we are praying, and it was Jesus, His beloved Son who died on the cross. It is fallacious to thank the Father for His body given and His blood shed. God is a spirit (John 4:23-24) and a spirit does not have flesh and bones (Luke 24:39). It was Jesus, the only begotten Son of God, who became incarnate (Read John 1:1-4, 14; 3:16-17) and endured the suffering of the cross for us (Philippians 2:5-11). It was, therefore, the body and blood of Jesus that was sacrificed at Calvary. Although the Godhead is "one," yet the Bible makes a very clear distinction between the Father in heaven, and the Son that came to earth as the Saviour, and we need to be very careful to note the truth. To do otherwise is to err, and to mis-teach others, even as we pray.

~Maxie B. Boren~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing Joe Collins
First Prayer Johnny Anderson
Reading Joe Roller
Scripture Romans 13:13,14
Lord's Table (N) *Ronnie Rogers
(S) *Noel Pepper
(N) Chris Jones
(N) W.C. Chilton
(N) Harley Northcutt
(S) David McColloch
(S) Willie Newby
(S) Joe Maynard
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Bob Cantrell

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (473-6418) Chad Graves
Lead Singing Alan Collins
First Prayer Mark Lawrence
Reading Brandon McGinness
Scripture TBA
Lord's Table *Scott Griffith
Micah Lawrence
Sermon Steve Boyd & Chuck Medley
Dismiss Joey Reynolds

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-2605) Brett Merritt
Lead Singing Phillip Smith
First Prayer Tim Fisher
Reading Leonard Crouch
Invitation Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Johnny Anderson

Welcome Committee

A.M. Rodney Maynard Family
P.M. John & Pearl Biddle

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Attend Nursery: Georgia Womack

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Pantry Item: Canned Juice

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Bible Study 230
P.M. Worship 204
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Brenda Bratten
Pam Cantrell Green (following surgery)

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Steve Clendenon (brother of Dana Roller)-
Centennial Medical Center #28
Clyde Christian-Riverpark

Sympathy
We want to extend sympathy to the family of Mina Turner (grandmother of Sherry Pelham). Her funeral was Sunday afternoon at Highs.

Sunday's Sermons
A.M. What Is Your Walk In Life?
P.M. Jonah (Swallows A Whale)

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New Arrival
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Gospel Meeting
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 New Postal Regulations
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	JASON & SONIA VANDAGRIFF	DAVID & STEFANIE MCCOLLOCH WALLACE & GLYNDA STEVENS	Lisa Bennett	Willie Holmes	LYNDER & WILLIE HOLMES Sonia Vandagriff Corey Nunley Kathy Thaxton	Judy Nussbaum Kurt Maynard
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Brad Hobbs Greg Wanamaker SHANNON & JANIE GRIFFIN	ERNEST & PEARL MORTON	Lee Gann Debbie Glenn Emily Newby	Teresa Rogers Austin Medley Logan Wanamaker		Edith Morrow	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Pearline Cantrell JOE & IRENE LAWRENCE	Teresa McGinness	RODNEY & JENNIFER MAYNARD DONNIE & BETTY HILL KEVIN & LORI JUDKINS	KELLY & KATHY THAXTON Cora Stenbridge Jeff Flatt Jeffery Cantrell	Shirley Parker Jennifer Groves Miranda Atnip	Don Johnson Ruth Pinkley	Carolyn Cantrell Edward Solomon
		VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WITH MT. LEO AT THEIR BUILDING.				
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
HARRY & CAROL FELTY RANDEL & MICKEY WHITEAKER Tyler Groves Hilary McGinness Shana Watson	Matthew Lewis	Donnie Hill	Cindy Fisher			Brentt Crouch Chip Cantrell Ashley Boles
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
JEFF & MARY FLATT Yuriko Biles Don Griffith	John Whiteaker	Thurman Bennett Lou Leatherwood Steve Caldwell	Kevin Judkins	REMEMBER THE SEVENTH ANNUAL BIBLE LECTURESHIP "THE SAVIOR'S SERMON ON THE MOUNT" AUGUST 7-11		
28	29	30	31			

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	Dale Bennett
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table (N)	*Ken Lee
(S)	*Tommy Crouch
(N)	Andrew Collins
(N)	John Stenbridge
(S)	Dickie Kesey
(S)	Don Johnson
(S)	Rodney Maynard
(S)	Scott Griffith
Sermon	Gary Williams
Dismiss	Lemmie Bratten

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bob Mayfield
Reading	Eddie Palmer
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Danny Duncan
	Jim Slatton
Sermon	Gary Williams
Dismiss	Clyde Christian

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2605) Brett Merritt
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	Don Griffith
Invitation	Alan Collins
Dismiss	Willie Newby

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Winfrey & Dorothy Hennessee
P.M.	Mary Davis & Bernice Fults

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Usbers: Steve Boyd & Harold McGinness

Attend Nursery: Teri Smith

Lock Building: Micah Lawrence

Pantry Item: Pop Tarts

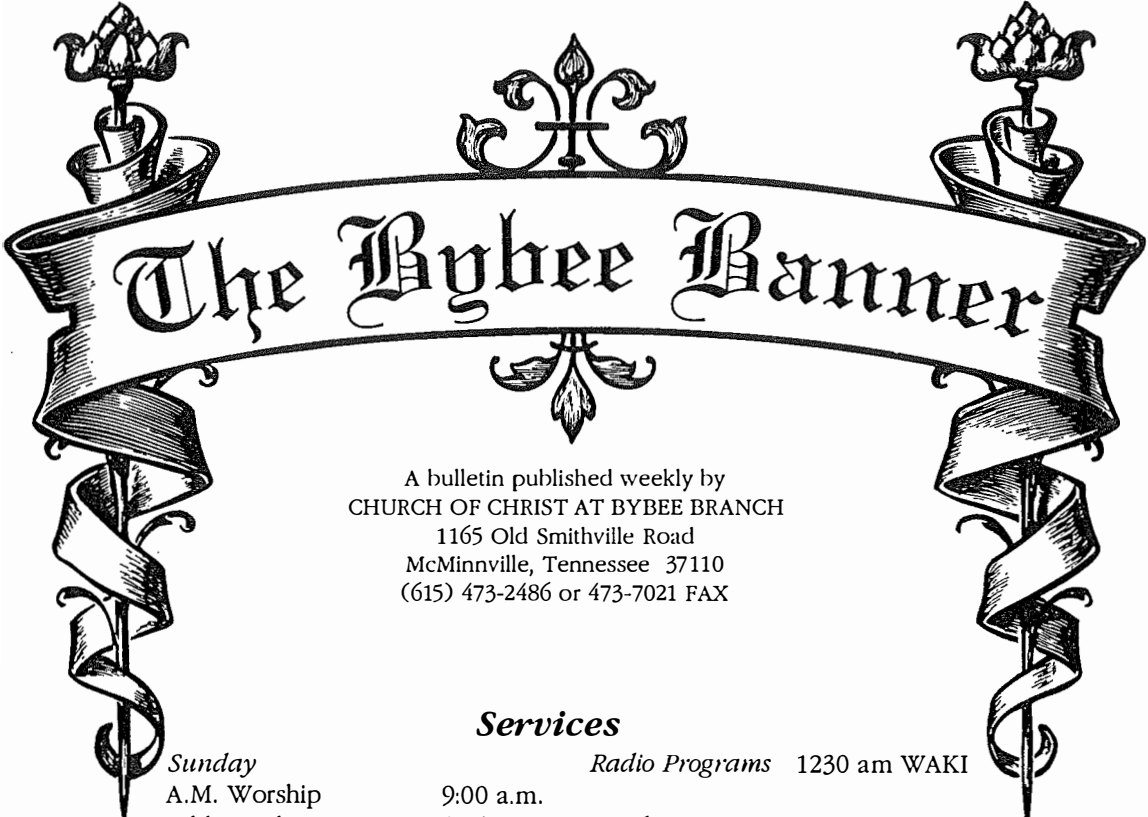
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P.M. Worship	209
Wednesday Bible Study	203
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Joe Lawrence
Steve Clendenon (brother of Dana Roller)-home
following stay in hospital
Betty Dabbs (mother of Glenda Solomon)-home
following surgery.

In The Hospital:

Donna Anderson-outpatient surgery in
Murfreesboro this week.

Sunday's Sermons

Sunday, July 7

A.M. Guest Speaker: Gary Williams
P.M. Guest Speaker: Gary Williams

Sunday, July 14

A.M. Pressures And Temptations
P.M. ... Troublesome Teachings: Marriage & Divorce

Bridal Tea

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Shelly Clark, bride-elect of Jason Newby on Sunday,
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Gospel Meetings

Hiwassee church of Christ, July 7-12, services at
7:00 with Ronald Wright preaching.

Shady Grove church of Christ, July 7-12, services at
7:30 with Holger Neubauer preaching.

Hebron church of Christ, July 14-19, services at 7:30
with Charles Roney preaching.

Baptism

We rejoice to announce that Tyler Boyd was baptized
into Christ on Friday of last week.

V. B. S. Help

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There is still a need for more to help. If you can assist
in any way, please call Chuck Medley.

Things I Wish I had

Known Before I was 21...

1. That my health after thirty depended in a large
degree on what I put into my stomach before I
was twenty-one.
2. How to take care of money.
3. That a man's habits are mighty hard to change
after he is twenty-one.
4. That a harvest depends upon the seeds sown.
5. That things worthwhile require time, patience,
and work.
6. That you cannot get something for nothing.
7. The value of absolute truthfulness in everything.
8. The folly of not taking older people's advice.
9. That what my mother wanted me to do was right.
10. That Dad wasn't an old fogey after all.
11. More of the helpful and inspiring messages of
the Bible.
12. The greatness of the opportunity and joy of
serving a fellowman.

"Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an
example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in
charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." (1 Tim. 4:12).

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Sunday Morning Worship (July 14, 1996)

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Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Bill Womack
Scripture	I Corinthians 10:11-13
Lord's Table (N)	*Thurman Bennett
(S)	*Jeff Flatt
(N)	Shannon Griffin
(N)	Jeff Templeton
(N)	Jeff Bond
(S)	Marty Boles
(S)	Chad Graves
(S)	John Nussbaum
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

Sunday Evening Worship (July 14, 1996)

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Phillip Smith
Scripture	Galatians 1:6-9
Lord's Table	*Kurt Maynard
	Alan Collins
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Mark Lawrence

Wednesday Bible Study (July 17, 1996)

Announcements	(668-2605) Brett Merritt
Lead Singing	Eddie Palmer
First Prayer	Noel Pepper
Reading	Bob Cantrell
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Rodney Reynolds

Welcome Committee (July 14, 1996)

A.M.	Ronnie Prince Family
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Ushers:

Chris Jones & David Chilton

Attend Nursery:

Lou-Shawna Scott

Lock Building:

Micah Lawrence

Pantry Item:

Powdered Potatoes

Shut-ins

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If
we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional.
Please let us know of updates we need to add.

McMinnville Health Care:

Minnie Cooper
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Earlene Ray

McMinnville Boarding Home:

Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt

Raintree Health Care Center:

Flora Smith

Woodbury Nursing Home

Marvin Crouch

Peachtree Manor (Smyrna)

Avis Pauline Taylor

Home:

Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Katherine Bennett
Edith Cantrell
Edith Collins
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Joe Maxwell
Edith Morrow
Robert "Doc" Mullican
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
Bertha Stewart
June Slatten
Carrie Wilson

Sunday Morning Worship

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First Prayer Danny Duncan
Reading Don Sullivan
Scripture II Kings 19:30,31
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(N) Micah Lawrence
(N) Steve Wilcher
(S) Matthew Young
(S) Joe T. Catnrell
(S) Buell Warren
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Derrick Pennington

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing Tim Fisher
First Prayer Doug Hendrixson
Reading Steve Boyd
Scripture Galatian 1:6-9
Lord's Table *Dennis Gann
Larry Flatt
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Billy Gilbert

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-2605) Brett Merritt
Lead Singing Tim Fisher
First Prayer Steve Hillis
Reading Harold McGinness
Invitation Chuck Medley
Dismiss Ronnie Prince

Welcome Committee

A.M. Rodney & Patsy Reynolds
P.M. Don Sullivan Family

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Mark Lawrence & Tommy Crouch

Attend Nursery: Dot Powell

Lock Building: Micah Lawrence

Pantry Item: Shampoo

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	306
Bible Study	220
P.M. Worship	213
Wednesday Bible Study	200
Contribution	\$3,877

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Willie Newby Jim Slatton .

Preacher

Tony Lawrence 473-8079

Sick

At Home:
none known

In The Hospital:
Pearl Boyd (mother of Barbara King)-Riverpark

Sympathy

Our deepest expression of sympathy to the family of Howard Wagner (brother of Edna Smith and uncle of Lennie Ruth Kesey). He passed away Saturday.

Restoration

We are thankful that sister Lisa Chilton came forward this past Sunday morning requesting prayers.

Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. James G. Volk
and Mr. and Mrs William D. Clark
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of
Shelley Renee Clark
to
Robert Jason Newby
son of
Mr. and Mrs. Gary M. Newby
on Saturday, the twenty-seventh of July
nineteen hundred and ninety-six
three o'clock in the afternoon
First Baptist Church
Manchester, Tennessee

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Deep Roots And Fresh Fruit
P.M. ... Troublesome Teachings: Denominationalism

Gospel Meetings

Hebron church of Christ, July 14-19, services at 7:30
with Charles Roney preaching.

U. B. S. Great Start!

The cooperative VBS conducted by the Mt. Leo and Bybee Branch congregations got off to an excellent start. There were 246 for the first day with a promise of an excellent crowd the rest of the week. Thanks to all who put in so much time and effort!

Beautiful Things

Beautiful hands are those that weave bright threads
of joy in hearts that grieve;
Beautiful feet are those that run on errands of mercy
from sun to sun;
Beautiful lips are those that speak to comfort the
mourner and hearten the weak;
Beautiful eyes are those that glow with the light of
the spirit as pure as snow;
Beautiful forms are those that grace with gently
service the lowliest place;
Beautiful faces are those that seem with the very love
of God to beam;
Beautiful lives are those that bear for other lives their
burden of care;
Beautiful souls are those that show the spirit of Christ
where'er they go.

~Author Unknown~

So This is Worship?

It's Sunday morning. The preacher walks to the pulpit to begin his lesson. Announcements, songs, prayer, Bible reading, have been completed.

- 10:15 Sermon begins.
- 10:21 It begins to rain. Men go outside to roll up car windows. Preacher hopes someone rolls his up, too.
- 10:23 Thunder distracts the audience.
- 10:25 Last man sits down. "Maybe everyone can listen to the sermon now," the preacher thinks.
- 10:26 Point two begins. Preacher hopes this one goes better than the first point.
- 10:28 Little Julie runs across the aisle to sit with Grandma. Baby is passed over the pew to Aunt Lillian.
- 10:29 Man gets up from front seat, walks between preacher and audience and out a side door. Preacher wonders where he's going. Everyone else wonders, too. All eyes are on him.
- 10:34 Point number three begins. Preacher is sure nobody listened to point number two.
- 10:35 Little Johnny jumps up to go to rest room . . . grins at everybody as he goes by.
- 10:37 Little Johnny returns, which reminds little Jill that she needs to go. She's the timid kind; head ducked as she walks out. Isn't she cute?
- 10:39 Jill returns and now it's Jack's turn to go. This continues until end of service. Preacher wonders if these people have a kidney problem, but guesses it's because the parents don't insist that the children go to the rest room before the service begins, he wonders too if there's going to be a picnic that nobody told him about since teenage-Tammy appears to be dressed for one, and teen-boy-Bobby has his jeans and far-out T-shirt on.
- 10:40 Point four begins. Preacher feels that if he can just get this point across, at least his efforts won't be wasted.
- 10:42 Young people in back are in a state of hysterics over brother Jones snoring. Parents nervously turn around with threatening stares. Young people go through facial contortions trying to straighten up. Preacher almost loses his composure. How did brother Jones go to sleep in the first place with all this commotion going on?
- 10:45 Preacher begins conclusion. Everybody grabs a song book. All babies are returned to mothers. Little Jimmy drops a quarter that rolls all the way to the front of the building (seems like it won't ever get there). Little Mary get tickled and laughs out loud. POW! Embarrassed mom pops Susie; peals of laughter turn to screams of distress.
- 10:50 The invitation song begins. In the closing prayer, the congregation thanks the Lord that they have been able to worship (?) Him and to hear (?) His Word proclaimed; they all assure the preacher that they enjoyed the sermon. But none of the compliments can lift the spirits of the preacher, who is really anxious to get away to find a bit of peace and quite, regroup his thoughts, and get ready for some of the same tonight.

And . . . how horrible the thought . . . God observed it all (Acts 10:33 ". . . Now therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God"). Unfortunately, there is far too much truth in this fictional account of a worship service.

~via The Knight Arnold News~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Scripture
Lord's Table (N)
(S)
(N)
(N)
(N)
(S)
(S)
(S)
Sermon
Dismiss

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Leonard Clemons
John Biddle
Don Sullivan
I Corinthians 1:22-24
Steve Boyd
*Willie Newby
Joe Maynard
Bob Cantrell
Chris Jones
Michael Griffith
Tom McColloch
Joe Roller
Tony Lawrence
David Chilton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Scripture
Lord's Table

Sermon
Dismiss

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Leonard Clemons
Chuck Medley
Joey Reynolds
Luke 1:1-4
*Scott Griffith
Mark Lawrence
Tony Lawrence
Alan Collins

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-2605) Brett Merritt
Phillip Smith
Dale Bennett
Johnny Anderson
Tony Lawrence
Eddie Palmer

Welcome Committee

A.M.
P.M.

Don & Susie Griffith
Marty Boles Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Nan Cantrell

Lock Building: Micah Lawrence

Pantry Item: Chicken Noodle Soup

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	325
Bible Study	239
P.M. Worship	231
Wednesday Bible Study	209
Contribution	\$4,128

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Billy Gilbert
Everett Green
Jim Slatton

Preacher

Tony Lawrence

473-8079

Sick

At Home:
Ralph Crouch

In The Hospital:
Sue Anderson (mother of Johnny Anderson)-
surgery Monday in Nashville

It was good to have back with us Joe Lawrence,
Katherine Bennett, and Bertha Stewart after being
out several weeks due to illness.

Please note: Earlene Ray has been moved to 224A at
the McMinnville Health Care.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Christ Crucified
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Revelation

New Sermon Series

Thanks for all the comments on the Troublesome
Teaching series. Certainly the series could have gone
much longer. On Sunday nights we start a new series
that will consider some of the things that as Luke puts
it, "things which are most surely believed among us"
(Luke 1:1, KJV). If you have any suggestions as to
topics, please feel free to give these to me. T.L.

Gospel Meetings

Philippi church of Christ, July 21-24, services at 7:00
with Bobby Liddell preaching.

Ivy Bluff church of Christ, July 21-25, services at
7:00 with Charles Williams preaching.

White County churches of Christ—Tent Meeting,
July 21-28, services at 7:30 with Tom Holland
preaching. Services will be conducted at the White
County Fair Grounds under the Big Tent.

V.B.S. Statistics

The cooperative VBS conducted by the Mt. Leo and
Bybee Branch congregations was a resounding
success. The numbers were outstanding (even if some
were quite overwhelmed by them). The daily
attendance figures were:

Monday	246
Tuesday	250
Wednesday	255
Thursday	275
Friday	264
Daily Average	258

Thanks to all that help make the VBS a success!

Some Things To Think About...

So You Think You Are Rushed?

John Wesley traveled two-hundred and fifty thousand
miles on horseback, averaging twenty miles a day for
forty years; he preached forty thousand sermons;
porduced four hundred books and knew ten languages.
At eighty-three he was annoyed that he could not write
more than fifteen hours a day without hurting his eyes,
and at eighty-six he was ashamed he could not preach
more than twice a day.

He complained in his diary that there was an
increasing tendency to lie in bed until 5:30 in the
morning.

The Break-Down of Years

Man's life is made up of 20 years of his mother asking
him where he is going, 40 years of his wife asking
him where he has been and one hour at his funeral
when everyone wonders where he is going.

~Copied~

1995 Bible Lectureship Program
"The Savior's Sermon On The Mount"

Wednesday, August 7

7:00-8:00 Chris Whitaker—He Taught As One Having Authority? (Mt. 7:28,29)

Thursday, August 8

10:00-10:55 Stan Stevenson—The Beatitudes (Mt. 5:1-10)
11:00-11:55 Galand Elkins—Christian Persecution (Mt. 5:11,12)
12:00-1:30 Lunch (Sandwiches Will Be Provided)
1:30-2:30 Frank Starling—Christian Influence (Mt. 5:13-16)
2:30-3:30 Danny Jones—The Law Of Moses And The Law Of Christ (Mt. 5:17-20)
3:30-7:00 Break
7:00-7:45 George King—A Higher Standard (Hatred, Lust, Divorce) (Mt. 5:21-32)
7:45-8:30 Garland Elkins—A Higher Standard (Oaths, Retaliation) (Mt. 5:33-48)

Friday, August 9

10:00-10:55 Winfred Clark—Sincerity Not Show (Alms, Prayer, Fasting) (Mt. 6:1-18)
11:00-11:55 Everett Huffard—Laying Up Treasures In Heaven (Mt. 6:19-34)
12:00-1:30 Lunch (Sandwiches Will Be Provided)
1:30-2:30 Winfred Clark—Harsh Judgment And Fault-finding (Mt. 7:1-6)
2:30-3:30 Winford Claiborne—Asking God (Mt. 7:7-11)
3:30-7:00 Break
7:00-7:45 Everett Huffard—The Golden Rule (Mt. 7:12)
7:45-8:30 Winford Claiborne—Two Directions Of Human Destiny (Mt. 7:13,14)

Sunday, August 11

9:00-10:15 Worship Service-William Woodson—The True Servant Of God (Mt. 7:15-23)
10:15-11:00 Bible Class Hour-William Woodson—Two Builders (Mt. 7:24-27)

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Noel Pepper
Reading	Jason Vandagriff
Scripture	John 15:7,8
Lord's Table (N)	Rodney Reynolds
(S)	*Kelly Thaxton
(N)	Harry Felty
(N)	Lynn Gann
(N)	J.B. Gribble
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Leonard Crouch
(S)	Harley Northcutt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bill Womack

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Johnny Anderson
Reading	Marty Boles
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*Danny Duncan
	Jeff Flatt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dale Bennett

Wednesday Bible Study

Lectureship Program

Welcome Committee

A.M. Ronnie & Cindy Rogers
P.M. Jeff Templeton Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Steve Boyd & Harold McGinness

Attend Nursery: Wanda Hendrixson

Lock Building: Ronnie Rogers

Pantry Item: Crackers

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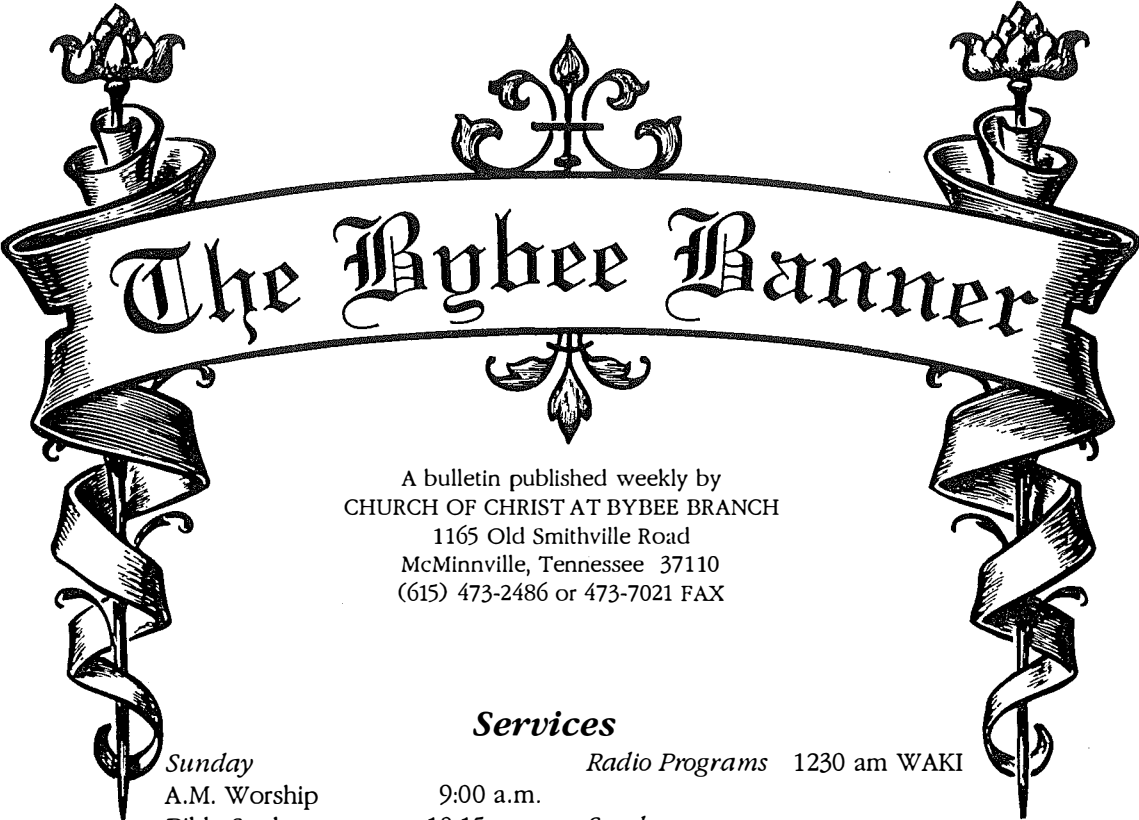
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Bible Study	214
P.M. Worship	189
Wednesday Bible Study	205
Contribution	\$3,453

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Preacher

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Sick

At Home:
Avie Clemons
Sue Anderson (Johnny Anderson's mother)

In The Hospital:
Joe Lawrence-Riverpark

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. So Shall You Be My Disciples
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Creation

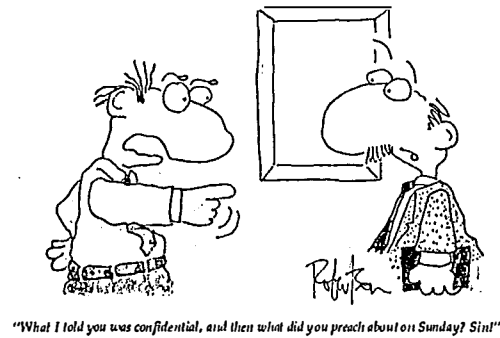
Youth Day

This Saturday will be a Youth Day at the *Leoni church of Christ*. The program will begin at 9:00 with Gayle Rains, Tony Holt, and Chad Ramsey speaking. Lunch will be served at 12:00 and activities will follow. The church bus will leave at 8:30 a.m.

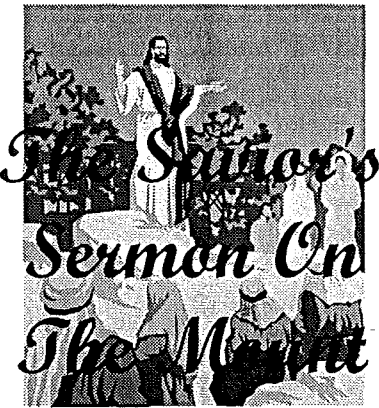
Gospel Meetings

Smartt church of Christ, July 28-August 1, services at 7:30 with Charles Curtis preaching.

Smyrna church of Christ, August 4-7, services at 7:00 with Winford Claiborne preaching.



August 4..... The Gospel Of The Grace Of God
August 11 The Gospel Of The Kingdom
August 18 The Gospel Of Your Salvation
August 25 . They Have Not All Obeyed The Gospel
Air Times: Sunday — 7:00 a.m. on Channel 17
WZTV (cable 11); 10:30 p.m. on ACTS/VISN
Network (cable 34).



Our Seventh Annual Bible Lectureship is coming up next week! We will have a number of visitors from several locations to come and visit with us. We are also looking for many visitors from our local area. Be sure to make everyone feel welcome. Try to attend every service you possibly can!

There will also be a fellowship on Saturday, August 10, at the Bennett's Hickory Creek farm. More details later...

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				TIM & CINDY FISHER	Rebecca Mullican Barbara Pennington	LYNN & MARLA CANTRELL Shane Fisher
				1	2	3
Kara Nunley		JOHNNY & DONNA ANDERSON	Lula Woodlee Cindy Rogers BILL & YURIKO BILES Kayla Medley			DOUG & WANDA HENDRIXSON Brandon Lowry
			7th Annual Bible Lectureship—Savior's Sermon On Mount			
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Freda Womack Ryan Kesey	Dawn Wanamaker	Bob Bonner	Cecil Cantrell Lucille Newby Marty Boles	Pearl Morton	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Winfrey Hennessee Steve Hillis		Sheila Cantrell	Lora Thaxton Morris Griffith		Sharon Reynolds STANLEY & ELMA MCINERY	Dennis Gann Clyde Christian
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
BOB & ADA MAYFIELD Greg Adams	Micah Lawrence	Linda Cantrell Steve Wilcher Jeffery Gilbert Fate Cantrell	Jennifer Flatt	Clent Kesey Doris Wilcher		Mildred Lowry Carol Sue Taylor
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing Stanley Graves
First Prayer Steve Hillis
Reading Jim Slatton
Scripture Matthew 7:21-23
Lord's Table (N) *Frank Reynolds
(S) *Don Sullivan
(N) Eddie Palmer
(N) Ryan Kesey
(N) Derrick Pennington
(S) Brett Merritt
(S) Ronnie Prince
(S) John Stembridge
Sermon William Woodson
Dismiss Larry Flatt

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing Stanley Graves
First Prayer Lemmie Bratten
Reading Chuck Boles
Scripture TBA
Lord's Table *Steve Boyd
Winfrey Hennessee
Sermon Steve Ary
Dismiss Steve Wilcher

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-8473) W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing Alan Collins
First Prayer Billy Gilbert
Reading Jeff Bond
Invitation Tim Fisher
Dismiss Tommy Crouch

Welcome Committee

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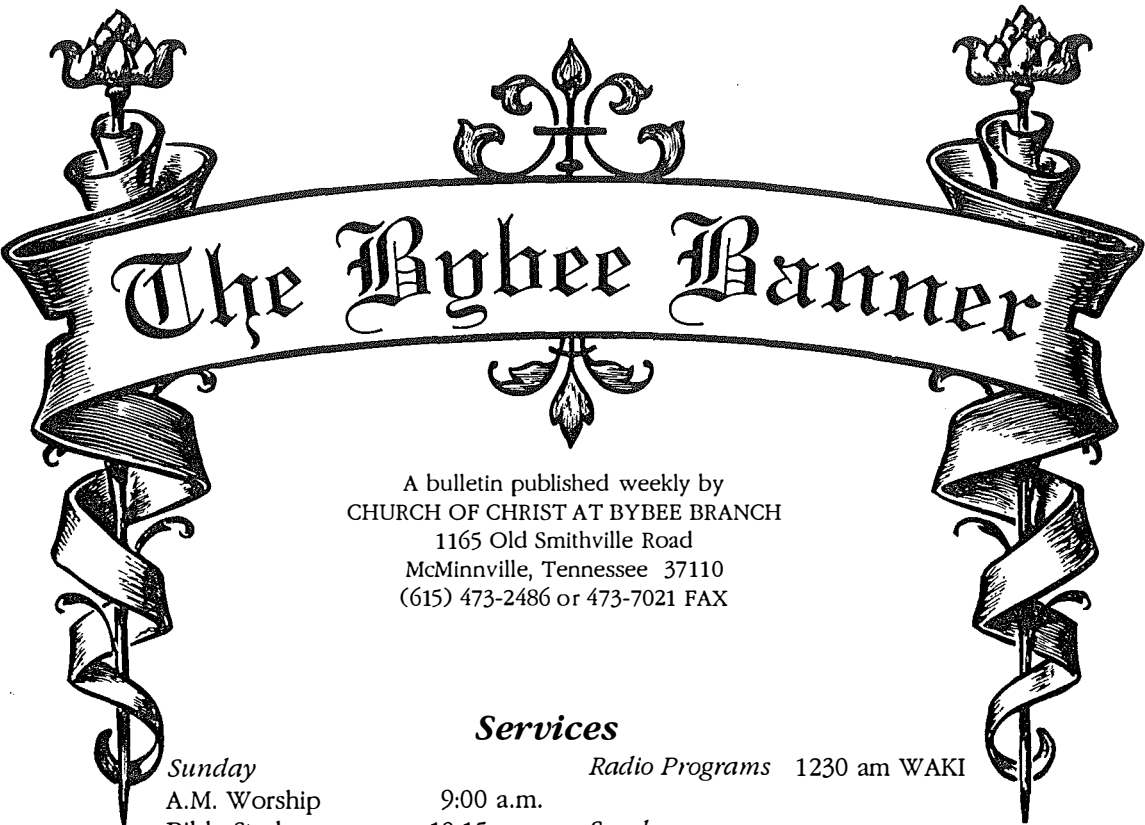
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P.M. Worship	235
Wednesday Bible Study	170
Contribution	\$4,183

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Stanley Graves Everett Green
Willie Newby Jim Slatton

Preacher

Tony Lawrence 473-8079

Sick

At Home:

Chuck Boles
Nan Cantrell (home after surgery)

In The Hospital:

Joe Lawrence-St. Thomas

Sympathy

We want to express sympathy to the family of Bill McGinness (cousin of Harold McGinness). His funeral was Monday at Highs.

Gospel Meetings

Arlington church of Christ, August 11-15, services at 7:30 with B.J. Barr preaching.

Central church of Christ, August 18-23, services at 7:00 with Tom Holland preaching.

Many good brethren support us in our Lectureship, let's be sure to support them in the meetings!

U. B. S.

Berea church of Christ, August 12-16, services at 7:30 with Tim Long, Billy Reed, Mark Lance, Tony Lawrence, and Brent McPeak teaching the adult classes.

Opryland Trip

Again this year there will be trip to Opryland for the young and young at heart on August 19. If you would like to go and need more information, please contact Steve Hillis. The cost for the trip is posted on the bulletin board. (New postal regulations prohibit us from giving the prices in the bulletin as long as we mail at non-profit rates. Sorry!)

Shut-ins

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional. Please let us know of updates we need to add.

McMinnville Health Care:

Minnie Cooper
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Earlene Ray

McMinnville Boarding Home:

Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt

Raintree Health Care Center:

Flora Smith

Woodbury Nursing Home

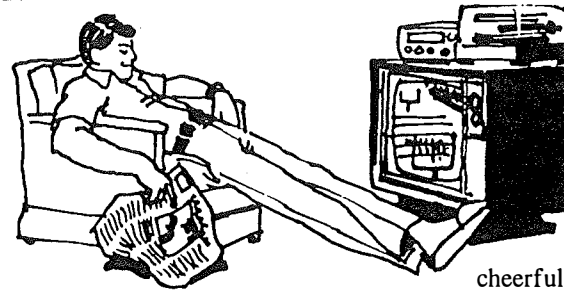
Marvin Crouch

Peachtree Manor (Smyrna)

Avis Pauline Taylor

Home:

Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Katherine Bennett
Edith Cantrell
Edith Collins
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Joe Maxwell
Edith Morrow
Robert "Doc" Mullican
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
June Slatton
Carrie Wilson



Let Someone Else Do It!

The Lord's church must have volunteers. The Lord does not force man to do His work. God loves cheerful givers. "So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7, NKJV). For whatever reason all of us know that from time to time it is difficult to get people to do various things. There are several problems when people fail to volunteer and get involved in the work of the Lord.

1. Evidently they do not really love the work of the Lord. If they did they would *desire* to be involved. Jesus said, "If you love Me, keep My commandments." (John 14:15, NKJV). Real Christians are desirous of doing good works. "who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works." (Titus 2:14, NKJV).
2. They are content to be "welfare Christians." They willing to let someone else do their work. When the tribes of Gad and Reuben asked for the land east of the Jordan, Moses asked them, "Shall your brethren go to war while you sit here? (Numbers 32:6, NKJV).
3. Seemingly some believe that the Lord does not have a right to ask for us to do anything. The parables of the talents and minas (Mt. 25:14-30; Lk. 19:11-27) both reveal a man who was "wicked and slothful." He responded by saying, "Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. 'And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.'" (Matthew 25:24,25, NKJV).

Occasionally everyone who is active in the work of the church wears down and needs a rest. And, yes, Jesus did say, "Come aside by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." (Mark 6:31, NKJV). However, one should never be content to stay on the sidelines. You might be thinking, when someone comes and asks me if I will help, then I will agree. Be active. Approach the elders and ask them what you can do. Men volunteer to serve in a greater capacity in the worship services. Join the visitation program and visit the sick, shut-ins, and new comers to our community. As the song says, "there is room in the kingdom."

~Tony Lawrence~



**Don't Forget the Fellowship Meal
Saturday Afternoon at 5:00 at the
Bennett's Hickory Creek Farm**

Sunday Morning Worship

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First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Jeff Templeton
Scripture	Acts 16:30,31
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(S)	*Phillip Smith
(N)	Ralph Crouch
(N)	Matthew Young
(N)	Brandon McGinness
(S)	David McColloch
(S)	Joe Maynard
(S)	Danny Duncan
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Willie Newby
Reading	Tom McColloch
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*David McColloch
	Lemmie Bratten
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Don Griffith

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-8473) W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Mark Lawrence
First Prayer	Doug Hendrixson
Reading	Chad Graves
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joe Collins

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Shannon Griffin Family
P.M.	Scena Christian & Clercie Delon

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Mark Lawrence & Tommy Crouch

Attend Nursery: Lou Leatherwood

Lock Building: Ronnie Rogers

Pantry Item: Green Beans

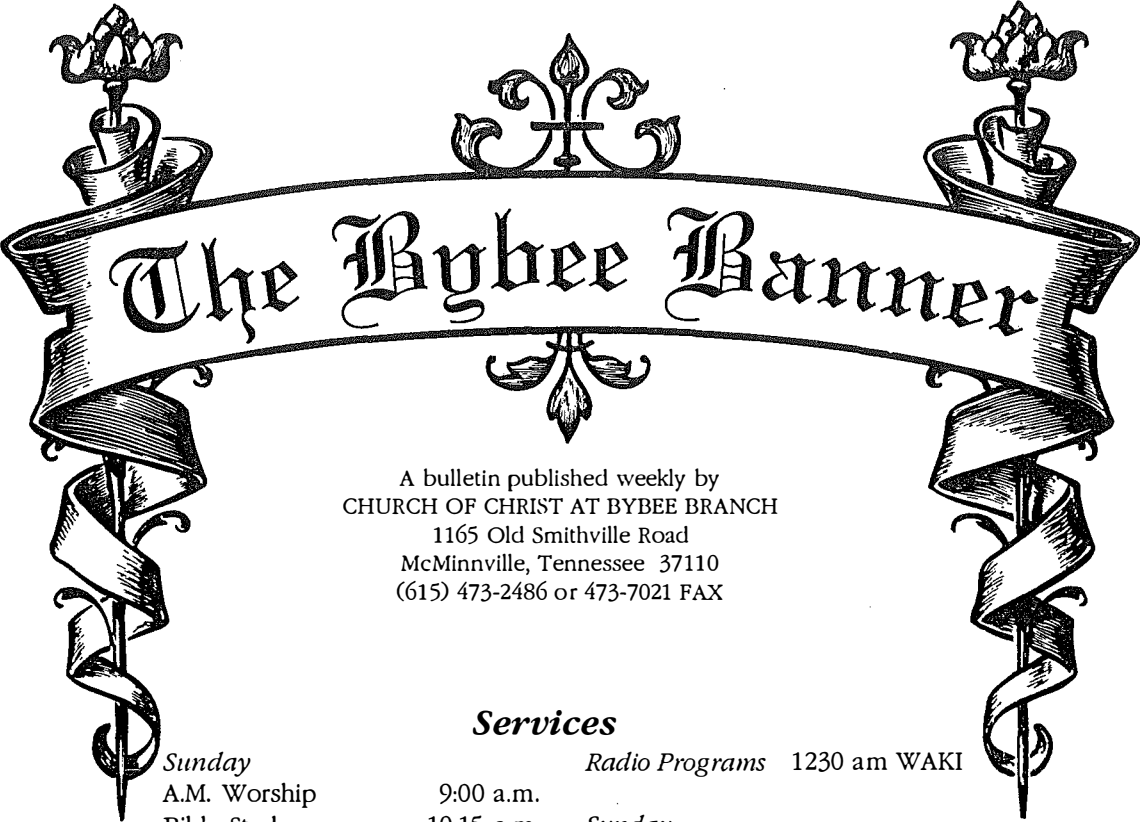
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	337
Bible Study	229
P.M. Worship	237
Wednesday Bible Study	253
Contribution	\$3,965

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Rodney Reynolds	473-3570

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Leonard Clemons	Joe Collins
Jeff Flatt	Billy Gilbert
Stanley Graves	Everett Green
Willie Newby	Jim Slatton

Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Chuck Boles
Nan Cantrell
Joe Lawrence

In The Hospital:

none known

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. What Must I Do To Be Saved: Faith
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Forgiveness

Gospel Meetings

Arlington church of Christ, August 11-15, services at 7:30 with B.J. Barr preaching.

Bluff Springs church of Christ, August 11-16, services at 7:30 with Glenn Ramsey preaching.

Chestnut Grove church of Christ, August 18-23, services at 7:00 with Vernon Joines preaching.

Central church of Christ, August 18-23, services at 7:00 with Tom Holland preaching.

Many good brethren support us in our Lectureship, let's be sure to support them in the meetings!

Opryland Trip

Again this year there will be trip to Opryland for the young and young at heart on August 19. If you would like to go and need more information, please contact Steve Hillis. A sign-up sheet and details are on the bulletin board. If you have a Kodak box, please bring it in. It will allow us to buy one ticket and get one free.

Visitation Meeting

Visitation Team #3 will meet at the home of Don & Judy Sullivan Sunday night following services. If you need directions, please see Don for a map.

Address Update

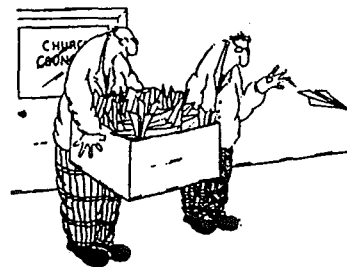
Sister Lula Woodlee has been moved to a health care facility. Her new address is:

Lula Woodlee
Hidden Acres Nursing Center
904 Hidden Acres Dr.
Mount Pleasant, TN 38474

U. B. S.

Berea church of Christ, August 12-16, services at 7:30 with Tim Long, Billy Reed, Mark Lance, Tony Lawrence, and Brent McPeak teaching the adult classes. The Theme is: Great Bible Wonders.

A Time to Laugh...



*"Remind me never to ask
the Youth Group to help
fold the church bulletin again."*

Many, Many Thanks For Help

Our Lectureship this year was another great success. A total of all who attended every session from Wednesday night until Sunday morning added up to 1838. Our attendance was up for most of the sessions and the lessons presented were simply outstanding.

It is almost impossible to know where to begin. First, thanks to our Heavenly Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the blessed Holy Spirit for the Truth which we studied. Sometimes we fail to thank the One most responsible for the good in our lives. "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning." (James 1:17, NKJV).

We also want to express thanks to many who served the Lord so well. Thanks to the Elders for their planning, invitations, support and encouragement of the Lectureship. This is a major work of providing spiritual food to the congregation and they need to be appreciated for their leadership. Thanks also to those who provided the physical food. Mary Davis coordinated this in a flawless fashion (see Mary's note at the bottom). Almost everyone present commented on the food provided. Appreciation must also be expressed to our sister congregations and those who preach for them. This year practically every church bulletin in our area printed a full schedule of speakers and topics. In addition we had numerous visitors from our sister congregations, especially the preachers. We could not forget the excellent picnic planned and prepared by Willie Newby and Dale Bennett. As always, W.C. Chilton went above and beyond the call of a duty taking care of numerous details that make everything go smoothly. Thanks to Rodney Reynolds for making the video. We sometimes take for granted our songleaders that carry on their task so effectively. Thanks Stanley, Leonard, and Joe.

We don't want to forget the many of you that attended, supported and encouraged the Lectureship.

~Tony Lawrence~

A Note of Thanks

I would like to thank all the ladies who prepared and brought food to the church building during our lectureship and to all the husbands that brought the food for their wives. Also, thanks to all the ladies that worked in the kitchen serving and cleaning, to Leonard Crouch for helping W.C. Chilton, to Micah Lawrence and others who set up tables and chairs. A Special Thanks to W.C. who went to and fro and made it all come together!

~Mary Davis~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Billy Gilbert
Reading	Bob Mayfield
Scripture	Luke 24:44-47
Lord's Table (N)	*Thurman Bennett
(S)	*John Biddle
(N)	Buell Warren
(N)	Rodney Maynard
(S)	John Nussbaum
(S)	Joe T. Cantrell
(S)	Tommy Crouch
(S)	Jeff Flatt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	Joe Reynolds
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee
	Eddie Palmer
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Mark Lawrence

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-8473) W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Phillip Smith
First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	Scott Griffith
Invitation	Larry Flatt
Dismiss	Winfrey Hennessee

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Dorothy Foster & Lucille Newby
P.M.	Dennis Gann Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Lynette Maynard

Lock Building: Ronnie Rogers

Pantry Item: ANY ITEM—Pantry LOW

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	320
Bible Study	220
P.M. Worship	220
Wednesday Bible Study	222
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Douglas Hendrixson	668-3115
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

none known

In The Hospital:

Iola Gribble (Jane Flatt's mother)-Riverpark
Pauline Watson-Riverpark

It was great to see Chuck Boles, Nan Cantrell, and Joe Lawrence back with us after each being out for surgery.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. What Must I Do To Be Saved: Repentance
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Prayer

Gospel Meetings

Chestnut Grove church of Christ, August 18-23, services at 7:00 with Vernon Joines preaching.

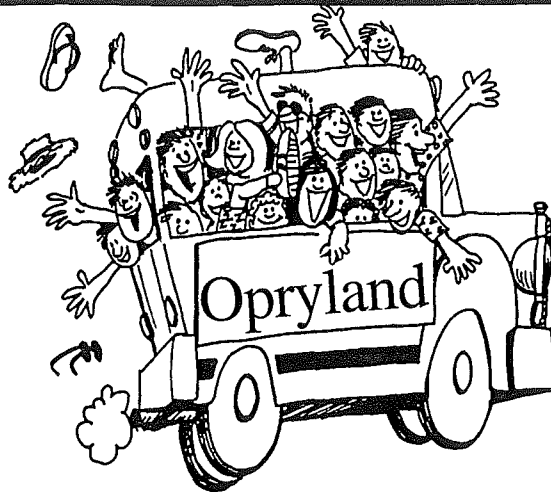
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West Riverside church of Christ, August 25-29, services at 7:30 with B.C. Carr preaching.

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Be sure to make our many visitors feel welcome. We want to do all we can to help expand the borders of the Kingdom!



About 50 of the young (and young at heart) made the trip to Opryland for a pleasure trip. Everyone was cooperative and helped make the trip an enjoyable outing. Bybee Branch is blessed with a number of fine young people that represent the church well. Parents, you have much to be proud of! Almost everyone (if not all) were thoughtful enough to say "thanks" as they got off the bus.

To Steve Hillis:

THANKS THANKS!
THANKS THANKS
THANKS THANKS
THANKS A HEAP!

Steve always does such an excellent job of organization and is an excellent Christian leader of these young people. He sacrifices in so many ways to make some of these outings a great success. Be sure to tell him thanks. Also thanks to Janie Griffin for notarizing all of the release forms.



Remember Who You Are

A young man was leaving his home for the first time to make his own way in the world. His mother affectionately cautioned him, "Son, remember who you are!"

His parents and his family had always been highly esteemed in their community. The mother well knew that through thoughtlessness or recklessness, her son might bring his own name and the good name of the family into disgrace.

Every public sin committed by Christians reflects upon the church of our Lord. A realization of this fact should cause all of us to be extremely careful of our conduct before men. Careless words and reckless deeds by members of the body of Christ brings God's family into disrepute and renders more difficult the task of reaching sinners with the gospel.

Wherever you are, as a child of God, "Remember who you are."

~Selected~

A Challenge To Meet For One Month

1. Resolve not to miss a single service of the church unless hindered providentially. No excuses this time, but for a change make a sacrifice for the Lord. Give up a few of those material things that you have been neglecting your duty to have.
2. Read and study your Bible every day, even if it means turning off the TV for a little while.
3. Pray every time you have a problem or decision to make. If you feel the slightest need, pray. And, while you are at it, also try praying for your enemies — for those you don't get along with too well with.
4. Make it your responsibility to bring at least one visitor to services, preferably a family. Don't just invite them, but make a date to go by and pick them up.
5. Take at least one night to go visiting people besides those ones that you know and like best. This time visit someone that you do not know too well, perhaps someone that you feel a little "strained" towards. Get to know them and see what a difference it will make.

If you try these things for just one month you will be surprised at the results and will want to continue them for the rest of your life.

~East Main Informer, Tupelo, MS~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Tim Fisher
Reading	Dennis Gann
Scripture	Romans 10:9,10
Lord's Table (N)	*Winfrey Hennessee
(S)	*Dale Bennett
(N)	Jeff Bond
(N)	Chad Graves
(N)	Shannon Griffin
(S)	Micah Lawrence
(S)	Dickie Kesey
(S)	Chris Jones
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Clyde Christian

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Leonard Crouch
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*Don Sullivan
	Jeff Flatt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9722) Chuck Medley
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Frank Reynolds
Reading	Brandon McGinness
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joey Reynolds

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Leonard & Avie Clemons
P.M.	Johnny Anderson Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Steve Boyd & Harold McGinness

Attend Nursery: Sharon Boles

Lock Building: David McColloch

Pantry Item: ANY ITEM

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A.M. Worship	322
Bible Study	226
P.M. Worship	242
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Iola Gribble (Jane Flatt's mother)-slowly improving

Pauline Watson-will have outpatient tests Tuesday at Centennial Medical Center/Nashville

In The Hospital:

Taylor Layne Mullican-Vanderbilt (hopefully to be transferred to Riverpark this week)

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. What Must I Do To Be Saved: Confession

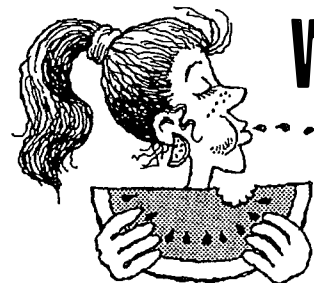
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Worship

Gospel Meeting

West Riverside church of Christ, August 25-29, services at 7:30 with B.C. Carr preaching.

New Arrival

Congratulations to Jared & Rebecca Mullican on the birth of a baby girl, Taylor Layne, born Thursday, August 22, weighing in at 3 lbs. 10 ozs.



Watermelon Cutting

There will be a watermelon cutting on September 4, following the Wednesday night Bible Study.

Please bring a watermelon and plan to stay for the fellowship.



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Families In Need

Franklin and Sadie Tanner recently lost everything they had in a house fire. They have two young girls ages 1 and 5 and could use any help. See Willie Newby if you can help.

Also, there is another family in need of a bed. If you could help, please contact Joe Collins.

Starting 12th Year!

Thanks to the congregation for 11 wonderful years! This week starts our 12th year working with the congregation and we are very thankful for each of you. I personally want you to know that I appreciate the weekly encouragement I get from so many of you. It is a thrill to preach and teach when you know that so many are listening and learning the message of God's Holy Will. May the Lord continue to bless us here and hopefully we can see many good days ahead.

~Tony Lawrence~

September 1996

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nancy Rogers Rodney Reynolds Belle Young	KEN & GLYNA LEE Allison Chilton				Gail Crouch	Marsha Collins Denice Prince Nichole Wilcher Micah McCulloch
1	2	3	4 <i>Watermelon Cutting following Bible Study</i>	5	6	7
RONNIE & DENICE PRINCE	EDWARD & GLENDA SOLOMON Joe Lawrence			STEVE & CAROL BOYD	Josh Medley Lori Pepper Chris Jones	Lennie Ruth Kesey Janice Foster Clercie Delone
<i>Bible Bowl Fellowship at Eastside School in Cannon County 2:00-4:00 p.m.</i>	9	10	11	12	13	14
8		Doug Hendrixson		LEMMIE & BRENDA BRATTEN		Caleb Graves
Irene Simpson	16	17	18	19	20	21
15						
HARLEY & IONA NORTHCUTT RONNIE & CINDY ROGERS Magdalene Taylor	Clara Roller CALVIN & NANCY ROGERS Eric Fisher CHRIS & MEREDITH JONES	Merideth Jones Leonard Crouch	Mary Lois Cantrell Agnes Fults Glenda Solomon	Joe Huntley	Danielle Lance Walter Maxwell Randel Whiteaker Dana Roller	Sandy Brown Harry Felty
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Andrew Collins Glynda Stevens						
<i>Young Men will conduct the P.M. worship services</i>	30					
29						

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Lemmie Bratten
Reading	Doug Hendrixson
Scripture	Acts 2:36-39
Lord's Table (N)	*Steve Hillis
(S)	*Ken Lee
(N)	Don Johnson
(N)	Joe Roller
(N)	Edgar Webb
(S)	Ryan Kesey
(S)	Eddie Palmer
(S)	Jason Vandagriff
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Phillip Smith

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	David McColloch
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*Bob Mayfield
	Don Griffith
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Buell Warren

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9722) Chuck Medley
Lead Singing	Eddie Palmer
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Joe T. Cantrell
Invitation	Joe Collins
Dismiss	Willie Newby

Welcome Committee

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P.M.	Harry Felty Family

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<i>Wednesday</i>		Jim Dearman	11:45 a.m.
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Pauline Watson

In The Hospital:

Taylor Layne Mullican-Riverpark (hopefully she can come home in a few days)

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. What Must I Do To Be Saved: Baptism

P.M. Basic Beliefs: Church

Sympathies

Recently there have been several who have lost loved ones from our congregation. We extend our sympathy to the following:

Sympathy to Kathy Thaxton on the loss of her mother, Lorene Raper, her funeral was in White County last Saturday.

Sympathy also to Glenda Hughes on the passing of her mother, Pauline McGregor. Her funeral was also last Saturday.

Sympathy to Lisa Chilton on the death of her aunt, Dorothy Morton Bragg. Her funeral was Monday.

Bible Bowl Fellowship

The annual fellowship for those churches participating in the Bible Bowl will be this Sunday afternoon from 2-4 p.m. The bus will leave at 1:30 for the Eastside school in Cannon County and be back at 4:30.

Softball Game

There is a softball game planned for any of the congregation that want to attend this Saturday evening from 5-8 p.m. Note that this is a change from the announcement of Friday night and a time change.

Shut-ins

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional. Please let us know of updates we need to add.

McMinnville Health Care:

*Minnie Cooper
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Earlene Ray*

McMinnville Boarding Home:

*Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt*

Raintree Health Care Center:

Flora Smith

Woodbury Nursing Home

Marvin Crouch

Peachtree Manor (Smyrna)

Avis Pauline Taylor

Home:

*Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Katherine Bennett
Edith Cantrell
Edith Collins
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Joe Maxwell
Edith Morrow
Robert "Doc" Mullican
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
June Slatton
Carrie Wilson*

Our Present Day Apostasy: Whose Fault Is It?

There is little doubt in the minds of concerned Christians that there is a major present day apostasy. Departures from the faith are not new. It seems almost in every generation that there are those not content to walk in the old paths (Jer. 6:16) and are determined to walk according to their own plans (Jer. 18:12). Our generation has not been spared this plague either. We have a number of blind leaders that are leading hundreds to the ditch (Mt. 15:14). We often are puzzled as to why the apostasy seems to be so large and why so many have to get caught up in it. When an apostasy occurs, whose fault is it?

The Devil certainly must stand at the head of the list of those bearing responsibility. In order to lead people astray he must get them to believe a lie. Jesus said that Satan was liar and the father of lies (Jn. 8:44). It is his purpose to deceive and trick people into thinking that they are right when in reality they are wrong. Those who are guided by the Light of the Word are not ignorant of his devices (2Cor. 2:11). Peter instructs us to "beware" and to "grow in grace and knowledge" lest we fall (2Pet. 3:17).

Those who teach the error are also greatly at fault. The Bible warns over and over again regarding the "false teachers." Peter devotes much of his second epistle to their malicious ways. "But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you..." (2 Peter 2:1, NKJV). These are truly deceitful because they pass themselves off as truly righteous and faithful teachers. Paul said, "For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ. And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works." (2 Corinthians 11:13-15, NKJV). No false teacher or liberal ever claimed to be such. If they did no one would follow them.

There are those who follow the Devil and his deceitful workers. They provide the needs for the false teacher to fulfill. Paul spoke of those who "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables." (2 Timothy 4:3,4, NKJV). Paul told the Thessalonians these are those who do not have a "love of the Truth" but have "pleasure in unrighteousness." (2Thess. 2:10-12). False teachers could not flourish if they did not have a willing audience that wanted to hear their false teaching. "'An astonishing and horrible thing Has been committed in the land: The prophets prophesy falsely, And the priests rule by their own power; And My people love to have it so. But what will you do in the end?" (Jeremiah 5:30,31, NKJV).

There is another class that helps further the apostasy but do so either cowardly or ignorantly. They are those who allow the Devil and his deceitful workers to go on about their work unchallenged. When we stand by and say nothing or do nothing we are "as one of them." "In the day that you stood on the other side--In the day that strangers carried captive his forces, When foreigners entered his gates And cast lots for Jerusalem--Even you were as one of them." (Obadiah 1:11, NKJV). John warns, "Whosoever goeth onward and abideth not in the teaching of Christ, hath not God: he that abideth in the teaching, the same hath both the Father and the Son. If any one cometh unto you, and bringeth not this teaching, receive him not into your house, and give him no greeting: for he that giveth him greeting partaketh in his evil works." (2 John 1:9-11, ASV). Paul told the Ephesians, "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them." (Ephesians 5:11, NKJV). Being cowardly is sinful and wrong "'But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.'" (Revelation 21:8, NKJV). Ignorance is no excuse. "Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Timothy 2:15, NKJV).

We must do everything in our power to thwart the Devil and his deceitful workers. We certainly do not want to be a part of the apostasy.

~Tony Lawrence~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Steve Boyd
Reading	Scott Griffith
Scripture	Hebrews 6:9-12
Lord's Table (N)	*Johnny Anderson
(S)	*Danny Duncan
(N)	Eugene Wilcher
(N)	Marty Boles
(N)	Michael Griffith
(S)	Harry Felty
(S)	J.B. Gribble
(S)	Steve Wilcher
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jeff Flatt

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Steve Hillis
Reading	Brett Merritt
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*Lemmie Bratten
	Dennis Gann
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bill Womack

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9722) Chuck Medley
Lead Singing	Mark Lawrence
First Prayer	Kurt Maynard
Reading	Dale Bennett
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Steve Boyd Family
P.M.	Steve Hillis Family

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Mark Lawrence & Tommy Crouch

Attend Nursery: Mary Flatt

Lock Building: David McColloch

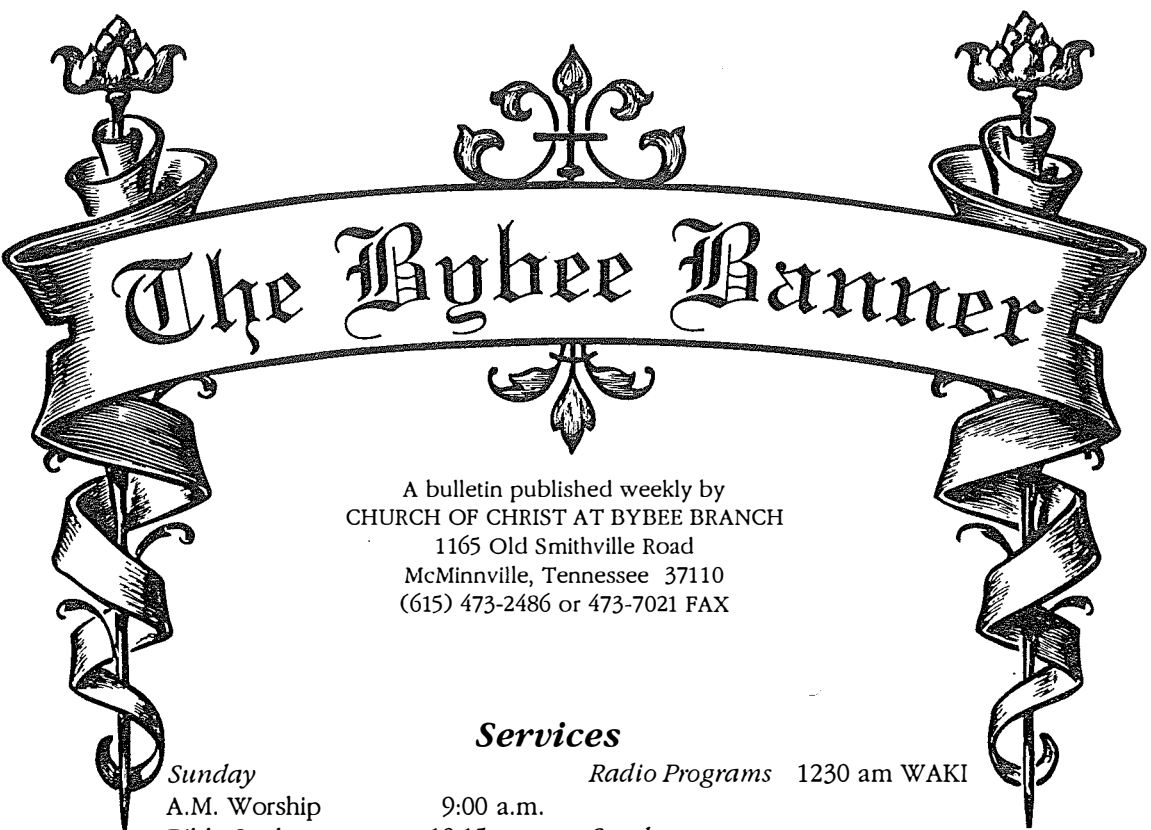
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Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	295
Bible Study	233
P.M. Worship	224
Wednesday Bible Study	225
Contribution	\$4,717

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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Nan Cantrell
Donna Anderson

In The Hospital:

Mary Davis-Riverpark (may go home Tuesday)
Taylor Layne Mullican-Riverpark (hopefully she
can come home in a few days)

*It was good to have Pauline Watson back with us after
having been in the hospitals for tests.*

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. What Must I Do To Remain Saved
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Judgment

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Mary
Martin Melton, the mother of Ken Martin. She passed
away Monday and her funeral will be Wednesday at
Highs.

Welcome

We want to extend a warm welcome to Ada Hensley
(grandmother of our Janie Griffin). She placed her
membership with the congregation this past Sunday
evening. She formerly worshiped with the West
Riverside congregation. Her address is:

Ada Hensley
% Fannie B's Manor
521 Pike Hill Road
McMinnville, TN 37110
668-5320

Gospel Meeting

Centertown church of Christ, September 22-26,
services at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday evening and 7:00
p.m. through the week with Bobby Gayton preaching.

Mt. Leo. church of Christ, September 22-25, services
at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday evening and 7:00 p.m. through
the week with William Woodson preaching.

*Firm Foundation Lectureship at Eastridge/
Chattanooga church of Christ*, September 22-25.
More details later.

Ladies Class

The Wednesday night Ladies Bible Class will be
starting a new study, The Daughters Of Eve, this
coming Wednesday night, November 11. Any and all
of the ladies of the congregation are welcome to join
in this study of the women of the Bible.

An Important Poem for all our parents of young children:

Before your child has come to seven
Teach him well the way to heaven.

Better still, the truth will thrive,
If he knows it when he is five.

Better yet, if at your knee
He learns it when he is only three!

Best of all, when you have begun,
To teach of Jesus before he is one!

~copied~

First Things First

Recently a learned man made the following statement. "We worship our work,
work at our play, we play at our worship." We believe this is a fair appraisal of folk
in our time. Too often that which is first is, alas, last!

WE WORSHIP OUR WORK. The workaholic syndrome is finally becoming
recognized for the curse that it is. Responsibilities to family and our Lord's church
and its works are being neglected by men and women whose careers have become
the most important thing in their lives. When one's job demands excess time and
energy so that God and family suffer neglect then one becomes guilty of sin! He has
made his work his god.

WE WORK AT OUR PLAY. Adult recreation is big business. Not only do we fish,
golf, jog, ski, and play tennis, but each of these activities requires its own special
uniform and equipment. This generation is so hooked on recreational activities that
they are demanding the church build gymnasiums (family life centers so-called)
and provide athletic and recreational programs in order to hold them in a church
relationship. We now have church of Christ ball teams and bowling leagues "to
keep our folk interested in the church." More actual work is expended in our "church
play" than in preaching the gospel to the lost in many instances.

WE PLAY AT OUR WORSHIP. Yea, we are dabblers in the religion of Christ. We
want our worship in small doses. The attitude of "just enough to satisfy the minimum
requirements of the Scriptures" is more widespread than many realize. One hour,
once a week, is the worship program of the majority of those who claim to be New
Testament Christians. Our Lord demands that we give Him the first and the best of
our time, efforts, and substance. He will accept no less. When one gives less his
worship is vain! Only when we offer all that we are and possess will He accept our
worship and reward our service!

~author unknown~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Bob Cantrell
Scripture	I Timothy 2:8-10
Lord's Table (N)	*Bob Mayfield
(S)	*Billy Gilbert
(N)	Harold McGinness
(N)	Joe Maynard
(N)	Tom McColloch
(S)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	Noel Pepper
(S)	Derrick Pennington
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Alan Collins

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Ronnie Rogers
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*Frank Reynolds
	Eddie Palmer
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	David Chilton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9722) Chuck Medley
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	Jeff Bond
Invitation	W.C. Chilton
Dismiss	Johnny Anderson

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Joe T. & Mary Lois Cantrell
P.M.	Chris & Merideth Jones

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Glynna Lee

Lock Building: David McColloch

Pantry Item: Soap

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	342
Bible Study	254
P.M. Worship	238
Wednesday Bible Study	208
Contribution	\$5,020

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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:
Mary Davis
Taylor Lane Mullican
Hunter Chilton

In The Hospital:
Yuriko Biles-Raintree Manor
Dickie Kesey-Centennial Medical Center (tests
and possible surgery)

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Christian Modesty
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Holy Spirit And Gifts

New Arrival

Congratulations to Tom & Pam McColloch on the newest addition to their family. Merek Ray was born Saturday afternoon at 1:21 p.m. weighing in at 7 lbs, 9 ozs. Both mother and baby are doing fine.

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Trousdale church of Christ, September 20-22, services at 7:30 p.m. with Ralph Neal preaching.

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Special Contribution

The elders announced Sunday that the contribution on the fifth Sunday, September 29, will go toward the purchase of a van to use in Thailand.

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The monthly Elders-Deacons Meeting will be this coming Sunday, September 22, at 4:30 p.m.

No Retreat This Year

The annual Family Retreat at Short Mountain is usually in the month of September. However, due to changes in the way the camp schedules retreats we were left without a week this year.

Bible Bowl Soon

The first meeting of the Bible Bowl will be October 13, at 2:00 p.m. at the Main Street congregation in Manchester. The schedule for this year will be:

Date	Location	Test to cover:
Oct. 13	Main Street	Galatians 1-3
Nov. 10	East End	Galatians 4-6
Dec. 8	Mt. Leo	Ephesians 1-3
Jan. 12	Leoni	Ephesians 4-6
Feb. 9	Woodbury	Philippians
Mar. 9	Bybee Branch	Colossians

The Bible Bowl is open to all young people to participate as long as they have not graduated from high school.

If your children have not been participating in Bible Bowl why not encourage them to do so. Each month about 200 young people assemble to take a test and enjoy fellowship together.

Fabulous Facts and Figures

One of the biggest arithmetical miracles in the world-Moses and the people of Israel were in the desert, but what was he going to do with them? They had to be fed, and feeding 3 or 4 million people would require a lot of food.

According to the Quarter-Master General in the Army, it is reported that Moses would have to have 1,500 tons of food each day. Do you know that to bring that food each day, two freight trains, each a mile long would be required?

Besides, you must remember, they were out in the desert, and they would have to have firewood to use in cooking the food. This would take 4,000 tons of wood and a few more trains, each a mile long for one day. And just think they were forty years in transit.

Oh yes, they would have to have water. If they only had enough to drink and wash a few dishes, it would take 11,000,000 gallons each day, and a freight train with tank cars 1,800 miles long just to bring water. They had no lakes, only a few wells. How were they to get water? And another thing! They had to get across the Red Sea in one night. Now if they went on a narrow path, double file, they would be 800 miles long and would require 35 days and nights to get through. So there had to be a space in the Red Sea 3 miles wide so they could walk 5,000 abreast to get over in one night.

But then another problem. Every time they camped at the end of the day, a campground, 2/3 the size of the state of Rhode Island, or a total of 750 square miles, was needed. That comprises an area of 25 miles wide and 130 miles long. Think of it! This space just for nightly camping. Do you think Moses figured all this out before he left? I think not.

You see, Moses believed in God, and God was going to take care of these things for him. Let us take courage, we have the same God. We think our problems are so big. Remember what God can do! Just team up with God and your problems will be in his care. Let Him run your life, and as the old song says, "He will take care of you."

~The Old Paths, East Side Church Of Christ~

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Lord's Table (N)
(S)
(N)
(N)
(N)
(S)
(S)
(S)
Sermon
Dismiss

(668-9537) Larry Platt
Leonard Clemons
John Biddle
Bob Bonner
I Corinthians 9:19-23
*Tommy Crouch
*Willie Newby
Brett Merritt
John Stembridge
Jim Slatton
Rodney Maynard
Jeff Templeton
Matthew Young
Tony Lawrence
Chuck Boles

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Scripture
Lord's Table

Sermon
Dismiss

(473-4887) Joey Reynolds
Alan Collins
Mark Lawrence
Tyler Boyd
TBA
*Joe T. Cantrell
Micah Lawrence
Tim Fisher & Don Sullivan
Michael Griffith

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(473-5028) Jim Slatton
Phillip Smith
Noel Pepper
Stanley Graves
Tony Lawrence
Ken Lee

Welcome Committee

A.M.
P.M.

Ralph & Drucilla Crouch
Thurman & Hazel Bennett

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Billy Gilbert & Scott Griffith

Attend Nursery: Judy Nussbaum

Lock Building: David McColloch

Pantry Item: Toothpaste

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	312
Bible Study	227
P.M. Worship	226
Wednesday Bible Study	211
Contribution	\$4,229

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668-3115
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence

473-8079

Sick

At Home:
Mary Davis
Taylor Lane Mullican
Dickie Kesey
Pat Gribble (sister-in-law to Jane Flatt) following surgery

In The Hospital:
B.F. Wilson (father of Melba Bonner)-Baptist Hospital following hip surgery

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. "Mission Point McMinnville"
P.M. The Great Physician

5th & 6th Grade Activity

A reminder to the 5th and 6th graders and their families that there will be an activity on Saturday at 4:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Steve Boyd.

Responses

We rejoice with Bill Biles as he came forward Sunday morning and requested prayers of the church. Sunday afternoon Robert Scott was baptized into Christ. He will be attending the East End congregation since they have signing for the deaf.

Special Contribution

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Singing at the Earlyville church of Christ, October 5, 6:00 p.m.

Better from Thailand regarding Schools and Bible Correspondence Courses

September 14, 1996

Dear elders of the Church of Christ at Bybee Branch:

I would like to report to you about the Lord's work in Buriram, by working with secondary schools that we had started to work like these since last year 1995. In 1996 we have continued to work with schools. There were 20 schools that we already worked and there were 5420 people who were volunteer to study the word of God by Bible Correspondence Course that we have sent to Bangkok as in details of paper that I have enclose on the back. We were very excited and enjoy working with several schools like these, that is another we could preach the Word of God to people in our province.

The Bible training school will open at Surin for the brethren from three provinces: Surin, Srisakhet, and Buriram. will go to study the word of God together on next week September 16-21, 1996. We have plan to study on the books of 1, 2 Timothy and Titus. We pray that will be good class in Surin next week.

We are happy to know that brother Thurman Bennett and uncle Howard Witty will come to visit and work with churches in Northeast Thailand on November 1996. We appreciate you so much for sending them to Thailand. May God bless you elders, preacher, deacons and all of the members in the Church of Christ at Bybee Branch. Church of Christ at Buriram greet you.

Love in the Lord
Christian Boonla

Number	Name of School	Date worked	Number Enrolled	Workers
1	Sawaisaw	Jun 20	92	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
2	Nangrong	Jun 20	252	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
3	Hueyratpithayakom	Jun 26	231	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
4	Mongpho	Jun 26	65	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
5	Makhamthantawan	Jun 26	27	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
6	Watprasart	Jun 26	68	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
7	Romburipithayakom	Jun 27	358	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
8	Satukpithayakom	Jul 23	782	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
9	Tupchang	Jul 24	57	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
10	Muengfeak	Jul 24	84	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
11	Candongpithayakom	Aug 1	597	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
12	Dongplong	Aug 1	246	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
13	Kumuengpithayakom	Aug 27	389	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
14	Thumylapithayakom	Aug 27	446	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
15	Plubplahcai	Sep 12	483	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
16	Phaisarn	Sep 12	353	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
17	Muengtaloong	Sep 13	423	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
18	Pnomroong	Sep 13	251	Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
19	Prakonchai	Sep 13		Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
20	Bupithayakom	Sep 13		Christian, Nikom, Sungwan, Siriwan
	Total schools		5,204	
	Door knocking total		216	
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Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Harry Felty
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table (N)	*Bill Womack
(S)	*Ronnie Rogers
(N)	Kelly Thaxton
(N)	Joey Reynolds
(N)	Jason Vandagriff
(S)	Ralph Crouch
(S)	Lynn Gann
(S)	Buell Warren
Sermon	David Fanning
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	Joe Roller
Scripture	I Peter 1:17-19
Lord's Table	*Doug Hendrixson
	Steve Hillis
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Mayfield

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-5028) Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Lemmie Bratten
Reading	Tom McColloch
Invitation	Scott Griffith
Dismiss	David Chilton

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Eugene & Doris Wilcher
P.M.	Tony Lawrence Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Usbers: Steve Boyd & Harold McGinness

Attend Nursery: Bernice Fults

Lock Building: Shannon Griffin

Pantry Item: Pancake Mix

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P.M. Worship	235
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Taylor Lane Mullican

Dickie Kesey

B.F. Wilson (father of Melba Bonner)

In The Hospital:

Leonard Peppers (brother of our Mildred Bumbalough)-Centennial Medical Center ICU

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Guest Speaker: David Fanning

P.M. Basic Beliefs: The Blood of Christ

Baptism

We rejoice that *Beth Pennington* was baptized into Christ last Wednesday evening, September 25.

Gospel Meetings, Etc

Mt. View church of Christ, September 29-October 4, services at 7:00 p.m. with Curtis Sampley preaching.

Oakland church of Christ, October 6-9, services at 7:00 p.m. with Jim Gammon preaching.

Dunlap church of Christ, October 11-13, services at 7:00 p.m. with Alan Highers preaching.

Singing at the *Earlyville church of Christ*, October 5, 6:00 p.m.

Youth Day at the *Mt. Leo church of Christ*, October 19, 9:30 a.m. with Dan Cates, A.J. Cox, & Mark Reynolds. Theme: Youth must... Flee, Follow, Fight.



IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY™ with MACK LYON

October 6 A Character Crisis

October 13 Christian's Responsibility To Govt.

October 20 What Does It Mean To Be Human?

October 27 .. Christian's Use Of The Old Testament

Air Times: Sunday — 7:00 a.m. on Channel 17 WZTV (cable 11); 10:30 p.m. on ACTS/VISN Network (cable 34).

Guest Speaker

This coming Lord's day, David Fanning, preacher for the Ardmore church of Christ will be our guest speaker. The elders announced a couple weeks ago that we would be supporting him in his work there at least until the first of the year.

Some Timely Scriptures in light of the Liquor Vote

*Wine is a mocker, Strong drink is a brawler,
And whoever is led astray by it is not wise.
(Proverbs 20:1, NKJV).*

*"Woe to him who gives drink to his neighbor,
Pressing him to your bottle, Even to make
him drunk, That you may look on his
nakedness! (Habakkuk 2:15, NKJV).*

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Martha Maxwell			Mickey Whiteaker	Stephen Boyd
		1	2	3	4	5
Georgia Womack Bernice Fults		Larry Flatt Donna Newby	Carol Felty Daniel Boyd	Dot Powell	W.C. & NELMA CHILTON Missy Lee	Willene Kell Bill Biles
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Nelma Chilton <i>Bible Bowl at Main St. Manchester Bus leaves at 1:15 p.m.</i>	JACK & ANNA JEAN BOND LARRY & JANE FLATT Heath Griffith			Jennifer Maynard Joe T. Cantrell Sean Andrew Slatton		MORRIS & SCARLETT GRIFFITH Derrick Pennington <i>Youth Day at Mt. Leo 9:30 a.m</i>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Mildred Glenn Jim Slatton	GREG & DAWN WANAMAKER	Mildred Bumbalough Hazel Bennett	Julie Slatton		Kelly Thaxton	BRUCE & SHIRLEY NUNLEY Mary Flatt
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Brandon McGinness Darrell Chilton		Cassie McGinness	BOBBY & CAROLYN CANTRELL Harold Mitchell			
27	28	29	30	31		

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan

Lead Singing Stanley Graves

First Prayer Frank Reynolds

Reading Mark Lawrence

Scripture I John 4:20,21

Lord's Table (N) *Noel Pepper

(S) *Tim Fisher

(N) Harley Northcutt

(N) John Nussbaum

(N) David McColloch

(S) Brandon McGinness

(S) Chad Graves

(S) Johnny Anderson

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Steve Wilcher

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan

Lead Singing Stanley Graves

First Prayer Billy Gilbert

Reading Jeff Templeton

Scripture Luke 1:1-4

Lord's Table *John Biddle

Tommy Crouch

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Danny Duncan

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (473-5028) Jim Slatton

Lead Singing Phillip Smith

First Prayer Jeff Flatt

Reading Shannon Griffin

Invitation Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Ken Lee

Welcome Committee

A.M. Dora Wilcher & Denice Reynolds

P.M. Brett Merritt Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Chris Jones & David Chilton

Attend Nursery: Ruby Huntley

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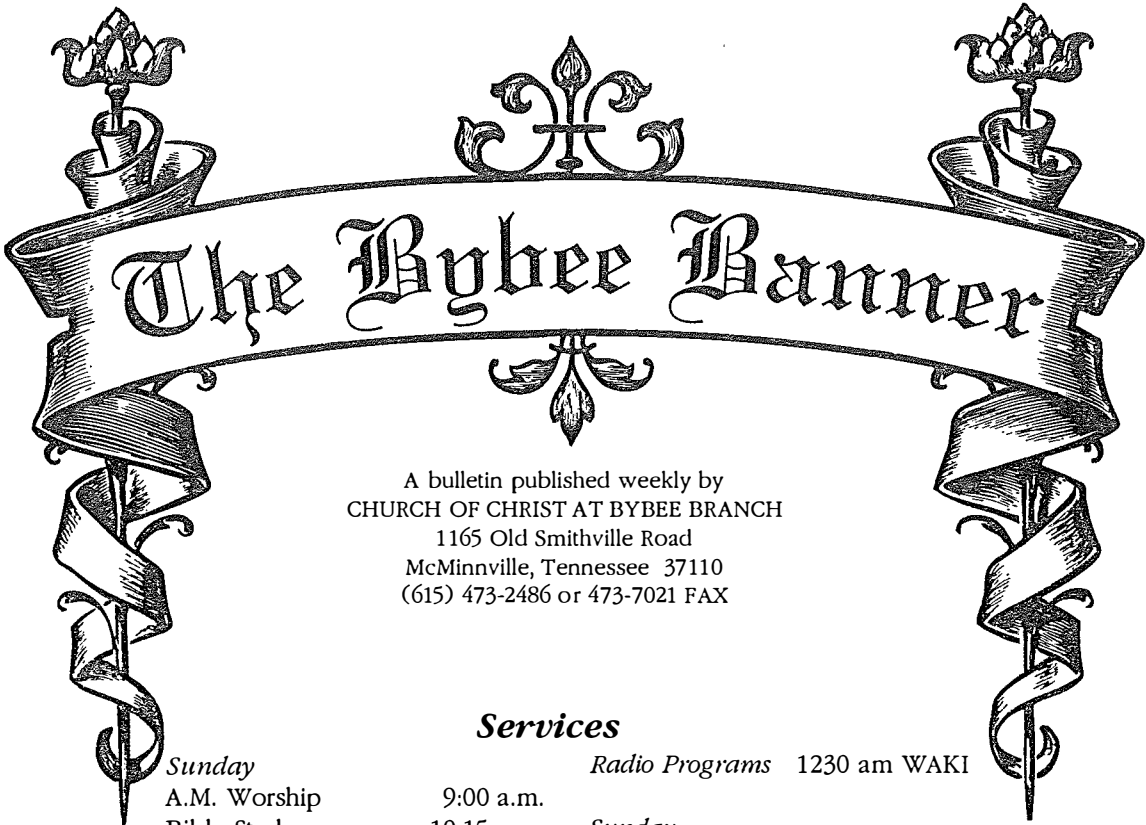
Pantry Item: Vegetable Oil

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	310
Bible Study	244
P.M. Worship	210
Wednesday Bible Study	204
Contribution	\$4,729

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Sunday
A.M. Worship
Bible Study
P.M. Worship

9:00 a.m.
10:15 a.m.
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday
Bible Study

7:00 p.m.

Services

Radio Programs 1230 am WAKI

Sunday
Tony Lawrence 8:00 a.m.
Winford Claiborne 8:30 a.m.
Jim Dearman 11:45 a.m.

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Thurman Bennett 668-4648

Bob Bonner 473-6992

Don Griffith 668-9006

Douglas Hendrixson 668-3115

Rodney Reynolds 473-3570

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Steve Boyd W.C. Chilton

Leonard Clemons Joe Collins

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Stanley Graves Everett Green

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Tony Lawrence

473-8079

Sick

At Home:

Matthew Young

In The Hospital:

Leonard Pepper (brother of our Mildred Bumbalough)-
Centennial Medical Center ICU
Chester Kirby (grandfather of Dawn Hobbs)-
Centennial Medical Center with a stroke
Pauline Hall (grandmother of Sherry Pelham)-
Riverpark

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Hatred, Malice & Other Sins of the Heart

P.M. Basic Beliefs: Loving God

Restoration

We rejoice that *Kristi Patterson* was restored this past Wednesday evening, October 2. Please remember her in your prayers.

Sympathies

We want to extend sympathy to the following families: Sympathy to the family of *Charles Smartt* (relative to Bobbie Mitchell, Marietta Mitchell, Judy Nussbaum), his funeral was last Wednesday. Sympathy to the family of *Carrie Wilson*, long time member at Bybee Branch and sister-in-law to Lucille Newby. Sympathy to the family of *Grady Howard Foster* (brother to our Cora Stembridge). His funeral was Saturday.

Gospel Meetings, Etc

Dunlap church of Christ, October 11-13, services at 7:00 p.m. with Alan Highers preaching.

Youth Day at the *Mt. Leo church of Christ*, October 19, 9:30 a.m. with Dan Cates, A.J. Cox, & Mark Reynolds. Theme: Youth must... Flee, Follow, Fight.

Shut-ins

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional. Please let us know of updates we need to add.

McMinnville Health Care:

Minnie Cooper
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Earlene Ray

McMinnville Boarding Home:

Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt

Raintree Health Care Center:

Flora Smith
Yuriko Biles

Woodbury Nursing Home

Marvin Crouch

Peachtree Manor (Smyrna)

Avis Pauline Taylor

Home:

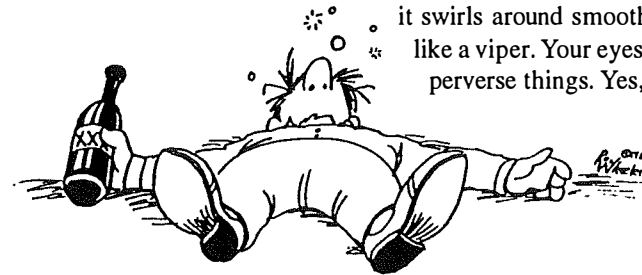
Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Edith Cantrell
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Joe Maxwell
Edith Morrow
Robert "Doc" Mullican
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
June Slatton

Solomon's Wisdom On Alcohol

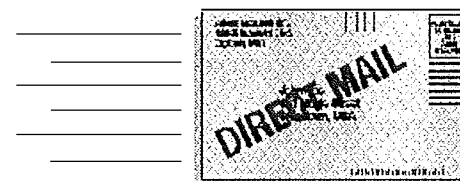
"Who has woe? Who has sorrow? Who has contentions? Who has complaints? Who has wounds without cause? Who has redness of eyes? Those who linger long at the wine, Those who go in search of mixed wine.

Do not look on the wine when it is red, When it sparkles in the cup, When it swirls around smoothly; At the last it bites like a serpent, And stings like a viper. Your eyes will see strange things, And your heart will utter perverse things. Yes, you will be like one who lies down in the midst

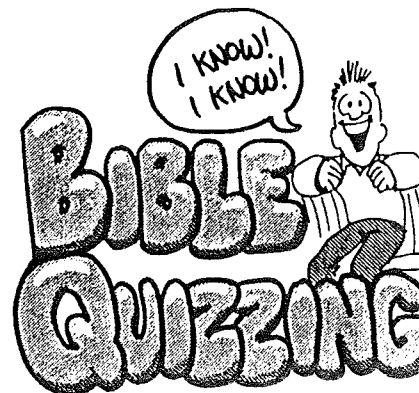
of the sea, Or like one who lies at the top of the mast, saying: "They have struck me, but I was not hurt; They have beaten me, but I did not feel it. When shall I awake, that I may seek another drink?" (Proverbs 23:29-35, NKJV).



The annual Fall Festival Fellowship is scheduled for Saturday, October 26. This is one of the best attended fellowships every year. Mark your calendar now.



We are making every effort to meet the new postal regulations and guidelines while at the same time getting the bulletin to the members on time. As we make this transition we beg your patience. You could help greatly if you would notify us in advance of any change of address.



Bible Bowl

The first meeting of this year's Bible Bowl will be this Sunday at the Main Street congregation in Manchester. The test will cover Galatians 1-3. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 1:15 SHARP. While the test is for those up through High School, anyone is welcome to go with us!

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Willie Newby
Reading	Kurt Maynard
Scripture	James 3:1-12
Lord's Table (N)	*Larry Flatt
(S)	*Eddie Palmer
(N)	J.B. Gribble
(N)	Ken Lee
(S)	Micah Lawrence
(S)	Philip Smith
(S)	Edgar Webb
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Dennis Gann
Reading	Steve Hillis
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*Chuck Medley
	W.C. Chilton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Leonard Crouch

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-5028) Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Alan Collins
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Marty Boles
Invitation	Steve Boyd
Dismiss	Derrick Pennington

Welcome Committee

A.M.	David McColloch Family
P.M.	John & Judy Nussbaum

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers:Tommy Crouch & Mark Lawrence

Attend Nursery: Junetta Gilbert

Lock Building: Shannon Griffin

Pantry Item: Pepper

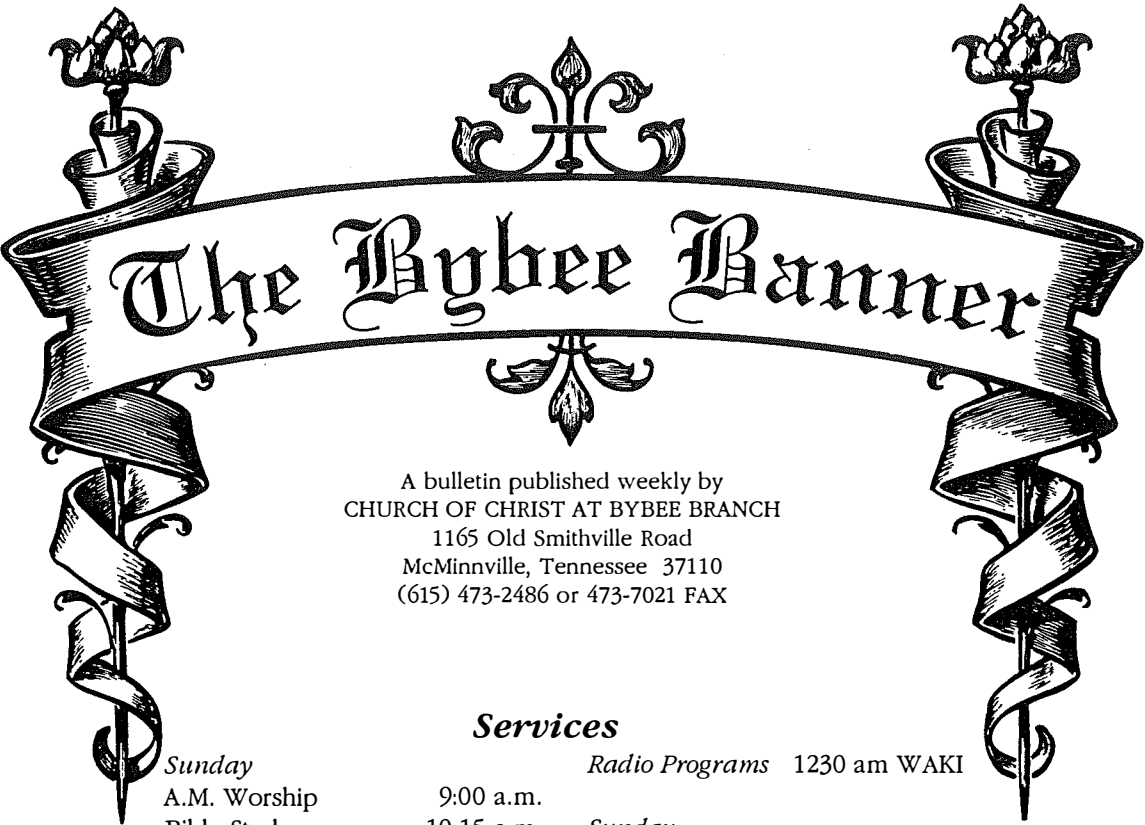
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	310
Bible Study	235
P.M. Worship	227
Wednesday Bible Study	211
Contribution	\$3,546

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Wednesday		Jim Dearman	11:45 a.m.
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

Elders

Thurman Bennett	668-4648
Bob Bonner	473-6992
Don Griffith	668-9006
Douglas Hendrixson	668-3115
Rodney Reynolds	473-3570

Deacons

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Leonard Clemons	Joe Collins
Jeff Flatt	Billy Gilbert
Stanley Graves	Everett Green
Willie Newby	Jim Slatton

Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

June Crouch

Pauline Hall (grandmother of Sherry Pelham)

In The Hospital:

Leonard Pepper (brother of our Mildred Bumbalough)-Centennial Medical Center ICU

Ruby Glenn (mother of Debbie Glenn and Ada Mayfield) surgery at Middle TN Medical Center Wednesday

Please help us keep an accurate list of the sick. If you know of someone not listed in the bulletin or in the announcements, please let us know.

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Chester Kirby (grandfather of Dawn Hobbs). His funeral was last Thursday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. ... Gossip, Murmuring, And Sins of the Tongue
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Loving Our Neighbor

Responses

We rejoice that Sunday morning sister *Glenda Solomon* came forward requesting prayers. Sunday evening *Charlotte Plott* came requesting prayers.

Youth Day

Youth Day at the *Mt. Leo church of Christ*, October 19, 9:30 a.m. with Dan Cates, A.J. Cox, & Mark Reynolds. Theme: Youth must... Flee, Follow, Fight.

For Your Information

Dr. Jack Kevorkian was quoted as saying the following in USA Today July 30, 1996: "Had Christ died in my van, with people around him who loved him, [it] would have been far more dignified." Blasphemous statements like this one come from men who respect neither God nor man.



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4:30. This year the fellowship will be held at the Bennett's Hickory Creek Farm. Women are asked to bring finger desserts (cookies, brownies, etc.) and the men are asked to bring 2 liter drinks. Everyone is requested to bring a lawn chair. Also if you have an old quilt bring it along. There will be a pumpkin and costume judging. Money for this activity will be collected that night.

Bible Bowl

Congratulations to our young people for taking the banner at this month's Bible Bowl. They came in first place missing none of the questions on the test. Congratulations also to East End for coming in second missing only one and to Mt. Leo missing only two to take third place. All of our young people are to be commended for their excellent spirit. The Lord's church has a bright future with such young people of intelligence and character!

Gospel Meeting

West Sparta church of Christ, October 20-23, 7:00 p.m. with Jim Boyd speaking.

Learning to Laugh

Recently, a high school senior was talking with me and he said, "You have taught me that I can enjoy life and still be a Christian." I suppose he could not have given me a finer compliment. I, also, have known some wonderful Christians whose good lives were overlaid with happiness and laughter. Truly the Bible states, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine" (Prov. 17:22).

Certainly, we should be careful when we laugh, for it is not always appropriate. During the worship, as we concentrate on the cross while partaking the Lord's Supper, it is not a time to laugh. Nor should we laugh at the trials, mistakes, or misfortunes of another. Sometimes people laugh at sin and this is always sad. Yet, there is a time to laugh (Eccl. 3:4).

There are those who subscribe to a view called asceticism. Those who hold to this idea believe that a Christian must always be suffering and enduring hardship and never have pleasure in life. However, this idea is not taught in scripture. Jesus said, "These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full" (John 15:11). So joy that often brings laughter is not sinful but needful. Brother Ira Rice, longtime missionary and good friend, is often criticized severely for his bold defense of the truth. Before I knew him well, I often wondered how he endured such hurtful comments. I think I now know. First, he is unswerving in his loyalty to the Lord, and secondly, he knows how to laugh.

Why is it good to laugh, particularly with young people? First, it shows them Christianity is not a burden to bear but a privilege to enjoy. I can imagine Paul and Silas as they were singing in the Philippian jail, also sharing laughter together (Acts 16:25). Secondly, young people will feel more comfortable talking with you about serious things, when they can laugh with you about lighter things. Thirdly, laughter lightens the load which teenagers carry. We can neither laugh our problems away nor should we try, but when we do laugh it can help a person evaluate and solve his problems more easily. Fourthly, laughter is healthy (Prov. 17:22). Doctors have also shown in studies that those who laugh more live longer. We ought to do everything possible to make our bodies better for the Lord's service. Fifthly, if a youth worker can learn to laugh, he will earn respect. Many young people never respect their youth leader because they always feel he is berating them and never willing to have a good time. When youth can see their leader laugh, they will also learn how to respect him when he means business.

How should we laugh? We should be able to laugh at ourselves. It is important that we do not become so egotistical or self-conscious that we cannot laugh when we make a mistake or do something silly. When we can laugh at ourselves, it shows our young people that we are also human.

We should laugh with our young people. Never laugh at them, but with them. I have seen some teens pushed out of the group because other teens and the youth worker constantly made fun of them. A youth worker must realize that most teens are very sensitive and sometimes even fragile. Study your teens well and know their personalities. Most of them are always ready to laugh with you, but if you laugh at them in a way that brings shame and degradation, you will lose a good friend and harm a soul.

If you want good communication to exist between you and your youth, know how and when to laugh and do it heartily and often. Young people will never want to communicate with someone who is always sour, dour, and negative. Demonstrate through your laughter that you treasure them. Teach them that one can be a pure and faithful Christian, yet enjoy life to the fullest.

Barry Grider ~ Knight Arnold News

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing Joe Collins
First Prayer Chuck Medley
Reading Jeff Flatt
Scripture Proverbs 23:29-35
Lord's Table (N) *Joe T. Cantrell
(S) *Lemmie Bratten
(N) Chris Jones
(N) Don Johnson
(N) Scott Griffith
(S) Brett Merritt
(S) Shannon Griffin
(S) John Stembridge
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Winfrey Hennessee

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing Joe Collins
First Prayer Bob Mayfield
Reading Don Griffith
Scripture Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table *David Chilton
Bob Bonner
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Clyde Christian

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (473-5028) Jim Slatton
Lead Singing Eddie Palmer
First Prayer Larry Flatt
Reading Bob Cantrell
Invitation Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Ronnie Rogers

Welcome Committee

A.M. Kurt Maynard Family
P.M. Harold McGinness Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Leslie Pepper

Lock Building: Shannon Griffin

Pantry Item: Applesauce

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	327
Bible Study	234
P.M. Worship	255
Wednesday Bible Study	219
Contribution	\$3,999

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Rodney Reynolds	473-3570

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Jeff Flatt	Billy Gilbert
Stanley Graves	Everett Green
Willie Newby	Jim Slatton

Preacher

Tony Lawrence 473-8079

Sick

At Home:

Ruby Glenn
Buford Holt (former preacher at Bybee Branch)
P.O. Box 146
Elkmont, AL 35620

In The Hospital:

Glenda Solomon-McFarland Hospital/Lebanon
Katherine Bennett-Riverpark
Edith Collins-Riverpark
Fate Cantrell-Riverpark
Charlotte Plott (daughter of Bob & Carolyn
Cantrell)-Parthenon Pavilion/Nashville
Al Isabell-(uncle of Philip Smith) send cards to:
925 S. Washington St
Harrisburg, IL 62946

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of *Leonard Pepper* (brother of *Mildred Bumbalough* and uncle of *Noel Pepper*). His funeral was this past Saturday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. The Christian And Alcoholic Beverages
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Sin

Responses

We rejoice that Sunday morning brother *Chuck Medley* came forward asking for the prayers of the congregation. May we continue to pray for each other.

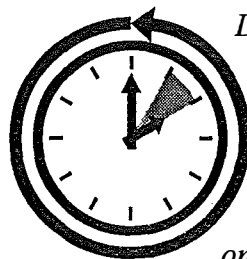
Gospel Meeting

Earlyville church of Christ, November 3-6, 7:00 p.m.
with *Vernon Joines* speaking.



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Daylight savings time ends this weekend. You will need to set your clock BACK one hour Saturday night or you will be early for services on Sunday morning.

School of Bible Emphasis

The School of Bible Emphasis will begin again this coming Monday evening at the Mt. Leo Education Building. The time for the class is 7:00 p.m. If you have not taken time to attend some of these classes you have missed an excellent opportunity. Classes have been taught by Winfred Clark, Tom Holland, and William Woodson. The class is open to anyone and will last approximately 90 minutes.

The School of Bible Emphasis is directed by brother Winfred Clark and is under the oversight of the Hobbs Street church in Athens. It meets in several locations.

"Pizza, A Party and a Moonlight Ride"

Jenny was so happy about the house they had found, for once in her life it was on the right side of town. She unpacked her things with such great ease, As she watched her new curtains blow in the breeze. How wonderful it was to have her own room.

School would be starting, she would have friends over soon, There would be sleep-overs and parties-she was so happy, it's just the way she wanted her life to be.

On the first day of school, everything went great, she made new friends and even got a date. She thought, "I want to be popular and I'm going to be, Because I just got a date with the star of the football team." To be recognized in this school you have to have clout, and dating this guy would be helping her out.

There is only one problem stopping her fate, her parents said she was too young to date. "Well I won't tell them the whole truth, they won't know the difference-what's there to lose?" Jenny asked to stay with friends that night, her parents sulked and said all right.

Excited, she got ready for the big event, but as she rushed around like she had no sense. She began to feel guilty about all the lies, But what's a pizza, a party, and a moonlight ride?

Well the pizza was good, and the party was great, but the moonlight ride would have to wait. For Jeff was now half drunk by this time, but he kissed her and said he was fine. Then the room filled with smoke and Jeff took a puff, Jenny couldn't believe he was smoking that stuff.

Now Jeff was ready to ride to the point, but only after he had smoked a joint. They jumped in the car for the moonlight ride, not thinking he was too drunk to drive. They finally made it to the point at last, and Jeff started to make a pass.

A pass is not what Jenny wanted at all, and by a pass, I don't mean playing football. "Perhaps my parents were right . . . maybe I am too young. Boy how could I have been so dumb." She used all her might to push Jeff away, "Please take me home, I don't want to stay."

Jeff cranked up the car and floored the gas, in a matter of seconds they were going to fast. As Jeff drove off in a fit of anger, Jenny knew her life was in danger. She begged and pleaded for him to slow down, but he just got faster as they neared the town.

Just let me go home, and I will confess that tonight was a great lie. I really went out for a moonlight ride. Then all of a sudden, she saw a big flash- "Oh God. Please help us! We're going to crash!" She doesn't remember the force of impact, just everything went really black. She felt someone remove her from the twisted rubble, and heard, "Call an ambulance, these kids are in trouble."

Voices she heard . . . a few words at best-she knew there were two cars involved in the wreck. Then wondered to herself if Jeff was alright, and if the people in the other car were alive.

She awoke in the hospital to faces so sad, "You've been in a wreck, and it looks pretty bad." These voices echoed in her head, as they told her Jeff was dead. The said, "Jenny we've done all we can do- it looks as if we'll lose you, too."

"But the people in the other car!" Jenny replied. "We're so sorry, Jenny, they also died." Jenny prayed "Please God, forgive me for what I have done. I just wanted a real night of fun."

"Tell those peoples' family, I've made their lives dim, and I wish I could return their families to them." "Tell Mom and Dad that I am sorry I lied, and I could have been a good girl if I had only tried. Oh nurse, won't you please tell them that for me?" The nurse just stood there and never agreed, but took Jenny's hand with tears in her eyes. A moment later, Jenny died.

A man asked the nurse, "Why didn't you do your best, to bid that girl's one last request?" She looked at him with eyes so sad, "Because the people in the other car were her mom and dad."

(Based on a true story-author unknown)
Taken from the Macon County Chronicle-November 8, 1994-
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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	John Biddle
Scripture	Exodus 20:17
Lord's Table (N)	*W.C. Chilton
(S)	*Doug Hendrixson
(N)	Dickie Kesey
(N)	Joe Maynard
(N)	Matthew Young
(S)	Bob Cantrell
(S)	Michael Griffith
(S)	Alan Collins
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Buell Warren

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Lemmie Bratten
Reading	Tim Fisher
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*Rodney Reynolds
	Winfrey Hennessee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7078) Danny Duncan
Lead Singing	Phillip Smith
First Prayer	Mark Lawrence
Reading	Dale Bennett
Invitation	Larry Flatt
Dismiss	Don Griffith

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Bill & Freda Womack
P.M.	Chuck Medley Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Steve Boyd & Harold McGinness

Attend Nursery: Pat Boles

Lock Building: Bob Bonner

Pantry Item: Applesauce

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	345
Bible Study	238
P.M. Worship	233
Wednesday Bible Study	217
Contribution	\$3,857

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Ruby Glenn
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Katherine Bennett
Glenda Solomon
Fate Cantrell
Robbie Vandagriff
Shirley Nunley

In The Hospital:
Edith Collins-Riverpark
Charlotte Plott (daughter of Bob & Carolyn Cantrell)-Parthenon Pavilion/Nashville
Charles Brown (teacher at East TN School of Preaching and father-in-law of Sandy Chilton Brown)-surgery in Knoxville
Judy Nussbaum-St. Thomas (for heart tests)

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Herbert Northcutt (brother of Harley Northcutt). His funeral was this past Thursday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Covetousness, Jealousy and Sins of The Mind
P.M. ... Basic Beliefs: Covenants And Dispensations

Restoration

Sunday evening following services Judy Nussbaum met with the elders and asked for the prayers of the congregation.

Gospel Meetings

Earlyville church of Christ, November 3-6, 7:00 p.m. with Vernon Joines speaking.
Jericho church of Christ, November 1-3, 7:00 p.m. with Jimmy Wright speaking.

Better to the Preacher

Dear Preacher,

You are so busy trying to tell other people how to live that you do not rememer that we live under the law of liberty; you preach against social drinking, in which I see no wrong, and I think I have the liberty to imbibe. You can't find a law that says, "thou shalt not drink a little." In fact, as I write this letter I have before me a FIFTH OF SCOTCH, and I intend to drink a little in the course of this letter. I'm here in the priacy of my home and I see nothing wrong with taking a little nip now and then. In fact, I am having a little nip now and then, In fact, I am having a little nip now and I feel better already. Nothing picks me up and settles mynerves like a drink of Scotch. You preachers are always complaining about something and see to take special delight in pickig on the "scoial drinker" — just tookanother nip, preacher, and I feel like telling you the truth. My grandfather always kept a little whiskey around the house. In all that ime it neverrr harmed himmmm. Arre you trying to tell me that a grandddsonn ought to be trurrer than his fufather? Just tooik another sip, and i feel sooo much bettererr than my franfaher ever filt. I hopp the daye commes when all preacherrs wake upp to the fack that one littlee nip niver hurps anybody. And if willl quitt harp9en on the sockiell dunker you will have a lots bugger church tan you d5o. You prolly do things a lottots worise, if thetruf4t wurr known. Futher, I8m going to take my forth drink, aor is it the filth#? I just hopp i straightanned you out onna few thils. And boy you reallay need3d it;;;3!

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Business Meeting

The quarterly men's General Business Meeting will be this coming Sunday evening following services.

November 1996

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						Woodrow Glenn Lori Judkins
Barry Hendrixson Matt McColloch Teresa Gann Lora Boyd <i>Men's General Business Meeting following P.M. Service</i>	Mary Beth Atnip			Marla Cantrell		Everett Green Chad Graves <i>Lectureship at Leoni See brochure on the bulletin board</i>
WOODROW & MILDRED GLENN <i>Bible Bowl 2:00 p.m. at East End</i>	Kelly Whiteaker <i>School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo 7:00 p.m.</i>	Rodney Maynard Helen Morgan	Stephen Taylor Felty	Bruce Nunley	Stacey Bonner Adina Rowland	
LEONARD & AVIE CLEMONS	Steve Atnip David Biles	Georgia Brooks Alan Collins	WALTER & DAISY MAXWELL Cristy Caldwell		Iona Northcutt Olivia Newby	
CHUCK & PAT BOLES	BROWN & EUNICE SIMPSON <i>School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo 7:00 p.m.</i>	Anna Jean Bond	Willie Newby Joe Collins	Corretta Lawrence Lauren Roller	Pearl Mitchell	Brown Simpson Stefanie McColloch Emily Adams

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing Leonard Clemons
First Prayer Steve Hillis
Reading Jeff Bond
Scripture Colossians 3:8-15
Lord's Table (N) *Kelly Thaxton
(S) *Bob Bonner
(N) Tom McColloch
(N) Rodney Maynard
(N) Jeff Templeton
(S) Marty Boles
(S) Joe Roller
(S) Derrick Pennington
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Noel Pepper

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing Leonard Clemons
First Prayer Don Sullivan
Reading Willie Newby
Scripture Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table *Danny Duncan
Chuck Boles
Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Tommy Crouch

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-7078) Danny Duncan
Lead Singing Tim Fisher
First Prayer Johnny Anderson
Reading Chad Graves
Invitation Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Jeff Flatt

Welcome Committee

A.M. John & Pearl Biddle
P.M. Ken & Glynna Lee

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Chris Jones & David Chilton

Attend Nursery: Nelma Chilton

Lock Building: Bob Bonner

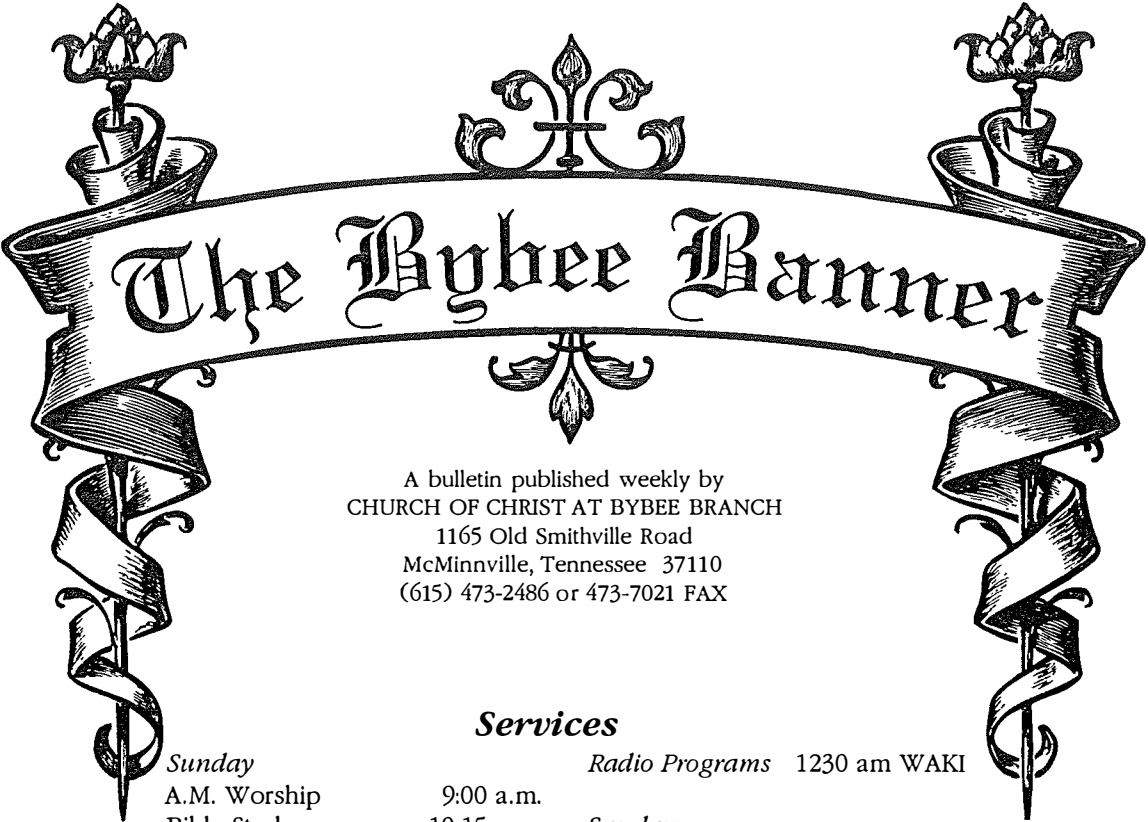
Pantry Item: Personal Care Products

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	331
Bible Study	238
P.M. Worship	213
Wednesday Bible Study	188
Contribution	\$4,274

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Robbie Vandagriff
Edith Collins
Jeff Templeton
Nelma Chilton
Hoyt Crouch

In The Hospital:
Clyde Christian-Riverpark

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. A Change Of Clothes
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Christian And Civil Government

Bible Bowl

This month's Bible Bowl will be this Sunday at 2:00 p.m. at the East End church. We will be carrying the bus so that we can all go together. Meet at the building at 1:30.

There will be a study session for the Bible Bowl this Saturday from 7-9 p.m. at the home of Steve and Carol Boyd. Boys are asked to bring a drink and the girls a snack.

Lectureship

Leoni church of Christ, November 8-10, program is on the bulletin board.

Morrison church of Christ, November 17-20, services at 7:00 p.m with Tom Holland speaking.

Honorable Mention

The church and Warren County owes a debt of gratitude to our own Don Sullivan for leading the Citizens Against Legalized Liquor campaign. Also thanks is due to Leonard Clemons for serving as Sign Chairman. Thanks to Ronnie Prince for making a very effective radio ad. Give these brethren a pat on the back!

Shut-ins

The following is a list of the shut-ins that we know about. If we have left someone off the list it was entirely unintentional. Please let us know of updates we need to add.

McMinnville Health Care:
Minnie Cooper
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Earlene Ray

McMinnville Boarding Home:
Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt

Raintree Health Care Center:
Flora Smith
Yuriko Biles

Woodbury Nursing Home
Marvin Crouch

Peachtree Manor (Smyrna)
Avis Pauline Taylor

Home:
Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Edith Cantrell
Rozelle Goodman
Everett Green
Catherine Flatt
Joe Maxwell
Edith Morrow
Robert "Doc" Mullican
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
June Slatton

A Traveler's Guide to Heaven

ACCOMODATIONS:
Arrangements for accommodations must be made in advance (John 14:2).

PASSPORTS:
Persons seeking entry will not be permitted past the gates without having proper credentials and having their names already registered with the ruling authority (Revelation 21:27).

DEPARTURE TIME
The exact date of departure has not been announced. Travelers are advised to be prepared to leave on short notice (Acts 1:7).

TICKETS:
Your ticket is a written pledge that guarantees your journey. It should be claimed and its promises kept firmly in hand (John 5:24).

LUGGAGE:
No luggage whatsoever can be taken (I Timothy 6:7).

IMMIGRATION:
All passengers are classified as immigrants, since they are taking permanent residence in a new country. The quota is unlimited (Hebrews 11:16).

AIR PASSAGE
Travelers going by air are advised to watch daily for indications of imminent departure (I Thessalonians 4:17).

VACCINATIONS AND INOCULATION. Injections are not needed as diseases are unknown at the destination (Revelation 21:4).

CURRENCY:
Supplies of currency may be forwarded to await the passenger's arrival. Deposits should be as large as possible.

CLOTHING:
A complete and appropriate new wardrobe is provided for each traveler (Isaian 61:10).

RESERVATIONS:
Booking is now open. Apply at once! (II Corinthians 6:2).

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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Jeff Flatt
Reading	Brett Merritt
Scripture	II Peter 1:3-11
Lord's Table (N)	*Scott Griffith
(S)	*Ronnie Prince
(N)	Harry Felty
(N)	Steve Wilcher
(N)	Dale Bennett
(S)	John Nussbaum
(S)	Jason Vandagriff
(S)	Winfrey Hennessee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Mayfield

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Frank Reynolds
Reading	Harold McGinness
Scripture	II Peter 1:3-11
Lord's Table	*Joe T. Cantrell
	Don Griffith
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joey Reynolds

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7078) Danny Duncan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Steve Boyd
Reading	Micah Lawrence
Invitation	Don Sullivan
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Billy & Junetta Gilbert
P.M.	Joe Maynard Family

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Usbers:Tommy Crouch & Mark Lawrence

Attend Nursery: Debbie Glenn

Lock Building: Bob Bonner

Pantry Item: Cream of Wheat

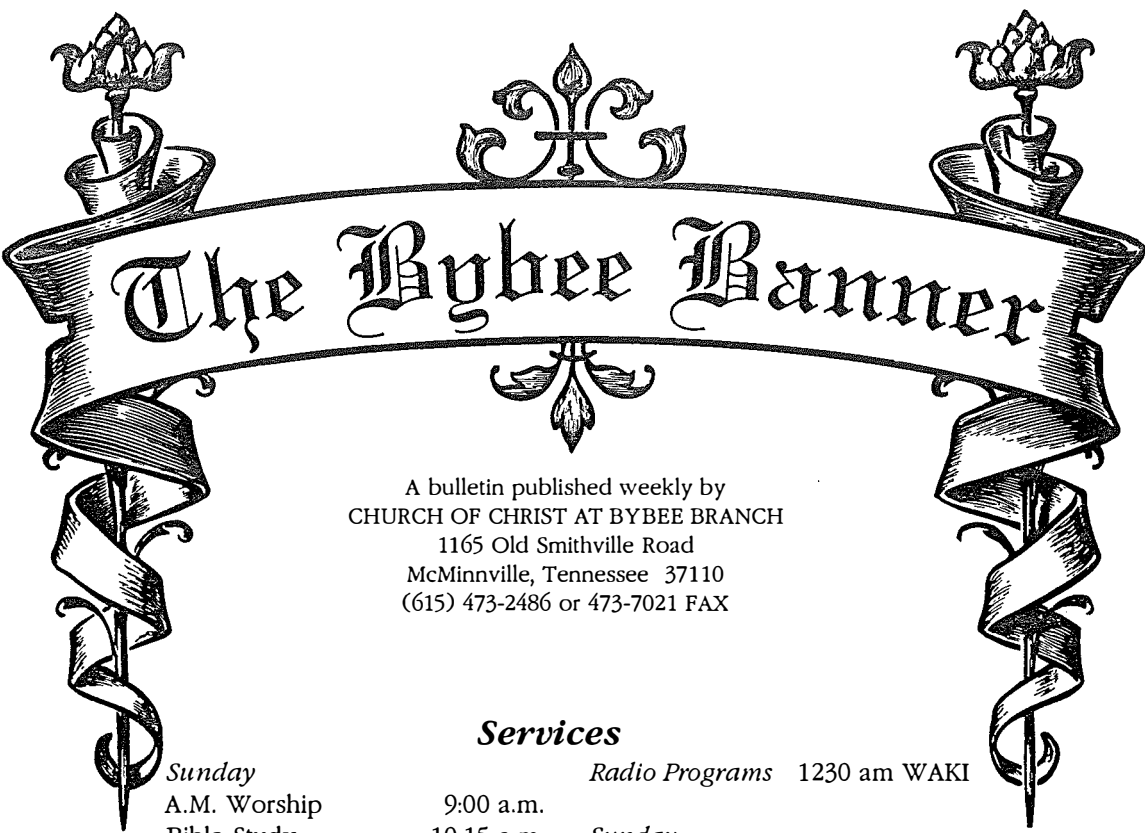
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A.M. Worship	291
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P.M. Worship	247
Wednesday Bible Study	185
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Stanley Graves	Willie Newby
Jim Slatton	

Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Katherine Bennett
Fate Cantrell
Edith Collins
Nelma Chilton
Hoyt Crouch
Stevie Clendenon (brother of Dana Roller; home from surgery)
Charlotte Plott

In The Hospital:

Clyde Christian-Riverpark
Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)-Druid City Hospital, Tuscaloosa, AL
Christian Barrett-Centennial Medical Center surgery Thursday

Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to several who have lost loved ones recently. We extend our sympathy to the passing of **Nettie Rigby** (sister of our **Dora Mullican**). Her funeral was last week. We also express our sympathy to the family of **George Wiseman** (grandfather of our **Judy Sullivan**). His funeral was also this past week. Our deepest expression of sympathy to the family of **Hazel Blankenship** (mother of our **Janice Foster** and grandmother of **Josh Foster**). Her funeral was Monday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Adding Christian Virtues #1
P.M. Adding Christian Virtues #2

Gospel Meetings

Morrison church of Christ, November 17-20, services at 7:00 p.m with Tom Holland speaking.

Bible Bowl

Congratulations to the congregations at Rome and Mt. Leo on taking first place at the Bible Bowl. Our young people came in second missing only three on a very good test. We were fortunate with 17 young people on our team. There were about 240 present in all.

The next Bible Bowl will be held at Mt. Leo on December 8. The test will cover the book of Ephesians 1-3.

Moving

Everett and Dot Green will be moving this week to Donelson to be nearer to their children. We wish them well as they move to their new home. Brother Green served with great distinction as a deacon here for many years. *"For those who have served well as deacons obtain for themselves a good standing and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus."* (1 Timothy 3:13, NKJV). Sister Green has also been a tremendous asset to the church helping in a number of ways. If you wish to contact them, their new address and phone will be:

Everett Green
2828 Glenoaks Dr.
Donelson, TN 37214-1606
(615) 874-8815

The elders, deacons and preacher have placed a set of books in the library in honor of brother Green. They are the *International Standard Bible Encyclopedia, Revised Edition*.



**Don't Try To Fit God Into Your Schedule
Fit Your Schedule Around God**

Raising A Stable Family In An Unstable World?

QUESTION: I see families breaking up and children at risk all around me. What can I do to assure the stability of my own family?

ANSWER: The Bible gives a great deal of information on how to raise a positive family in a negative world. Mom and Dad should both be Christians. God offers his blessing to those who are "In Christ," and willing to live the Christian life. If we are to receive the divine help necessary to raise a stable family we must be "In Christ." Eph. 1:3

Parents should pray for their children daily. Our children are being exposed to dangers and temptations that did not even exist just a few years ago. Your children need the protective power of your prayers. We should start praying for them even before they are born. 1 Thess. 5:17; 1 Sam. 1:10-11

Take your children to church for worship and Bible study. Don't send them, take them. At church each member will be encouraged to practice love and good deeds. Bible teaching received, at church, will help family members to live better lives and spend eternity with each other in heaven. Hebrews 10:24-25

The wrong friends can lead children into many sinful and destructive situations. What better place to see the example of godly parents and children modeled than in the Lord's church? 1 Cor. 15:33. Someday your children will marry and form families of their own. There is no better place to meet the right person than where Christians assemble. 2 Cor. 6:14

The Bible has the answers to how to raise a stable family in an unstable world.

~David E. Parks~

The Difference Between Missing And Forsaking

Missing or forsaking? One does not sin every time he *misses* the assembling of the church. He does when he *forsakes*.

To miss is to fail to be present. This failure to be present might be because one is ill, or he is obligated to minister to one who is ill. It could be because of some other unavoidable event. For instance, one might have an accident on the way to worship. One might be imprisoned unjustly.

To forsake is to abandon or to deliberately neglect that which is important. To forsake involves an act of the will. One who forsakes also misses. In fact, to forsake is to choose to miss! He should have assembled, he could have assembled, but he chose to do otherwise!

Is it true that most absences, when examined prove to be forsaking and not just missing?

You probably will experience a test of your own action by reading this. If your blood pressure rises and you yearn to "say something," it's a pretty good indication of forsaking. If otherwise, it could suggest missing. What was your diagnosis?

~copied from The Deaf Disciple, edited by Sam Hester~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Shannon Griffin
Scripture	Revelation 3:1,2
Lord's Table (N)	*Phillip Smith
(S)	*Jim Slatton
(N)	David Chilton
(N)	Leonard Crouch
(N)	Chip Cantrell
(S)	David McColloch
(S)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	Don Johnson
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Rodney Reynolds

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Eddie Palmer
Reading	Johnny Anderson
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*John Biddle
	Bob Mayfield
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Billy Gilbert

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7078) Danny Duncan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Lemmie Bratten
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	W.C. Chilton

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Marty Boles Family
P.M.	Jeff Flatt Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Lennie Ruth Kesey

Lock Building: Bob Bonner

Pantry Item: Sugar

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	323
Bible Study	220
P.M. Worship	211
Wednesday Bible Study	181
Contribution	\$4,195

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Rodney Reynolds	473-3570

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Stanley Graves	Willie Newby
Jim Slatton	

Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Katherine Bennett
Fate Cantrell
Edith Collins
Nelma Chilton
Hoyt Crouch
Christian Barrett
David Pendergraph (Donna Anderson's brother)
Clyde Christian

In The Hospital:

none known

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Spiritual Mortality
P.M. Basic Beliefs: Christian And Workplace

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The regularly scheduled Elders-Deacons Meeting will be this Sunday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. All elders and deacons are encouraged to be present.

Gospel Meetings

Morrison church of Christ, November 17-20, services at 7:00 p.m with Tom Holland speaking.

Singing

The *Main St. church of Christ* in Manchester will be having a singing this Friday evening, November. 22, at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.

Restored

We rejoiced Sunday evening when David and Iona King came forward to be restored and to express a desire to place membership.

Mary Had a Little Boy

Mary had a little boy, his soul was white as snow
He never went to Sunday School 'cause Mary wouldn't go.
He never heard the stories of Christ that thrill the childish mind;
While other children went to class, this child was left behind.
And as he grew from babe to youth, she saw to her dismay
A soul that once was white, become a dingy gray.
Realizing he was lost, she tried to win him back
But the soul that once was white had turned an ugly black.
She even started back to church, and Bible study too,
She even begged the preacher, "Isn't there a thing you can do?"
The preacher tried — failed, and said, "We're just too far behind."
I tried to tell you years ago, but you would pay no mind!
And so, another soul is lost, that once was quite white as snow.
Sunday School could have helped, but Mary wouldn't go!

~Submitted by a Christian mother
struggling with a precious soul~

Pray for our young parents — they need it as much as some of us who have already been there!

"Why Am I Here?"

Has your child ever tossed a "Mickey Mouse" back two rows during church services while you stared ahead, wishing you were invisible?

I remember, though I have tried to forget it, the time we attended services for the first time in a new town. We all dressed carefully and arrived to find a very large crowd. We sat next to a very dignified gentleman in a blue suit. The baby twisted and sat up and down. I was frustrated as we were near the front in the middle of the seat. I was proud of the Baby playing quietly with his bottle until he carefully pushed down the nipple and squirted the gentleman next to us. What could I do? Head for the nursery where I should have gone sooner?

You have probably heard the voice of your own young one in the pause of "Rock of Ages" sing out in off-key, "Jesus Loves Me." Surely you've heard in the interlude of announcements a little prayer in the loudest voice praying for the dog, cat, beloved turtle, etc.

Incidents such as these make one wonder, "Why am I here?" No sooner do you sit down than you're out to the nursery for the baby is cross. "Kent, take the penny out of your mouth." Take Joey out for a spanking, pick up the baby's toy 10 times before you decide "that's all." You want so much to keep your children quiet and not to distract others.

Everywhere there are Sharons with twin regular as clock work at every service. There are Bonnies and Peggys and Kays and Wilmas. They pick up toys, dry eyes, wipe noses, and bow heads. They swat, spank, scold, and wonder, "Oh, why am I here?" But they come. There is little they hear of many services. They creep in feeling conspicuous. They sometimes go home wondering how the sermon ended. But they have partaken of the Lord's Supper. They may not have sung with a song book, as Bobby would reach for it, but they sang and made melody in their hearts. They know that the same hand that threw "Mickey Mouse" so far may some day sow the seed of salvation.

Many times we wonder, we sit embarrassed, but always we are there. We have our moments of discouragement, hushing and corralling. Please pray for us. And next time you see a flying toy, catch it, and return it with a smile. Next time a young mother has to walk over you getting out, don't let it distract you. Let it encourage you, for there goes tomorrow's church. When you see a young mother, tell her you are glad SHE HAD HER FAMILY were there.

~Submitted by a Christian mother struggling with a precious soul~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Tim Fisher
Reading	Jeff Templeton
Scripture	I Peter 5:5-7
Lord's Table (N)	*Jeff Flatt
(S)	*Tommy Crouch
(N)	Edgar Webb
(N)	Ryan Kesey
(N)	Chris Jones
(S)	J.B. Gribble
(S)	Jeff Bond
(S)	Mark Lawrence
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Scott Griffith

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Dennis Gann
Reading	Tom McColloch
Scripture	Luke 1:1-4
Lord's Table	*Bob Bonner
	Lemmie Bratten
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Alan Collins

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2918) Jeff Flatt
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Jason Vandagriff
Invitation	Dale Bennett
Dismiss	Noel Pepper

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Don Sullivan Family
P.M.	Doug & Wanda Hendrixson

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Steve Boyd & Harold McGinness

Attend Nursery: Beth Pennington

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

Pantry Item: Pop-Tarts

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Jim Slatton	

Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (686-2117) Kurt Maynard

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Danny Duncan

Reading Marty Boles

Scripture Hebrews 9:27,28

Lord's Table (N) *Don Griffith

(S) *Steve Hillis

(N) Eugene Wilcher

(N) Derrick Pennington

(N) Lynn Gann

(S) Micah Lawrence

(S) Dickie Kesey

(S) Brandon McGinness

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Dale Bennett

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (686-2117) Kurt Maynard

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Doug Hendrixson

Reading Chad Graves

Scripture Matthew 7:28,29

Lord's Table *Jim Slatton

Steve Boyd

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Bill Womack

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-2918) Jeff Flatt

Lead Singing Phillip Smith

First Prayer Ronnie Rogers

Reading Frank Reynolds

Invitation Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Larry Flatt

Welcome Committee

A.M. Bob & Ada Mayfield

P.M. Winfrey & Dorothy Hennessee

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Ushers: Chris Jones & David Chilton

Attend Nursery: Janie Griffin

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

Pantry Item: Clothes Detergent

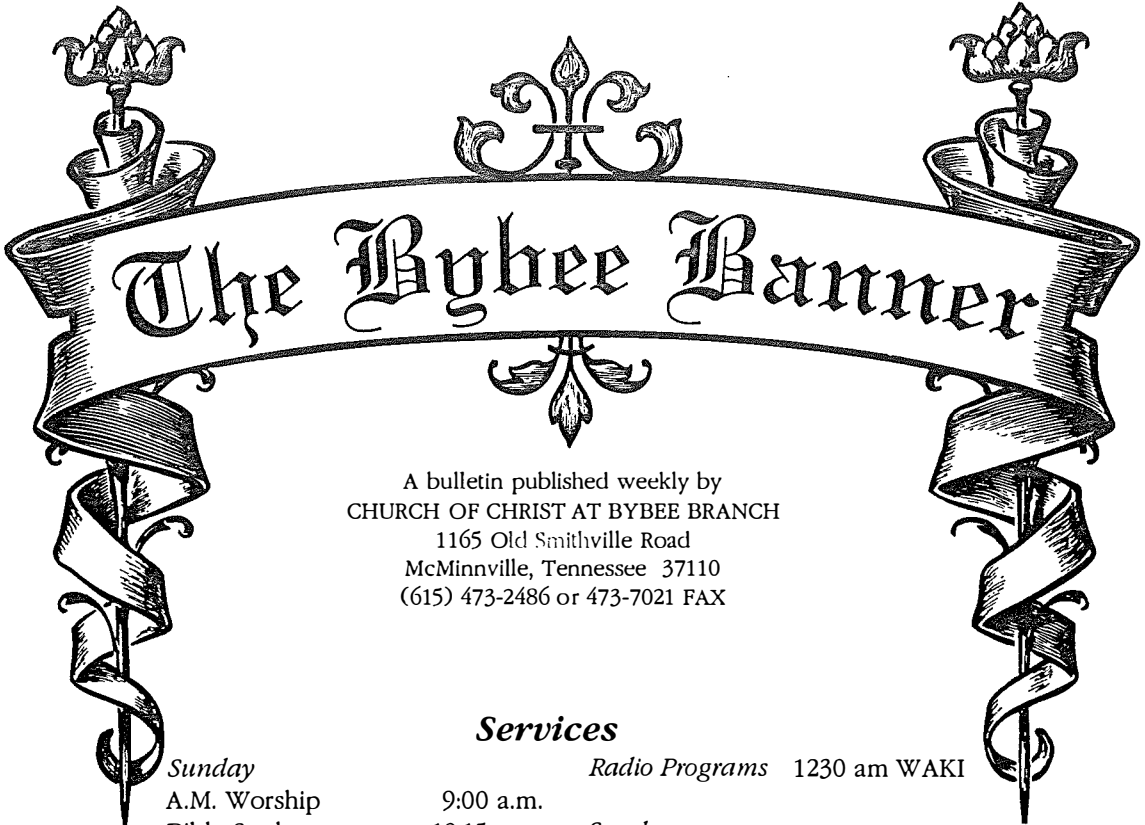
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Elders

Thurman Bennett	668-4648
Bob Bonner	473-6992
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Rodney Reynolds	473-3570

Deacons

Steve Boyd	W.C. Chilton
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Stanley Graves	Willie Newby
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Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Freda Womack
Clyde Christian

In The Hospital:

Fate Cantrell-Riverpark

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. After Death, What Then?
P.M. Lessons On Teaching From The Master Teacher

Sympathy

We want to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Clara DeWeese (sister of our Lemmie Bratten) who passed away this past week.

We also want to extend sympathy to the family of Mattie Turner (sister of Edith Cantrell & Fate Cantrell). She passed away this past Saturday.

Prepare Communion

There is a list on the bulletin board for those willing to prepare the communion for 1997. Those willing to serve in this good effort are asked to sign the list soon.

Bible Bowl

This month's Bible Bowl will be at Mt. Leo this coming Sunday, December 8, at 2:00 p.m. Our group will go together on the bus. We will leave at 1:30 p.m.

A study session and fellowship will be at the home of Steve and Carol Boyd on Saturday evening from 6:30 to 9:00. Bring \$2.00 for pizza.

Shut-ins

The church here has a number of our members that can no longer attend services. Some are shut-in temporarily, others are on a longer lasting basis. Please remember them at this time of year. Also, please let us know of updates as we do not intend to leave anyone off the list..

McMinnville Health Care:

Minnie Cooper
Carol Sue Taylor
Nettie Rigsby
Adina Rowland
Earlene Ray

McMinnville Boarding Home:

Nora Lee Griffith
Flossie Smartt

Raintree Health Care Center:

Flora Smith
Yuriko Biles

Woodbury Nursing Home

Marvin Crouch

Peachtree Manor (Smyrna)

Avis Pauline Taylor

Home:

Harold & Pearl Mitchell
Edith Cantrell
Rozelle Goodman
Catherine Flatt
Joe Maxwell
Edith Morrow
Bessie Parker
Brown Simpson
Irene Simpson
Magdalene Taylor
Belle Young
June Slatton

'Twas the Night Before Jesus Came

'Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house

Not a creature was praying, not one in the house.
Their Bibles were lain on the shelf without care
in hopes that Jesus would not come there.

The children were dressing to crawl into bed,
Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head.
And Mom in her rocker with baby on lap
Was watching the Late Show while I took a nap.

When out of the East there arose such a clatter,
I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash!

When what to my wondering eyes should appear
But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here.
With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray
I knew in a moment this must be The Day!

The light of His face made me cover my head
It was Jesus! Returning just like He had said.

And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth,
I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself.

In the Book of Life which He held in His hand
Was written the name of every saved man.
He spoke not a word as He searched for my name;
When He said "It's no there" my head hung in shame.

The people whose names had been written with love
He gathered to take to His Father above.
With those who were ready He rose without a sound
While all the rest were left standing around.

I fell to my knees, but it was too late;
I had waited too long and thus sealed my fate.
I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight;
Oh, if only I had been ready tonight.

In the words of this poem the meaning is clear;
The coming of Jesus is drawing near.
There's only one life and when comes the last call
We'll find that the Bible was true after all!

~1993 Bethany Farms, Carrollton, IL.~



Welcome

We rejoice to announce that Ryan and Tammie McKinney have placed their membership here at Bybee Branch. They live at 206C Vinewood Road, McMinnville. Their phone is 473-1595.

Also, the address for David and Iona King is 105 Franklin St., McMinnville. Their phone is 473-3838.

**Let us make every effort to be friendly and kind to our visitors.
We want to keep them coming back. If you see someone you don't
recognize, introduce yourself.**

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Steve Boyd
Scripture	Luke 22:15-20
Lord's Table (N)	*Ken Lee
(S)	*Chip Cantrell
(N)	Don Johnson
(N)	Bob Cantrell
(S)	Ralph Crouch
(S)	Brett Merritt
(S)	Eddie Palmer
(S)	Rodney Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Lemmie Bratten

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	Rodney Reynolds
Scripture	Galatians 5:22,24
Lord's Table	*Dennis Gann
	Billy Gilbert
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Leonard Crouch

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	((668-2918) Jeff Flatt
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Willie Newby
Reading	Scott Griffith
Invitation	Johnny Anderson
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

Welcome Committee

A.M.	David & Iona King
P.M.	Don & Susie Griffith

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Usbers: Mark Lawrence & Tommy Crouch

Attend Nursery: Sharla Hillis

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

Pantry Item: Any canned goods

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	323
Bible Study	226
P.M. Worship	202
Wednesday Bible Study	213
Contribution	\$3,633

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Stanley Graves	Willie Newby
Jim Slatton	

Preacher

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Sick

At Home:

Jason Vandagriff
Hunter Chilton
David McColloch

In The Hospital:

Fate Cantrell-Riverpark

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Great Memorials
P.M. A Fruitful Attitude

Sympathy

Several in the congregation have been touched by death recently. We extend our sympathy to the family of Vera Wilson (sister of Pearl Biddle). Her funeral was this past Saturday. We also extend our sympathy to the family of Everett Green who served many years here as a deacon. He passed away last Friday. Thomas Turner (cousin of June Crouch) was killed in an accident and his funeral was Monday in Manchester.

Prepare Communion

There is a list on the bulletin board for those willing to prepare the communion for 1997. Those willing to serve in this good effort are asked to sign the list soon. The months of July and November are left open.

Many thanks to all those who do this good work. You are appreciated even though no one may tell you!

Ladies Kitchen Clean

The ladies assigned to clean the kitchen for December are: Donna Newby & Cindy Rogers

Holiday Fellowship

Every year we have a holiday fellowship near the end of the year. This year we will have the fellowship on Sunday evening, December 22, following the evening services. As we have done in the past different ones are asked to bring different items. If your last name begins with the following letters you are asked to bring the listed items:

A-L 1 Dozen Sandwiches

M-P 2 Large bags of chips & dip

Q-Z Desserts

Check Your Books

We all borrow books from others and from the church library. Occasionally we forget to return them. Why not take some time and look at the books on your shelf and see if they belong to the church library and return the ones you are not using.

Bible Bowl Award Winner

Congratulations to our young people on placing first in this month's Bible Bowl. They tied with Mt. Leo for first place.

Parents you should be proud of your children. They are some first rate Bible students. The test for next month will cover the book of Ephesians 4-6.

Looking at What the Bible REALLY Says: The Birth of Christ

Many dedicated religious people are ignorant of the teaching of the Bible concerning the birth of Jesus Christ. They relate many fictitious tales connected with Jesus' birth and call them "Bible stories." Too much of what is being told is pure tradition and not founded upon the Word of God. The gospels of Matthew and Luke tell of different events connected with Christ's birth. Read these accounts in chronological order and notice these events:

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| 1. Birth of Jesus | Matt. 1:25; Lk. 2:1f |
| 2. Visit of Shepherds (same night) | Lk. 2:18-20 |
| 3. Jesus' Circumcision (8 days old) | Lk. 2:21 |
| 4. Jesus' Presentation (40 days after birth) | Lk. 2:22; Lev. 12:2 |
| 5. Visit of Wise Men | Matt. 2:1-12 |
| 6. Journey to Egypt | Matt. 2:13-15 |
| 7. Male Children Killed | Matt. 2:16-18 |
| 8. Return to Nazareth | Lk. 2:39; Matt. 2:19 |

Read these Bible events in that order. Pay close attention to the difference in the wise men and the shepherds. They are not the same. The shepherds visited the child Jesus the night of His birth since they were in the fields nearby. The magi or wise men traveled from the East and did not arrive until after the presentation in the temple which was at least 40 days after the birth. Christ was somewhere between 40 days old and two years old. The Bible does NOT say there were three wise men. We don't know how many. There could have been two men or many—it just says wise men. The wise men found Jesus IN A HOUSE (Matt. 2:11) instead of in the manger like the shepherds did.

~Selected~

Thoughts and Observations

Some church members are stand-byers and some are by-standers.

Beware of your spiritual condition when the most pleasing part of the service is the closing song and dismissal.

You quickly lose interest in the church if you have nothing invested.

A church is no more to be blamed for the bad people in it, than a hospital is to be blamed for the sick folk that are in it.

You will enjoy the service more if you do not sit in the seat of the scornful.

The Church is not a select circle for the elite, but a spiritual center for the elect.

(gathered from random sources)

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (686-2117) Kurt Maynard

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Johnny Anderson

Reading Billy Gilbert

Scripture II Corinthians 13:1-10

Lord's Table (N) *Larry Flatt

(S) *Bob Mayfield

(N) Shannon Griffin

(N) David McColloch

(S) Joe T. Cantrell

(S) Harry Felty

(S) Joey Reynolds

(S) Noel Pepper

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Clyde Christian

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (686-2117) Kurt Maynard

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Stanley Graves

Reading Chuck Medley

Scripture Matthew 2:1,2

Lord's Table *Phillip Smith

Bill Womack

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Jim Slatton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-2918) Jeff Flatt

Lead Singing Eddie Palmer

First Prayer Joe Collins

Reading Danny Duncan

Invitation John Biddle

Dismiss Derrick Pennington

Welcome Committee

A.M. Jason & Sonia Vandagriff

P.M. Rodney Maynard Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (668-8792)

Usbers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Judy Sullivan

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

Pantry Item: Potato Flakes

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	317
Bible Study	209
P.M. Worship	229
Wednesday Bible Study	206
Contribution	\$4,406

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Jeff Flatt Billy Gilbert

Stanley Graves Willie Newby

Jim Slatton

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473-8079

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At Home:

Fate Cantrell
Shirley Parker
Eugene Jones
Doc Mullican

In The Hospital:

none known

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Accomplishments & Failures 1996
P.M. Following A Star

Congratulations

Congratulations to Traci Franks for graduating from MTSU last week with a B.S. in Nursing. Traci is the daughter of Tamara & Marty Campbell and the late Terry Franks. She is also the grand daughter of Bill & Freda Womack.

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We look forward to a good turnout this year!

Scars Still Remain

As a father and his son completed building a new barn by hanging the door, they both remarked how nice, clean and unmarred it was.

The father challenged his son to use the barn door as sort of a record of his life and conduct — every time the boy did an evil thing he was to drive a nail into the door. When he corrected the wrong doing, or when he did a good deed, he was permitted to pull a nail out of the door.

This the son did for several years. Sometimes there were many nails in the door. At other times he was able to extract most of them. Finally, one day he said to his father: "I can not help but see that even if I am able to pull out all the nails, the scars of the nails still remain in the door."

And kindly the father replied, "Yes, my son; that's the way it is with life — we may be able to correct many of our misdeeds and even be forgiven them, but the scars will still remain.

"Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man (or boy) soweth, that shall he also reap." (Gal. 6:7) Yet how many think today they can defy ALMIGHTY GOD by misusing their bodies and abusing themselves with smoke, alcohol, drug, illicit sex, filthy pictures and reading material, immoral lives, etc. Remember there will be scars, scars you cannot forget or remove.

~Via Waymarks~

Self-Examination

Have you ever taken the time to examine yourself spiritually? Self-examination is something we do not like to do. We do not mind examining the lives of others, in fact, some probably enjoy spending most of their time in doing that very thing. Yet SELF-EXAMINATION is something that must be done. It is essential to our growth spiritually.

God wants us to grow in grace and knowledge (II Pet. 3:18). He demands we add the "Christian Graces" to our life (II Pet. 1:5-11). But, without self-examination we will not grow as we should. So as we examine our lives, we can determine what is needed and thereby make the necessary corrections.

It might prove to be interesting and profitable for us to take the time to look at ourselves and try to determine what kind of Christians we are.

The statements below might give you some insight to your condition spiritually.

ANSWER WITH A YES OR NO!

1. _____ I am concerned about the lost. Matt. 28:18-20; Mk. 16:15
2. _____ I am concerned about the spiritual well-being of other Christians. Gal. 6:1-2; Js. 5:19-20
3. _____ I am concerned about the physical needs of others. Gal. 6:10; Js. 1:27
4. _____ I really try to treat others as I would want them to treat me. Matt. 7:12
5. _____ I really try to refrain from speaking evil of others. Eph. 4:29
6. _____ I really try to follow after the example of Christ. I Pet. 2:21
7. _____ I really do love the Lord. Matt. 22:37
8. _____ I really try to put Christ and the Church first in my life. Matt. 6:33
9. _____ I am more concerned about spiritual things than the things of this world. Col. 3:13
10. _____ I study the Bible every day. II Tim. 2:15
11. _____ I pray every day. I Thess. 5:17
12. _____ I give as God has prospered me. I Cor. 16:2
13. _____ I really enjoy serving the Lord. I Cor. 15:58; Rom. 12:11
14. _____ I really enjoy worshipping God. Psalms 122:1
15. _____ I attend every service that I am able to attend. Heb. 10:25
16. _____ I can be counted on to teach ONLY what the Bible says. II Jno. 9-11
17. _____ I can be counted on to do whatever I can to help this congregation to grow. I Cor. 15:58

~Jerry W. Joseph~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	David Chilton
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table (N)	*Don Sullivan
(S)	*Willie Newby
(N)	Bob Bonner
(N)	Harley Northcutt
(N)	Ronnie Rogers
(S)	Joe Roller
(S)	John Stenbridge
(S)	Ronnie Prince
Sermon	Larry Vinson
Dismiss	Chuck Boles

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(473-6418) Chad Graves
Lead Singing	Alan Collins
First Prayer	Joey Reynolds
Reading	Matthew Young
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Doug Hendrixson
	Joe Collins
Sermon	Elders
Dismiss	Brandon McGinness

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9581) Willie Newby
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Eddie Palmer
Reading	Don Griffith
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Chuck Medley

Welcome Committee

A.M.	W.C. & Nelma Chilton
P.M.	John & Cora Stenbridge

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Usbers: Billy Gilbert & Scott Griffith

Attend Nursery: Regina Templeton

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

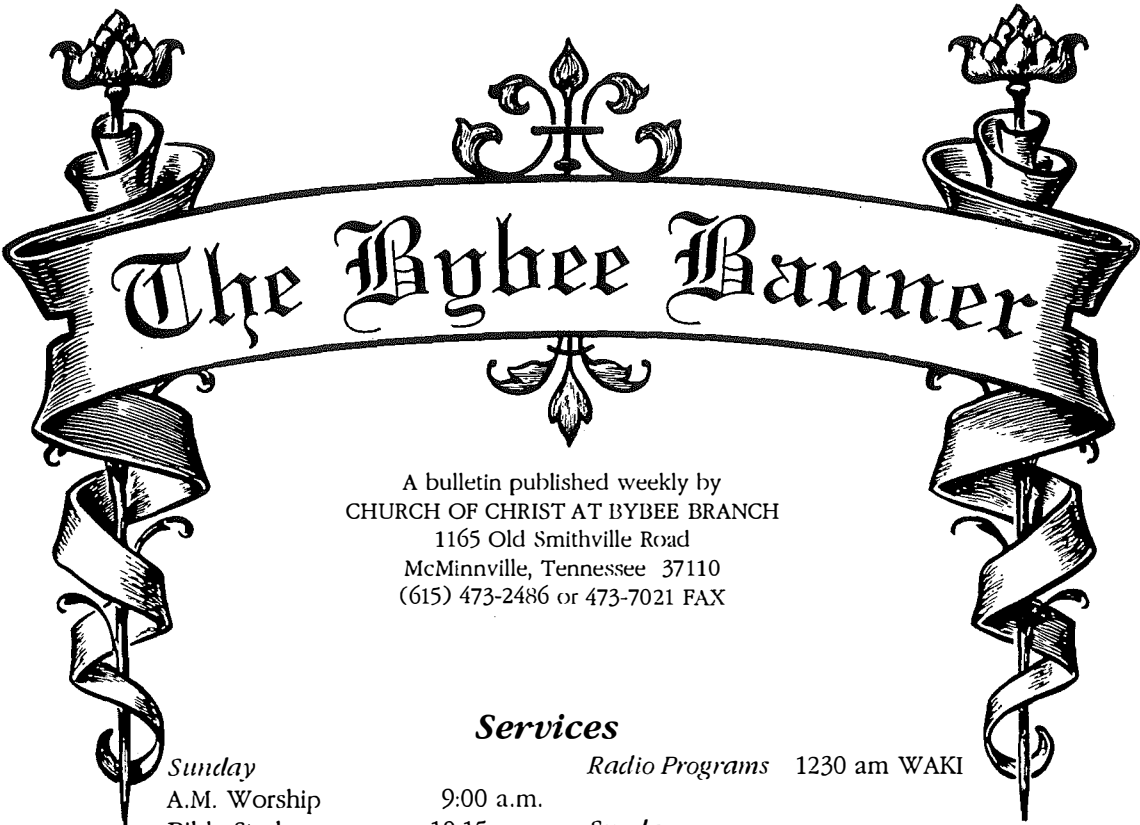
Pantry Item: Stuffing

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A.M. Worship	307
Bible Study	244
P.M. Worship	243
Wednesday Bible Study	167
Contribution	\$3,943

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Sick

At Home:
Fate Cantrell
Shirley Parker
Doc Mullican

In The Hospital:
none known

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Guest Speaker: Larry Vinson
P.M. Elders Present Budget & Lesson

Announcers & Ushers

Please check the bulletin board and see if you are scheduled to serve as an announcer or usher for 1997. If you have a conflict with the schedule please see Leonard Clemons soon.

Holiday Greetings

The Lawrence Family wish everyone a happy and safe holidays.

There is simply no way we can adequately express our thanks for all your kind words and wishes of good will. We also were humbled by your generous gift of \$320 Sunday evening.

Tony, Corretta, Mark & Micah

Sunday Morning Worship January 5, 1997	
Announcements	(473-8760) Dale Bennett
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Lemmie Bratten
Reading	Steve Boyd
Scripture	Romans 2:11-16
Lord's Table (N)	*Tim Fisher
(S)	*Rodney Reynolds
(N)	Buell Warren
(N)	Danny Duncan
(N)	Jason Vandagriff
(S)	Frank Reynolds
(S)	Steve Wilcher
(S)	Matthew Young
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Eddie Palmer

Sunday Evening Worship January 5, 1997	
Announcements	(473-8760) Dale Bennett
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Chip Cantrell
Reading	Larry Flatt
Scripture	Matthew 13:10-17
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee
	Chuck Boles
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Wednesday Bible Study January 8, 1997	
Announcements	(668-9581) Willie Newby
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Harold McGinness
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Derrick Pennington

Welcome Committee A.M.	Larry & Jane Flatt
Welcome Committee P.M.	Johnny Anderson Family
Bus Driver:	Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)
Ushers:	Kurt Maynard & Chad Graves
Attend Nursery:	Brenda Bratten
Lock Building:	Stanley Graves
Pantry Item:	Pop-tarts

January 1997

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			TOMMY & GAIL CROUCH Jason Vandagriff Teri Smith	TOM & PAM McCOLLOCH		Leonard Clemons Danny Duncan
			1	2	3	4
BUELL & FLOSSIE WARREN Jacob Griffin	Katherine Bennett Pat Boles		Eunice Simpson Sarah Pennington Dora Mullican	Paula Prater Patsy Reynolds	Traci Franks	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Lisa Chilton	Dot Hennessee Ethan Duncan Stephanie Maynard	FATE AND PEARLINE CANTRELL Kristi Patterson	Earlene Ray			JOHN & PEARL BIDDLE Scarlett Griffith Janie Griffin Lynn Gann
Bible Bowl Leoni at 2:00 bus leaves at 1:25 SHARP						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Lena Mai Gribble	Pam McColloch	TONY & CORRETTA LAWRENCE		Susie Griffith	RODNEY & PATSY REYNOLDS Bobby Cantrell Tom McColloch Jeff Templeton	Missy Biles
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Nora Lee Griffith MARTY & SHARON BOLES	Robert Mullican David Chilton	Shannon Griffin		Ronnie Prince	
26	27	28	29	30	31	