

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Tim Fisher
Reading	Bob Bonner
Scripture	Colossians 1:21-29
Lord's Table (N)	*W.C. Chilton
(S)	*Ronnie Rogers
(N)	Jeff Bond
(N)	Lee Gann
(N)	Jeremy Burks
(S)	Kevin Judkins
(S)	Steve Wilcher
(S)	John Stembridge
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Ricky Prince
Reading	Allen Hughes
Scripture	Matthew 4;12-17
Lord's Table	*Jim Slatton
	*Joe T. Cantrell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joey Reynolds

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Young Men
First Prayer	Noel Pepper
Reading	Eddie Palmer
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Bob & Ada Mayfield
P.M.	Don & Susie Griffith

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Bill Biles & Jeff Templeton

Attend Nursery: Glenda Faye Bell

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

Trash Pickup: Billy Gilbert

Cards & Pencils: Jeff Flatt

Pantry Item: Beef Stew

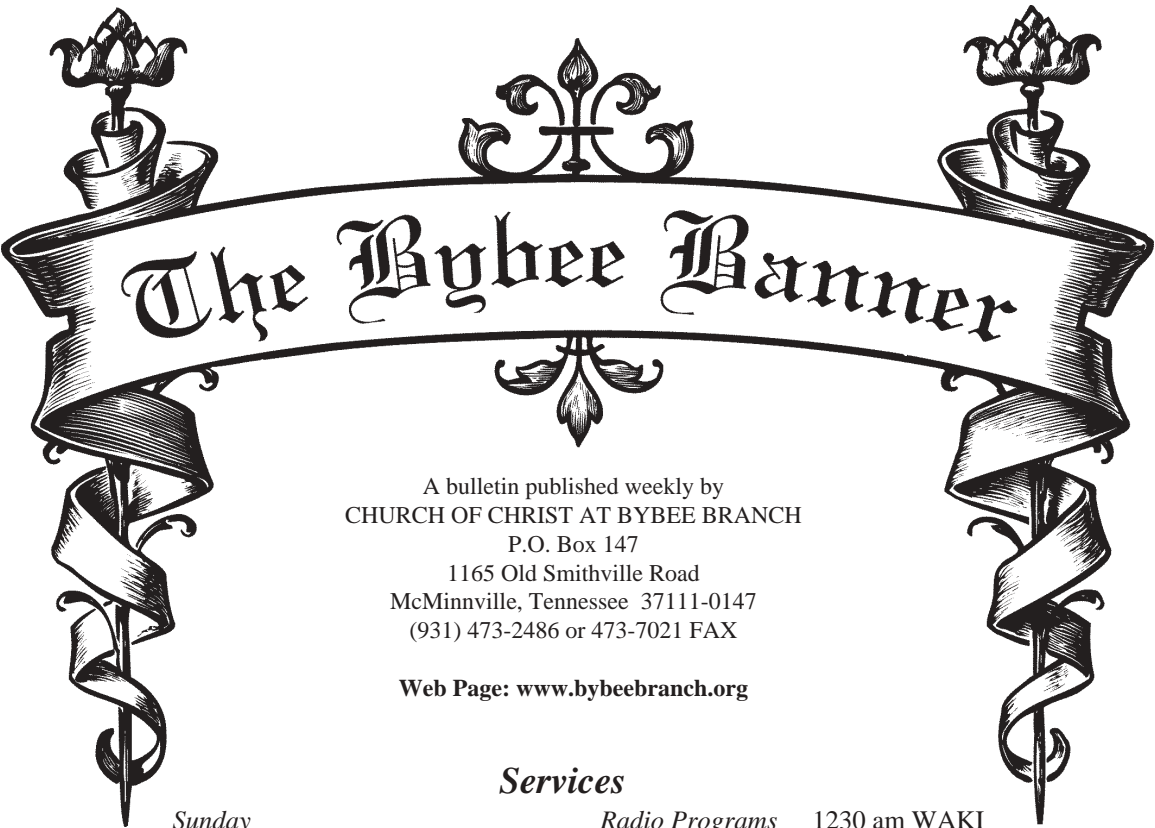
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	306
Bible Study	236
P.M. Worship	217
Wednesday Bible Study	179
Contribution	\$15,354

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Wednesday			
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Nona Martin)-Riverpark

Betty Hill-NHC-#109

Violet Webb-NHC-#115

Georgia Brooks (treatment in North Carolina)

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Flossie Smartt. She was a long time member at Bybee Branch and the grandmother of Judy Nussbaum. She passed away last Wednesday evening and her funeral was on Saturday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Preaching The Mystery

P.M. Significant Places & Events: Capernaum

Communion List

There remain three months on the sheet for those to prepare the Lord's Supper for 2002. If you would consider helping with this, please sign the list soon.

New Hispanic Building

The elders announced last week that a building has been purchased for the Iglesia de Cristo. It is located on Sparta Road adjacent to the Powers 4-Lane Market. It is an excellent building for this purpose. Those who desire to give something to help pay for this building, please see one of the elders. Pictures of the building will be included in the soon to be released Hispanic newsletter.

We've Come A Long Way

In 50 Years!

When I was born (in 1938) abortionist were sent to prison; pregnancy out of wedlock was thought of as scandalous; homosexuals were considered queer; pornography was despised as a sickness; marriage was sacred; living together was taboo; divorce was a disgrace; homemaking was honored and day care was provided by mothers in their homes; ladies did not smoke or curse; houses or autos were never locked; a man's word was his honor; drugs were something you bought at a pharmacy (or drug store); popular music was devoid of demonic beats and words.

Eastern religion was still in the East; child abuse was almost unheard of; schools were in the neighborhood and students prayed and read their Bibles; high school graduates could read their diplomas; creation could still be taught as an alternative to evolution; our government –local, state, and national –still promoted biblical values rather than lotteries, etc.; Christian teaching focused on sacrificing for Christ rather than confessing materialistic success; governmental authority was respected; police were held in high esteem; socialism and communism were considered a curse; social security was a job; and living on welfare was a disgrace.

As the television advertisement puts it, “We’ve come a long way, baby!” We have, and most of it has been in the wrong direction.

~Author Unknown~

January 2002						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		TOMMY & GAIL CROUCH Jason Vandagriff Teri Smith	TOM & PAM McCOLLOCH		Leonard Clemons Danny Duncan Kraig Campbell	BUELL & FLOSSIE WARREN Jacob Griffin Dillon Napier
		1	2	3	4	5
Pat Boles Kendra Napier		Eunice Simpson Sarah Pennington Dora Mullican	Paula Prater Patsy Reynolds		Talissa Pelham	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Dorothy Hennessee Ethan Duncan Stephanie Maynard Ollis Loftis Bible Bowl at East End 2:00 pm	Alicia Driver DAVID & IONA KING School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Pam McColloch Jackie Pelham	TONY & CORRETTA LAWRENCE		Susie Griffith	RODNEY & PATSY REYNOLDS Bobby Cantrell Tom McColloch Jeff Templeton	Missy Biles	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
MARTY & SHARON BOLES Leah Pack Jared Mullican	David Chilton RICKEY & MAGGIE HURST School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo	Shannon Griffin		Ronnie Prince		

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Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Dennis Gann
Scripture	Colossians 2:4-8
Lord's Table (N)	*Frank Reynolds
(S)	*Ken Martin
(N)	Harold McGinness
(N)	Bran Merritt
(N)	Joe Maynard
(S)	Don Johnson
(S)	Blake Sadlon
(S)	Jason Vandagriff
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Mark Lawrence

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Joe Collins
Reading	Micah Lawrence
Scripture	Matthew 4;12-17
Lord's Table	*Mike Driver
	*David Chilton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Steve Boyd
Reading	Chip Cantrell
Invitation	Chuck Medley
Dismiss	Bruce Pryor

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Rickey Hurst Family
P.M.	Teresa Atnip & Girls

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Pantry Item: Any kind of soup

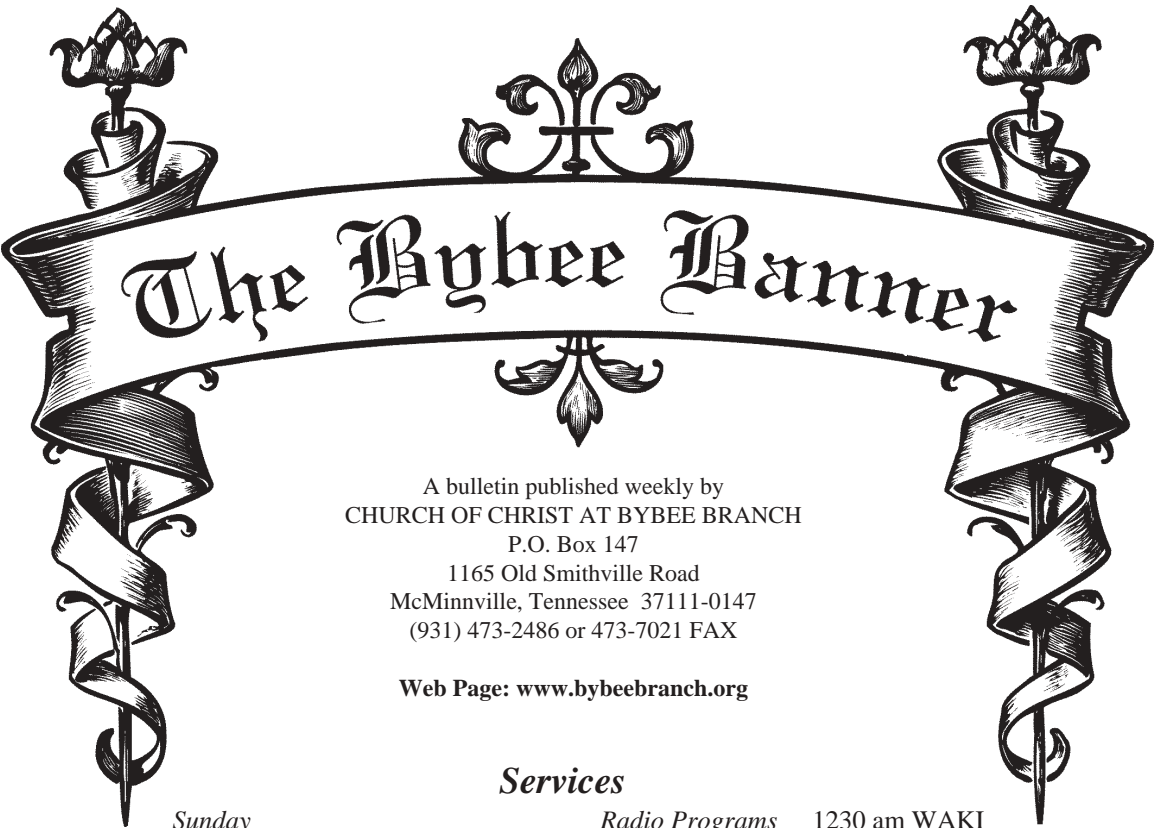
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Bible Study	Canceled due to SNOW
P.M. Worship	Canceled due to SNOW
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Bernice Fults-St. Thomas

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Persuasive False Philosophy
P.M. Significant Places & Events: Capernaum

Bible Bowl

My first mistake in the bulletin for 2002 was the location of the Bible Bowl for January. It will be at New Union (not East End as on the calendar published in the last bulletin).

The bus will leave the building at 1:20 SHARP to go to New Union for the Bible Bowl. A study session will be held this Saturday evening from 5:00 to 8:00 at the home of Jeff & Mary Flatt.

Spring Youth Retreat

There will be a meeting Sunday evening following services for those interested in the Spring Youth Retreat. If you have any questions, see Steve Hillis.

Visitation Teams

The visitation teams have been reorganized and will be published in next week’s bulletin. It was decide to run the article by brother Jerry Martin due to its timeliness. In the mean time you can pick up a copy of the new teams on the table in the foyer. If you have any questions you can see brother Joe Collins.

Shut-ins

NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care):
Jane Golden
Lena Mai Gribble
Betty Hill
Houston Stiles
Carol Sue Taylor
Violet Webb

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):
Bertha Stewart

Raintree Health Care Center:
Edith Cantrell

McMinnville Boarding Home
Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother)
Dora Mai Wilcher

Graceful Boarding Home
Pearl Mitchell

Hillcrest Health Care:
Edith Collins

Norcliff Life Care Center
85 Main St. N
Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada
Stanley McNery (905) 768-4612

Home:
Vada Campbell
Carolyn Cantrell
Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)
Rozelle Goodman
Greg Grizzell
Willene Kell
Bessie Parker
Robbie Vandagriff

The Tremendous Cost Of Freedom
(A tribute to Johnny Michael Spann)
By Jerry L. Martin

To say I was stunned would be a great understatement in describing my feeling when I saw Johnny Michael Spann’s picture flash across the TV screen as the first America combat casualty in the war in Afghanistan. The

picture on the screen was one from his high school days so I recognized him right away, but my mind refused to allow me to connect him to the horrible news being reported. I know that from the beginning of our nation our freedom has been paid for with the lives of those willing to lay them down for us. I also know that the loss of any life is tragic and causes sadness and pain. I would have been grieved by the news of the loss of any American but this was someone I knew personally. I kept thinking, “it can’t be the young man I knew as Michael, maybe there is some mistake.” You see, I not only knew Michael from the time he was twelve years old but I know his mother and father, his grandparents, his aunt and uncles and extended family. They were all members of the Guin Church of Christ in Guin, Alabama when my family and I moved there in 1981. I just didn’t want to imagine this family having to deal with such a loss. While I remained in front of the TV, still in my denial, the network said they had some breaking news and then there was the inescapable reality... Johnny Spann, Michael’s father, acknowledging to the world the latest installment for freedom had indeed been paid with the life of his only son. While I stared into the eyes of a father pained with loss, yet proudly focused on “Mike’s” life that was committed to keeping his country free, my mind was flooded with memories of past years with this Christian family and I wept for them.

In explaining why Michael was in the CIA and why he was willing to put himself in harms way his father said, “We recall him saying, ‘someone has got to do what no one else wants to do.’” That is exactly what he was doing in Afghanistan. His favorite words to me were, ‘This is the right thing to do, Daddy’ ... Mike was always like that.” Michael’s deep convictions and commitment no doubt came from what he was taught by his family as they committed themselves to serving the Lord. Michael’s father, Johnny, for many years was a deacon and song leader for the congregation in Guin, Alabama before starting his own real estate company seven miles down the road in Winfield. Johnny was an outstanding song leader and he taught a song leading class for the young men of the congregation. One of the songs he would often lead expresses the same kind of spiritual commitment and sacrifice to the Lord that Michael obviously was willing to make for our physical freedom. The song is

entitled Follow Me. Please look with me at the words of the final stanza:

“Oh, Jesus if I die upon a foreign field some day,
T’would be no more than love demands no less could
I repay,
“No greater love hath mortal man than for a friend
to die”
These are the words He gently spoke to me,
“If just a cup of water I place within your hand
Then just a cup of water is all that I demand,
But if by death to living they can thy glory see,
I’ll take my cross and follow close to thee.”

When I rehearse the words of that last stanza I think I know why “Mike was always like that!’ He was taught to be like that.

The spiritual freedom we enjoy as Christians cost Jesus His life. The freedom we enjoy as American citizens cost Johnny Michael Spann his life. We express our gratitude and pay the greatest tribute to Jesus Christ by sharing the message of spiritual freedom to a world under the oppression of sin. We can express our gratitude and pay tribute to Michael and all the others who “do what no one else wants to do” by using our citizenship of freedom to introduce the world to the One who can truly set us free (John 8:31-36). For us to do anything less would be to squander our freedom away and be guilty of the rankest ingratitude. Those who do not cherish and use their freedom have no advantage over those who have no freedom.

My family and I express our deepest sympathy to Michael’s parents, Johnny and Gail Spann, Michael’s wife, Shannon, his children, sisters and the entire Spain family. May “the peace of God that passeth all understanding” keep their hearts and minds through Christ Jesus (Phil. 4:7). We also express our sincere gratitude for the tremendous sacrifice made by Michael and his family for our freedom. May each of us use our freedom to share the gospel with the world for, “it’s the right thing to do.”

(Micahael’s parents’ address: Johnny and Gail Spann,
P.O. Box 308, Winfield, AL 35594)

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Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Bob Mayfield
Reading	Jeff Flatt
Scripture	Colossians 2:14-17
Lord's Table (N)	*Chuck Boles
(S)	*Rickey Hurst
(N)	Asa Kell
(N)	Marc Martin
(N)	Buell Warren
(S)	Lynn Gann
(S)	Rodney Maynard
(S)	Joe Roller
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Calvin Rogers

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	David McColloch
Scripture	Acts 8:40
Lord's Table	*W.C. Chilton
	*Willie Newby
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Hillis

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Marty Boles
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Bonner

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A.M.	Leonard & June Crouch
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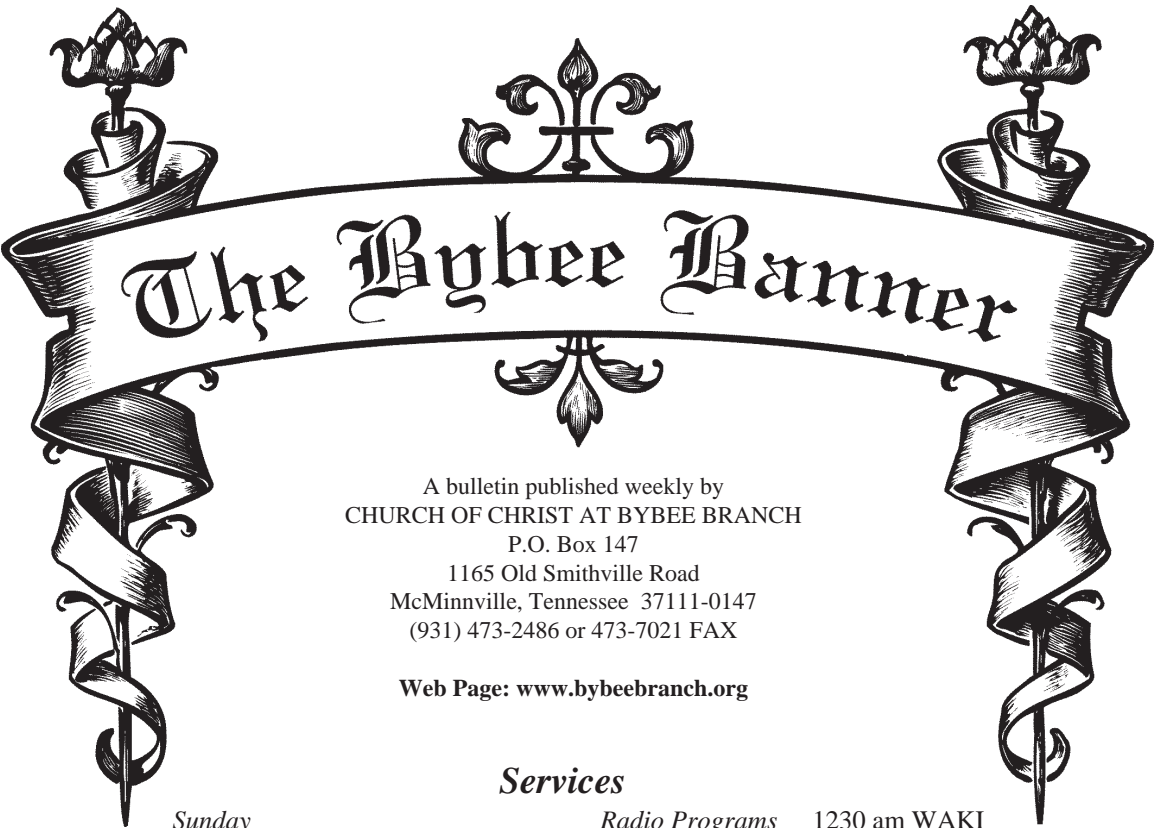
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P.M. Worship	254
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Greg Grizzell
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Clyde Christian-Riverpark #204
Dora Mae Wilcher-Riverpark #203

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Don't Go Back
P.M. Significant Places & Events: Caesarea

Responses

On Sunday evening four precious souls responded to the Lord's invitation to ask for the prayers of the congregation. Paul Hurst, Sarah Beth Hurst, Cody Brady and Dale Bennett came forward. We are truly thankful for the great example and dedication of these four.

T.A.B.S

The TABS program will be this coming Sunday evening at the Wilson Avenue congregation in Tullahoma. The theme for the year is "Not Of This World" and the lesson for Sunday night will be "Our Help Is Not Of This World." The group will leave the church parking lot at 5:00 pm.

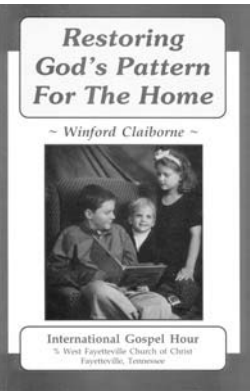
Newsletters

The Hispanic Newsletter is finished waiting to be printed and the Thai Newsletter will be finished this week. Look for them on the table in the foyer or they are available at www.beebranch.org

Bible Bowl

There was a tremendous turnout this past Sunday at the New Union congregation for the Bible Bowl. There were 395 plus in attendance. As usual, there were so many who did so well! Congratulations again to the young people from Rome for taking first place missing 0 on the test. Our young people were right behind them taking second place missing only 1. Coming in third were the congregations at New Union and Mt. Leo missing 3. In fourth place was the group from Smyrna missing 4.

Our parents and teachers of these young people also deserve a commendation for doing such an excellent job of rearing some great children who truly study their Bibles. Next month will be at East End on February 10, and the test will cover the book of Philippians.



International Gospel Hour

As many of you know, brother Winford Claiborne who speaks on our Sunday Morning radio program is also the speaker for the International Gospel Hour. This program reaches all over the United States carrying the Gospel to thousands of interested souls. Brother Claiborne has written a new book "Restoring God's Pattern For The Home." All of the proceeds of this book go back into preaching the Gospel. It is an excellent book and would be a great addition to your library, or the library of any married or to be married couple. If you desire one of these, I have a case of these in my office. Not only would you be helping yourself, you would be helping carry the Gospel into all the world. If you have \$10 you can get a copy.

Visitation Teams (January-June 2002)

Team 1 - First Sunday

*Ricky & Rita Prince	Calvin & Nancy Rogers
Jeff & Mary Flatt	Leonard & Avie Clemons
Ricky & Maggie Hurst	Angie Caldwell
Doris Smith	Joe & Marsha Collins

Team 2 - Second Sunday

*Rickey & Lisa Burks	Larry & Jane Flatt
Rodney & Patsy Reynolds	Dot Foster
Elaine Goodman	Helen Morgan
Lucille Newby	Don & Susie Griffith
Don & Judy Sullivan	

Team 3 - Third Sunday

*Kurt & Stephanie Maynard	Bruce & Susan Pryor
Greg Grizzell	John & Pearl Biddle
Joe & Becky Maynard	Lynette Maynard
Denice Reynolds	Debbie Glenn
Tony & Corretta Lawrence	Ronnie & Cindy Rogers

Team 4 - Fourth Sunday

*Jason & Sonia Vandagriff	Mary Davis
Linda Cantrell	Woodrow & Mildred Glenn
Doug Hendrixson & Missy Biles	Bob & Ada Mayfield
W.C. & Nelma Chilton	Ken & Nona Martin
Mike & Sharon Driver	

*Denotes Team Leader

Internet Resources of Christian Growth

The Internet is a tool that can be used to spread the Gospel just like the television. One new area that is available is the INTERNET SCHOOL OF PREACHING & CHRISTIAN GROWTH. This site is available for Christians to take courses over the Internet. If you are interested in this you can go to <http://www.TheBible.net/ISOP/> or you can go the links page at www.beebranch.org and follow the link there.

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First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Don Griffith
Scripture	Colossians 2:20-23
Lord's Table (N)	*Steve Boyd
(S)	*Rickey Burks
(N)	Tom McColloch
(N)	Ben Biles
(N)	Barry Hendrixson
(S)	George Trail
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Abram Pryor
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Brett Merritt

Sunday Evening Worship

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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Billy Gilbert
Reading	Kelly Thaxton
Scripture	I Kings 18:18-21
Lord's Table	*Chip Cantrell
	*Joe Collins
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

Wednesday Bible Study

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Lead Singing	Rickey Hurst
First Prayer	Tyler Boyd
Reading	Jeff Templeton
Invitation	Steve Boyd
Dismiss	Bill Biles

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Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

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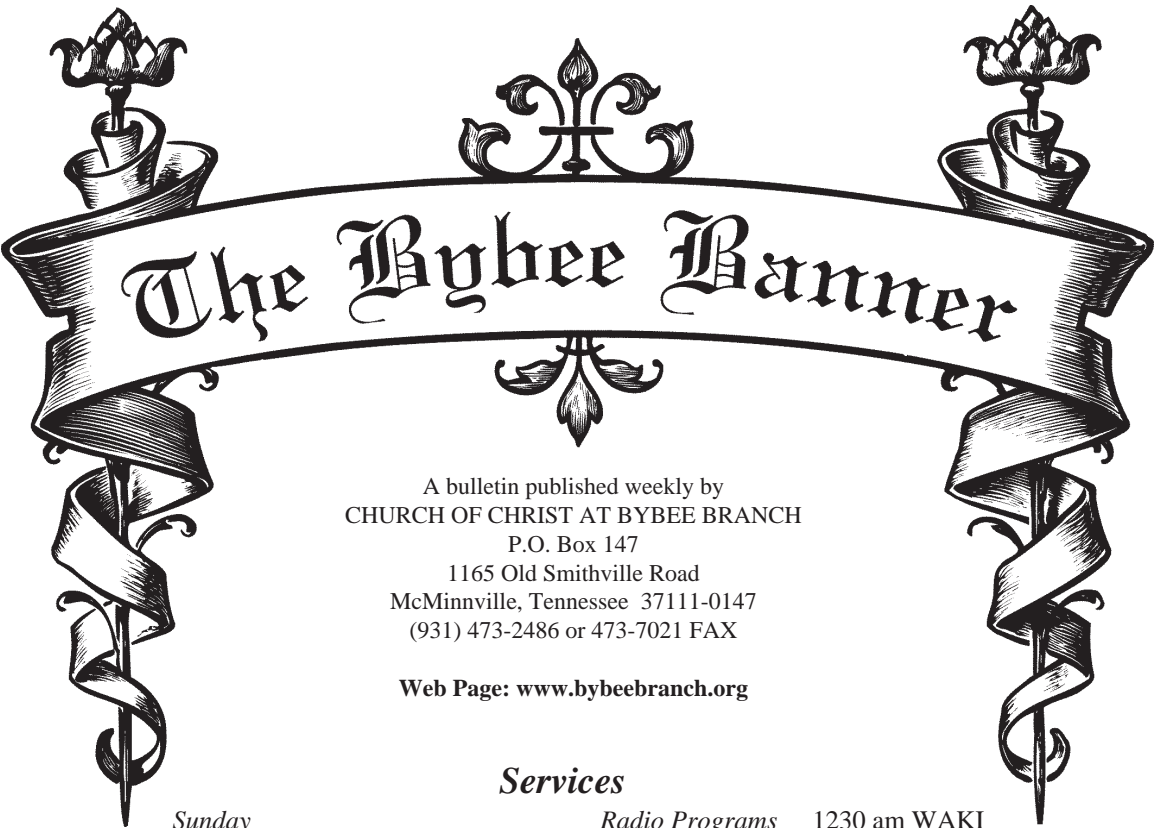
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- Eugene Jones
- Sherry Pelham
- Bernice Fults
- Greg Grizzell
- Barbara King
- Don Gribble (brother of Jane Flatt)-prostrate surgery on February 5
- Clyde Christian-following stay in hospital
- Emma Jean Hice-following stay in hospital
- Roberta Parmley-recovering from a fall
- Doris Wilcher-flu
- Delanie Sullivan-CT scan on Wednesday for tests
- Dora Mae Wilcher-following stay in hospital

In The Hospital:

- Leonard Crouch-St. Thomas
- Georgia Brooks (treatment in North Carolina)
- Nettie Clemons (Leonard’s mother)-Riverpark #225 with pneumonia
- Martha Maxwell-moved to McMinnville Residential Care Center

As the above list shows we have a number of people that have been and remain ill, others are suffering from the flu that perhaps are not on the list. Please keep all of these in your prayers and if you know someone who was *unintentionally* left off the list, please call the office to let us know.

Sunday’s Sermons

- A.M. A Self-Imposed Religion
- P.M. Significant Places & Events: Mt. Carmel

General Business Meeting

The regularly scheduled quarterly men’s General Business Meeting will be conducted this coming Sunday evening following services. All men of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

January 22, 1973 A Day That Will Live In Infamy!

There are several days in the history of these United States that are significant for the tremendous loss of life. It was Franklin D. Roosevelt’s famous War address when he said, “Yesterday, Dec. 7, 1941 - a date which will live in infamy - the United States of America was suddenly and deliberately attacked by naval and air forces of the Empire of Japan.” It was a shock to the people of our country for it represented a horrendous loss of life. And, fresh in the minds of us all is September 11, 2001 when the evil workers of the religion of Islam perpetrated a vicious attack on the United States by crashing planes into the World Trade Center in New York City and into the Pentagon in Washington DC. Again, it was a shock to our country due to the senseless taking of human life.

Another date that represents an even more hideous event was January 22, 1973. It represents the landmark decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Roe v. Wade legalizing abortion. In this instance there were not just thousands to die but millions! It was not just soldiers and workers for government that died, but pure innocent unborn babies. This wanton lack of respect for life parallels the callous and heartless condemnation of Herod. “*Then Herod, when he saw that he was deceived by the wise men, was exceedingly angry; and he sent forth and put to death all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its districts, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had determined from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying: “A voice was heard in Ramah, Lamentation, weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, Refusing to be comforted, Because they are no more.”” Matthew 2:16-18, NKJV.* What is so sad is that this event was not inflicted by a hostile nation or group but by the selfish, pleasure-loving promiscuous society. May God grant our nation time to repent of this great evil!

~Tony Lawrence~

Seasoned Speech

The story is told of two preachers trying out for the same preaching job in a certain congregation. On one Sunday, one of the preachers came and preached a sermon of hell and how many of this particular congregation would go there if they did not “straighten up and fly right.” On the very next Sunday, the other preacher came, and in like manner, preached a sermon on hell and how many of this particular congregation would go there if they did not change their ways. Both of these men preached on hell and both did a very fine job; but the later of the two was chosen for the job. The other preacher who was not chosen asked the leaders in this certain congregation why they had chosen the one man over him. They replied, “Both of you preached a great sermon on hell, but you seemed to be glad we were going to hell, while the other preacher seemed sad we were headed that direction.”

Both of these preachers proclaimed the same message – both preached truth, but both were received differently. I am sure we all realize that we can mean to say one thing, but it can be taken to mean something else by the way it is said. For example, I could tell my sweet wife, “Honey, when I look at you time stands still.” My wife would be very appreciative of such a comment. But what if I said the same thing in this fashion, “Honey, you’ve got a face that would stop a clock.” Needless to say, my wife would not be pleased with such a statement. The message in the two statements is very similar, yet, for one statement I would be hugged and for the other I would be “clobbered!”

Consider seriously these words of the apostle Paul, “*Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer each one*” (Col. 4:6). This exhortation instructs us in two vital areas in our communication with one another.

In the first place, as we communicate with one another our speech must “*be always with grace.*” In other words, anytime we desire to successfully communicate to one another we should be kind, gracious, and courteous. If we are mean spirited and vicious in our conversation we will likely not accomplish the desired result. To have speech full of grace is to show forth the principles of Christianity and our genuine piety of heart that will in turn make us mild, courteous, agreeable and polite in our conversation with one another.

Paul also says that our speech should be “*seasoned with salt.*” Food, when seasoned with salt, becomes pleasant and palatable for our partaking. Likewise, our speech should be arranged in such a way so as not to be unpleasant, course or unwholesome. It is important for us, then, to realize that we should want to say things in a way that will do the most good. We need give more serious thought to our words.

Paul also said “*Let no corrupt speech proceed out of your mouth, but such as is good for edifying as the need may be, that it may give grace to them that hear*” (Eph. 4:29). One “sure fire” way to help us know what and how to say something is to consider whether or not what we are saying will edify. Paul tells us that the main purpose behind our ability to communicate is to uplift and encourage one another. Therefore, how we say something is very important in getting our desired message across to one another.

In religion, or in any thing for that matter, speaking the truth is a must! But we must also realize that many will not listen or will be “turned off” because of our speech not being “seasoned with salt.” May be never, Never, NEVER compromise the truth, but may we never, Never, NEVER speak until we consider the best way something should be said. That is, “*know how ye ought to answer every man.*”

~Tom Moore~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Eddie Palmer
Reading	Noel Pepper
Scripture	Colossians 3:1-4
Lord's Table (N)	*Tommy Crouch
(S)	*Danny Duncan
(N)	Dickie Kesey
(N)	Shane Fisher
(N)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	Carl Roberts
(S)	Tyler Boyd
(S)	Kraig Campbell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Caleb Graves

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Ricky Prince
Reading	Kevin Judkins
Scripture	2Chronicles 35:20-27
Lord's Table	*Bruce Pryor
	*Frank Reynolds
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	W.C. Chilton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-1242) Rickey Hurst
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Zollie Settles
Reading	Joey Reynolds
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Mayfield

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Shannon Griffin Family
P.M.	Rickey Burks Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

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Attend Nursery: Pat Boles

Lock Building: Tom McColloch

Trash Pickup: Stanley Graves

Cards & Pencils: Billy Gilbert

Pantry Item: Salad Dressing

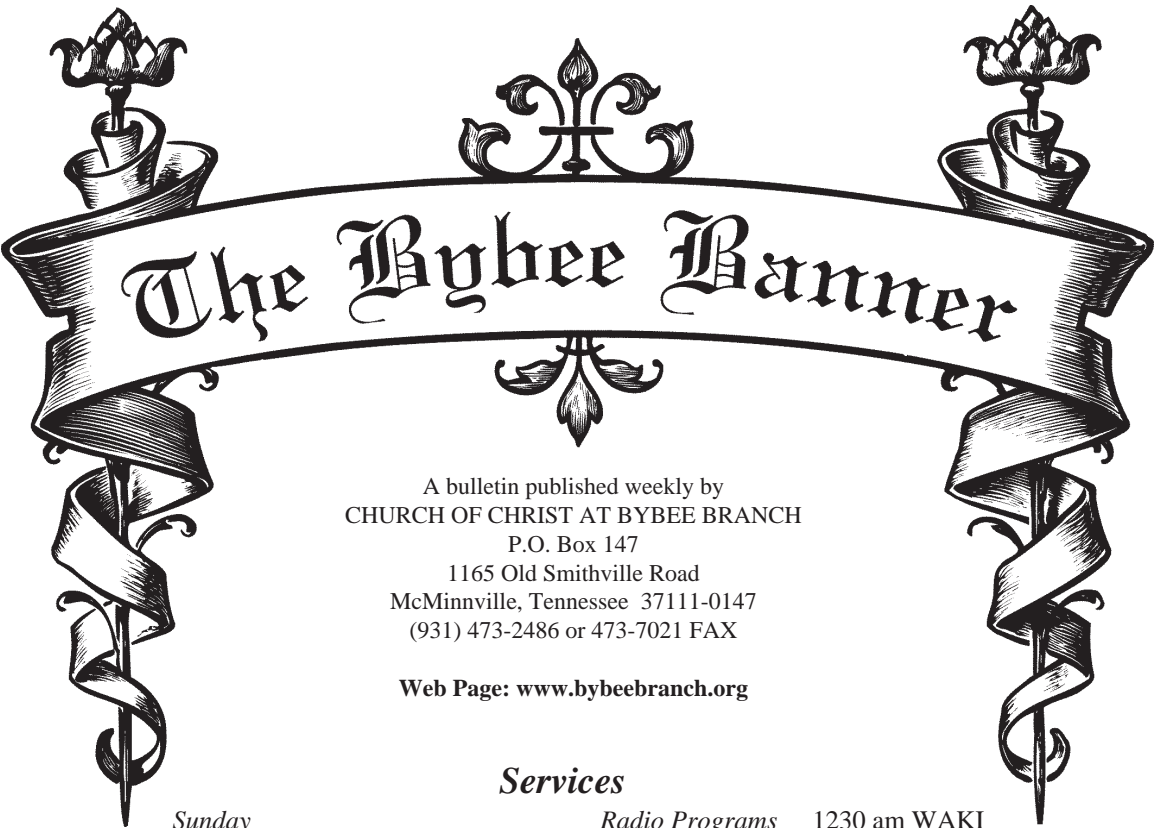
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A.M. Worship	307
Bible Study	246
P.M. Worship	237
Wednesday Bible Study	156
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Sick

At Home:
Sherry Pelham
Bernice Fults
Greg Grizzell
Ronnie Prince
C.J. Rogers
Don Gribble (brother of Jane Flatt)-prostrate surgery on February 5
Clyde Christian-following stay in hospital
Emma Jean Hice-following stay in hospital
Roberta Parmley-recovering from a fall
Leonard Crouch-following stay in hospital
Nettie Clemons (Leonard's mother)-following hospital stay for pneumonia
Dora Mae Wilcher-following stay in hospital

In The Hospital:
Georgia Brooks (treatment in North Carolina)
Barbara King-St Thomas Special Care #268
Mildred Gambrell-Riverpark (but expecting to be transferred to Nashville)

We are also glad to report that Delanie Sullivan's CT Scan test was normal.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Thinking On A Higher Level
P.M. Significant Places & Events: Megiddo

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Clyde Hale, Jr., nephew of Dorothy Hennessee and cousin of Teresa Gann. He was killed in a head-on car accident in Leesville, LA. At this time his wife is in critical condition.

Youth Activities

Those interested in going on the Spring Youth Retreat and Makin' Music Trip at Freed-Hardeman need to sign the sheets in the foyer. This Sunday will be the cutoff date for Makin' Music and you will need to pay your deposit. See Steve Hillis for more details.

Some Thoughts On Giving

Still, as of old, man by himself is priced. In a very real sense, Judas sold himself, not Christ.

A Christian once prayed, "Father, help me to have the strength to give ten percent of my income until I learn to give as I have been prospered.

It is easy to lose interest in the church when we have so little invested in it.

The lad who gave all his loaves and fishes did not have to do without his supper.

Giving is not just a way of raising money! It is God's way of raising men!

It's easy to know when to stop giving to the Lord—just give until He stops giving to you.

If a man must go to jail for robbing another man, where should a man go who robs God?

SEND THE GOSPEL. Take away the dollar sign and see what's left!

You cannot out give God! Have you ever tried?

An average of 3% giving will never enable the Gospel to be preached to 100% of the world.

There is not anything more UNLIKE God than selfishness.

When we spend our money for any purpose, we are lending ourselves to that purpose.

~copied from The Chapman Challenger~
1/23/02

February 2002

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

Sunday Morning Worship

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

(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Leonard Clemons
Doug Hendrixson
Shannon Griffin
Colossians 3:5-11
*Chip Cantrell
*Mike Driver
John Nussbaum
Chris Burks
Eric Fisher
Ryan Kesey
J.B. Gribble
Marty Boles
Tony Lawrence
Hoyt Crouch

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Scripture
Lord's Table

Sermon
Dismiss

(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Leonard Clemons
Kurt Maynard
Bob Cantrell
Mark 1:4-9
*Ronnie Prince
*Calvin Rogers
Tony Lawrence
Ken Lee

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-1242) Rickey Hurst
Tim Fisher
Don Sullivan
Tom McColloch
John Biddle
Jim Slatton

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P.M.

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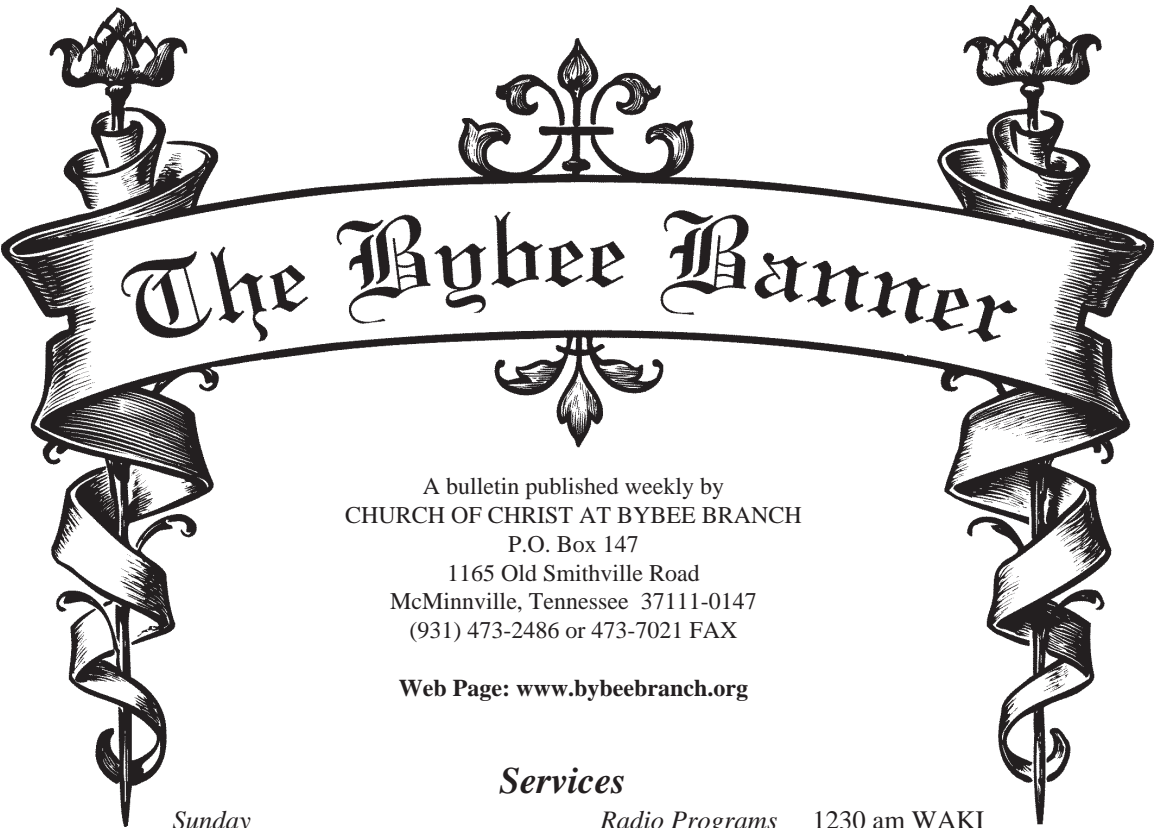
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<h2>Sick</h2> <p>At Home: <i>Roberta Parmley-recovering from a fall</i> <i>Leonard Crouch-following stay in hospital</i> <i>Georgia Brook-home but no visitors at this time.</i> <i>Barbara King-home following pacemaker surgery</i></p> <p>In The Hospital: <i>Don Gribble (brother of Jane Flatt)-prostrate surgery on Tuesday at Riverpark</i> <i>Pat Boles-Riverpark with broken leg</i> <i>Bernice Fults-Hospital in Nashville</i></p> <h2>Sunday's Sermons</h2> <p>A.M. A Change Of Clothes P.M. Significant Places & Events: Jordan River</p> <h2>What to Give Up This Year</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grumbling. Instead, “In everything give thanks” (cf. Col. 3:17).• Ten to fifteen minutes us bed. Instead, use that time prayer (1 Thes. 5:17).• Looking at other people’s worst points. Instead, concentrate on their best ones (Mt. 7:1).• Speaking unkindly. Instead, let your speech be generous and understanding (Col. 4:6).• Worries. Instead, trust God (Mt. 6:25-34).• Hatred or dislike for anyone. Instead, learn to love (1 Cor. 13:1-13).• Fear that prevents you from telling people you are a Christian. Instead, seek courage to speak of your faith to others (Mk. 16:15).• Spending much time with newspapers, books, and magazines. Instead, use that time to study your Bible each day (Rev. 1:3).• Television one evening a week. Instead, visit a lonely or sick person, teach a Bible study, or attend an area meeting (Jas. 1:27).• Buying anything but essentials for yourself. Instead, give the money to God’s work or someone in need (1 Cor. 16:1,2). <p>~copied~</p>		<h2>Shut-ins</h2> <p>NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care): <i>Jane Golden</i> <i>Lena Mai Gribble</i> <i>Betty Hill</i> <i>Pearl Mitchell</i> <i>Houston Stiles</i> <i>Carol Sue Taylor</i> <i>Violet Webb</i></p> <p>NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166): <i>Bertha Stewart</i></p> <p>Raintree Health Care Center: <i>Edith Cantrell</i></p> <p>McMinnville Boarding Home <i>Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother)</i> <i>Dora Mai Wilcher</i></p> <p><i>McMinnville Residential Care Center</i> <i>Martha Maxwell</i></p> <p>Hillcrest Health Care: <i>Edith Collins</i></p> <p>Norcliff Life Care Center <i>85 Main St. N</i> <i>Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada</i> <i>Stanley McInery (905) 768-4612</i></p> <p><i>Generations Center of Spencer (PO Box 135)</i> <i>Perry Woodlee (Nelma Chilton & Nona Martin’s brother)</i></p> <p>Home: <i>Vada Campbell</i> <i>Carolyn Cantrell</i> <i>Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)</i> <i>Rozelle Goodman</i> <i>Greg Grizzell</i> <i>Willene Kell</i> <i>Bessie Parker</i> <i>Sherry Pelham</i> <i>Robbie Vandagriff</i></p>		<h2>As Good As Another</h2> <p>If you are seeking a wife — is one as good as another?</p> <p>If you are calling a doctor — is one as good as another?</p> <p>If you are buying a prescription — is one as good as another?</p> <p>If you are catching a bus — is one as good as another?</p> <p>If you need a mechanic — is one as good as another?</p> <p>If you are computing numbers — is one as good as another?</p> <p>Why be so particular in material matters, yet so careless and “broadminded” about church matters?</p> <p>~from The Chapman Challenger~</p> <h2>What God Hath Promised</h2> <p>God hath not promised skies always blue, Flower strewn pathways all our lives through; God hath not promised sun without rain, Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.</p> <p>But God hath promised strength for the day, Rest for the labor, light for the way, Grace for the trials, help from above, Unfailing sympathy, undying love.</p> <p>God hath not promised we shall not know Toil and temptation, trouble and woe; He hath not told us we shall not bear Many a burden, many a care.</p> <p>God hath not promised smooth roads and wide, Swift, easy travel, needing no guide; Never a mountain rocky and steep, Never a river turbid and deep.</p> <p>Annie J. Flint</p>		<h2>This I Have Learned About Life</h2> <p>I have learned that you cannot make someone love you. All you can do is try to be someone who is not difficult to love.</p> <p>I have learned that sometimes it takes years to build up trust, but only seconds to destroy trust.</p> <p>I have learned that it’s not what you have in life, but who you have in your life that counts.</p> <p>I have learned that you can do something in a few minutes that will give you heartache for life.</p> <p>I have learned that you are responsible for what you do, no matter how you feel.</p> <p>I have learned that you are in control of your attitude. You choose your attitude!</p> <p>I have learned that heroes (the really great people of this world) are the people who do what has to be done, regardless how they feel, and regardless the consequences.</p> <p>I have learned that maturity has more to do with attitude, dependability and taking responsibility for your life, than the number of birthdays you’ve had.</p> <p>I have learned that no matter how good a friend is, you are going to hurt each other every once in a while, and forgiveness is essential to lasting friendship.</p> <p>I have learned that forgiving others is sometimes easier than forgiving yourself.</p> <p>~David Sain~</p>	
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Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Bill Biles
Reading	Rickey Burks
Scripture	Colossians 3:16,17
Lord's Table (N)	*Joe Collins
(S)	*Tim Fisher
(N)	Rodney Maynard
(N)	David Chilton
(N)	Harry Felty
(S)	Joe T. Cantrell
(S)	Barry Hendrixson
(S)	Micah Lawrence
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Larry Flatt

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Brett Merritt
Reading	Asa Kell
Scripture	Mark 5:18-20
Lord's Table	*Billy Gilbert
	*Kelly Thaxton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Willie Newby

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-1242) Rickey Hurst
Lead Singing	Young Men
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Jeremy Burks
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Rodney Reynolds

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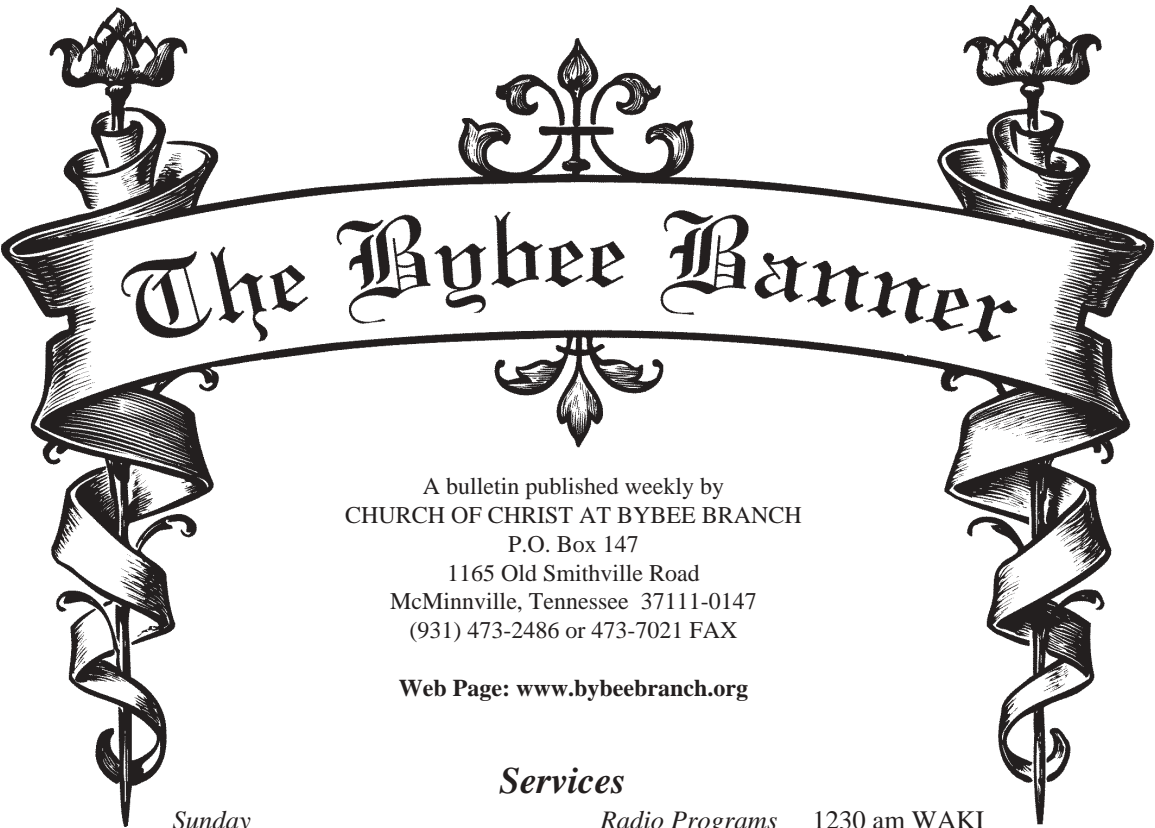
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*Lynn Gann
Lee Gann
Dennis Gann
Leah Pack
Margaret Hurst
Don Gribble (brother of Jane Flatt)-following surgery
Pat Boles-following surgery for a broken leg.
Bernice Fults-following stay in hospital*

In The Hospital:

none known

It was great to have several back who have been out some time due to various illnesses and injury. Sunday we were blessed to have back Georgia Brooks, Barbara King, and Roberta Parmley.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Music To God’s Ears
P.M. Significant Places & Events: The Decapolis

Just Suppose

Just suppose the Lord should begin tomorrow to make people as sick as they say they are Sunday?

Just suppose the Lord should take away the children whom the parents use as an excuse for staying away from worship?

Just suppose the Lord should make some people as poor as they say they are when asked to contribute more for some church program?

Just suppose the Lord should have every covetous man stoned to death as He did Achan?

Just suppose the Lord should let some parents look into the future and see where their example and lack of control will lead their children?

~Author Unknown~

Sympathy

We want to express sympathy to the family of *Betty Hill*. She passed away early Tuesday morning and the arrangements are incomplete at this writing. Her funeral will be at McMinnville Funeral Home. Betty was a long-time member at Bybee Branch.

We also want to express sympathy to the family of *Andrew Krupa*. He passed away on Monday and his funeral will be Wednesday at 2:00 at Highs. He was the father of Janice Boyd who used to attend here at Bybee Branch. Also, he was the uncle of our Rickey Burks.

Bible Bowl

Congratulations to the young people at Rome and to our own young people for coming in first place at the Bible Bowl. These students did not miss any on the test! Coming in second place were the young people at Smyrna and Mt. Leo missing only 2. In third place were the youth from Earleyville missing 5, and fourth place was taken by Smartt and Woodbury missing 6.

The final Bible Bowl for the season will be next month at the Central congregation. The test will cover the book of Colossians.

Opportunities for Edification

The ***Bonner church of Christ*** will have their Third Annual Gospel Singing on February 22, at 7:00 pm. The flyer is on the bulletin board.

The ***Dunlap church of Christ*** will have a Lectureship on March 2, on the theme of “Contending for the Faith.” Speakers include: Robert Taylor, Roger Campbell, Jim Lewis, and Jim Waldron. The flyer is on the bulletin board.

The ***Summittville church of Christ*** will have a Lectureship on March 23, on the theme of “Premillennialism.” Speakers include: Billy Bland, Bobby Carroll, Mark McDonald, Eric Owens, and Artie Collins. The flyer is on the bulletin board.

The Beautiful Sounds of Truth

Gary Petty recently told of a friend whose mother had a very old music box that no longer worked. His friend thought that it would be nice to have it repaired for Mom. The box had been in the family for generations. Maybe it would bring back old memories as she listened to the sounds that she had not heard since her childhood. A skillful man was found who could obtain the parts and repair the old machine.

After the box was repaired it was presented to the mother. It sounded very lovely. But Gary's friend was surprised to discover that Mom was hearing the lovely tunes for the very first time! She had never heard it actually play before. Neither had her mother. The last person to have heard it before its restoration would have been her grandmother!

Most of our families have old Bibles. Some have been in the family for generations. Not all of our families have paid a great deal of attention to them. Some have passed along faulty notions about what it teaches. Some have mingled the truth of the Bible with ideas that did not originate with Christ and His apostles. Maybe the clear and simple truths of the Bible have not been heard for generations in some cases.

Although the word of God is very old, none of the parts have been lost! It can be heard just as clearly today as it was heard by those who heard it for the very first time. It is, in fact, the only thing that you may have that will never pass away. It was designed to be heard by all men and women of every generation exactly as it was heard by the first to hear it.

The old music box probably does not compare with the "new-fangled", modern machines that are able to produce beautiful music. It has been replaced by record players, cassettes, and CD players. But maybe these do not possess the charm of the old music box.

Too many, in our world, have looked upon the Bible as many would the old box. New ideas are available to us, in the modern world, that have replaced the truths of God's word. Science, philosophy, psychology, and other fields have provided us with plenty to think about. Much of it is very valuable in a temporary sort of way. But none of them tell us who we are, from whence we have come, or where we are going. None of them are from the hand of God. None will last beyond the grave. Let's resolve to "fine tune" our understanding of the Bible. If we rely too heavily upon what has been passed along to us by previous generations we may be hearing a garbled message. Well-meaning ancestors may have attempted to improve upon God's "music box" by replacing some of the parts with denominational doctrines. Human creeds have effectively replaced it in the minds of some. Some in our own generation are tampering with it by removing "culturally inappropriate" truths and replacing them with up to date interpretations. But no one can improve upon the sound. God delivered it for all men and women of every age. Those who are willing to take the time and make the effort to understand its message will be rewarded with the crystal clear sound of God-breathed truth.

Maybe there is someone you know who has an old Bible but has not heard its truths. Maybe they have not been heard for generations. It's time to dust them off and hear them again. Maybe you can help.

~Tim Nichols~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	Ken Martin
Scripture	Colossians 3:18-4:1
Lord's Table (N)	*Jeff Flatt
(S)	*Rodney Reynolds
(N)	Don Johnson
(N)	Jeff Bond
(N)	David McColloch
(S)	Joe Maynard
(S)	Zollie Settles
(S)	Marc Martin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Winfrey Hennessee

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Bob Mayfield
Scripture	Isaiah 2:1-3
Lord's Table	*Don Sullivan
	*Ronnie Rogers
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bruce Pryor

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-1242) Rickey Hurst
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Frank Reynolds
Reading	Joe Roller
Invitation	Bob Bonner
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Kurt Maynard Family
P.M.	Willie Newby Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

Ushers: Harold McGinness & Mike Driver

Attend Nursery: Debbie Glenn

Lock Building: Tom McColloch

Trash Pickup: Stanley Graves

Cards & Pencils: Billy Gilbert

Pantry Item: Kool-Aid

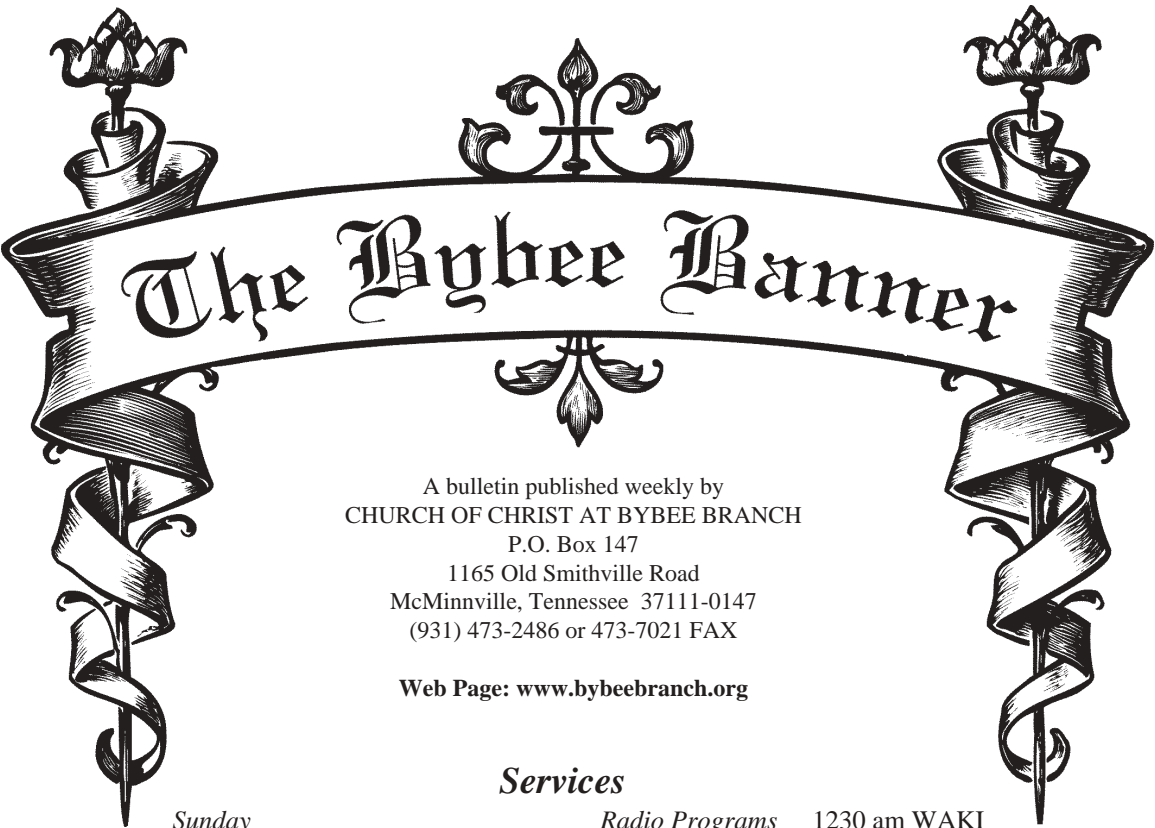
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	342
Bible Study	245
P.M. Worship	217
Wednesday Bible Study	234
Contribution	\$3,965

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Douglas Hendrixson	668-3115
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Jeff Flatt	Billy Gilbert
Stanley Graves	Willie Newby
Jim Slatton	

Preacher

Tony Lawrence	668-9123
email	alawrence@blomand.net

Sick

At Home:
Don Gribble (brother of Jane Flatt)
Pat Boles
Barbara King

In The Hospital:
none known

Sympathy

We want to express sympathy to the family of *James Cope*, uncle of our Rickey Burks. He passed away on Sunday and funeral will be Tuesday at Love, Cantrell, Cope Funeral home in Spencer.

We also want to express sympathy to the family of *David and April Bell*, son and daughter-in-law of our Myra Bell. April was pregnant with twins and lost both of them this past week.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Right Relationships
P.M. Significant Places & Events: Jerusalem

Annual Singing

The Bonner church of Christ will host their Third Annual Gospel Singing this coming Friday evening from 7:00 pm.

Address Change?
Please Let Us Know!

Are you planning on a change of address? Please let us know. For every bulletin we have returned it cost us 34¢. By the time we receive the first returned bulletin we have generally mailed two more. Thus, when a person changes their address and does not let us know, it costs the church about \$1. Take the time to call or write, *please*.

Spring Youth Retreat

For those who wish to participate in the annual Spring Youth Retreat, please note that the deadline to sign up is this coming Sunday. The cost will be \$40.

If you have any questions about this, please see Steve Hillis.

Who Are We? Why Are We Here?

When people visit from church to church, they find some interesting differences. They often ask, “Why are there so many churches?” Why are there church buildings on every corner and all of them different? Does what we teach really make that much difference? If it does not, why don’t all of the churches just build one church building and all worship together? If it matters, and it does, then we must be able to justify our convictions by some standard which God has authorized. Unless a “thus saith the Lord...” can be given, no group has a right to exist. If you are visiting us today, we hope you will consider the things we say and do as we seek to examine the Scriptures in search of that authority.

WHO ARE WE?
We are your neighbors, your friends, your family members and your customers. We are people, young, old and in-between, who want to be the church Jesus said He would build, Matthew 16:18. To do this we are following the blueprint in the New Testament. We realize we are far from perfect, and we make mistakes more often than we should, but Jesus promises as long as we “*walk in the light as He is in the light,*” His blood cleanses us from our sin, 1 John 1:7.

ARE WE A DENOMINATION?
Since we strive to be the church Jesus purchased with His blood, Acts 20:28, we cannot be members of a denomination, for none existed in the first century.

Jesus’ church cannot be a denomination. The unity Jesus prayed for, John 17:21, demanded more than just an “agree to disagree” attitude that tolerates the teachings and practices of man-made doctrines. In 1 Corinthians 1:10 we read, “*Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.*” That is hardly descriptive of modern denominationalism. In fact, the very opposite is the case. Our unity is not based upon the writings of men, but the words of the scripture, which is the “*word of God,*” 1 Thessalonians 2:13. It is obvious from almost 2,000 years of history that the religious division that prevails in the world today cannot be solved by the churches of men. We must go back to the Bible for our doctrine, our love for each other, our emphasis in life, our worship, the organization of the church and our evangelizing of the lost. That is what and who we are.

WHO IS HEAD OF ‘OUR CHURCH’?
The church that Jesus purchased has never belonged to man, but to Him. “*He is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence,*” Colossians 1:18. We, therefore, do not make our own doctrines, do not make our own conditions for memberships, do not have an earthly headquarters, or a president. Jesus is the foundation on which the church is built, and even though in heaven, He is still the head of His church. We look to Him for our guidance, and we seek to please Him, not ourselves. That guidance comes from the Bible, as stated in 2 Timothy 3:16-17: “*All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*” Since that is true, the Bible is *essential* to our worship, our Bible classes, and every part of our relationship to God and His church.

WHAT ABOUT WORSHIP?
Remembering that scripture is our source of authority in these matters, not our likes and dislikes, and that Christ is the head of the church, and not men, we then ask the question, “What does God authorize for our worship to Him?” I may prefer a banjo and a blue-grass band. You may enjoy the Boston Pops. Some may like the sound of the zither and the flute. But man is not the head of the church, so we must ask what *He* wants; What has God authorized? In the Bible, we discover that early Christians sang songs of praise and thanksgiving to God, Ephesians 5:19. It is very specific that every Christian was to sing “*to the Lord,*” not entertain their brethren. They came together to take the *Lord’s Supper* on the first day of the week, 1 Corinthians 11:23-30. *Preaching* the gospel was also integral to their worship, Acts 20:7. Their weekly contribution was given according to how they were prospered that week, 1 Corinthians 16:1-2. They *prayed* to their heavenly Father, asking for their daily needs, the forgiveness of their sins, and His constant support, Luke 11:2-4, Romans 12:12. If someone wants to add something else to their worship, we simply ask, “By what authority do you do so?2 Colossians 3:17 demands that both our words and our deeds in service to God be “*in the name of the Lord Jesus,*” or, as authorized by Him.

THE SEED OF THE KINGDOM
The Word of God is likened to a seed, Luke 8:11, and that same seed can be planted in the hearts of honest men and women today. By doing so the same harvest can be produced today as in the first century. By teaching the same doctrine, holding the same convictions, by worshiping God and living in harmony with the instructions given to early Christians, we can be the church Jesus built and purchased with His blood. No man has the right to change or modify those instructions, so we are going back to the original. Won’t you come along with us; Back to the Bible?

~Carl B. Garner~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Chuck Medley
Reading	Ronnie Rogers
Scripture	Colossians 4:2-6
Lord's Table (N)	*Ronnie Prince
(S)	*Kelly Thaxton
(N)	Marek Sadlon
(N)	Blake Sadlon
(N)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Ben Biles
(S)	Buell Warren
(S)	George Trail
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Wilcher

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Rickey Burks
Reading	Marty Boles
Scripture	Revelation 2:1-7
Lord's Table	*Brett Merritt
	*Don Sullivan
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7078) Danny Duncan
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Chip Cantrell
Reading	Joe Collins
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jeff Flatt

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Chip Cantrell Family
P.M.	Steve Boyd Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

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Attend Nursery: Dana Roller

Lock Building: David McColloch

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Cards & Pencils: Stanley Graves

Pantry Item: Sugar

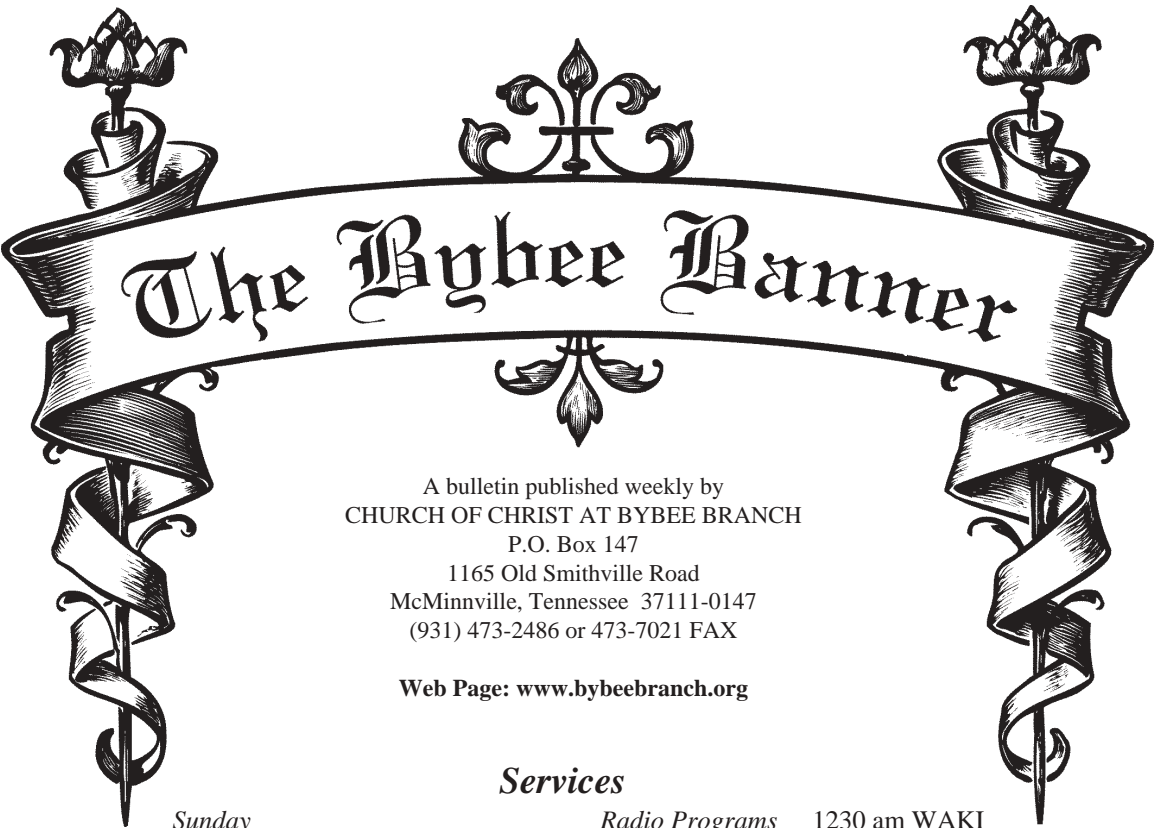
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Don Gribble (brother of Jane Flatt)

Pat Boles

W.C. Chilton

Harry Felty

Maggie Hurst

In The Hospital:

Dora Mae Wilcher-transferred to NHC from Riverpark

Sympathy

We want to express sympathy to the family of *James & Lynn Jones*, on the loss of their babies. Lynn was pregnant with triplets and lost them this past Sunday evening. Lynn is also the granddaughter of our Buell & Flossie Warren. There will be graveside services Thursday at 12:00 at the Bethany cemetery.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. The Right Word At The Right Time
P.M. Significant Places & Events: Ephesus

New Quarter Begins

There will be a new adult teacher rotation beginning on Sunday morning for the Bible classes. If you have not been taking advantage of this opportunity of spiritual growth you are encouraged to do so. The classes and teachers will be:

Where	Topic	Teacher
Auditorium	Minor Prophets	Tim Fisher
Room 1	Christian Evidences	Don Sullivan
Fellowship Room	1&2 Peter	Tony Lawrence

"I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go into the house of the LORD.""

Psalms 122:1

Prom-Alternative Trip

There will be a Prom-Alternative Trip meeting this Sunday evening for those in grades 9-12. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Pew Packers Class

There will be a Pew Packers class this Sunday evening at 5:00 pm for the really young. It will be down stairs in the fellowship room.

Meetings & Etc.

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Spring Bible School at *Unity church of Christ*, March 17-21, services at 7:00 pm with theme "Daily Challenges From God."

Lectureship at *Summitville church of Christ*, March 23, services 9:00-3:20 on the subject of "Premillennialism" with Billy Bland, Bobby Carroll, Mark McDonald, Eric Owens & Artie Collins speaking

Creation Evolution Seminar with Brad Harrub and Eric Lyons at the Central High School in Manchester. Sponsored by the *Pocahontas church of Christ*, March 22 at 7 pm and March 23 at 2 & 3 pm.

Don't forget our Gospel Meeting which will be April 7-11 with David Hester of Manchester.

March 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Eddie Palmer	Stanley McNery Lacy Pack
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MIKE & SHARON DRIVER	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 Bible Bowl study at Willie Newby's 5-8 pm
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Kaitlyn Reynolds Bible Bowl at Central 2:00 pm		Rickey Hurst	STEVE & ANGIE CALDWELL		Spring Youth Retreat	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Lynder Holmes	Scena Christian Hallie Cantrell Matthew Young Kaitlyn Thaxton Lisa Burks KEN & NONA MARTIN		Carol Boyd Ada Mayfield Robert Garibaldi	Katie Wanamaker	JOE T. & MARY LOIS CANTRELL JOE & BECKY MAYNARD Ronnie Rogers Becky Maynard Calvin Rogers	Doris Smith
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
SIDNEY & JENNIFER GROVES	Brett Merritt Melinda Martin	Jonathan Goodman Johnny Anderson	Larry Goodman	JOHN & JUDY NUSSBAUM		STEVE & TERESA ATNIP
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Delanie Sullivan						
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Preacher's Page

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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	Tom McColloch
Scripture	Colossians 4:12-13
Lord's Table (N)	*Dennis Gann
(S)	*Billy Gilbert
(N)	Abram Pryor
(N)	Joe Roller
(N)	Jason Vandagriff
(S)	Leonard Crouch
(S)	Joey Reynolds
(S)	Bran Merritt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Mike Driver
Reading	Tyler Boyd
Scripture	Acts 18:1-8
Lord's Table	*John Biddle
	*Tommy Crouch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Mayfield

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7078) Danny Duncan
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Noel Pepper
Reading	Bob Bonner
Invitation	Rodney Reynolds
Dismiss	Ken Martin

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Winfrey & Dorothy Hennessee
P.M.	Joe & Marsha Collins

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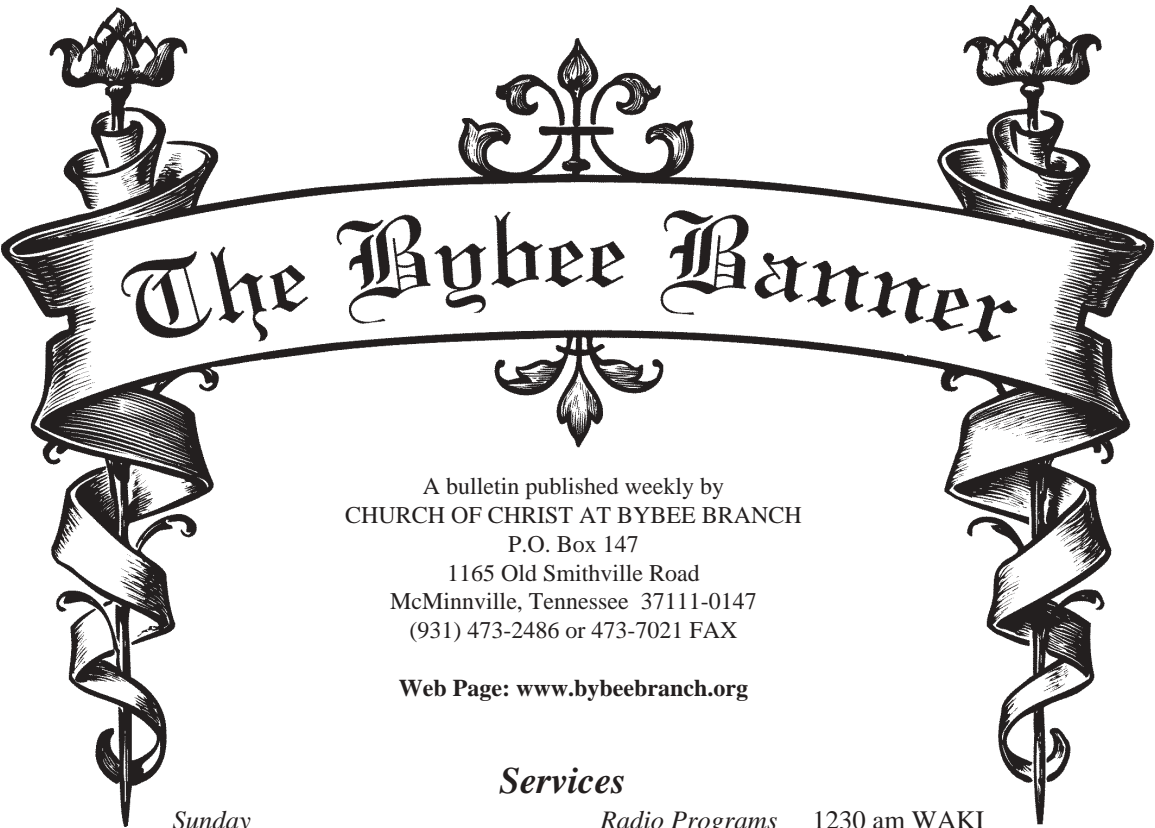
Record For The Week...

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Bible Study	242
P.M. Worship	227
Wednesday Bible Study	199
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Deacons

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Jeff Flatt	Billy Gilbert
Stanley Graves	Willie Newby
Jim Slatton	

Ministers

Tony Lawrence	668-9123	Steve Hillis	668-2632
email	preacher@bybeebranch.org	email	steve@bybeebranch.org

At Home:
Pat Boles
Marah Wanamaker-pneumonia
Shirley Parker-following eye surgery

In The Hospital:
none known

Sympathy

We want to express sympathy to the family of *Issac Burks*, the father of our Rickey Burks. His funeral was this past Saturday.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. The Church, People With a Passion
P.M. Significant Places & Events: Corinth

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NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care):
Jane Golden
Lena Mai Gribble
Pearl Mitchell
Houston Stiles
Carol Sue Taylor
Violet Webb

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):
Bertha Stewart

Raintree Health Care Center:
Edith Cantrell

McMinnville Boarding Home
Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother)
Dora Mai Wilcher

McMinnville Residential Care Center
Martha Maxwell

Hillcrest Health Care:
Edith Collins

Norcliff Life Care Center
85 Main St. N
Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada
Stanley McInery (905) 768-4612

Generations Center of Spencer (PO Box 135)
Perry Woodlee (Nelma Chilton & Nona Martin’s brother)

Home:
Vada Campbell
Carolyn Cantrell
Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)
Rozelle Goodman
Greg Grizzell
Willene Kell
Bessie Parker
Sherry Pelham
Robbie Vandagriff

The final Bible Bowl for the year will be this coming Sunday at the Central congregation at 2:00 pm. For those who wish to ride, the bus will leave the building at 1:40 pm.

There will be a study session on Saturday evening from 5-8 at the home of Willie & Donna Newby.

Steve Hillis begins work...

The elders announced Sunday evening the beginning of the work of Steve Hillis with the congregation *on a formal basis*. Most of us know of the many hours of dedicated service that Steve has rendered over the past several years. He has been an effective teacher of the teenagers for years. Due to his efforts our young people have consistently been in the top positions of the Bible Bowl. He has organized and led many devotionals, and trips such as the Prom-Alternative trip. He and Sharla have sacrificed many hours to coordinate the programs of our young people. Now Steve will be doing those and additional works with the congregation.

Steve will be at the office on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. He will be working not only with the teenagers but with the pre-teens. He will also be coordinating some programs for the older members as well.

Gospel Meeting



Our Gospel Meeting with David Hester is just four weeks away on April 7-11. Be sure to start inviting your friends now! There are flyers on the table in the foyer. Why not take one and put it in your car window or give copies to your friends? The success of the meeting depends upon US.

- The first sermon preached each Sunday is **not** by the pulpit minister, but by **YOU**.
- **You** preach a message of good cheer when you say “Good Morning!” to those you meet.
 - **You** preach a message of “Welcome! We have room for you!” when you slide down the pew instead of forcing others to squeeze in front of you.
 - **You** preach a message of hope and joy when you sing enthusiastically during the song service.
 - **You** preach a message about the power of prayer when you fervently enter into our time of prayer together.
 - **You** preach a message of respect for God and His Word when you listen attentively and follow in your Bible and take notes during the sermon.
 - **You** preach a message of Hope when you reverently partake of the Lord’s supper.
 - **You** preach a message about Faith when you cheerfully give your offering.
 - **You** preach a message of Love when you smile, say hello, introduce yourself to guests, and invite them to return.

Many messages are preached before and after the preacher stands at the pulpit. If your message is positive and consistent, THEN the message he gives from the pulpit will be much better received.

Come each Sunday and preach your sermon—it has eternal significance!

~Walter Buchanan~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Tim Fisher
Reading	Hoyt Crouch
Scripture	1 John 1:1-3
Lord's Table (N)	*Bill Biles
(S)	*Larry Flatt
(N)	John Stembbridge
(N)	Shannon Griffin
(N)	Joe T. Cantrell
(S)	Lee Gann
(S)	Harry Felty
(S)	Jeremy Burks
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kraig Campbell

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Bruce Pryor
Reading	Eric Fisher
Scripture	Acts 17:16-21
Lord's Table	*Willie Newby
	*Ronnie Rogers
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Eddie Palmer

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7078) Danny Duncan
Lead Singing	Rickey Hurst
First Prayer	Calvin Rogers
Reading	David McColloch
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Don Griffith

Welcome Committee

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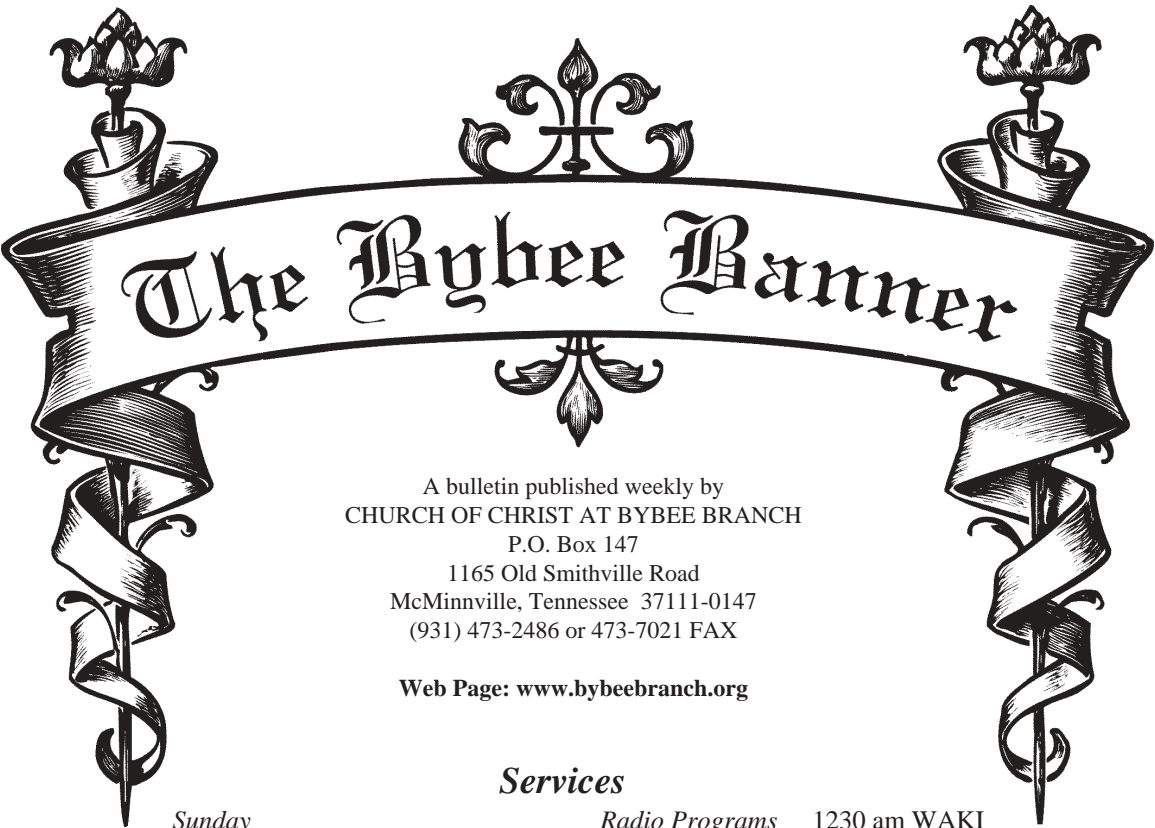
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<h1>Sick</h1> <p>At Home: <i>Pat Boles</i> <i>Marah Wanamaker-pneumonia</i> <i>Shirley Parker-following eye surgery</i> <i>Georgia Jones</i> <i>Jackie Pelham-following arteriogram</i></p> <p>In The Hospital: <i>Zollie Settles - surgery Thursday at MTMC</i> <i>Murfreesboro</i></p> <h1>Sunday's Sermons</h1> <p>A.M. From The Beginning P.M. Significant Places & Events: Athens</p> <h1>Sympathy</h1> <p>We want to extend sympathy to the family of J.P. Phillips, half-brother to our Charles Campbell, his services was last Wednesday.</p> <h1>Spring Youth Retreat</h1> <p>The Spring Youth Retreat will be this weekend at Hylake Christian Camp, March 15-17.</p> <p>The bus will leave from the church building at 4:00 pm Friday and return to the get the group on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 pm.</p> <p>Items to remember to bring:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Bible2. Pen or pencil3. Bedding4. Towels5. Personal Items (soap, shampoo, toothbrush) <p><i>“Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6, NKJV.</i></p>		<h1>What I f</h1> <p>What if GOD couldn’t take the time to bless us today because we couldn’t take the time to thank Him yesterday? What if GOD decided to stop leading us tomorrow because we didn’t follow Him today? What if we never saw another flower bloom because we grumbled when GOD sent the rain? What if GOD didn’t walk with us today because we failed to recognize it as His day? What if GOD took away the Bible tomorrow because we would not read it today? What if GOD took away His message because we failed to listen to His messenger? What if GOD didn’t send His only begotten Son because He wanted us to be prepared to pay the price for sin? What if the door of the church was closed because we did not open the door of our heart? What if GOD stopped loving and caring for us because we failed to love and care for others? What if GOD would not hear us today because we would not listen to Him? What if GOD answered our prayers the way we answer His call to service? What if GOD met our needs the way we give Him our lives?</p> <p>~copied~</p> <h1>Bible Bowl</h1> <p>Congratulations are in order again for the fine young people from the Rome congregation. They came in first place this month missing 0 on the test. Our young people came in second missing 4. The overall standings for the year were: First place: Rome & Bybee Branch tie with Rome winning the tie breaker; second place: Smyrna; third place Mt. Leo, and fourth place Earleyville. Congratulations to the young people from all the congregations for the time and effort they put in to learn God’s word! <i>Please be sure to commend these young people and their teachers.</i></p>		<h1>Meetings & Etc.</h1> <p>There are numerous spiritual opportunities in our community. 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Rather, we have in mind those congregations still standing firmly on truth, and for truth, and by-and-large these are the ones so displeasing to liberal elements, and those same elements, if they cannot affect a change in the congregation’s stance and direction, leave with the claim, “We just didn’t get anything out of the services!”</p> <p>Of course, one must bring something to the services.</p> <p>First, a Bible.</p> <p>Second, an interest in the will of God and the ongoing work of the kingdom.</p> <p>Thirdly, a rested, sound and open mind.</p> <p>Fourthly, a desire to actively and wholeheartedly participate in the worship.</p> <p>Fifthly, a determination to hear each lesson, from the classes and in the worship services, with a searching for points to apply in one’s own life!</p> <p>Bring those, and other related items, to the assemblies of the kingdom, and it is God’s GUARANTEE that you will get from those times what is spiritual, beneficial, rewarding and blessed! And, really, if you and I are looking for something else, we are in the wrong place anyway!</p> <p>~Bill Jackson (Deceased)~</p>	
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First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Chip Cantrell
Scripture	Matthew 27:22-31
Lord's Table (N)	*Jeff Flatt
(S)	*Bob Bonner
(N)	J.B. Gribble
(N)	Lynn Gann
(N)	Barry Hendrixson
(S)	Jeff Templeton
(S)	Chris Burks
(S)	Dickie Kesey
Sermon	Rickey Burks
Dismiss	David Chilton

Sunday Evening Worship

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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Frank Reynolds
Reading	Caleb Graves
Scripture	1 Peter 3:18-22
Lord's Table	*Chuck Medley
	*Jim Slatton
Sermon	Rickey Burks
Dismiss	Ricky Prince

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7078) Danny Duncan
Lead Singing	Young Men
First Prayer	Zollie Settles
Reading	Brett Merritt
Invitation	Joe Collins
Dismiss	Joey Reynolds

Welcome Committee

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P.M.	Ken & Glynna Lee

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Lock Building: David McColloch

Trash Pickup: Willie Newby

Cards & Pencils: Stanley Graves

Pantry Item: Peanut Butter

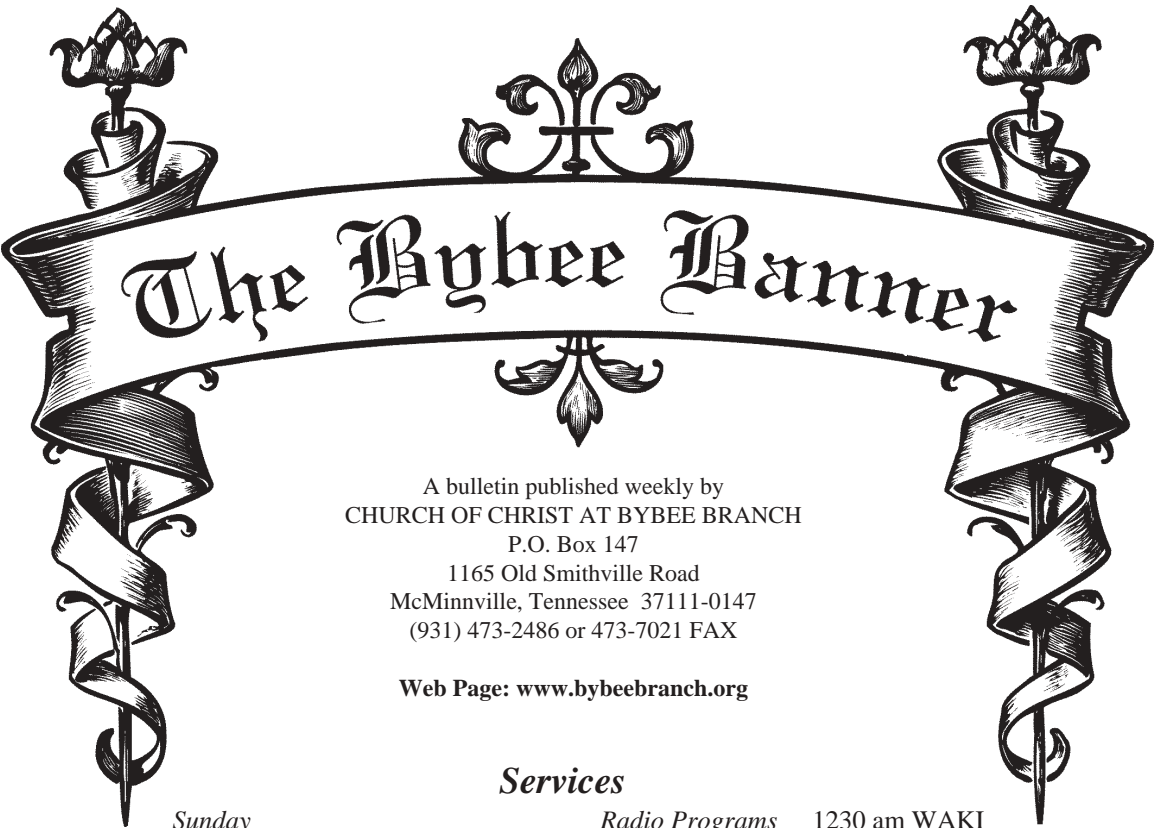
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	240
Bible Study	170
P.M. Worship	218
Wednesday Bible Study	197
Contribution	\$3,950

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At Home:
Pat Boles
Shirley Parker-following eye surgery
Georgia Jones
Jackie Pelham
Mary Davis-following stitches for a cut on her leg

In The Hospital:
none known

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. “Let Him Be Crucified”
P.M. In The Likeness of His Death

Requests for Prayer

This past weekend several requested prayers for restoration. On Friday, Barbara King called for a visit and requested the prayers of the congregation. On Saturday at the Youth Retreat Allison Boyd & Lynette Maynard requested the prayers of the church. On Sunday morning Abram Pryor, Chris Burks, Alicia Driver, and Jennifer Flatt requested prayers. And, on Sunday evening Rickey Burks came forward requesting prayers. We commend these brothers and sisters in Christ for their courage and conviction.

Ladies Retreat

All ladies going to Harvest Farms on Saturday, April 20, need to give their money to Cynthia Duncan by April 14.

Spring Youth Retreat

I don’t have the words in my feeble vocabulary to describe how spiritually uplifting our Spring Youth Retreat was. To the speakers, teachers, chaperones, those who brought and prepared food, the Hylake staff, our “Retreat Nutritionist,” our “Lodge Maintenance Coordinator,” and especially ALL THE YOUTH - - - Thank You! s/Steve Hillis

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Thai Report

On Wednesday evening, March 27, all classes from grade 7 and up will meet in the auditorium for a report from Howard Witty on the work in Thailand.

Work Day

There will be a work day around the building this coming Saturday, March 23 at 8:00 am. Plans are to sow seed and scatter fertilizer along with some cleanup. If you have questions, please see either W.C. Chilton or Jeff Flatt.

Lessons from Steve

Are the Ten Commandments, as a law, still valid in Christianity? We see the “signs” in our neighbors yards, and hear the cry to have them taught in school. However, should a New Testament Christian be bound to keep those Ten Commandments given to Moses on Mount Sinai? If the Ten Commandments are still valid, should we not keep ALL THE LAW?

Consider the following; “But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God is evident, for the just shall live by faith” *Galatians 3:11*. It is impossible for humans to be justified by the old law. *Galatians 3:21-29* (PLEASE READ), proves that the old law was a limited covenant, and was only a “schoolmaster” to bring us to Christ. *Colossians 2:13-14* (PLEASE READ), reveals that Jesus took the old ordinances to the grave with Him. *Ephesians 2:11-17* (PLEASE READ), strongly supports the idea that Jesus took all the barriers of the old law away, and through HIS BLOOD all of mankind has the hope of salvation.

No, a Christian is not bound by the Old Testament law anymore. We now look to Jesus as “the author and finisher of our faith,” *Hebrews 12:2*. We never want to discourage anyone who is trying to live a moral life, but we must remember that God has to be worshipped in spirit and TRUTH, *John 4:24*.

Upcoming Youth Events
B.B.Y.G.
Devotional – @ the church building on Sunday, March 24th – After the evening worship

PEW PACKERS CLUB
Egg Hunt – @ the Flatts (Jeff and Mary) Sponsored by the Middle School Class on Saturday, March 23rd at 1:00 PM

Customer Service & Church Visitors

A few days ago a friend and I were seriously shopping, that is we actually planned to buy something. One thing that struck both of us was how much things seemingly have changed. Customer service is now almost non-existent. Many of those in the stores that we met knew nothing about the products they were trying to sell nor did they seem to care if you bought it from them or their competitor. Such is a pretty good explanation as to why some big name stores are going out of business.

This event made me think about how this applies to visitors to our services. While we must *never* compromise the Gospel to make it more pleasing to the worldly minded person, sometimes there are people who are honestly visiting our services in search of what we are offering, that is the pure Gospel. Remember these people have come to us. When they come and visit our services they do develop and impression of us. The Holy Spirit through the Apostle Paul addressed this in regard to the exercise of the spiritual gifts in their day (cf. 1 Cor. 14:23-25). What kind of “customer service” do we offer?

Do we “know our product?” When a person comes in and asks, “what do you do in your worship services?” We should be willing and able to give an answer. “But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;” 1 Peter 3:15, NKJV.

Do we care that we may lose this person to the Devil and his denominations? “For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.” 2 Corinthians 11:2, NKJV.

Remember these are people with souls and we need to exhibit a desire to help them in their search for the Truth.

~Tony Lawrence~

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Announcements	(668-58936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Bob Mayfield
Reading	Kurt Maynard
Scripture	1 John 1:5-10
Lord's Table (N)	*Winfrey Hennessee
(S)	*Ken Martin
(N)	Asa Kell
(N)	Micah Lawrence
(N)	Paul Hurst
(S)	Kevin Judkins
(S)	Harold McGinness
(S)	Joe Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tommy Crouch

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Shane Fisher
Lead Singing	Bran Merritt
First Prayer	Tyler boyd
Reading	Ben Biles
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Bruce Pryor
	*Abram Pryor
Sermon	Paul Hurst
Dismiss	Jeremy Burks

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9581) Willie Newby
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	Rickey Hurst
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

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Pantry Item: Crackers

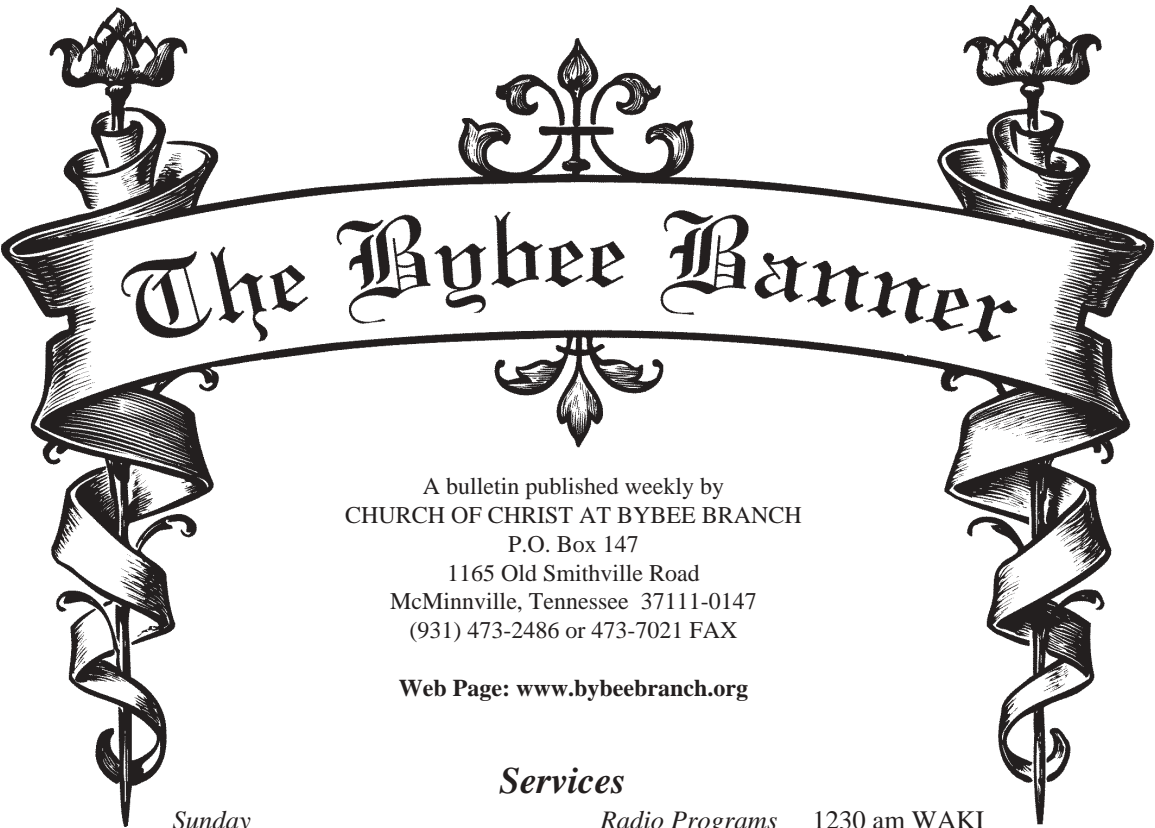
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Bible Study	228
P.M. Worship	240
Wednesday Bible Study	207
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Shirley Parker-following eye surgery
Georgia Jones
Jackie Pelham
Sherry Pelham

In The Hospital:
Glenn Ramsey-Cookeville Hospital ICU (following by-pass surgery - Glenn had 5 by-passes) cards can be sent to his home at: 1244 West Gate Road; Cookeville, TN 38501
Barbara King-Baptist/Nashville-surgery on Tuesday.
Mildred Lowry-St. Thomas

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. “Walking In The Light
P.M. Young Men: Paul Hurst

Baptism & Restoration

Sunday afternoon our hearts were made to rejoice at the baptism of Rick Crouch. He is the son of Leonard and June Crouch. He lives in the Smyrna, TN area.

Last week Hillary McGinness requested prayer to be restored.

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Lessons from Steve

God describes Himself as penitent , Genesis 6:6-7; angry, Numbers 11:1; vengeful, II Thessalonians 1:8; and in many other ways. After all, since He is... GOD, every characteristic He possesses is righteous. But, God also tells us He is a jealous God.

In Deuteronomy 6:14-15, God’s word reveals that, “You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are all around you (for the Lord your God is a jealous God among you), lest the anger of the Lord your God be aroused against you and destroy you from the face of the earth.” The first commandment Moses brought down from Mt. Sinai was, “You shall have no other gods before me,” Exodus 20:3; Deuteronomy 5:7. Why, then, is it so easy for us to “play the harlot” with other gods? Exodus 34:15-16. The simplistic excuse, “we are only human” is not good enough. God not only deserves better, He expects better.

Let’s be honest with ourselves. Jealousy, on our part, is petty and contrite and there is no real value to it. God’s jealousy is not that way, however, because He created us, Genesis 1:26-27, provides everything good that sustains us, James 1:17, and gave us salvation in the name of Jesus of Nazareth, Philippians 2:9-11. All that God has ever asked in return is that we love and serve Him only. We continue to fail miserably.

Maybe these words will make us consider how we better not make God jealous. “God is jealous, and the Lord avenges; The Lord avenges and is furious. The Lord will take vengeance on His adversaries, And He reserves wrath for His enemies,” Nahum 1:2.



Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Jean Cunningham, sister to our Georgia Brooks and Pat Merritt. Her funeral was Tuesday afternoon.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>Home Devotional at Hillis’ Home following PM services</div> <div>31</div>	<div></div> <div>1</div>	<div>Adelia Smith</div> <div>2</div>	<div></div> <div>3</div>	<div></div> <div>4</div>	<div>Sherry Graves</div> <div>5</div>	<div>Sharla Hillis Sharon Boles</div> <div>6</div>
<div>Christine Cantrell</div> <div>Pew Packer’s class at 5:00</div> <div>7</div>	<div>Samantha Lance</div> <div>8</div>	<div></div> <div>9</div>	<div>Amy Prince</div> <div>10</div>	<div>Dora Wilcher</div> <div>11</div>	<div>MAKIN’ MUSIC TRIP TO FREED-HARDEMAN</div> <div>12</div> <div>13</div>	
<div>GOSPEL MEETING WITH DAVID HESTER</div> <div>14</div> <div>15</div> <div>16</div> <div>17</div> <div>18</div> <div>19</div> <div>20</div>						
<div></div> <div>14</div>	<div>Eugene Wilcher Donna Anderson Holly Prince</div> <div>15</div>	<div>Betty Lane Lou-Shawna Scott Tamela Roberts</div> <div>16</div>	<div>Bill Brown</div> <div>17</div>	<div>Wanda Hendrixson Frank Reynolds</div> <div>18</div>	<div>J.B. & CHRISTINE GRIBBLE Lynette Maynard Hannah Maynard Paul Hurst</div> <div>19</div>	<div>Tony Lawrence STEVE & SHARLA HILLIS</div> <div>20</div>
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First Prayer	Calvin Rogers
Reading	Steve Boyd
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table (N)	*Brett Merritt
(S)	*Don Griffith
(N)	Ryan Kesey
(N)	Lee Gann
(N)	Bob Cantrell
(S)	David McColloch
(S)	John Nussbaum
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Sermon	David Hester
Dismiss	Joe Collins

Sunday Evening Worship

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First Prayer	Chip Cantrell
Reading	Tom McColloch
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Ronnie Rogers
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Dismiss	John Biddle

Wednesday Bible Study

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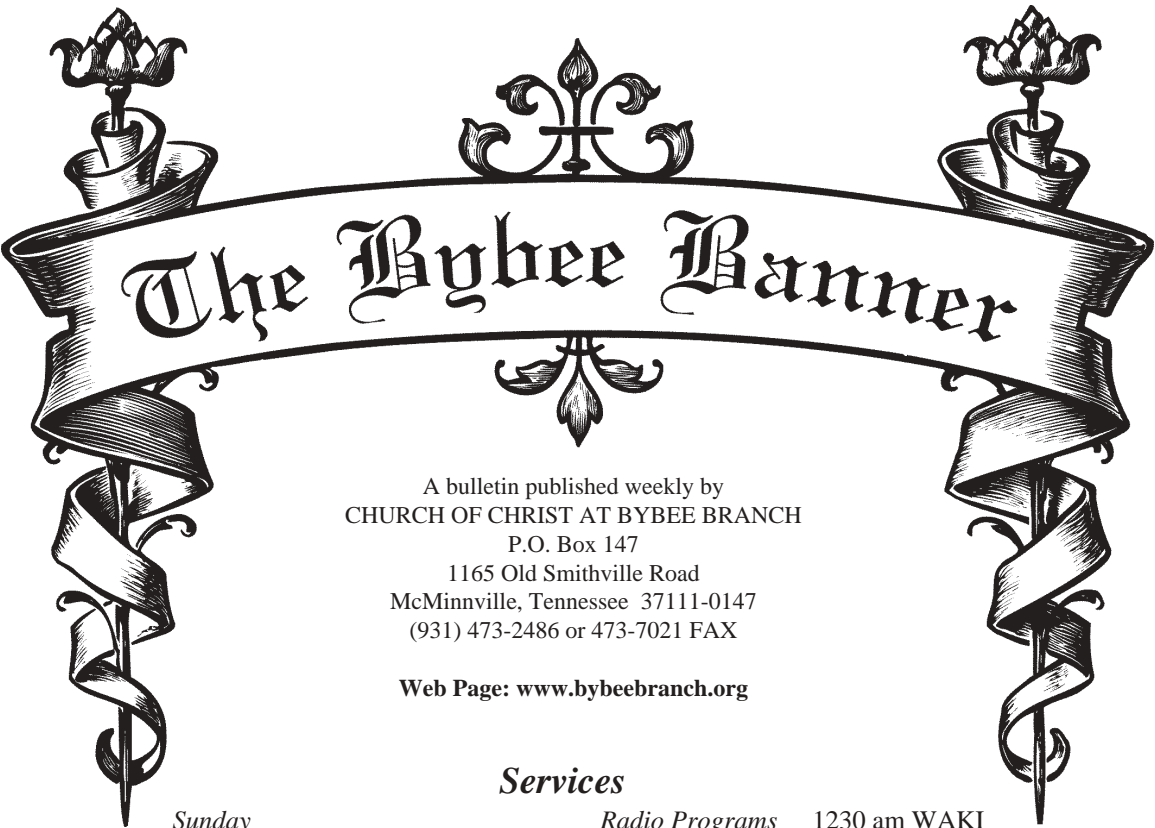
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Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Lula Woodlee, a former member at Bybee Branch. Her funeral was this past Saturday in Lawrenceburg, TN.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Things In Hell Needed In The Church
P.M. Does Your Home Abide In The Doctrine of Christ?

Gospel Meetings

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Shady Grove church of Christ, April 12-14, services at 7:30 pm with Paul Meacham, Jr. preaching.

Rome church of Christ, April 12-14, services at 7:30 pm with Don McWhorter preaching.

Bluff Springs church of Christ, April 14-19, services at 7:00 pm with Freddie Clayton preaching.

Birthday

The congregation is invited to a birthday honoring the 90th birthday of Dora Mae Wilcher. It will be Saturday April 6, 2:00-3:30 pm at NHC in the front dining room.

Shut-ins

NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care):

Jane Golden
Lena Mai Gribble
Pearl Mitchell
Houston Stiles
Carol Sue Taylor
Violet Webb
Dora Mae Wilcher

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):

Bertha Stewart

Raintree Health Care Center:

Edith Cantrell

McMinnville Boarding Home

Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother)

McMinnville Residential Care Center

Martha Maxwell

Hillcrest Health Care:

Edith Collins

Norcliff Life Care Center

85 Main St. N
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Stanley McNery (905) 768-4612

Home:

Vada Campbell
Carolyn Cantrell
Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)
Rozelle Goodman
Greg Grizzell
Willene Kell
Bessie Parker
Sherry Pelham
Robbie Vandagriff

Gospel Meeting Meals

On Sunday morning following services we will have a fellowship meal. Be sure to come and bring enough for our visitors. The visitation teams will take care of the nightly meals.

Lessons from Steve

Maybe it was at school, work, the mall, a parking lot, or just any public or private place. The conversation you’re having is going along without incident until a certain word or phrase is used. From seemingly out of nowhere someone has maliciously used the Lord’s name in vain. The terminology may be used in various ways, but the meaning is still the same. Now sin is sin and we shouldn’t categorize transgressions, but to use God’s name blasphemously is very sad indeed.

Moses wrote in *Exodus 20:7*, **“You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.”** Reverence and respect is the expectation when even thinking about God, so how much more should be the speech that generates from our hearts and then passes our lips, *Psalms 12:1-4*? Additionally, how upsetting it is when Christians utter nonsense like, and I quote, “Oh, God!” or “Oh my God!” Brothers and sisters in Christ, to borrow inspired words that James used, **“these things ought not to be,”** *James 3:10*.

Why don’t we all, from this day forward, recognize the warning from Jesus that we will have to account for our deeds and WORDS while living on this earth. **“But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”** *Matthew 12:36-37*.



UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.
Makin’ Music @ Freed Hardeman; April 5th & 6th
** A brief meeting will be held this Wednesday after the devotional. **
“1st” Sunday Eats; April 7th
Youth Visitation; April 13th

PEW PACKERS CLUB
Pew Packers Class; April 7th @ 5:00 PM

Sin Has Consequences

This time of year everyone who has a green thumb is beginning to start thinking about planting their favorite vegetables. Some of us are thinking about the delicious “homegrown” tomatoes. We know that if we plan to harvest or “reap” tomatoes we must first plant tomato plants. It will not do to plant peppers and plan to reap tomatoes. Everything produces after its kind (cf. Gen. 1:11,12).

Can you imagine a person wanting tomatoes planting weeds and expecting tomatoes? However, this is exactly what people often do in the spiritual realm. They sin and when they reap its consequences they complain they do not want its fruit. “Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.” Galatians 6:7,8, NKJV.

Some may feel that they can avoid reaping the consequences of sin, but they are wrong. Just like in the planting of different kinds of vegetables it often takes quite a while for the fruit to mature. Likewise, the consequences of sin may not be immediately apparent but they will come. Moses warned the two and one-half tribes on the east of the Jordan. ““But if you do not do so, then take note, you have sinned against the LORD; and be sure your sin will find you out.” Numbers 32:23, NKJV. And, when sin’s consequences do come they are often much worse than we anticipate. The Bible says, “Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors is hard.” Proverbs 13:15, KJV. Cain realized this too late. When reaping the consequences of his sins, he said, “And Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is greater than I can bear!” Genesis 4:13, NKJV.

If you want want to avoid eating the fruit of your sin, don’t sin. The fruit of sin doesn’t taste very good!

~Tony Lawrence~

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First Prayer	Rickey Burks
Reading	Bill Biles
Scripture	I John 2:1,2
Lord's Table (N)	*Doug Hendrixson
(S)	*Noel Pepper
(N)	Marty Boles
(N)	Marc Martin
(N)	Kraig Campbell
(S)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	Joe Roller
(S)	David Chilton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bruce Pryor

Sunday Evening Worship

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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Steve Hillis
Reading	Chris Burks
Scripture	Matthew 4:18-20
Lord's Table	*Don Sullivan
	*Ken Martin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dennis Gann

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9581) Willie Newby
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Frank Reynolds
Reading	Abram Pryor
Invitation	W.C. Chilton
Dismiss	Rodney Reynolds

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P.M.	Allen Hughes Family

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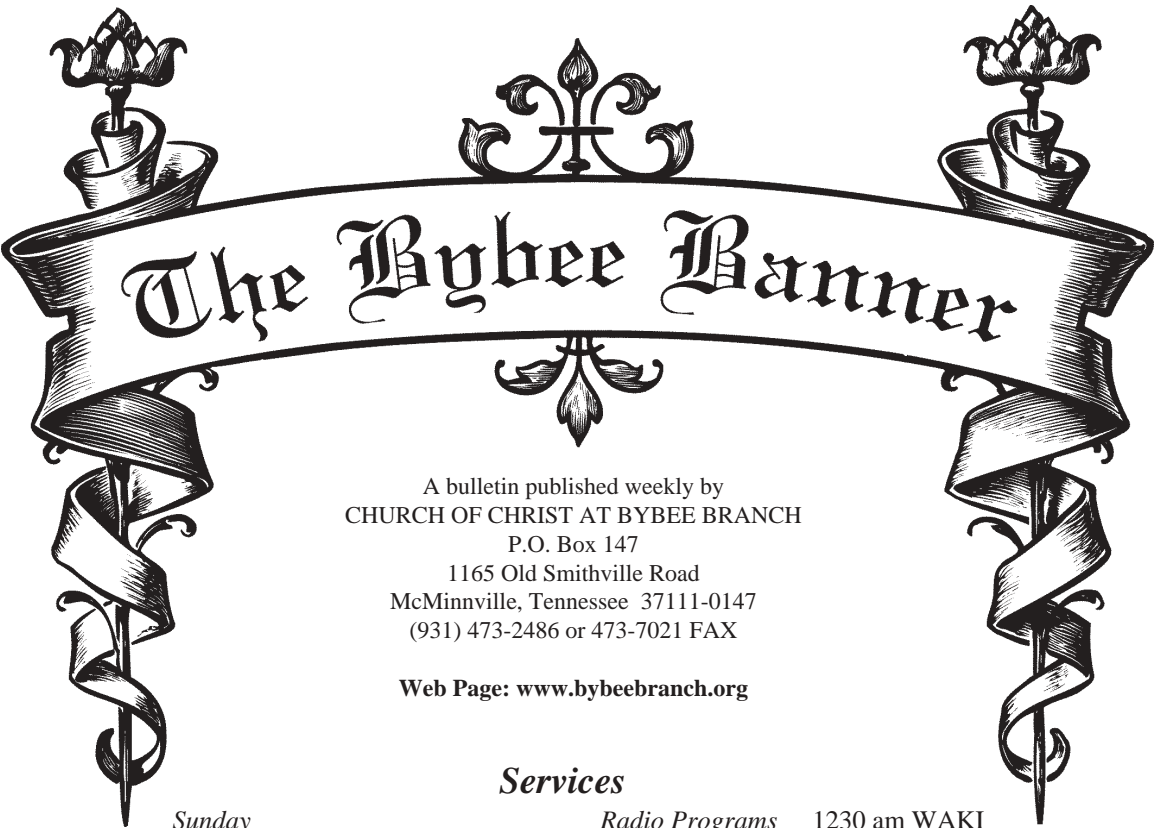
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P.M. Worship	286
Wednesday Bible Study	225
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At Home:
Pat Boles
Barbara King
Jackie Pelham
Sherry Pelham
David Chilton
Mary Platt-following surgery
Patsy Reynolds-following surgery

In The Hospital:
Shirley Parker-Riverpark

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Jack Reed, who passed away this past Sunday. He was the uncle of our Sharon Driver. He also preached at several congregations in Warren County.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Our Great Advocate
P.M. Significant Places & Events: Sea of Galilee

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Gospel Meetings

Shady Grove church of Christ, April 12-14, services at 7:30 pm with Paul Meacham, Jr. preaching.

Rome church of Christ, April 12-14, services at 7:30 pm with Don McWhorter preaching.

Bluff Springs church of Christ, April 14-19, services at 7:00 pm with Freddie Clayton preaching.

The Devil’s Beatitudes

If the devil were to write his beatitudes they might go something like this:

- Blessed are those who are tired, too busy, too distracted to spend an hour once a week with their fellow Christians — they are my best workers.
- Blessed are those Christians who wait to be asked and expect to be thanked — I can use them.
- Blessed are the touchy. With a bit of luck, they may stop going to church — they are my missionaries.
- Blessed are the troublemakers — they shall be called my children.
- Blessed are the complainers — I am all ears with them.
- Blessed are they who are bored with the preacher’s mannerisms and mistakes — for they got nothing out of his sermons.
- Blessed is the church member who expects to be invited to his own congregation — for he is part of the problem instead of the solution.
- Blessed are they who gossip — for they shall cause strife and divisions that please me.
- Blessed are they who are easily offended — for they soon will get angry and quit.
- Blessed are they who do not give an offering to carry on God’s work — for they are my helpers.
- Blessed is he who professes to love God but hates his brother and sister — for he shall be with me forever.

~via East Hill News~

Lessons from Steve

“This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.” Psalm 118:24 We sing this psalm, especially at youth functions sometimes, to begin Sunday worship services. Well, God created all the days, Exodus 20:11, but the first day of the week carries a special significance in the New Testament.

Consider that Jesus arose from the dead on the first day of the week, Matthew 28:1, Mark 16:9, Luke 24:1, and John 20:1. Jesus also appeared to His apostles for the first time, after being resurrected, on the first day of the week, John 20:19. We learn from Acts 20:7 that the Lord’s Supper was observed on the first day of the week. Paul clearly indicates that collections were to take place on the first day of the week, I Corinthians 16:1-2. The apostle John “was in the Spirit on the Lord’s Day,” which Bible scholars view as the first day of the week, Revelation 1:10.

The Israelites had the Sabbath day, Exodus 20:8, but Christianity meets on the same day of the week that our Lord arose from the grave. Therefore, when Sunday rolls around, may we have the same mindset to worship as David when he said, “I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go into the house of the Lord.” Psalm 122:1



UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.
Youth Visitation – April 13th
Youth Day @ Smyrna Church of Christ – April 20th
Prom Alternative Trip Meeting – April 21st

I really want to thank all of you who attended Makin’ Music at Freed Hardeman. I know we had a “little hiccup” along the way, but hopefully it wasn’t enough to upset your trip. A very special thanks to Jeff, Rickey, and Micah for getting us there and back safely. SH

1-2-3 The Devil’s After Me

There is a interesting song used at VBS and in children’s classes that goes “1-2-3 The Devil’s after me, 4-5-6 he’s always throwing bricks, 7-8-9 he misses every time, hallelujah, hallelujah, I’m free. 9-8-7 I’m on my way to heaven, 6-5-4 there’s always room for more, 3-2-1 the Devil’s on the run, hallelujah, hallelujah, I’m free.” Isn’t it remarkable how true some of these songs are?

The Devil is after every faithful Christian. The Bible teaches, “Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.” 1 Peter 5:8, NKJV. The Devil wants not only the weak but the strong also. When the Lord predicted that all of His apostles would fall away He told Peter, “And the Lord said, “Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat.” Luke 22:31, NKJV. God personified sin as a wanting to have us by saying to Cain, ““If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it.”” Genesis 4:7, NKJV.

The question is whether the Devil will miss us when he throws his bricks? We are told to be vigilant. Paul added that we must be aware of his “devices.” “lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.” 2 Corinthians 2:11, NKJV. Our mental image of the Devil is a red man with horns, a pointy tail and carrying a pitchfork. However, the Devil does not take that form. He is in the form of the words of our friends telling us to do something wrong. Matthew records the words of our Lord, “But He turned and said to Peter, “Get behind Me, Satan! You are an offense to Me, for you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men.”” Matthew 16:23, NKJV.

If we want to make it on our journey to heaven we must be careful not to allow the Devil to hit us with one of his bricks. We also must be very careful that we are not helping him by throwing bricks too. When we reach the end of our journey, hopefully we will be able to say, “hallelujah, hallelujah, I’m free!”

~Tony Lawrence~

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First Prayer	Ricky Prince
Reading	Mike Driver
Scripture	I John 2:1,2
Lord's Table (N)	*Eddie Palmer
(S)	*Tommy Crouch
(N)	Tyler Boyd
(N)	Hoyt Crouch
(N)	Jeremy Burks
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(S)	Ben Biles
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Danny Duncan

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	*Winfrey Hennessee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kurt Maynard

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First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Lynn Gann
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Dismiss	Jim Slatton

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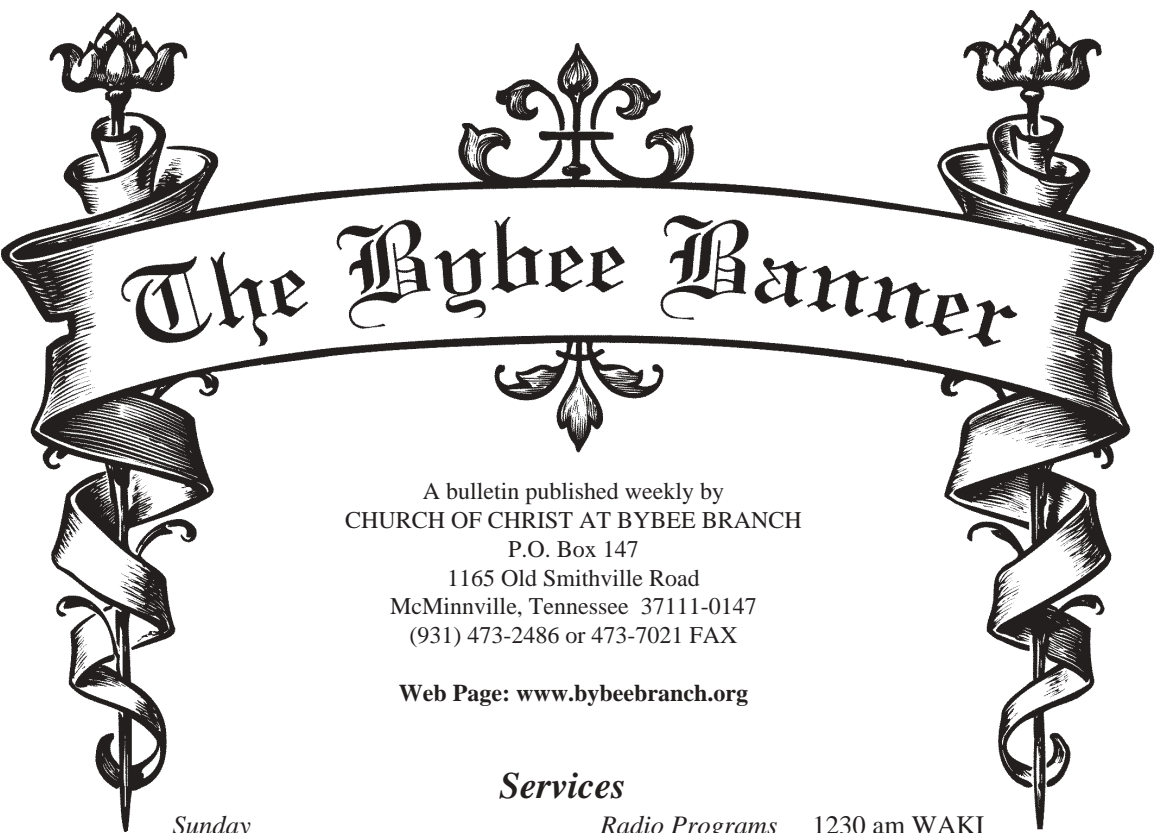
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Lottie Ward (mother of Judy Sullivan)-surgery
Tuesday at Centennial

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Main St. church of Christ, April 14-17, services at 7:00 pm with Eddie Craft preaching.

Mt. View church of Christ, May 3-5, services at 7:00 pm with Curtis Sampley preaching.

Wedding Shower

There will be a wedding shower for Andrew Collins & his wife to be Rachel on Sunday afternoon, April 21st from 1:00-3:00 pm in the fellowship room.

New Monday Class

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Bulletin Email Reminder

Just a reminder to all who receive the bulletin by regular US mail, if you have email you can receive the bulletin by email and save the church about \$10 per year in postage and printing. We have learned that there will be a 7% increase this summer. Thanks for your cooperation!

Opportunities For Edification

Smyrna church of Christ, will host a Youth Day on Saturday, April 20, from 8:30-3:00.

East End church of Christ, will host a Ladies Day on April 27, services begin at 9:30 am and Corrine Elkins will be speaking.

Morrison church of Christ, will host a singing on April 26, services 7:00-11:00 pm.

Scriptures of Happiness

“Happy is the man who finds wisdom, And the man who gains understanding;” Proverbs 3:13, NKJV.

“He who heeds the word wisely will find good, And whoever trusts in the LORD, happy is he.” Proverbs 16:20, NKJV.

“...Happy is he who does not condemn himself in what he approves.” Romans 14:22, NKJV.

Lessons from Steve

I don’t believe it was a coincidence that the Ten Commandments said, “**Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the Lord your God is giving you.**” *Exodus 20:12* The Lord wants us to have respect for our parents, *Exodus 21:15, 17; Colossians 3:20*, and to understand that they have valuable information to pass along to us, *Proverbs 1:8*. When discipline is administered it is because of love, not hate, *Proverbs 3:12*. If children will not obey their parents, then shame can be brought upon a family, *Proverbs 17:25; 19:26*. But most importantly, a soul can be lost, *Romans 1:30; II Timothy 3:2*.

So, if children are to obey and honor their parents, then we as parents should NOT make that a difficult task for them. For instance, when reading about the kings of Israel and Judah, it is mentioned how the sons did evil in the sight of the Lord by walking in the ways of their fathers. Now, *Ezekiel 18:20* tells us we are responsible for our own lives, but does that relieve us from setting the proper example for our kids? If I lie, cheat, drink, smoke, gossip, or engage in any other vice, am I simply to wash the hypocrisy off and tell my child, “Do as I say, not as I do?” If this wasn’t so serious, it would be laughable! *Ephesians 6:4* and *Colossians 3:21* teaches we are to rear our children up in the Lord and not be a discouragement to them.

Children of ALL ages, remember we are to honor and respect our parents, as best we can. But also remember these encouraging words, “**When my father and my mother forsake me, Then the Lord will take care of me.**” *Psalms 27:10*



BBYG Upcoming Events
Youth Day @ Smyrna Church of Christ – April 20th
Prom Alternative Trip Meeting – April 21st
Last Day To Sign Up! - \$40.00 Deposit Due.
Home Devotional @ TBA – April 28th

Are You Getting Anything Out Of The Sermons?

A Church goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. “I’ve gone for 30 years now,” he wrote, “and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons. But for the life of me, I can’t remember a single one of them.

So, I think I’m wasting my time and the preachers are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all.” This started a real controversy in the “Letters to the Editor” column, much to the delight of the editor. It went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher: I’ve been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!” When you are DOWN to nothing.... God is UP to something! Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible! Thank God for our physical AND our spiritual nourishment!

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Thanks For Concern

The one thing that every preacher strongly worries about is being unable to speak on Sunday. On Saturday morning I woke up with severe swollen throat and then a nasty stomach virus hit the family. Needless to say, I knew I wouldn’t be preaching Sunday. Thanks for all the concern of everyone for all of us. Thanks also to Rickey Burks for preaching for me and for Ronnie Rogers for teaching my class. I look forward to being back in the pulpit Sunday.

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(N)	Zollie Settles
(N)	Harry Felty
(N)	Shane Fisher
(S)	Shannon Griffin
(S)	J.B. Gribble
(S)	Barry Hendrixson
Sermon	John Biddle
Dismiss	Ken Martin

Sunday Evening Worship

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First Prayer	Rickey Hurst
Reading	Joey Reynolds
Scripture	I Chronicles 28:9
Lord's Table	*Chip Cantrell
	*Joe Collins
Sermon	Steve Hillis
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-1242) Rickey Hurst
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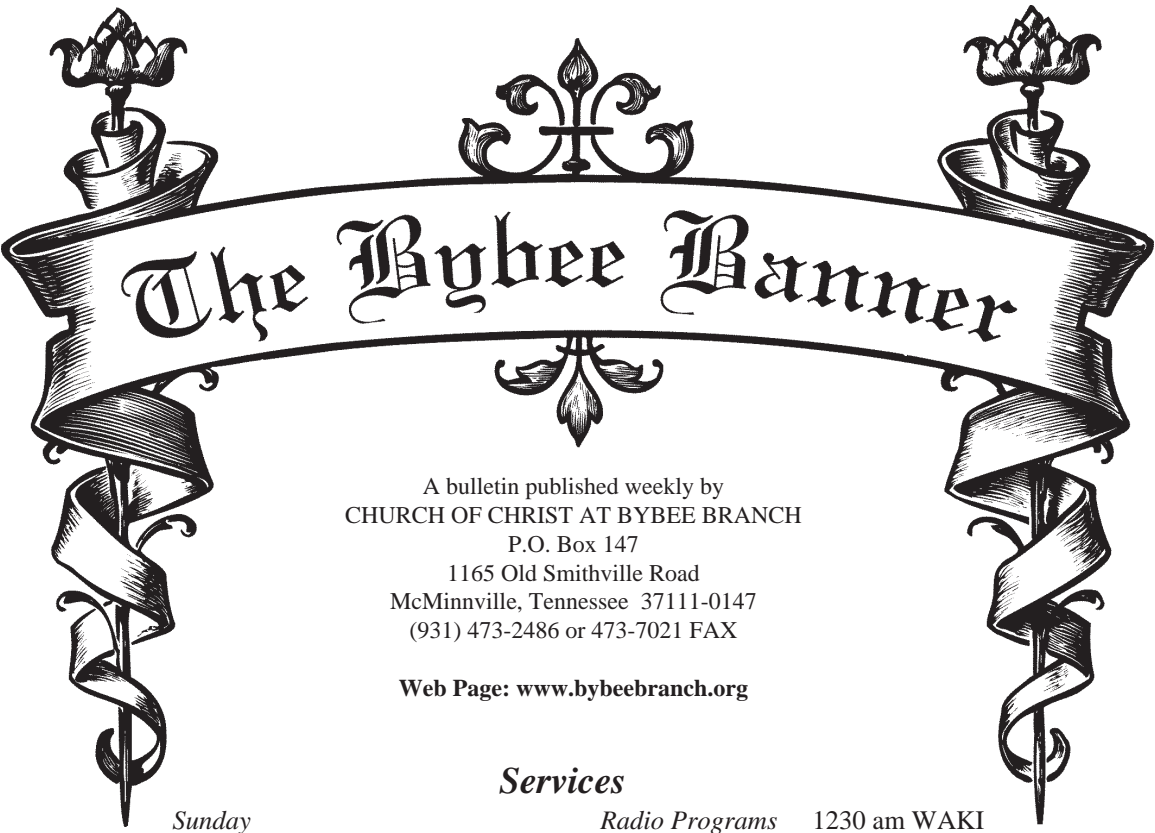
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- Shirley Parker
- Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan’s mother)-home following surgery
- Lemmie Bratten-tests for spot on lung

In The Hospital:

- Barbara King-Riverpark
- Bernice Fults-Riverpark Rehab
- Josh Templeton will have heart catheterization on Thursday at Vanderbilt
- Patsy Reynolds will have outpatient surgery Friday at Baptist

Sunday’s Sermons

- A.M. John Biddle: TBA
- P.M. Steve Hillis: “Loyalty”

Upcoming Events at Bybees

BBYN:

- Devotional @ Church Building — Sunday — April 28th
- Prom Alternative Trip Meeting “**Mandatory**” Sunday — May 5th — Balance & Release Forms Due
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Lectureship

Ward’s Chapel church of Christ, April 27,28 with the theme: **Does God Approve**. Speakers will be Gary Colley, Harrell Davidson, Tom Bright, Steven Yeatts, Jeff Archey, Stan Stevenson, & Paul Curless.

Gospel Meetings

Berea. church of Christ, April 21-24, services at 7:00 pm with Garland Elkins preaching.

Mt. View church of Christ, May 3-5, services at 7:00 pm with Curtis Sampley preaching.

Sane Sense From Scripture:

“I will behave wisely in a perfect way. Oh, when will You come to me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart. I will set nothing wicked before my eyes; I hate the work of those who fall away; It shall not cling to me.” Psalms 101:2,3, NKJV.

Whoever secretly slanders his neighbor, Him I will destroy; The one who has a haughty look and a proud heart, Him I will not endure.” Psalms 101:5, NKJV.

Lessons from Steve

A husband and his wife have just arrived home after spending a wonderful evening together. The couple pulls into their driveway and straight to their garage when they notice strangers at their car door. Within seconds the man is shot twice in the back of the head, and his wife takes refuge under the car. The murderer, after searching through the man’s pockets, jumps into the victims car (along with his two assailants) and scream out of the driveway, running over the lady hidden underneath. She survives, but notices in agony her husband lying dead before her eyes. The laughter and good times they had just shared, was now a scene of unimaginable horror. WHY? A loving husband, father, grandfather has his life taken, and for what, A CAR?

The murderer of this story was scheduled to have his life taken by lethal injection, but received a stay of execution and his accomplices were given 30 to 40 years in prison. Is there any justice for the victims? In all honesty, and to give due respect to families who are dealing with a violent crime such as this, I can’t comprehend what a loved one is going through. What can be said to someone who has to live with this atrocity everyday?

Remembering that there is a God, and that his justice is based on truth and righteousness is a start. *Psalm 145:17-20* states, **“The Lord is righteous in all His ways, Gracious in all His works. The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, To all who call upon Him in truth. He will fulfil the desire of those who fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them. The Lord preserves all who love Him, But all the wicked He will destroy.”** Also, and this is easier said than done, but Paul wrote **“Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord. Therefore “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.” Romans 12:19-21** May God bless those who have lost the life of a loved one due to evil and wickedness.

Did Christ Attend the Prom?

This truly is a wonderful time of the year. Among many exciting events of the season, one of the most exciting, for many high school students is the prom. What is it about a prom that causes so much excitement? Webster defines “prom” as “a formal dance given by a high school or college class.” If dancing is not wrong then there is nothing wrong with the prom. If dancing is wrong, then the prom is wrong. Following is a list of reasons why dancing is wrong. Please give careful and prayerful consideration to these:

1. It is forbidden in the New Testament (Gal. 5:19-21; lasciviousness).
2. It destroys one’s influence for good (I Cor. 15:33; I Tim. 4:12).
3. It depends solely on the mingling of the sexes (I Cor. 6:13,18; 10:8; leads to fornication).
4. It arouses desires that are immorally fulfilled(Matt. 5:28).
5. It is not to the “glory of God” (I Cor. 10:31).

Very few Christians will deny the fact that dancing is sin. So the next question is “Could I go to the prom without sinning?” Invariable someone says, “I won’t dance, but I want to go anyway.” Paul said, “to abstain from the very appearance of evil” (I Thess. 5:22). Could one go into a bar without leaving the impression that he is guilty of the sin of drinking? He may not drink, but because the primary purpose for a bar is so people can drink, the world believes that to be his purpose. Since the primary reason for a prom is to dance, even though one may not dance, the world believes he is. Even if you do not, you place a temptation before yourself and others to sin through lust. This fact you cannot deny!

Now, back to our original question, “Did Christ attend the prom? The Bible clearly teaches us that Christ did not sin (I Pet. 2:22) Jesus was careful to influence people for good. We should do nothing that Jesus would not do. He said He would be with us, only if we would remain faithful to Him. You answer the question, “Did Christ attend the prom?” Young people, are you with Jesus? Think about it. Nothing is more important in all the world than your soul’s salvation, not even the “once in a lifetime prom” (Matt. 16:25). *Light for Living—E. Corinth Bulletin*

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Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Paul Hurst
Scripture	1 John 2:3-5
Lord's Table (N)	*Chuck Medley
(S)	*Ken Lee
(N)	George Trail
(N)	Kevin Judkins
(N)	Mark Lawrence
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Marek Sadlon
(S)	Joe Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Buell Warren

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Hoyt Crouch
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Eddie Palmer
	*Steve Boyd
Sermon	Rickey Burks
Dismiss	Tommy Crouch

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(506-2342) Rickey Burks
Lead Singing	Young Men
First Prayer	Calvin Rogers
Reading	Ken Martin
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

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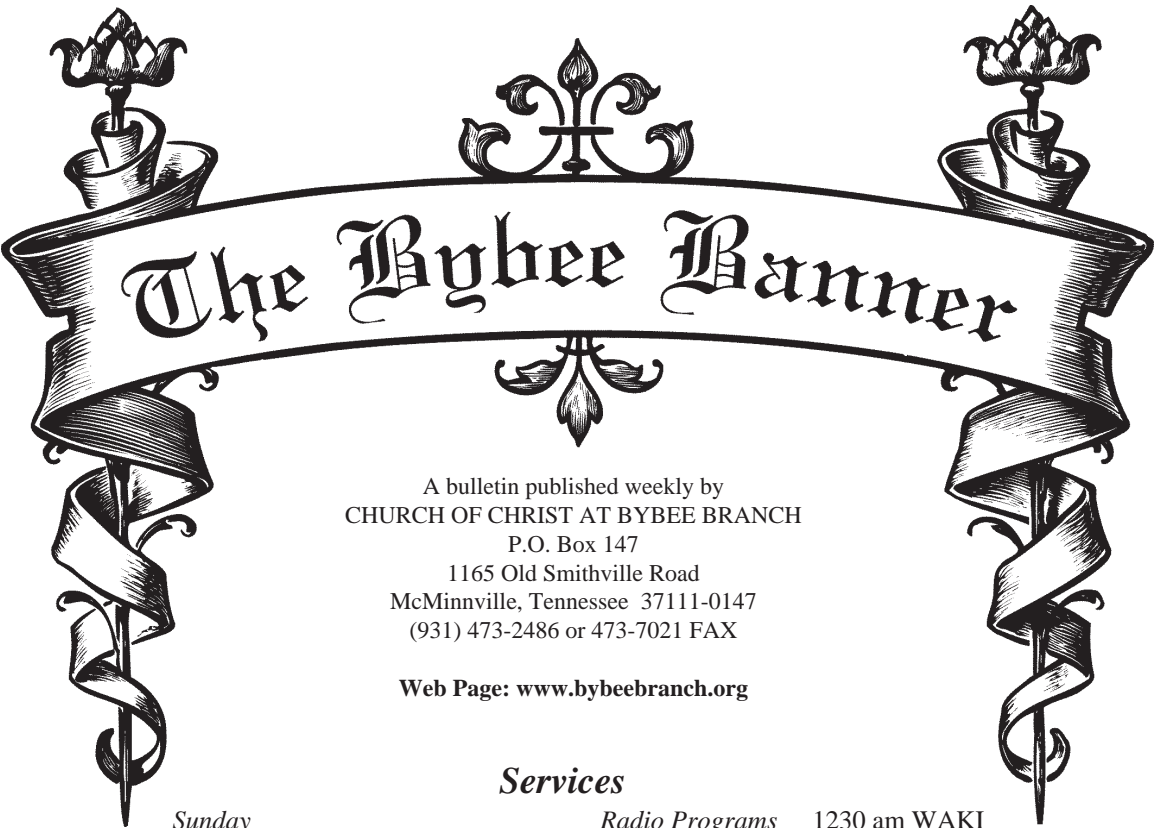
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Sick

At Home:

- Pat Boles
- Patsy Reynolds-following surgery
- Josh Templeton-following heart catheterization
- Shirley Parker
- Lemmie Bratten-tests for spot on lung
- Georgia Brown-following stay in Riverpark

In The Hospital:

- Barbara King-Riverpark Rehab (to be dismissed this week) with a broken ankle
- Bernice Fults-Riverpark Rehab
- Nettie Clemons (Leonard’s mother)-Riverpark following a fall
- Millard Young (Flossie Warren’s brother)-quadruple by-pass surgery at St. Thomas

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Commandments Old & New
P.M. Rickey Burks preaching

Gospel Meetings

Mt. View church of Christ, May 3-5, services at 7:00 pm with Curtis Sampley preaching.

Old Philadelphia church of Christ, May 5-10, services at 7:00 pm with different speakers preaching.

Iglesia de Cristo, May 10-12, services at 7:00 pm. They would love to have visitors!

Baptisms & Restoration

We rejoice that Sunday morning following services Kayla Maynard put on the Lord in baptism. Also on Sunday evening sister Maggie Hurst came forward requesting prayers.

Also on Sunday, there was another baptism among our Hispanic brethren. Rigoberto Sandoval was baptized into Christ.

Lessons from Steve

Has anybody ever heard of or been in this scenario? Two guys are standing around and an attractive lady walks by. One guy, who is married, makes a lewd comment about the woman, and his buddy then asks him if that is a proper thing to say, since he is married. The married man responses in the following manner, “Oh, it’s o.k. to look, as long as you don’t touch.” This guy has obviously never heard of Jesus.

In Matthew 5:27-28, Jesus said, “**You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.**” Jesus wonderfully portrays the law as His Father wanted it to be obeyed. We should always be cognizant of the fact that God knows what is in our heart and the intent of our thoughts, *I Chronicles 28:9.* We might fool our buddies by pretending to joke around, but we will not deceive God, *Galatians 6:7.*



** A huge THANK YOU to those who attended our first “SENIOR SAINTS” class! It was a huge success, and we look forward to bigger and better classes and activities in the future. **

UP COMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.
Prom Alternative Trip Meeting (Fellowship Room)
Sunday — May 5th — Money & Release Forms Due, plus “The Dreaded Rules”

Prom Alternative Trip — Thursday/Sunday – May 9th-12th — GATLINBURG!

Pew Packers Class — Sunday – May 5th

May 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			EUGENE & DORIS WILCHER JEFF & REGINA TEMPLETON Ada Hensley Ashlann Claire Jones	Betty Upton	Bob Cantrell	Zachary Cantrell
			1	2	3	4
Nan Cantrell	Bessie Parker	Teresa Atnip	Tyler Boyd		Regina Templeton Ryan McColloch	Violet Webb Joe Roller
Pew Packers Class				Prom Alternative Trip to Gatlingburg		
Prom-Alt Meeting				9	10	11
5	6	7	8			
LEONARD & JUNE CROUCH Ken Lee Kevin Flatt	Billy Gilbert		GILBERT & WILLENE KELL Pauline Watson		Melba Bonner Maggie Hurst	Mary Davis CARL & TAMELA ROBERTS
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Mattie Medley	Matthew Martin		LAWRENCE & BETTY LANE	Edgar Webb Pearl Biddle Bertha Stewart Eugene Jones
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Terann Hillis	Rachel Flatt Billie Barlow	Robbie Vandagriff	Edith Cantrell	Harold McGinness Sarah Beth Hurst		
			5 th Wednesday Song Practice			
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Allen Hughes
Reading	W.C. Chilton
Scripture	1 John 2:15-17
Lord's Table (N)	*Rickey Hurst
(S)	*Jim Slatton
(N)	Steve Wilcher
(N)	Dickie Kesey
(N)	Joe T. Cantrell
(S)	Tom McColloch
(S)	Asa Kell
(S)	Marc Martin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Billy Gilbert

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Danny Duncan
Scripture	Colossians 4;13,16
Lord's Table	*Bob Mayfield
	*Ronnie Prince
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Mike Driver

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(506-2342) Rickey Burks
Lead Singing	Steve Hillis
First Prayer	Doug Hendrixson
Reading	Eric Fisher
Invitation	Kurt Maynard
Dismiss	Joe Collins

Welcome Committee

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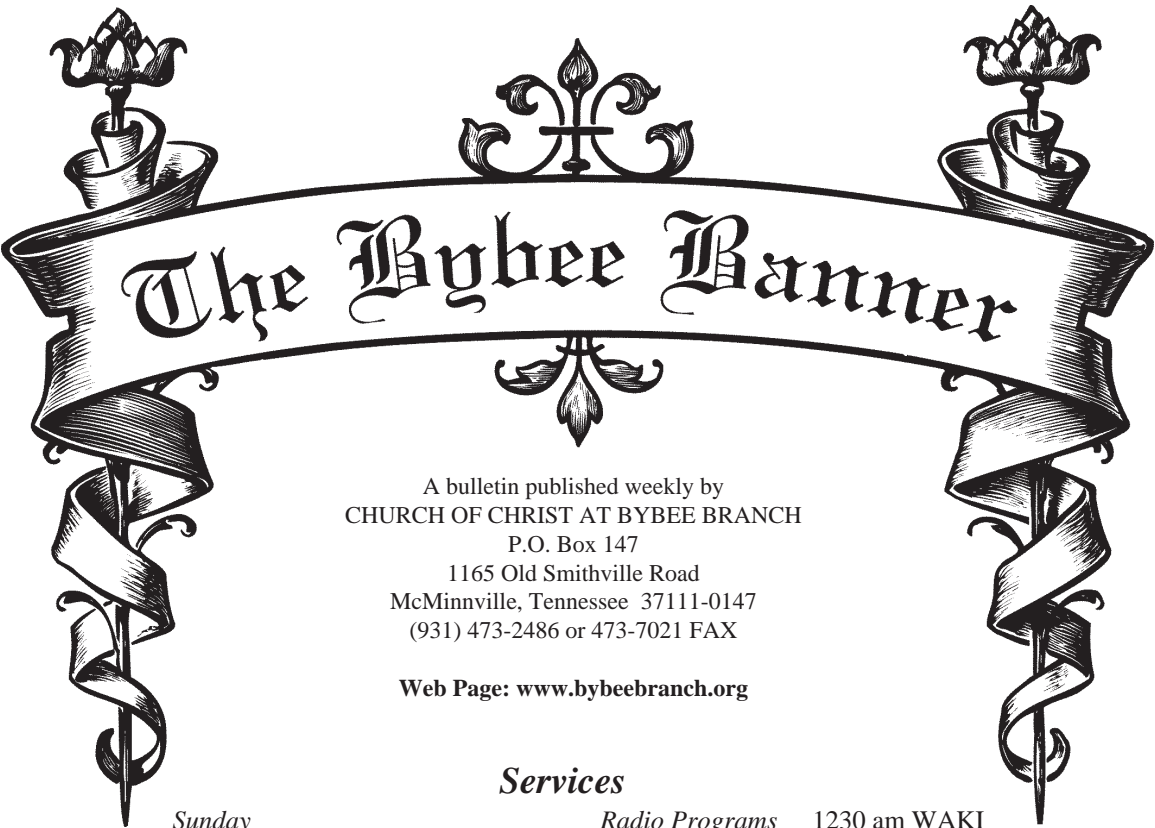
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They would love to have visitors!</div> <div>Wedding Announcement</div> <div>Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie Leo Horvell request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Rachel Ellen to Mr. Edward Andrew Collins Saturday, the Eighteenth of May Two Thousand and Two at Five O’clock in the evening North Boulevard Church of Christ 1112 North Boulevard Murfreesboro, Tennessee</div>			<div>Shut-ins</div> <div>NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care):</div> <div>Jane Golden</div> <div>Lena Mai Gribble</div> <div>Pearl Mitchell</div> <div>Houston Stiles</div> <div>Carol Sue Taylor</div> <div>Violet Webb</div> <div>Dora Mae Wilcher</div> <div>NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):</div> <div>Bertha Stewart</div> <div>Raintree Health Care Center:</div> <div>Edith Cantrell</div> <div>McMinnville Boarding Home</div> <div>Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother) (temporarily at NHC)</div> <div>McMinnville Residential Care Center</div> <div>Martha Maxwell</div> <div>Hillcrest Health Care:</div> <div>Edith Collins</div> <div>Norcliff Life Care Center</div> <div>85 Main St. N</div> <div>Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada</div> <div>Stanley McNery (905) 768-4612</div> <div>Home:</div> <div>Vada Campbell</div> <div>Carolyn Cantrell</div> <div>Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)</div> <div>Rozelle Goodman</div> <div>Greg Grizzell</div> <div>Willene Kell</div> <div>Bessie Parker</div> <div>Sherry Pelham</div> <div>Robbie Vandagriff</div> <div>Restoration</div> <div>On Sunday morning sister Lisa Thaxton came forward requesting the prayers of the congregation. Please continue to remember her in your prayers.</div>			<div>Lessons from Steve</div> <div>When someone takes what doesn’t belong to them, many, not just the ones who were robbed, will feel the ripple effect. Insurance rates soar, security costs rise, stores pay extra for security (and we all know who that “extra” will be passed on to), and so on. Maybe our justice system should take a cue from God’s Word and levy penalties accordingly.</div> <div>For example, Exodus 22:7 states, “If a man delivers to his neighbor money or articles to keep, and it is stolen out of the man’s house, if the thief is found, he shall pay double.” By making a crook pay a double restitution, then he or she might think twice about the consequences. Surely the A.C.L.U. wouldn’t find this offensive? But someone may ask, “What if they’re stealing because they have no money.” Yea, that’s a tough one, so in that situation we would probably have to advise the thief to... GET A JOB LIKE THE REST OF US! Paul wrote, “Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need,” Ephesians 4:28.</div> <div></div> <div>Upcoming Events</div> <div>B.B.Y.G.</div> <div>Prom Alternative Trip - Thursday/Sunday – May 9th – 12th GATLINBURG!</div> <div>T.A.B.S. - Sunday, May 19th – 6:00 PM at New Union Church of Christ</div> <div>‘SENIOR SAINTS’</div> <div>Bible Class Monday, May 13th – 9:00 AM - Matthew Chapter 2</div>			<div>Words: What Do They Mean?</div> <div>Roy H. Lanier, Jr. from Bulletin Digest (June 1999)</div> <div>Preachers have an unusual opportunity to listen to people. In the course of their many conversations, many promises are given, statements made, offered. Perhaps it is easy to see, then, that some people do not “say what they mean.”</div> <div>“They say” - usually means “I heard it from at least one source but everybody believes it!”</div> <div>“It needs to be done” - means “I’m not going to do anything about it but the church ought to!”</div> <div>“I’ve heard some criticism” - usually means “I’m against it but I don’t have the nerve to state my beliefs!”</div> <div>“The whole church is upset” - usually means “Two or three loud mouths have turned their venom loose!”</div> <div>“It might bring criticism” - means “I know it should be done, but it just takes too much effort for me to do it!”</div> <div>“If memory serves me correctly” - really means “I’m going to say something I’m not sure of, whether true or false, but if somebody discovers I’m wrong, I can always blame my memory!”</div> <div>“Preacher, I’ll be there if I am not providentially hindered” - nearly always means “If I’m not there you can blame God for it!”</div> <div>“I’ll come every time I can” - usually means, “If I don’t have something better to do I’ll be there!”</div> <div>“I’m still studying the question” - usually means “I want to stay in a position to agree with both sides!”</div> <div>You can take it from there! Christians should be far more careful to mean what they say and say what they mean than people of the world. Jesus says a plain ‘yes’ or ‘no’ is suitable for a Christian’s word (Matthew 5:36-37).</div> <div>“But I say unto you, That every idle word that men speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified and by thy words thou shalt be condemned” (Matthew 12:36-37).</div>		
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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Noel Pepper
Reading	Jeff Templeton
Scripture	1 John 2:18-19
Lord's Table (N)	*Larry Flatt
(S)	*Willie Newby
(N)	Harold McGinness
(N)	Chris Burks
(N)	J.B. Gribble
(S)	Micah Lawrence
(S)	Ryan Kesey
(S)	Jason Vandagriff
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jeff Flatt

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bill Biles
Reading	Shannon Griffin
Scripture	Matthew 16:13-19
Lord's Table	*Ken Martin
	*Winfrey Hennessee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Brett Merritt

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(506-2342) Rickey Burks
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Lee Gann
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Eddie Palmer

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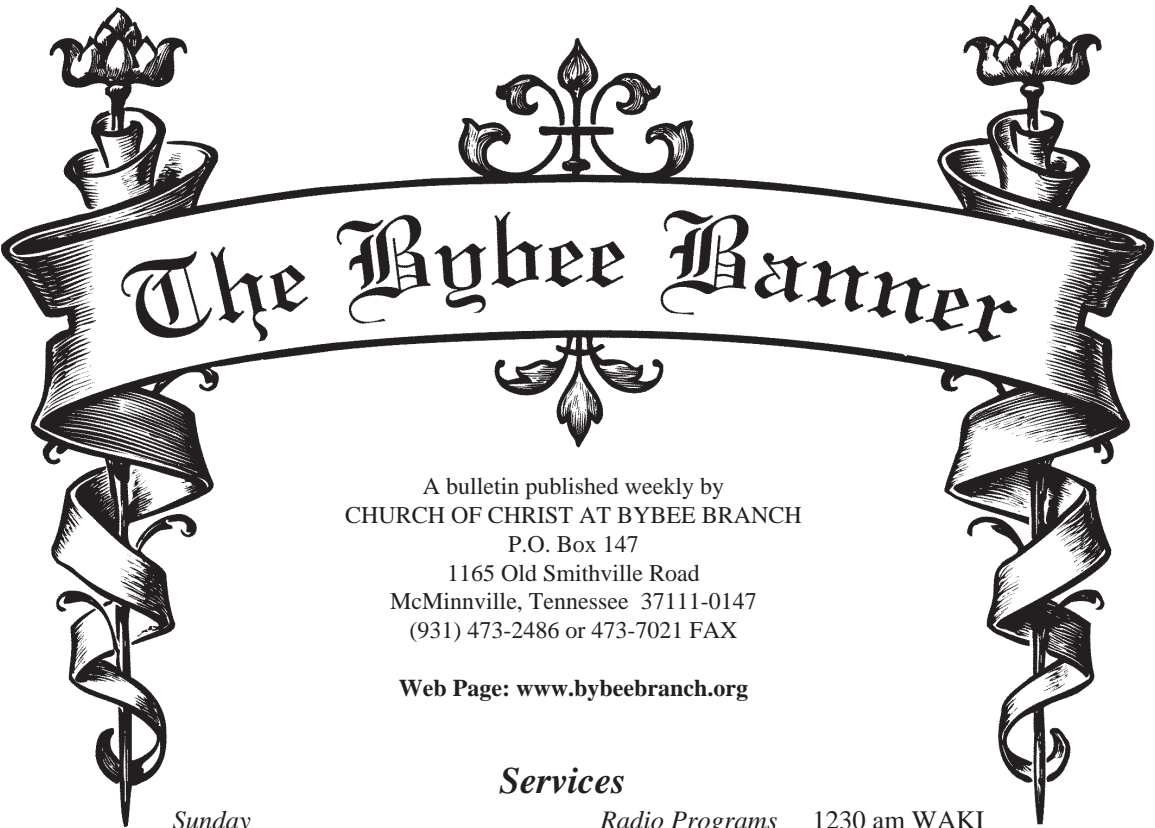
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Sick

At Home:

- Pat Boles
- Barbara King
- Bernice Fults
- Missy Biles
- Lemmie Bratten-home following surgery (address on the bulletin board)
- David Mayfield-following angioplasty and insertion of two stints

In The Hospital:

- Nettie Clemons (Leonard’s mother)-NHC
- Earlene McColloch (David & Tom’s mother)-NHC
- Patsy Reynolds-Baptist Hospital-surgery was rescheduled for this Friday morning

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. The Antichrist
P.M.Significant Places: Caesarea Philippi & Dan

Gospel Meetings

- Mt. Leo church of Christ, May 19-23, services at 7:00 pm with Winford Claiborne preaching.
- Oak Grove church of Christ, May 19-24, services at 7:30 pm with Mark Lance preaching.
- West Riverside church of Christ, May 19-22, services at 7:00 pm with Paul Meacham, Jr. preaching.

Check the bulletin board for others upcoming but were not listed due to space.

Baptism

It was a joy on Monday evening to hear Chris Neal confess the name of Christ and be immersed into Christ by Steve Hillis. Pray for Chris as he begins his new life in Christ.

Restoration

On Sunday morning sister Tamela Roberts came forward requesting the prayers of the congregation. Please continue to remember her in your prayers.

Lessons from Steve

Every person who is old enough to think and reason has probably done it. “Lil” George Washington is credited with stating, “I cannot tell a lie.” Please! Honest Abe Lincoln? I think not. Some are little white ones; while others seem to grow like fish! Whether on the playground, in the family room, or at an office meeting all of us have said something that was not the truth. Why? Maybe to impress that young lady or gentleman, or the pressure of a boss breathing down your neck demanding an answer, or just the sheer purpose to cause someone hurt.

Lying is not a disease, but a sinful problem that we have to be on-guard for. The implications of lying are enormous, so let us always be mindful of the following results of untruthfulness.

- Who is a liar?
- 1 John 1:10: We who say we have not sinned.
- 1 John 2:4: Those who claim to know God, yet do not obey His word.
- 1 John 2:22: Those who deny that Jesus is the Christ.
- What is the destiny of liars?
- Revelation 21:8: Hell.
- Who is the leader of liars?
- John 8:44: The Devil.

The above references are only a few of the many verses I could have used, but a good summary of what God expects is found in Proverbs 12:22, “**Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, But those who deal truthfully are His delight.**”



B.B.Y.G.

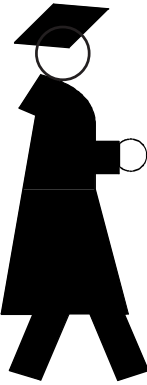
T.A.B.S.- Sunday, May 19th - 6:00 PM - at New Union
Home Devotional - Sunday, May 26th – After the evening worship - TBA

‘SENIOR SAINTS’

Bible Class - Monday, May 20th - 9:00 AM - Matt. 3

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Clifford McClain, uncle of our Iona King and Frank Reynolds. His services will be on Wednesday at 2:00 pm at Highs.



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES 2002



Miranda Atnip
WCHS



Ashley Boles
WCHS



Carla Garibaldi
WCHS



Ryan Kesey
WCHS



Craig Palmer
WCHS



Miranda Rains
WCHS



Brandi Wilcher
Boyd Christian



Matthew Young
WCHS



Amy Graves
UT Memphis
Doctor of Pharmacy



Mark Lawrence
Freed-Hardeman University
BS Graphic Design



Kurt Maynard
MTSU
Masters of Education



Stephanie Maynard
MTSU
Masters of Education

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Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Chip Cantrell
Reading	Rickey Prince
Scripture	1 John 3:1-3
Lord's Table (N)	*Tim Fisher
(S)	*Steve Hillis
(N)	Ben Biles
(N)	David McColloch
(N)	Barry Hendrixson
(S)	Lynn Gann
(S)	Jeremy Burks
(S)	Marty Boles
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kurt Maynard

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Dennis Gann
Reading	Shane Fisher
Scripture	Obadiah 1-4
Lord's Table	*Joe T. Cantrell
	*Allen Hughes
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Boyd

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(506-2342) Rickey Burks
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Mark Lawrence
Reading	Don Griffith
Invitation	Tyler Boyd
Dismiss	Bob Mayfield

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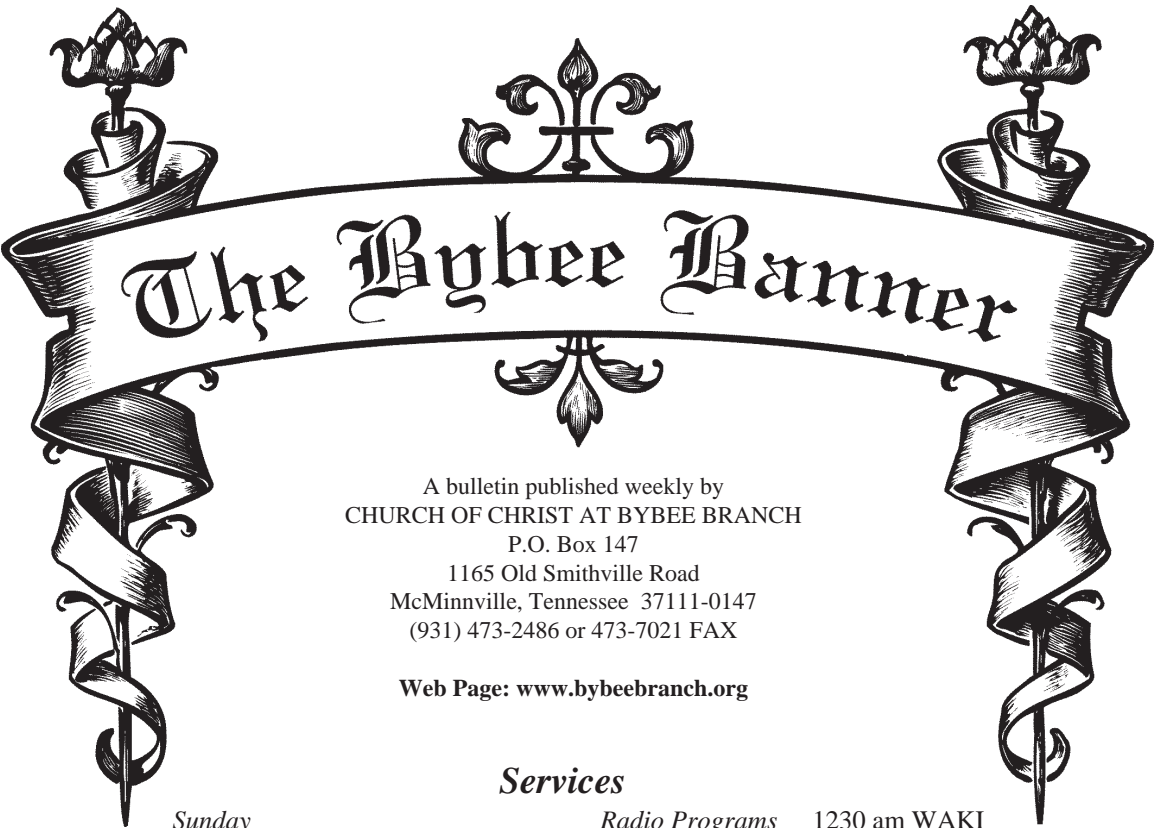
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Sick

At Home:

- Pat Boles
- Barbara King
- Bernice Fults
- Eugene & Georgia Jones
- Patsy Reynolds-following surgery
- Greg Grizzell-following experimental treatment for Lyme's Disease

In The Hospital:

- Nettie Clemons (Leonard's mother)-NHC but plans are to move her back to the boarding home Friday
- Earlene McColloch (David & Tom's mother)-NHC
- Lemmie Bratten-Huntsville Hospital-not doing very well with pneumonia and other problems
- Ruth Foster-Riverpark-surgery on Tuesday

Sunday's Sermons

- A.M. Children Of God
- P.M. Significant Places: Land of Edom

Baptisms

Sunday was such a great day! It was a joy to witness Heather Tanner baptized on Sunday morning following Bible Classes. Then on Sunday evening Nicole Wilcher came forward to be baptized. Following the evening services our Hispanic brethren arrived to baptize Yalonda Ramos. Please remember these new sisters in Christ in your prayers.

Restoration

On Sunday morning sister Holly Hodges came forward requesting the prayers of the congregation. Please continue to remember her in your prayers.

"And the house which I build is great: for great is our God above all gods." 2 Chronicles 2:5, KJV.

Gospel Meetings & Etc.

West Riverside church of Christ, May 19-22, services at 7:00 pm with Paul Meacham, Jr. preaching.

Mt. Leo church of Christ, May 19-23, services at 7:00 pm with Winford Claiborne preaching.

Oak Grove church of Christ, May 19-24, services at 7:30 pm with Mark Lance preaching.

Friends & Family Day at **Arlington church of Christ**, May 26

Pocahontas church of Christ, May 26-29, services at 7:30 with Charles Scott preaching.

Singing at the **Central church of Christ**, May 31, beginning at 7:00 pm

Ladies Day at the **Central church of Christ**, June 1, with Cindy Brothers speaking on "The Heart of a Servant." Registration at 9:30 am.

Special Lessons on "Challenges of Modern Music" at the **Main Street church of Christ** in Manchester, June 1, 10:00 am to 2:45 pm with David Hester speaking.

Lectureship at the **Centertown church of Christ**, June 8, on the theme of "The New Testament Church." Services begin at 9:00 am.

Careful With Scripture...

A couple was arranging for their wedding, and asked the bakery to inscribe the wedding cake with "1 John 4:18" which reads, "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear."

The bakery evidently lost, smudged or otherwise misread the noted reference, and beautifully inscribed on the cake "John 4:18" ... "for you have had five husbands, and the man you have now is not your husband."

Lessons from Steve

Jesus said, **"Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."** *Luke 12:15* Jesus mentions this to a man who is having a problem gaining part of an inheritance he is apparently owed. The Lord is trying to tell the man to look beyond "things" and don't let this become a stumbling block in his life. In a sense, covetousness can cause spiritual blindness. Paul told the saints at Colosse, **"Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry."** *Colossians 3:5* When we fix our desire on something, whether good or bad, let us "take heed and beware" that we don't allow our better judgment to be muddled, and lose sight of what we truly should long for. A life of contentment with God as our life.



UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.

- Home Devotional Sunday, May 26th – After the evening worship. Home of (T.B.A.)
- "1st" Sunday Eats Sunday, June 2nd – After the evening worship.

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Pew Packers Class Sunday, June 2nd – 5:00 PM

'SENIOR SAINTS'

- Bible Class Monday, June 3rd – 1:00 PM - Matthew Chapter 4

"Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night." Psalms 1:1,2, NKJV.

Prom Alternative Trip

In usual Steve fashion, I failed to mention anything about this year's Prom Alternative Trip in last week's bulletin. So, let me just say that our seventh annual trip was wonderful and everything went according to plan. A huge thank you goes out to ALL the youth and chaperones, Leonard and Avie (our navigators), Joey (for a great lesson), Hilary (for carrying our luggage), Miranda and Brandi (who forsook much to attend this trip), and as always Sharla and Terann (for being by my side). sbh

Could This Happen at Bybee Branch?

The sermon had really hit home with John as he sat on the edge of his seat, grasping each word the preacher said as if each led the way to what he always wanted. He finally relaxed a bit with a glow of happy security on his face. "Yes, I will obey Christ and be baptized because I do believe He is the Son of God," he thought.

But as the preacher began to offer the Lord's invitation, people snatched their books noisily from the racks and began flipping pages, sleeping children were awakened and helped into their coats and hats as others put away colors, books, toys, etc.

As the preacher endeavored to complete his sermon, the hustle and noise diverted John's attention and he thought, "Oh, these people are in such a rush to get home, I'll only detain them with my baptism, so I'll wait until another time." So, a bit deflated, John stood with the audience as they gazed about smiling at one another and sang, "Almost Persuaded."

~adapted from~
~East Main Informer, Tupelo, MS~

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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Joe Collins
Reading	Bob Bonner
Scripture	1 John 4:1-3
Lord's Table (N)	*Ken Martin
(S)	*Paul Hurst
(N)	Joe Roller
(N)	Chris Neale
(N)	Rodney Maynard
(S)	Kraig Campbell
(S)	Harry Felty
(S)	Lee Gann
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	David Chilton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Doug Hendrixson
Reading	Micah Lawrence
Scripture	Romans 1:14-17
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee
	*Bruce Pryor
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2605) Brett Merritt
Lead Singing	Young Men
First Prayer	Calvin Rogers
Reading	Bob Mayfield
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joey Reynolds

Welcome Committee

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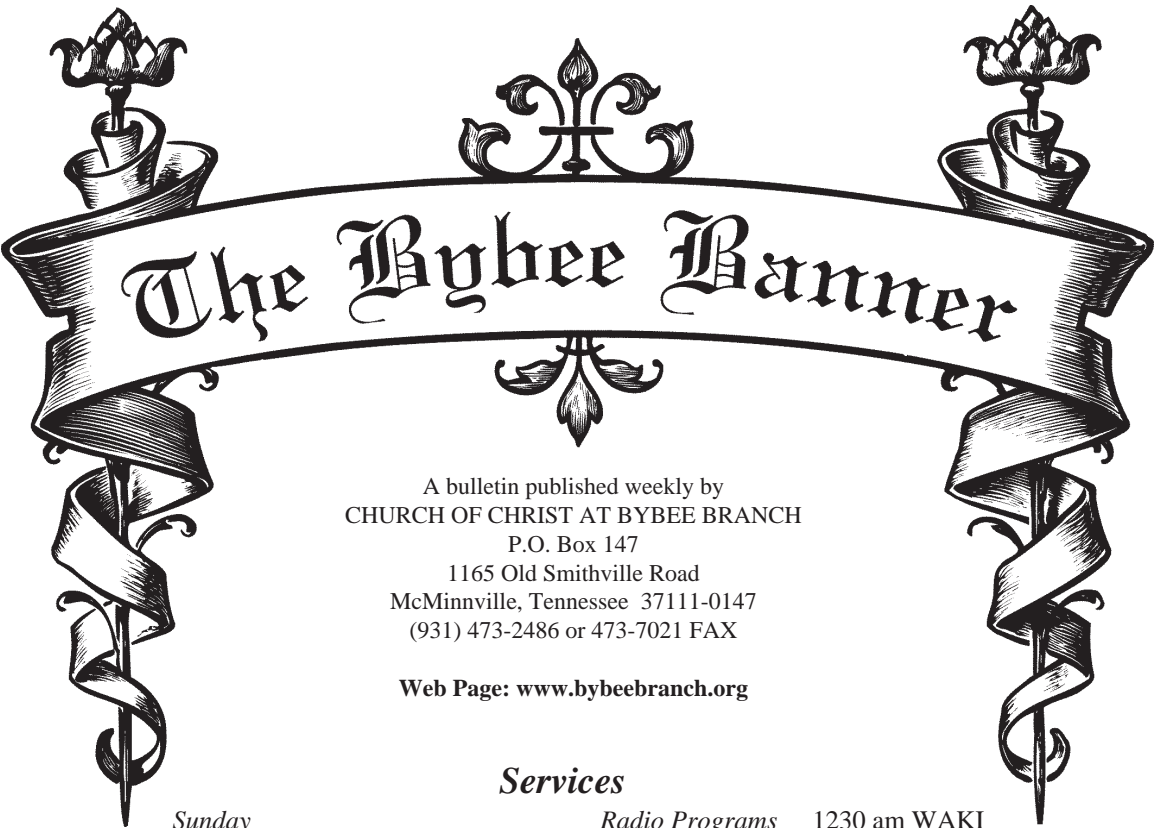
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Patsy Reynolds-doing better
Greg Grizzell

In The Hospital:
Lemmie Bratten-Huntsville Hospital
John Stenbridge-Riverpark
Bernice Fults-Riverpark ICU
Minnie Wiseman (Judy Sullivan’s grandmother)-
Riverpark ICU

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy of Wilma Pepper, mother of our Noel Pepper. She passed away Sunday evening.

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower on Sunday, June 2, from 1-3 pm at the church building for Heather Campbell.

Baptisms

We rejoice that this past Wednesday evening Brandi Wilcher came forward to be baptized into Christ.

Gospel Meetings & Etc.

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Due to lack of space, check the bulletin board for others

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.
- “Challenges of Modern Music” Saturday, June 1st 10:00 AM to 2:45 PM at Main Street church
 - “1st” Sunday Eats Sunday, June 2nd – After the evening worship.
 - Softball on Sunday, June 9th – After the evening worship at Civic Center

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Pew Packers Class Sunday, June 2nd – 5:00 PM

‘SENIOR SAINTS’

- Visitation on Thursday, May 30th – Leaving @ 9:00 AM Huntsville, AL (Lemmie Bratten) *We will take the bus if there is enough interest.*
- Bible Class Monday, June 3rd – 1:00 PM - Matthew Chapter 4

June 2002						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>Elders-Deacons Meeting</div> <div>There will be a meeting of the elders and deacons this coming Sunday afternoon at 5:00 pm</div>						
KURT & STEPHANIE MAYNARD GEORGE & JOY TRAIL	Glenda Hughes C.J. Rogers	OSBURN & RUBY HUNTLEY DICKIE & LENNIE RUTH KESEY CHUCK & MATTIE MEDLEY	LARRY & ELAINE GOODMAN DON & SUSIE GRIFFITH June Crouch Bob Mayfield Huston Thaxton		Trista Caldwell	Haley Anne McColloch MARC & MELINDA MARTIN
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Mildred Gambrell Jarrah Anderson	DANNY & CYNTHIA DUNCAN	Roberta Parmley	John Stenbridge Kayla Maynard	JARED & REBECCA MULLICAN	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
WINFREY & DOT HENNESSEE	Clay Hill	RICKY & RITA PRINCE	Asa Kell	JOHN & CORA STEMBRIDGE STANLEY & SHERRY GRAVES	WILLIE & DONNA NEWBY NOEL & MARTHA PEPPER W.C. Chilton	Nonie Grizzell Georgia Brown
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
EUGENE & GEORGIA JONES	Cynthia Duncan June Slatton	Ruby Huntley Jessica Templeton DENNIS & TERESA GANN PHILLIP & TERI SMITH	Noel Pepper	Jane Flatt ROBERTO & ISABEL GARIBALDI	Georgia Jones	FRANK & GEORGIA BROOKS John Nussbaum
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	<div>Sunday's Sermons</div> <div>A.M. Be Careful To Whom You Listen! P.M. Significant Places: Rome</div>					

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Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Eddie Palmer
Scripture	1 John 4:16-19
Lord's Table (N)	*Kelly Thaxton
(S)	*Ricky Prince
(N)	Jeff Bond
(N)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	John Nussbaum
(S)	Bob Cantrell
(S)	Buell Warren
(S)	George Trail
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Allen Hughes

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Kurt Maynard
Reading	Rickey Hurst
Scripture	Matthew 3:1-5
Lord's Table	*Willie Newby
	*Billy Gilbert
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2605) Brett Merritt
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Shannon Griffin
Invitation	Ronnie Rogers
Dismiss	Noel Pepper

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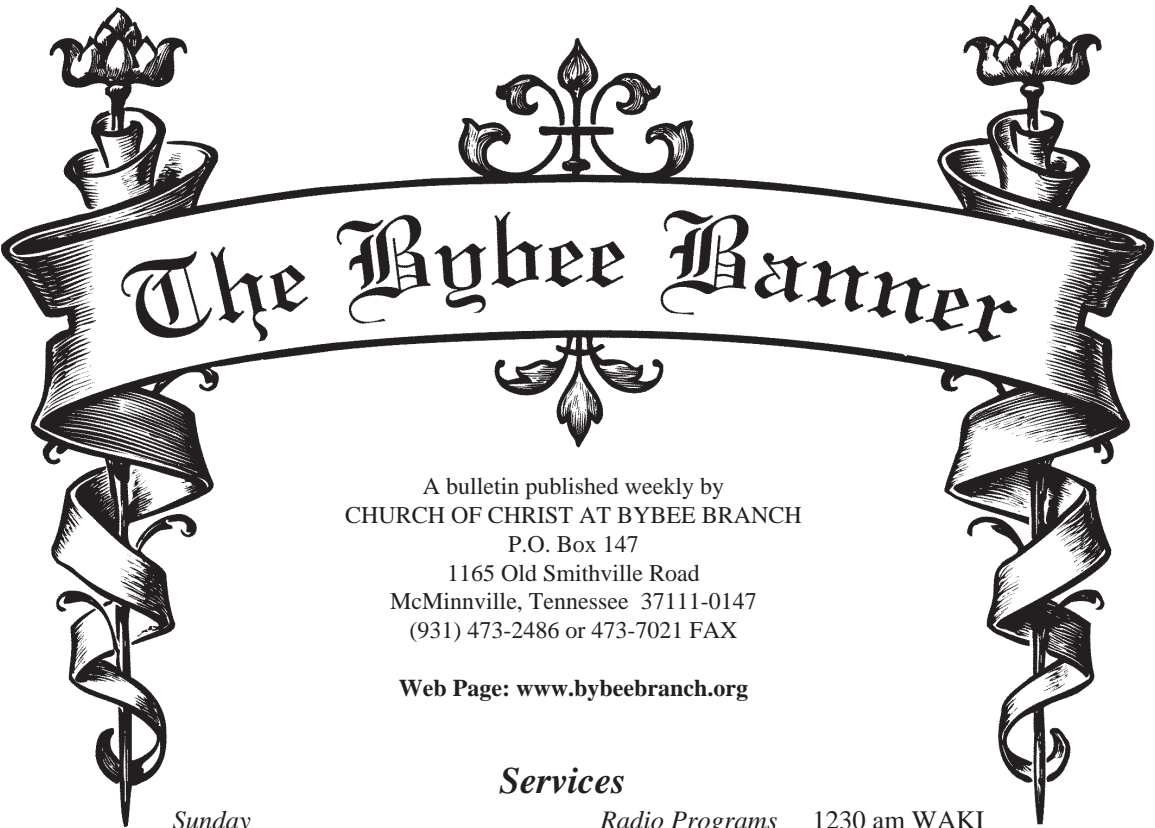
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Greg Grizzell
John Stembridge
Minnie Wiseman (Judy Sullivan’s grandmother)
Howard & Barbara Witty-following serious car accident

In The Hospital:

Ruth Foster-Riverpark
Bernice Fults-Riverpark
Georgia Brown-St. Thomas-Special Care for heart tests.

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of brother Lemmie Bratten. He passed away Monday evening and no arrangements have been made at the time of this writing. Lemmie (along with Brenda) were very diligent servants while here at Bybee Branch.

His body will be at Highs Funeral Home. You may call there for arrangements.

Baptisms

We rejoice again Sunday evening following services when Cody Prince obeyed the Lord by putting Him on in baptism. We rejoice with Cody and pray that he will have a long and useful life serving the Lord.

Also, our Hispanic brethren had another baptism on Sunday afternoon, Carlos Cruz Lopez.

VBS Planning Meeting

Those willing to help in VBS are asked to meet following services on Sunday evening, June 9. We will have a short meeting to be sure all the details are correct. Also, we still need volunteers to teach the Nursery and Age 2 classes. If you would be willing to do this please see Tony, Steve or be at the meeting Sunday evening.

Gospel Meetings & Etc.

Bonner church of Christ, June 2-5, services at 7:00 with Stan Stevenson preaching.

Vacation Bible School at *Ivy Bluff church of Christ*, June 2-6, services at 7:00 with different speakers each evening for the adult class.

Dibrell church of Christ, June 7-9, services at 7:00 with Chad Ramsey preaching.

Lectureship at the *Centertown church of Christ*, June 8, on the theme of “The New Testament Church.” Services begin at 9:00 am.

Harmony church of Christ, June 9-11, services at 7:00 with Billy Reed preaching.

Plainview/Sparta church of Christ, June 9-13, services at 7:00 with Larry Acuff preaching.

Blues Hill church of Christ, June 9-12, services at 7:00 with Glenn Ramsey preaching.

Vacation Bible School at *Pocahontas church of Christ*, June 10-14, services at 6:00 with Stephen Seibert teaching the teens and Kenneth Chambers teaching the adults.

Vacation Bible School at *East End church of Christ*, June 10-14, services at 6:30 with different speakers each evening for the adult class.

Diana Singing, Friday night, June 14. Bus will leave at 5:00 pm.

Grange Hall church of Christ, June 16-21, services at 7:30 with Artie Collins preaching.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. God Is Love
P.M. Significant Places: Wilderness of Judaea

Lessons From Steve

The Book of Judges, in chapter two and verse seven, teaches that Israel served the Lord all the days of Joshua and the elders who outlived Joshua. However, somewhere along the way, something went terribly wrong. *Judges 2:10* states, “**When all that generation had been gathered to their fathers, (that is the elders who outlived Joshua) another generation arose after them who did not know the Lord nor the work which He had done for Israel.**” How could a generation come along and not know about the ten plagues, crossing the Red Sea and the Jordan River on dry ground, the battle of Jericho and Ai, and more importantly, God’s law? The answer may be that a generation did not stress the importance of God’s word and another generation grew up totally void of any knowledge of God, therefore no fear to obey God. Is it me or is this starting to sound eerily familiar?

UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.

- Softball Sunday, June 9th – After the evening worship at Civic Center
- Fall Creek Falls Saturday, June 15th – 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Devotional, Hiking, Picnic (Bring a sack lunch, drinks provided)

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Skating/Pizza Party Sunday, June 30th – 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM at Hot Wheels Skate Center \$2.00 per skater

“SENIOR SAINTS”

- Bible Class Monday, June 17th – 1:00 PM Matthew Chapter 5

“And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. **God is love**, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.”
1 John 4:16, NKJV.

The Seven Ups of the Christian Faith

1. WAKE UP — Decide to have a good day.
2. DRESS UP — The best way to dress up is to put on a smile. A smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.
3. BUTTON UP — Say nice things and learn to listen.
4. STAND UP — For what you believe in.
5. LOOKUP-To the Lord.
6. REACH UP — For something higher. Always try to better yourself.
7. LIFT UP — Your prayers.

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Good News From Thailand

It is always good to get news from any of our mission works but several of the preachers have reported good works going on. For example, two reports that just came in: Brother Kai who preaches at Loei and his son-in-law brother Rapin who preaches at Udorn report 2 being baptized. They had 75 on Sunday morning at a village congregation at Talain. Brother Bo sent email this morning to report 3 being baptized at Mukdahan. What is exciting for Bo is that these are people that he has taught himself. He is working hard to teach the Gospel and working well with brother Sungwan, who is has been preaching at Mukdahan for some time. Brother Christian reported Sunday that a young man of 21 came to be baptized and 3 others were studying with him and were close to becoming Christians.

One item of interest is brother Christian Boonla has changed his legal name in Thailand. His family name, Boonla, was a Buddhist name and an embarrassment to him. He has sought to change his last name for some time and the government recently granted his request. His name is now Christian Christanon. The last name means one who loves and follows Christ. Obviously he is excited about this change.

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First Prayer	Frank Reynolds
Reading	Joey Reynolds
Scripture	1 John 5:4,5
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(S)	*Ronnie Rogers
(N)	Brett Merritt
(N)	Bran Merritt
(N)	Steve Boyd
(S)	Tyler Boyd
(S)	Bruce Pryor
(S)	Abram Pryor
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Micah Lawrence

Sunday Evening Worship

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First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	Harold McGinness
Scripture	Ecclesiastes 12:6,7
Lord's Table	*Tommy Crouch
	*W.C. Chilton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
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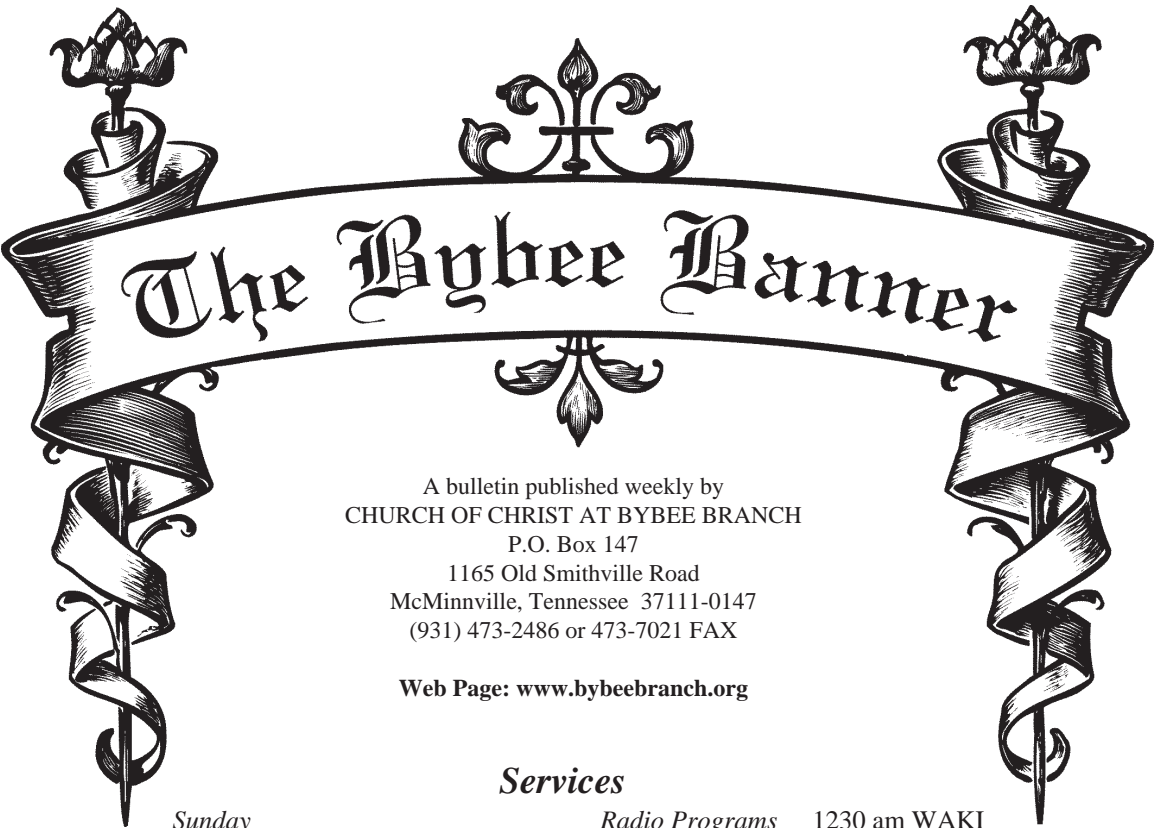
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Bernice Fults
Roeba Jones

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Elmo Griffin (grandfather of Shannon)-St.
Thomas Special Care
Delter Tenpenny (father of Wilma Chism)-
Riverpark

Sympathy
We were saddened last week with the passing from this life of sister Dollie Maynard. She was the mother of our Gail Crouch and Joe Maynard. Her funeral was on Friday.

Also, we extend sympathy to the family of Donna Baker. She was the grandmother of our Bob Bonner. Her funeral was this past Saturday.

Restoration

We rejoice with the restoration of sister Kristi Patterson on Sunday evening. Please remember Kristi in your prayers.

Visitation Teams

Anyone wishing to have their status changed for the next rotation on the visitation teams should see Joe Collins as soon as possible. The new schedule will begin in July.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Victory, Our Faith
P.M. Where Are The Dead?

Shut-ins
NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care):
Jane Golden
Lena Mai Gribble
Pearl Mitchell
Houston Stiles
Carol Sue Taylor
Violet Webb
Dora Mae Wilcher

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):
Bertha Stewart

Raintree Health Care Center:
Edith Cantrell

McMinnville Boarding Home
Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother)

McMinnville Residential Care Center
Martha Maxwell

Hillcrest Health Care:
Edith Collins

Norcliff Life Care Center
85 Main St. N
Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada
Stanley McNery (905) 768-4612

Home:
Vada Campbell
Carolyn Cantrell
Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)
Rozelle Goodman
Greg Grizzell
Willene Kell
Bessie Parker
Sherry Pelham
Robbie Vandagriff

Nashville Sounds Trip

As we have done in the past there will be a trip to the Nashville Sounds game on Tuesday, June 25. Jim Slatton has arranged for FREE tickets. If you have questions, see Jim Slatton or Steve Hillis

Lessons From Steve
One of the unpleasant things about school is taking tests. I cannot think of anyone who really enjoys the task of cramming for a exam and the anxiety that comes with it. But have you ever considered that we are tested everyday. God tests the heart and mind to know where our allegiance is. *Deuteronomy 8:2; I Chronicles 29:17; Jeremiah 17:10; Psalm 7:9* God may test to know if we will obey His word or not. *Judges 3:1, 4* So, how can we know if we will pass God’s test? First, **“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”** *II Timothy 2:15* Without a clear understanding of what God will test for, it is impossible to pass. Then, **“Test yourself,”** *II Corinthians 13:5*; and **“Test all things...,”** *I Thessalonians 5:21*. To go by someone else’s notes is not wise, because in the end we can’t blame them if we fail the test.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.
- Fall Creek Falls Saturday, June 15th – 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Devotional, Hiking, Picnic (Bring a sack lunch, drinks provided)
 - Home Devotional on Sunday, June 23rd – After evening worship at home of Miranda and Mary Beth Atnip

- PEW PACKERS CLUB
- Skating/Pizza Party Sunday, June 30th – 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM at Hot Wheels Skate Center \$2.00 per skater

- ‘SENIOR SAINTS’
- Bible Class Monday, June 17th – 1:00 PM Matthew Chapter 5

Gospel Meetings & Etc.
Harmony church of Christ, June 9-11, services at 7:00 with Billy Reed preaching.
Plainview/Sparta church of Christ, June 9-13, services at 7:00 with Larry Acuff preaching.
Blues Hill church of Christ, June 9-12, services at 7:00 with Glenn Ramsey preaching.
Vacation Bible School at *Pocahontas church of Christ*, June 10-14, services at 6:00 with Stephen Seibert teaching the teens and Kenneth Chambers teaching the adults.
Vacation Bible School at *East End church of Christ*, June 10-14, services at 6:30 with different speakers each evening for the adult class.
Diana Singing, Friday night, June 14. Bus will leave at 5:00 pm.
Grange Hall church of Christ, June 16-21, services at 7:30 with Artie Collins preaching.
Vacation Bible School at *Leoni church of Christ*, June 16-20, services at 7:00 with different speakers each evening for the adult class.
Don’t forget our Vacation Bible School will be July 15-17, at 7:00 pm. The theme will be “Beginnings, Lessons from Genesis.” Start now to invite your friends and neighbors.
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“Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. “Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.”” Mark 10:13-15, NKJV.

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Zollie Settles
Reading	Doug Hendrixson
Scripture	1 John 5:14-15
Lord's Table (N)	*Bob Mayfield
(S)	*Noel Pepper
(N)	Jeff Templeton
(N)	Tom McColloch
(N)	Jason Vandagriff
(S)	Blake Sadlon
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Kurt Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Willie Newby

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Ricky Prince
Reading	Steve Wilcher
Scripture	Haggai 1:5-7
Lord's Table	*Joe Collins
	*Eddie Palmer
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2605) Brett Merritt
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	Hoyt Crouch
Invitation	Don Sullivan
Dismiss	Ken Martin

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Tony Lawrence Family
P.M.	Myra & Glenda Faye Bell

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

Ushers: Harold McGinness & Mike Driver

Attend Nursery: Alicia Driver

Lock Building: Willie Newby

Trash Pickup: Danny Duncan

Cards & Pencils: Chip Cantrell

Pantry Item: Spaghetti Noodles

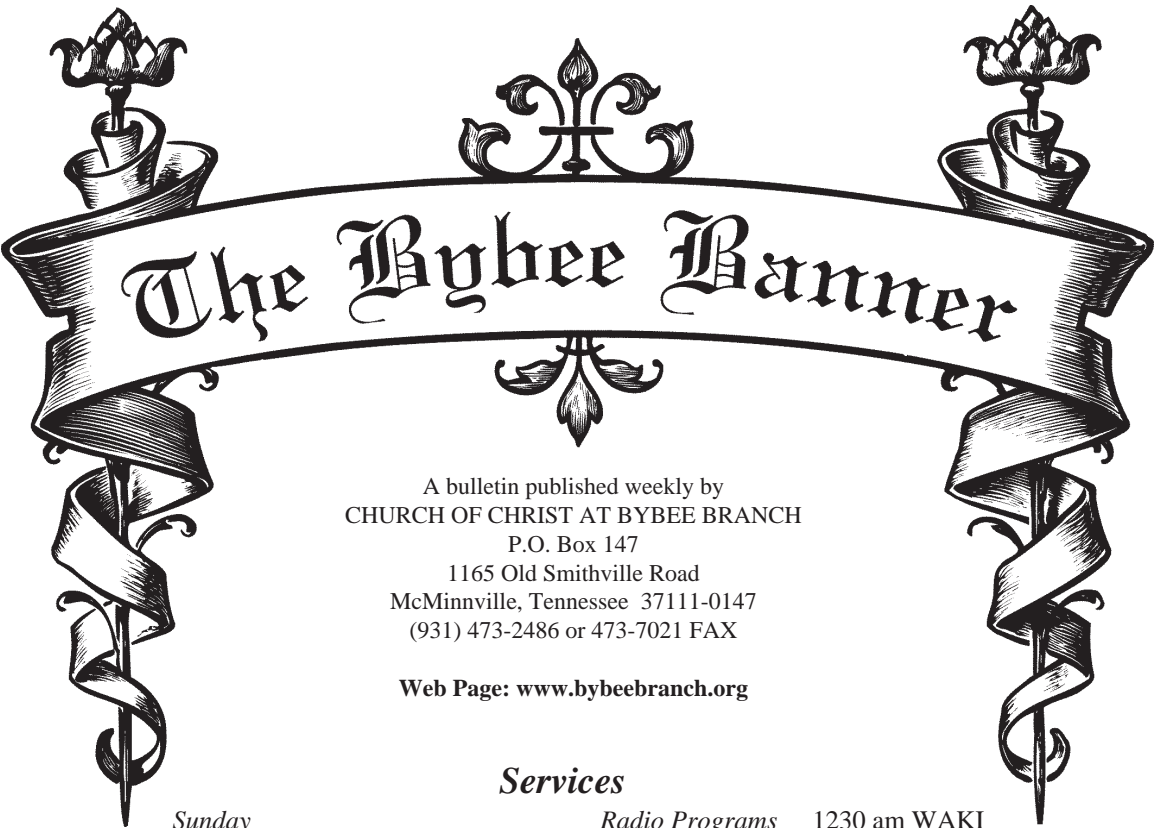
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	351
Bible Study	238
P.M. Worship	241
Wednesday Bible Study	204
Contribution	\$6,286

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John Stenbridge
Bernice Fults
Barbara King
Delter Tenpenny (father of Wilma Chism)

In The Hospital:
Elmo Griffin (grandfather of Shannon)-St.
Thomas Special Care

Sympathy
We want to express our sympathy to the family of Edith Cantrell, who passed away last Thursday. Her funeral was Saturday at Highs.

We also want to express our sympathy to the family of Lena Mai Gribble, who passed away early on Monday morning. Her funeral will be Thursday at 11:00 am at McMinnville Funeral Home.

Baptism
We rejoice with our Hispanic brethren on the baptism of Laurentino Cruz Ruiz, baptized on Monday morning.

Visitation Teams
Anyone wishing to have their status changed for the next rotation on the visitation teams should see Joe Collins as soon as possible, *especially if you wish to be added to the program*. The new schedule will begin in July. Why not become active in this excellent program of the Lord’s work here at Bybee Branch?

Sunday’s Sermons
A.M. Will God Hear Me When I Call?
P.M. Have You Considered...?

More Good News From Thailand
Good news continues to come from our brethren in Thailand. The Loei church of Christ is experiencing a spurt of growth. Brother Kai, preacher there, wrote and reported that he baptized 14 people Sunday and the attendance has climbed to 62 at worship.

Brother Sawaeng from the Surin province sent word that they baptized two on Sunday. And brother Christian reported that five people travelled from a distant village in Buriram seeking the Truth desiring to learn more.

It appears that there is a surge in interest in the Gospel among the people of Thailand and we are very happy to report these.

“Now when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.” Acts 14:27, NKJV.

Gospel Meetings & Etc.
Grange Hall church of Christ, June 16-21, services at 7:30 with Artie Collins preaching.

Vacation Bible School at Leoni church of Christ, June 16-20, services at 7:00 with different speakers each evening for the adult class.

Vacation Bible School at Morrison church of Christ, June 17-21, services at 9:00-11:00 with different speakers each evening for the adult class.

Vacation Bible School at Central church of Christ, June 24-27, services at 7:00 with different speakers each evening for the adult class.

Our VBS will be July 15-17, at 7:00 pm. The theme will be “Beginnings, Lessons from Genesis.”

Lessons From Steve
“When leaders lead in Israel, When the people willingly offer themselves, Bless the Lord!” Judges 5:2 The lyrics from this song are in response to the Israelites coming together to rid themselves of the Canaanites. God gave the plan and He subdued the heathen in the presence of Israel. Judges 4:6-7; 15; 23 How wonderful it is when we realize that a divine pattern is set before us. Yet, people still have to “willingly offer themselves” in order to say in the end, “Bless the Lord!” God’s agenda is perfect and will work, but humans have to do their part in order for everything to mesh. Jesus as the Good Shepherd said, “My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.” Matthew 10:27 God knows who is abiding by the plan and who is not. Think of your soul, and consider the blue print the Lord has designed for salvation. Romans 10:17; Acts 16:30-31; Acts 2:38; Acts 8:37; Mark 16:16; II Timothy 4:8.

UPCOMING EVENTS
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PEW PACKERS CLUB
• Skating/Pizza Party Sunday, June 30th – 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM at Hot Wheels Skate Center \$2.00 per skater. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board
• Pew Packers Class — Sunday, July 7th – 5:00 PM

“SENIOR SAINTS”
• Bible Class Monday, July 1st – 1:00 PM Matthew Chapter 5:27

NASHVILLE SOUNDS
Everyone is invited to attend the Nashville Sounds game on Tuesday, June 25th. Game time is 7:00 PM, so the bus will depart from the building at 5:00 PM. Tickets are FREE! There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. If you have any questions please see Jim Slatton or Steve Hillis.

Admission is Not Repentance
Sometimes in our dealing with people, we will discuss things with them and they will make an admission about themselves. It may go something like this: “I know I am quick-tempered or, “I know I lie We could continue the list almost indefinitely. The fact is, we hear admission of undesirable (even sinful behavior) quite often. But we see change in that behavior far less often than we hear the admissions. Why is that?
An often used phrase is, Confession is good for the soul.” For the most part, this is true. For when one confesses, there is an indication of self-examination and realization of fault. Without such there can be no change brought about. But too many times, the admission is just to appease the ones to which the confession is made. From events that follow, people are able to see that change is not made. Indeed, the confessed behavior may even be reinforced.
It is all too easy to tell people things that they want to hear: We perceive that someone thinks we are too quick-tempered, so we admit we are. We know we gossip, so we admit it. We get caught in a lie, so we admit it. But, the behavior persists unless we change. Change takes resolve and resolve must start in the heart (Proverbs 4:23, 23:7).
God knows repentance can only be brought about with sorrow, confession, plus change. Paul was inspired to write, “For the sorrow that is according to the will of God produces a repentance without regret, leading to salvation; but the sorrow of the world produces death” (2 Corinthians 7:10, NASB). We may say one thing and do another. But when one backs up confession with a change in action, repentance is evident to all.
Society is filled with people who are willing to admit faults, but not to change. Those who would follow God must be different — we must not only admit wrong, but change. Granted we all have character flaws (some of which are not sinful). However, when we are confronted with obvious sin, we must not only admit it but change the behavior.
Are you aware of a sin in your life? Admit it — to yourself and to others, if needed. But follow that admission with change. “Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed.” (James 5:16, NASB) ~Lance Cordle~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	David McColloch
Scripture	2 John 7-8
Lord's Table (N)	*Ronnie Prince
(S)	*Winfrey Hennessee
(N)	Joe Maynard
(N)	Asa Kell
(N)	Dickie Kesey
(S)	Marek Sadlon
(S)	Kevin Judkins
(S)	Barry Hendrixson
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2605) Bran Merritt
Lead Singing	Tyler Boyd
First Prayer	Shane Fisher
Reading	Chris Burks
Scripture	Romans 10:13-17
Lord's Table	*Tim Fisher
	*Eric Fisher
Sermon	Ronnie Rogers
Dismiss	Ben Biles

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-5028) Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Jeff Flatt
Reading	Allen Hughes
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Bonner

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Asa & Sarah Kell
P.M.	Marc Martin Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Christine Gribble

Lock Building: Willie Newby

Trash Pickup: Danny Duncan

Cards & Pencils: Chip Cantrell

Pantry Item: baby food

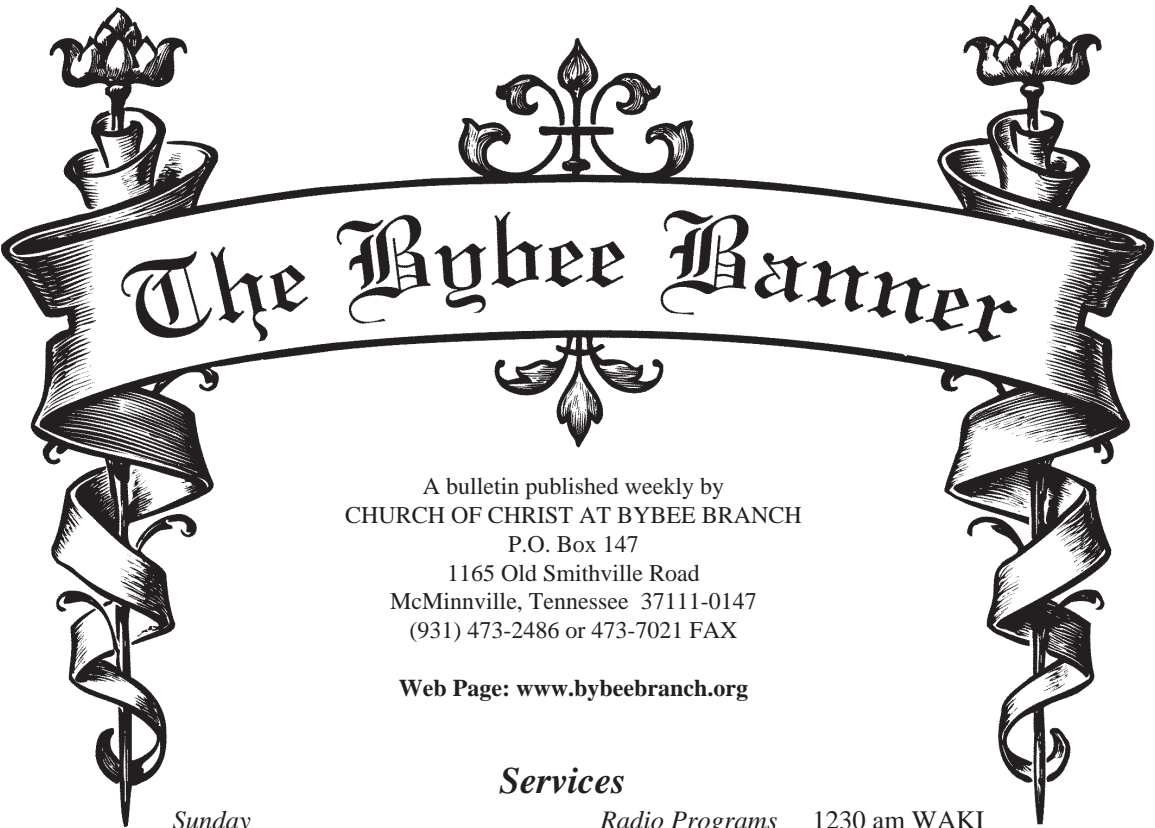
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	310
Bible Study	237
P.M. Worship	215
Wednesday Bible Study	203
Contribution	\$4,995

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Wednesday			
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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Larry Flatt
Scripture	2 John 9-11
Lord's Table (N)	*W.C. Chilton
(S)	*Chuck Boles
(N)	Cody Prince
(N)	Shannon Griffin
(N)	Marc Martin
(S)	Joe T. Cantrell
(S)	Hoyt Crouch
(S)	John Nussbaum
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Rickey Burks

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Rickey Hurst
Reading	Chris Neale
Scripture	2 Kings 2:23-25
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee
	*Willie Newby
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Calvin Rogers

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-5028) Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Young Men
First Prayer	Brett Merritt
Reading	Noel Pepper
Invitation	Joey Reynolds
Dismiss	Joe Collins

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Kevin Judkins Family
P.M.	Eugene & Doris Wilcher

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Bill Biles & Jason Vandagriff

Attend Nursery: Ruby Huntley

Lock Building: Steve Boyd

Trash Pickup: David Chilton

Cards & Pencils: Danny Duncan

Pantry Item: Breakfast Cereal

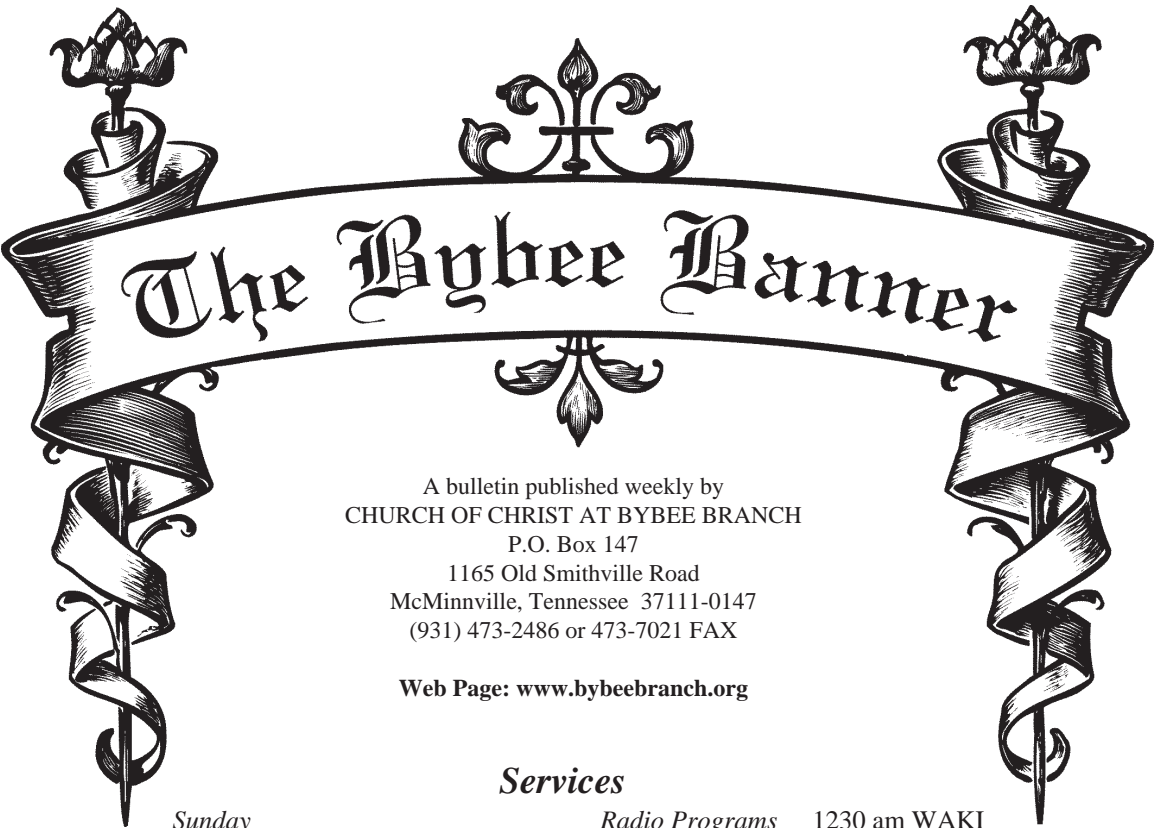
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	318
Bible Study	222
P.M. Worship	218
Wednesday Bible Study	201
Contribution	\$4,200

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Sick

At Home:
Greg Grizzell
John Stenbridge
Bernice Fults
Barbara King
Robbie Vandagriff

In The Hospital:
Elmo Griffin (grandfather of Shannon)-moved to NHC
Pauline Watson-Riverpark
Kim Bennett Goforth-Riverpark (Kim will have surgery on Wednesday and has asked to be remembered in our prayers).
Harold Lee (nephew of Ken Lee), extremely critical condition, please send cards to:
Harold Lee
Valley View Nursing Home
721 Hickory St.
Akron, OH 44303

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Going Too Far...
P.M. Two Bears and Some Gang Members

VBS’s & Gospel Meetings

Vacation Bible School at **Arlington church of Christ**, July 7-10, services at 7:00 with different speakers each evening for the adult class.

Vacation Bible School at **Mt. Leo church of Christ**, July 7-11, services at 6:00 with different speakers each evening for the adult class.

Our VBS will be July 15-17, at 7:00 pm. The theme will be “Beginnings, Lessons from Genesis.”

The **Hiawassee church of Christ** will have a Gospel Meeting July 7-12, at 7:00 pm each evening with Eddie Sanders preaching.

Shut-ins

NHC (formerly McMinntown Health Care):
Jane Golden
Pearl Mitchell
Houston Stiles
Carol Sue Taylor
Violet Webb
Dora Mae Wilcher

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):
Bertha Stewart

McMinntown Boarding Home
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Stanley McInery (905) 768-4612

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Carolyn Cantrell
Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)
Rozelle Goodman
Greg Grizzell
Willene Kell
Bessie Parker
Sherry Pelham
Robbie Vandagriff

Baby Gift Basket

From June 30 to July 7 there will be a “Baby Gift Basket” placed in the foyer honoring Annistan Irene McBride. She is the baby daughter of Chris & Betsy (Hill) McBride and granddaughter of Donnie and the late Betty Hill. You may place your gifts in the basket which will be delivered to Betsy after July 7.

Lessons From Steve

If one was to determine how God decided who should be a part of Gideon’s three hundred; we could possibly narrow it down to two things, individuals who were not afraid to fight for the Lord and those who were prepared. The initial cut God made was very simple meaning if someone did not want to fight they could just leave. So, out of thirty-two thousand men, twenty-two thousand went home! *Judges 7:2-3* Telling numbers to say the least, but possibly an accurate comment for our day and age.

To stand up for the Lord takes a certain amount of courage; therefore we have to fight our timid nature. Jesus said, “**Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.**” *Matthew 10:32–33* Confessing then would mean teaching others about Jesus and not backing down from our faith. When entering the “Promised Land,” God reminded the Israelites to “**be strong and courageous**” *Joshua 1:6–7; 9; 18*. A great fight was ahead, but God promised He would stay by their side if His commandments were obeyed. The same promise is given to us today! *II Timothy 4:7-8*

UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.
• “1st” Sunday Eats - Sunday, July 7th – After the evening worship
• Youth Visitation - Saturday, July 13th 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

PEW PACKERS CLUB
• Pew Packers Class — Sunday, July 7th – 5:00 PM

“**SENIOR SAINTS**”
• Bible Class Monday, July 15th– 1:00 PM Matthew Chapter 6

Vacation Bible School

V - acation Bible School is coming.
A - re you doing all you can?
C - ontacting friends and neighbors,
A - rousing interest in the plan,
T - o teach them about the Savior,
I - n the more effective way.
O - ffering peace and joy and blessings,
N - ot tomorrow but today.

B - ecause the Savior tells us,
I - nto all creation go,
B - ringing His gospel to others
L - etting unsaved masses know,
E - ach man has a choice as he walks on earth below,

S - o pick up your phone or pencil,
C - hristian, spread the word.:
H - ere’s a golden opportunity,
O - f telling others about the Lord.
O - nly hurry now, don’t “blow it”
L - est VBS arrive before you know it.

~selected~

VBS at Bybee Branch

July 15-17
7:00 pm
“Beginnings”
“Lessons from Genesis”

There will be classes for ALL,
make your plans to be here!

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Mike Driver
Reading	Marty Boles
Scripture	5 John 5-8
Lord's Table (N)	*Tommy Crouch
(S)	*Chip Cantrell
(N)	Jeremy Burks
(N)	Micah Lawrence
(N)	Lynn Gann
(S)	J.B. Gribble
(S)	Ryan Kesey
(S)	Tom McColloch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Buell Warren

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Chuck Medley
Reading	Ken Martin
Scripture	2 Chronicles 21:5-6
Lord's Table	*Ronnie Prince
	*Winfrey Hennessee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Frank Reynolds

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-5028) Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Steve Hillis
First Prayer	Tim Fisher
Reading	Kurt Maynard
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Eddie Palmer

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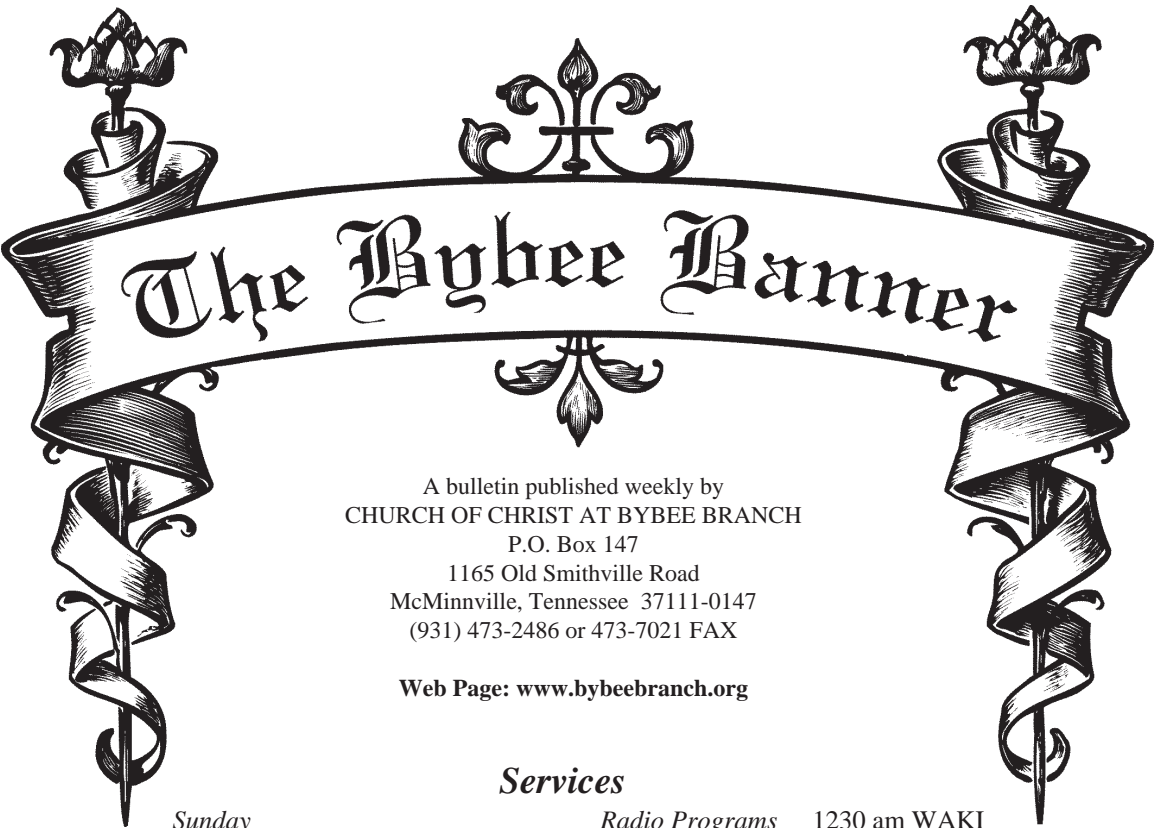
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Tony Lawrence	668-9123	Steve Hillis	668-2632
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Sick

At Home:
Greg Grizzell
John Stembridge
Bernice Fults
Barbara King
Robbie Vandagriff
Lee Gann (from heat exhaustion)
Kim Bennett Goforth (following surgery)

In The Hospital:
Pauline Watson-Riverpark
Harold Lee (nephew of Ken Lee), extremely
critical condition, please send cards to:
Harold Lee
Valley View Nursing Home
721 Hickory St.
Akron, OH 44303

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Supporting The Truth
P.M. Jezebel's Son-in-law

Some Wise Thoughts

It is not what we EAT
but what we DIGEST
that makes us strong;
not what we GAIN
but what we SAVE
that makes us rich;
not what we READ
but what we REMEMBER
that makes us learned;
and not what we PROFESS
but what we PRACTICE
that makes us CHRISTIANS.

~copied from Lifelines~
~Cordova church of Christ~

VBS's & Gospel Meetings

Vacation Bible School at **Arlington church of Christ**,
July 7-10, services at 7:00 with different speakers each
evening for the adult class.

Vacation Bible School at **Mt. Leo church of Christ**,
July 7-11, services at 6:00 with different speakers each
evening for the adult class.

Our VBS will be July 15-17, at 7:00 pm. The theme
will be "Beginnings, Lessons from Genesis."

The **Hiawassee church of Christ** will have a Gospel
Meeting July 7-12, at 7:00 pm each evening with Eddie
Sanders preaching.

The **Hebron church of Christ** will have a Gospel
Meeting July 14-18, at 7:00 pm each evening with
Larry Acuff preaching.

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Meeting July 21-25, at 7:00 pm each evening with
Gary Colley preaching.

The **Woodbury church of Christ** will have a singing
on July 19, beginning at 7:00 pm.

The **Arlington church of Christ** will have a Creation
Evolution Seminar August 16-18, times and details
will be posted on the bulletin board.

Girls Fun Day

There will be a fun day for girls who will be in
kindergarten through 6th grade on Saturday, July 13
from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the church building. There
will be lunch, games, and a devotional. If you have
questions, see Lynett Maynard

Lessons From Steve

In the final selection process for Gideon's army of 300,
God directed the remaining 10,000 men to go and drink
from a certain water and He would test them. The ones
who used their hand to bring water up to their mouth and
"lap" it would be separated from those who went to their
knees to drink. *Judges 7:4 – 7* Why? A suggestion
might be that God wanted individuals who were attentive,
alert, but most important, prepared.

John the Baptist obeyed God and prepared the way for
the Messiah by openly showing Jesus as the Christ. *Luke*
3:1 – 18 One of the great verses in the Bible states,
"But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord."
Genesis 6:8 We should all be thankful for God's grace
and Noah, and learn from the obedient example of Noah
in preparing the ark. But it is through Jesus that salvation
and peace can be found because He prepared the way for
us by dying on the cross. JESUS... **"wiped out the
handwriting of requirements that was against us,
which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of
the way, having nailed it to the cross. Colossians 2:14**
JESUS... **"humbled Himself and became obedient to
the point of death, even the death of the cross.
Philippians 2:8** JESUS said... **"I am the way, the truth,
the life. No one comes to the Father except through
Me."** *John 14:6* Jesus paid the price, so are you
prepared? God's word has all the answers pertaining to
His love, so search it to find salvation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.**
- Youth Visitation - Saturday, July 13th 10:00 AM to
12:00 PM
 - Softball - Sunday, July 21st – 7:00 PM to ???

- PEW PACKERS CLUB**
- Pew Packers Class — Sunday, August 4th – 5:00
PM

- 'SENIOR SAINTS'**
- Bible Class Monday, July 15th– 1:00 PM Matthew
Chapter 6 *** We will meet in the auditorium

Vacation Bible School
at Bybee Branch
IS HERE!!!

July 15-17

7:00 pm
"Beginnings"
"Lessons from Genesis"

There will be classes for ALL,
make your plans to be here!

Adult Speakers:

Monday Doris Hughes
Tuesday Lane Dix
Wednesday Joe Ware

REMEMBER OUR
Thirteenth Annual Bible Lectureship
"Challenges To Christians"
August 11-14
Speakers:
Don McWhorter, Donnie Iverson,
Artie Collins, Earl Edwards, Kirk
Brothers and George King

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements

(668-8936) Allen Hughes

Lead Singing

Stanley Graves

First Prayer

Billy Gilbert

Reading

Jason Vandagriff

Scripture

3 John 9-11

Lord's Table (N)

*Dennis Gann

(S)

*Jeff Flatt

(N)

Daniel Boyd

(N)

Eric Fisher

(N)

Joe Roller

(S)

Dickie Kesey

(S)

David McColloch

(S)

Rodney Maynard

Sermon

Tony Lawrence

Dismiss

Steve Wilcher

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements

(668-8936) Allen Hughes

Lead Singing

Stanley Graves

First Prayer

Bob Mayfield

Reading

Jeff Templeton

Scripture

Ezekiel 16:48-49

Lord's Table

*Larry Flatt

*Kelly Thaxton

Sermon

Tony Lawrence

Dismiss

Ricky Prince

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements

(473-5028) Jim Slatton

Lead Singing

Rickey Hurst

First Prayer

Bob Bonner

Reading

Willie Newby

Invitation

Danny Duncan

Dismiss

Tyler Boyd

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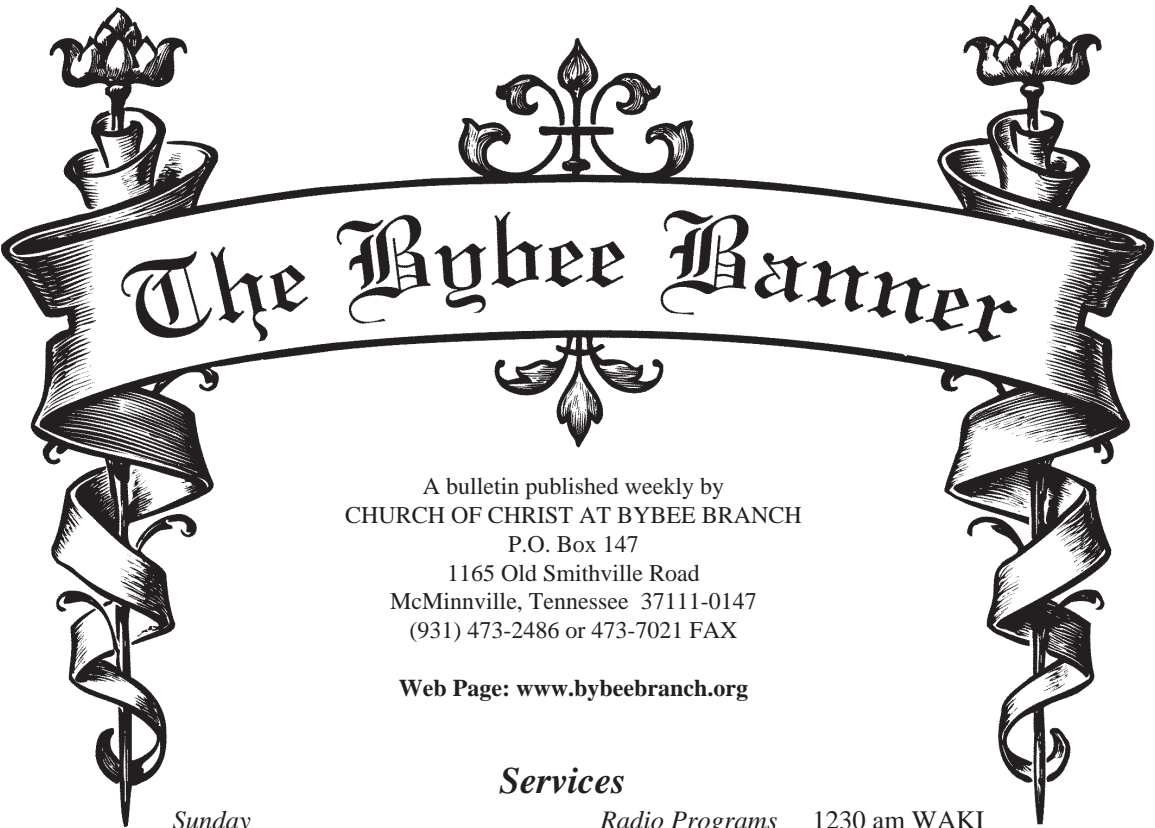
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Akron, OH 44303
Shirley Young (Helen Morgan's sister) following a brain aneurism - ICU at Cookeville Hospital

Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of brother John Stembridge. His funeral was this past Friday. He was a long time member at Bybee Branch and will be missed.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Dominate or Destroy
P.M. Forgotten Sins Of Sodom

Baptism

We rejoice that Diane Howell was baptized this past Sunday morning. Her address is: 1747 Yager Road, Apt. B-1, McMinnville, TN.

Don't Forget Our 13th Annual Bible Lecturehip
"Challenges to Christians"
August 11-14, 2002

OBSS's & Gospel Meetings

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The *Doyle church of Christ* will have a youth singing on July 20, beginning at 6:00 pm. Rob Sparks will also speak.

The *West Sparta church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting July 21-25, at 7:00 pm each evening with James Watkins preaching.

The *Ivy Bluff church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting July 21-25, at 7:00 pm each evening with Gary Colley preaching.

The *Sugar Tree Knob church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting July 21-25, at 7:00 pm each evening with Howard Swann preaching.

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Lessons From Steve

“It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.” Hebrews 10:31 The Israelites continually found this out during the times of the Judges. God had repeatedly warned His people to stay away from idols, but they could not, or more appropriately would not, abstain from pagan worship. The matter got so bad (Judges 10:6 – 9) that Jehovah finally said, **“Did I not deliver you from the Egyptians and from the Amorites and from the people of Ammon and from the Philistines? Also the Sidonians and Amalekites and Maonites oppressed you; and you cried out to Me, and I delivered you from their hand. Yet you have forsaken Me and served other gods. Therefore I will deliver you know more. Go and cry out to the gods which you have chosen; let them deliver you in your time of distress.” Judges 10:11 – 14 OUCH!!!**

Now as bad as the above situation sounds, the Israelites seemed to truly repent and then God showed how compassionate He really is, *Judges 10:15 – 16*. However, it was only after the Israelites brought forth true repentance, that the Lord rescued them once again. In an oft quoted passage, Solomon summed it up best when he wrote, **“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man’s all.” Ecclesiastes 12:13**

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How To Kill A Preacher

- Say a few healthy “amen’s” during his sermon. This will set him on fire and he’ll preach himself to death and you’ll be rid of him.
- Brag on him and he’ll work himself to death and you will be rid of him.
- Love each other and this will please him to death and you will be rid of him.
- Ask him to give you the name of some unsaved person to win to Christ, and this will surprise him to death and you will be rid of him.
- Let every member be Spirit-filled and this will make him so happy that he will rejoice himself to death and you will be rid of him.
- Ask him to give you a Sunday school class to teach and this will encourage him to death, and you will be rid of him.
- Go to church on Sunday and Wednesday night and this will shock him to death and you will be rid of him.
- Ask prayer for an enemy and this will overwhelm him completely and he will die from a heart attack and you will be rid of him.
- Pray for him while he preaches and he will get better, and some larger church will take him off your hands, and you will be rid of him.

By doing these things, you will not be violating the Scriptures and you will be getting rid of what you believe to be a “no-good” preacher.

~selected~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Danny Duncan
Scripture	Mark 12:24, 27
Lord's Table (N)	*Don Sullivan
(S)	*Bruce Pryor
(N)	Ben Biles
(N)	Caleb Graves
(N)	Shane Fisher
(S)	Joe Maynard
(S)	Bran Merritt
(S)	Harley Northcutt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Paul Hurst
Reading	Steve Hillis
Scripture	Galatians 6:14
Lord's Table	*Brett Merritt
	*Eddie Palmer
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Rogers

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-5028) Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	Rodney Reynolds
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Don Griffith

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Dennis Gann Family
P.M.	Jeff Templeton Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

Ushers: Harold McGinness & Mike Driver

Attend Nursery: Ada Mayfield

Lock Building: Steve Boyd

Trash Pickup: David Chilton

Cards & Pencils: Danny Duncan

Pantry Item: Pancake Mix

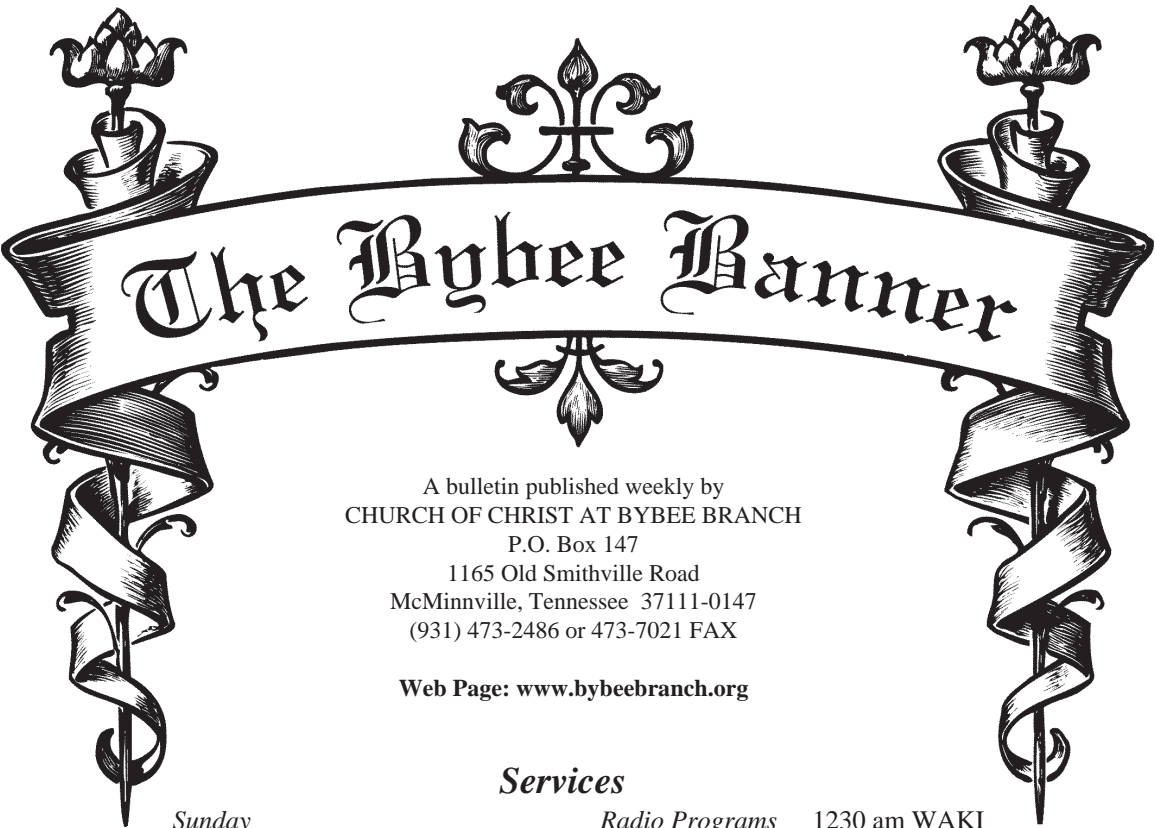
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Bible Study	229
P.M. Worship	237
Wednesday Bible Study	313
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Sick

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Robbie Vandagriff
Pauline Watson
Patsy Reynolds (receiving treatments)
Sonia Vandagriff-following gall bladder surgery

In The Hospital:
Shirley Young (Helen Morgan’s sister) ICU at Cookeville Hospital, she had surgery last Friday and later suffered a stroke. Please continue to remember her in your prayers.
J.D. Driver (father of our Mike Driver) - University Medical Center, Lebanon. He had a hip replacement and they have found cancer also.
Stanley McInery - to enter hospital in the next few days for exploratory surgery.

Sympathy

Several of our members have been touched with grief in the past few days. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Jerry Bennett (uncle of Dale Bennett). He was killed in an accident last Thursday.

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Bobby Cagle (brother-in-law of Glenda Hughes) He suddenly passed away this past week of a heart attack.

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Flossie Campbell (grandmother of Maggie Hurst). She died this past week in LaFollette, TN.

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Harold Lee (nephew of Ken Lee). He passed away this past Sunday afternoon after an extended illness.

VBS

Thanks to all who made VBS so great. Our numbers were outstanding. Monday 225; Tuesday 265; Wednesday 313!

VBS’s & Gospel Meetings

The *Ivy Bluff church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting July 21-25, at 7:00 pm each evening with Gary Colley preaching.

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Baptism & Restoration

Sunday was another joyful day at Bybee Branch. On Sunday morning brother Rickey Hurst came forward requesting the prayers of the congregation. On Sunday evening we were privileged to watch Emily Newby baptized into Christ by her father.

New Arrival

It was by oversight that we failed to mention in last week’s bulletin the arrival of a baby boy to Kraig & Heather Campbell. Tyson Scott was born on July 12 weighing in at 7 lbs. and 1 oz. and 20 1/2 inches long. Everyone is home and doing well.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Seven Blunders of the Modern World
P.M. The Cross of Many Colors

Business Meetings

Sunday afternoon there will be an Elders-Deacons Meeting at 5:00 pm. After evening services there will be a General Business Meeting for all the men of the congregation.

Lessons From Steve

Webster defines diplomacy as “a skill in dealing with people.” Learning to deal with our fellow man without blowing our top is an age-old problem, but Paul wrote, **“If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men”** *Romans 12:18*. Gideon met with success by employing diplomatic reasoning with the Ephramites, *Judges 8:1 – 3*. Jephthah eventually had to battle the Ammonites, but only after he tried to negotiate a peaceful ending with their king, *Judges 11:12 – 28*.

The lesson taken from these two judges is that “talk is cheap,” not in the sense that communication fails, but that it is free and should be used more to help deter ill-will and hostility. Diplomacy does not mean condoning and having tolerance for sin because such is error, *Romans 1:32*, and violates the New Testament. Nevertheless, it does ask that we try to understand the different views of thought; with the goal of directing it all back to the unchanging and solid foundation of God’s word. Paul told the church of God at Corinth, **“But we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of truth commending ourselves to every man’s conscience in the sight of God.”** *I Corinthians 4:2*.

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Short Sermons

1. Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited until you try to get into their pews or their favorite church parking spot.
2. Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisers.
3. It is easier to preach ten sermons than it is to live one.
4. When you get to your wit's end, you'll find God lives there.
5. People are funny. They want the front of the bus, middle of the road, and the back of the church.
6. Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on your door for years.
7. Quit griping about your church; if it was perfect, you couldn't belong.
8. The phrase that is guaranteed to wake up an audience: "And in conclusion."
9. If the church wants a better preacher, it only needs to pray for the one it has.
10. To make a long story short, don't tell it.
11. Some minds are like concrete, thoroughly mixed up and permanently set.
12. I don't know why some people change churches. What difference does it make which one you stay home from?
13. A lot of church members are singing "Standing on the Promises" while they are just sitting on the premises.

~submitted by Donna Anderson~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Kurt Maynard
Reading	Asa Kell
Scripture	Matthew 11:28-29
Lord's Table (N)	*John Biddle
(S)	*Joe Collins
(N)	Blake Sadlon
(N)	Kevin Judkins
(S)	Abram Pryor
(S)	Bob Cantrell
(S)	Chris Neale
(S)	Chris Burks
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Rodney Reynolds

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Eddie Palmer
Reading	Tyler Boyd
Scripture	Matthew 16:13-19
Lord's Table	*Calvin Rogers
	*Tommy Crouch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2180) Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Zollie Settles
Reading	Don Sullivan
Invitation	Rickey Burks
Dismiss	Hoyt Crouch

Welcome Committee

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P.M.	Bruce Pryor Family

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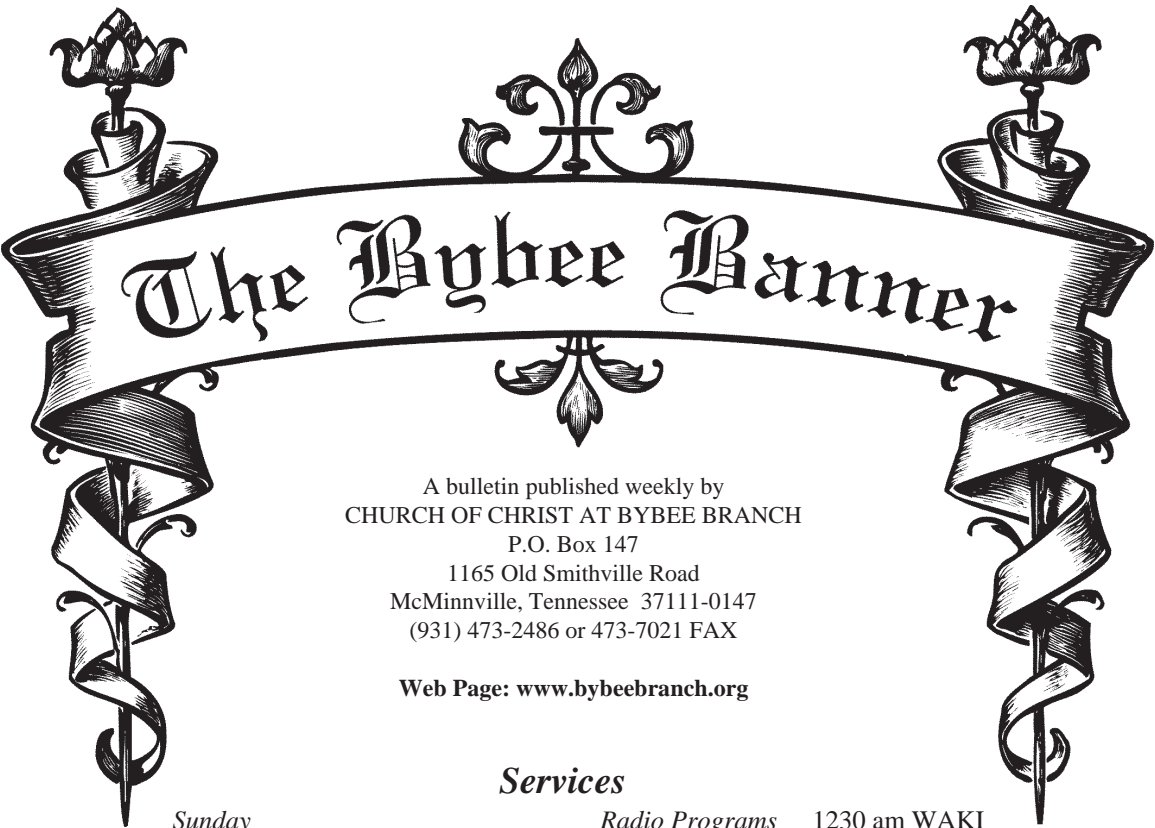
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Shirley Young (Helen Morgan’s sister) Cookeville Hospital, she is now suffering from a coma.
Stanley McNery - to enter hospital on August 8, for exploratory surgery.
Opal Duncan (Danny Duncan’s mother)-back surgery on August 8.

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Lorrelle Ware, sister to our Ada Hensley. Her services were at Highs on Tuesday.

We want to extend sympathy to the family of J.D. Driver, father of our Mike Driver. His services were Sunday afternoon in Lebanon.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Three Great Invitations
P.M. “Simon Says”

VBS’s & Gospel Meetings

The *Bonner church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting August 1-4, at 7:00 pm each evening with Chris Whitaker preaching.

The *Dibrell church of Christ* will have a VBS, August 5-9, at 7:00 pm each evening with Lane Dix, Mike Greene, Bill Walkup, Joe Ware and Larry Vinson speaking. Theme is “Obedience Equals Salvation.”

The *Arlington church of Christ* will have a Creation Evolution Seminar August 16-18, times and details will be posted on the bulletin board.

Lessons From Steve

A scenario to why the children of Israel repeatedly “did evil in the sight of the Lord” during the times of the Judges.

During those periods when the Israelites had rest and were not oppressed, they became comfortable in their surroundings. Along with this comfort they became sympathetic toward their neighbor’s bad habits and false practices. Then that comfort and sympathy would eventually lead to toleration. Therefore, because of this toleration some Israelites actually began to start engaging in the false worship of their neighbors. Then... you get the picture.

“Joint Devotionals,” “Church Leagues,” and the like sound innocent enough to some, but is there not a small possibility that participation in these activities could lead to more apostate congregations? Please read *II Corinthians 6:14-18* to better understand why the church should take heed to her surroundings.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.**
- Human Clue” - Saturday, August 3rd – 2:00 PM to ?? - Home of the Fishers
 - “1st Sunday Eats” - Sunday, August 4th - After the evening service - Riverfront Park
 - Saturday, August 10th – 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM - Devotional/Cookout/Games

- PEW PACKERS CLUB**
- Pew Packers Class — Sunday, August 4th – 5:00 PM

- ‘SENIOR SAINTS’**
- Bible Class Monday, August 12th – 9:00 AM (*New Time) - Matthew 7

Bridal Tea

There will be a bridal tea in honor of Jamie Barnes, bride-elect of Heath Griffith, this Sunday afternoon, August 4, from 2-4 pm at the Griffith’s Home, 1500 Wilson Road.

August 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				TIM & CINDY FISHER	Rebecca Mullican Barbara Witty Amberly Thaxton	Shane Fisher
				1	2	3
Kara Nunley Pew packers class		JOHNNY & DONNA ANDERSON	Cindy Rogers Kayla Medley Roberto Garibaldi		Mike Driver	DOUG & WANDA HENDRIXSON Brandon Lowry
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fellowship Meal Following AM Services	Freda Womack Ryan Kesity Allen Hughes Senior Saints Class 9:00	Dawn Wanamaker	Bob Bonner	Lucille Newby Marty Boles	Joshua Templeton	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Winfrey Hennessee Steve Hillis	GREG & WANDA GRIZZELL	Sheila Cantrell RICKEY & LISA BURKS	Lora Thaxton	Taylor Lane Mullican	Sharon Reynolds Wanda Grizzell	Dennis Gann Clyde Christian Marek Sadlon
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Heather Lance BOB & ADA MAYFIELD	Micah Lawrence	Linda Cantrell Steve Wilcher Jeffery Gilbert	Jennifer Platt Miranda Rains Heather Campbell Vera Settles	Clent Kesity Doris Wilcher	Isabell Bouldin	Mildred Lowry Carol Sue Taylor Megan Rhea
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First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	Brett Merritt
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table (N)	*Willie Newby
(S)	*Allen Hughes
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(N)	Harry Felty
(N)	Barry Hendrixson
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Jason Vandagriff
(S)	Joe Roller
Sermon	Don McWhorter
Dismiss	Noel Pepper

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Michael Toby
First Prayer	Steve Hillis
Reading	Chip Cantrell
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Ronnie Rogers
	*Jim Slatton
Sermon	Don McWhorter
Dismiss	Ricky Prince

Lectureship Ushers

Monday	Zollie Settles & Asa Kell
Tuesday	Joe T. Cantrell & Ken Martin
Wednesday	Bob Cantrell & Bob Mayfield

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Ken & Glynn Lee
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Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

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Attend Nursery: Iona King

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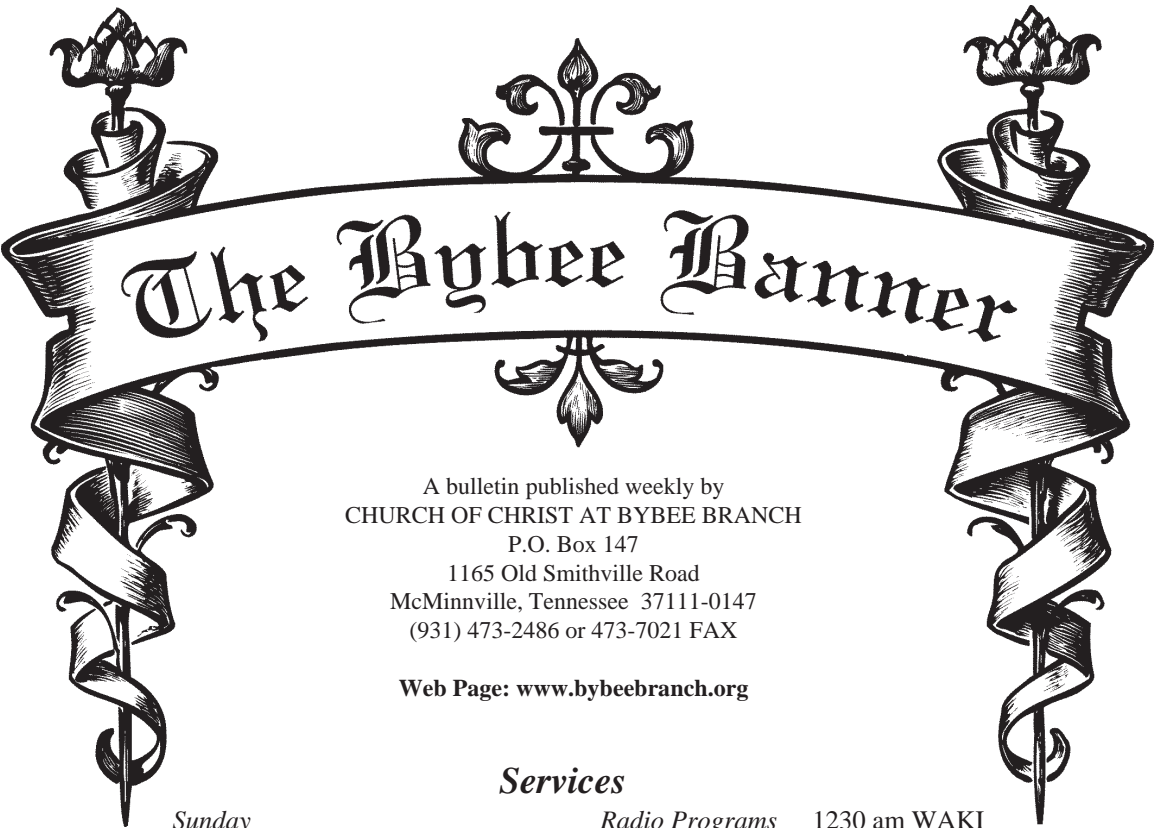
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Sick

At Home:

- Pauline Watson
- Eugene Jones
- Judy Payne-walking pneumonia
- Opal Duncan (Danny Duncan's mother)-at home following emergency gall bladder surgery. Back surgery has been postponed.

In The Hospital:

- Shirley Young (Helen Morgan's sister) Cookeville Hospital, she is still suffering from a coma.
- Stanley McNery - to enter hospital on August 8, for exploratory surgery.
- Freddie Clayton (preacher at Dunlap congregation)-Erlanger, suffering from complications from back surgery.

VBS's & Gospel Meetings

The *Dibrell church of Christ* will have a VBS, August 5-9, at 7:00 pm each evening with Lane Dix, Mike Greene, Bill Walkup, Joe Ware and Larry Vinson speaking. Theme is "Obedience Equals Salvation."

The *Unity church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting August 4-8, at 7:00 pm each evening with Arlon Way preaching.

The *Arlington church of Christ* will have a Creation Evolution Seminar August 16-18, times and details will be posted on the bulletin board.

Thai Visual Aids

The ladies and young ladies of the congregation are preparing some teaching visual aids for our brethren in Thailand. If you would be interested in assisting with this good work, see Carol Boyd.

Lectureship Starts This Sunday!
Remember the fellowship meal following the morning services.

Shut-ins

NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care):

- Jane Golden
- Pearl Mitchell
- Houston Stiles
- Carol Sue Taylor
- Violet Webb
- Dora Mae Wilcher

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):

- Bertha Stewart

McMinnville Boarding Home

- Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons' mother)

Hillcrest Health Care:

- Edith Collins

Norcliff Life Care Center

- 85 Main St. N
- Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada
- Stanley McNery (905) 768-4612

Home:

- Vada Campbell
- Carolyn Cantrell
- Clyde Christian (at daughter's home)
- Rozelle Goodman
- Greg Grizzell
- Willene Kell
- Bessie Parker
- Sherry Pelham
- Robbie Vandagriff



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Lessons From Steve

"Out of the eater came something to eat, And out of the strong came something sweet." (*Judges 14:10*) Most, who are familiar with the Bible, have heard of Samson and the above riddle he posed as a form of recreation. However, we also know that it backfired on him causing death, a broken marriage, destroyed crops, and betrayal. (*Judges 14:15 – 15:17*) All this damage after a single, innocent wager. The same is true today concerning gambling and the negative effects it has on our society. On the ballot this November, Tennesseans will be asked if we support a government based state lottery. How will you vote? Remember, for every supposed silver lining wrapped around the lottery, comes suicide, families torn apart, and financial ruin. Space will not allow me to quote statistics about the negative effects of gambling, but search the Internet or go to the library to find the truth. There is an old saying, "If it looks like a duck and sounds like a duck, it must be a duck. Well, concerning the lottery, if it looks like evil and sounds like evil, it must be evil! The Bible states, **"Abstain from every form of evil."** (*1 Thessalonians 5:22*) Finally, concerning the "get rich quick scheme" it is said **"For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."** (*1 Timothy 6:10*)

UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.

- Saturday, August 10th – 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM - Devotional/Cookout/Games-Riverfront Park
- Back to School Bash – Sunday, August 18th – 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM – Courtesy of the Hillis'

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Jungle Gym Devotional/Cookout – Saturday, August 31st – 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

'SENIOR SAINTS'

- Bible Class Monday, August 12th – 9:00 AM (*New Time) - Matthew 7

Three Timeless Questions

During one of his lectures at the Freed-≠Hardeman University lectureship this year, George Bailey made reference to that famous preacher of yesteryear, Gus Nichols. Whenever Brother Nichols was asked to do counseling of any sort (biblical, marital, financial, etc.) he always began by asking three questions. He insisted that if the answer to any one of the three questions was "No" then there would be no reason to continue the counseling session. As I considered these three questions, I realized that they are good questions for all of us to answer every day of our lives.

The three questions are listed below (with a few remarks for us to consider).

1. Do you really want to do what is right? In every aspect of life, do you really want to do what is right? What is your standard and goal as a spouse? As a parent? As a child? As a boss? As an employee? As a neighbor? As a citizen? "*Now I pray to God that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates*" (2 Cor. 13:7).

2. Are you ready for the Bible to tell you what is right? Of course we recognize that the Bible is the standard for what is right. It is imperative that we turn to Holy Scripture for the proper instructions. Our behavior in every part of our lives must be based on biblical guidance. One is reminded of David's attitude reflected in Psalm 119:128, "*Therefore I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things to be right; and I hate every false way.*"

3. Are you willing to do what the Bible says right now? Good counsel does no good if it is not heeded. Procrastination will damage any worthwhile endeavor. For example, marriages grow weaker by the minute if good principles of strength are ignored or delayed. The Bible plainly states that it is a sin to know to do good and not do it (Jas. 4:17). Procrastination is especially deadly when it comes to spiritual matters. "...*behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation*" (2 Cor. 6:2).

~David South~

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First Prayer	Doug Hendrixson
Reading	Kelly Thaxton
Scripture	1 Thessalonians 5:14
Lord's Table (N)	*Don Griffith
(S)	*Tim Fisher
(N)	George Trail
(N)	Buell Warren
(N)	Marek Sadlon
(S)	Steve Wilcher
(S)	Cody Prince
(S)	Harold McGinness
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	David Chilton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Bob Mayfield
Reading	Eric Fisher
Scripture	Galatians 6:1-2
Lord's Table	*Dennis Gann
	*Billy Gilbert
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joey Reynolds

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2180) Ken Martin
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	Calvin Rogers
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Mike Driver

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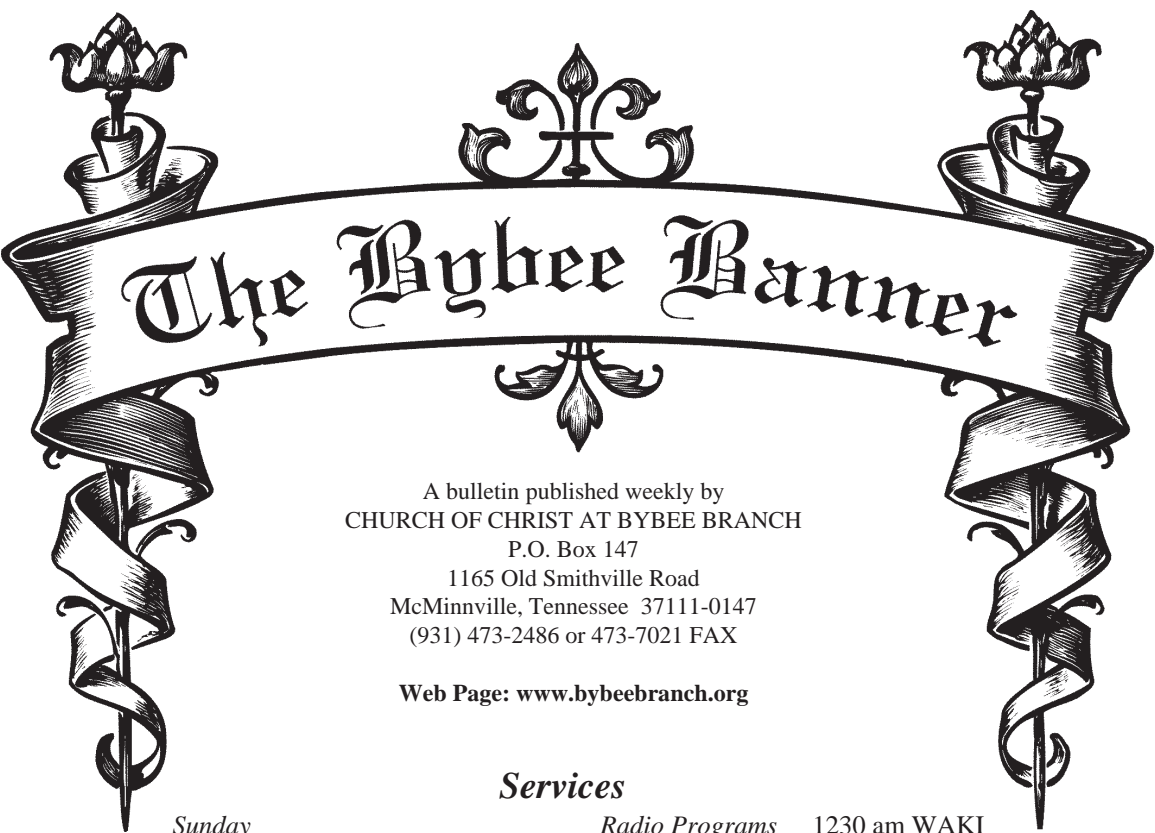
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Eugene Jones
Tyler Boyd
Emily Newby-broken arm

In The Hospital:

Shirley Young (Helen Morgan’s sister) Cookeville
Hospital, she is still suffering from a coma.

VBS’s & Gospel Meetings

The **Berea church of Christ** will have a VBS, August 12-16, at 7:15 pm each evening with Charles Williams, Stan Stevenson, Kenneth Mears, Gary Colley and Edward Anderson speaking. Theme is “Daily Challenges from God”

The **Central church of Christ** will have a Gospel Meeting August 18-21, at 7:00 pm each evening with James Watkins preaching.

The **Arlington church of Christ** will have a Creation Evolution Seminar August 16-18, times and details will be posted on the bulletin board.

Youth Group Activity

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Scripture, Sports, and Common Sense

A few weeks ago a faithful brother informed me of a web site promoting the sports leagues among the churches of Christ in Nashville. The site is: <http://www.churchathletics.faithsite.com> and is quite revealing. After reading extensively at the site I felt it is past time that we begin to speak out on the subject of “Church” sports.

First, do not misunderstand me. I like sports. Second, I applaud Christians associating with fellows Christians. Social interaction with those of “like precious faith” will guarantee that one has encouragement to do right from those with similar values. Our own young people get together to enjoy numerous opportunities of recreation together. However, what has arisen is a travesty for several reasons. I would like to offer the following concerns about what is going on in Nashville and also by some here in McMinnville:

1. It is clear that many of those who are “playing” together are from apostate churches. On the “links” page here is a list of the participating churches: Antioch Church of Christ; Bellevue Church of Christ; Belmont Church; Brentwood Hills Church of Christ; Crieve Hall Church of Christ; Donelson Church of Christ ; Granny White Church of Christ; Harpeth Hills Church of Christ; Hillsboro Church of Christ; Jackson Park Church of Christ; Madison Church of Christ; Rural Hill Church of Christ; West End Church of Christ; Woodmont Hills Church of Christ; Woodson Chapel Church of Christ. Note that several of the congregations listed have had a name that they were “sound” but how can they participate with congregations like Belmont (a church that departed from the faith many years ago) and Woodmont Hills (where Rubel Shelly preaches)? Let me quote Scripture (the final authority). ““but as it is, I wrote unto you not to keep company, if any man that is named a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such a one no, not to eat.” 1 Corinthians 5:11, ASV. “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. If one respects Scripture, then fraternal social interaction with those who do not teach or practice the Truth is prohibited. This is Christ’s law.

2. In an effort to rationalize their participation some would like to suggest that by playing with others like this, one might be able to influence them for good. Such folly does not realize that the apostate also have the potential to influence them. Let me give you a case in point: There is a section for “messages” on the web site and it is interesting to read what some have written. In a discussion about allowing a particular denomination to play in the “Church of Christ” league, one obviously immature and uninformed writer made these comments regarding their inclusion:

“The interesting thing I’ve found is that we all agree on the same basic things.

Worship styles are different. Some have pianos. Some have drums. Some have acapella. Some have gyms. Some have pastors. Some have elders.

Why is it that we assume that because someone’s church doesn’t have “Church of Christ” on the sign outside the building that there must be error in their teaching? We MUST get away from this line of thinking and be willing to openly share with each other. In trying to be the true church Christ established in the first century we have oftentimes created the air of an exclusive country club.

We (Church of Christers) may actually learn something about the Holy Spirit if we study with guys like Larry. We may learn how it feels to be open with our struggles and feel the peace and encouragement that such sharing brings.

Long enough, but hope the point is made. For those outside the Church of Christ, there are some very bitter, conservative brothers and sisters out there. In most cases, they are spiritually immature and in need of teaching. But let us remember they are family too.”

It should be obvious from the above writing who has influenced whom. Once one begins to accept the apostate it is only a short step to begin accepting “Christians in all denominations.”

3. A question that begs to be answered is, “What did Jesus die for?” When Jesus purchased the church with His blood

(Acts 20:28) did he establish a Kingdom for secular entertainment? What does the church exist to accomplish? What is its purpose? When Paul dealt with the strife over eating of meats in Romans 14 he made a very significant statement, “for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking....” Romans 14:17, ASV. Paul warned the young evangelist Timothy about worldly affairs. “No soldier on service entangleth himself in the affairs of this life; that he may please him who enrolled him as a soldier.” 2 Timothy 2:4, ASV. Someone might protest that what I am suggesting would eliminate a person from enjoying any recreation. Not at all. What the church does and individuals do are two entirely different matters. The individual may have a yard sale; the church may not. The individual may put meat and potatoes on the table; but such would be blasphemy on the Lord’s Table. Individuals may enjoy softball, tennis, golf, etc. but such is not the work of the church. The church is God’s soul-saving institution. The thing that I see most comparable to this is when Jesus cleansed the Temple. He rebuked them saying, “My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations? but ye have made it a den of robbers.” Mark 11:17, ASV. It is pretty hard for the church to have an evangelistic campaign when all the members are hitting the ball 3-4 nights a week. Then, there is the matter of money. Under the same discussion of the quote above, the person who asked about joining the league was told that in order to do so they would need a \$10,000 entry fee. That’s right ten thousand dollars. Whether this was the “official” amount needed or just one person’s opinion the amount is astronomical. How will elders explain to God on Judgment Day they were good stewards of His money when they gave thousands of dollars to playing ball?

4. What does “common sense” understanding Scripture suggest? Lets keep spiritual things in the spiritual realm and worldly things in the worldly realm. Sports have no place within the church. Jesus did not have a ball team. He had twelve apostles and he told them: “Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.” Matthew 28:19,20, ASV.

Tony Lawrence

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Reading	Tommy Crouch
Scripture	2 Corinthians 1:3-4
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(S)	*Steve Boyd
(N)	Marty Boles
(N)	Joe T. Cantrell
(N)	J.B. Gribble
(S)	Daniel Boyd
(S)	Jeff Templeton
(S)	Marc Martin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Danny Duncan

Sunday Evening Worship

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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Frank Reynolds
Reading	Bruce Pryor
Scripture	Job 1:9-10
Lord's Table	*Don Sullivan
	*Rickey Hurst
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Shane Fisher

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2180) Ken Martin
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First Prayer	Chip Cantrell
Reading	Joe Collins
Invitation	Brett Merritt
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

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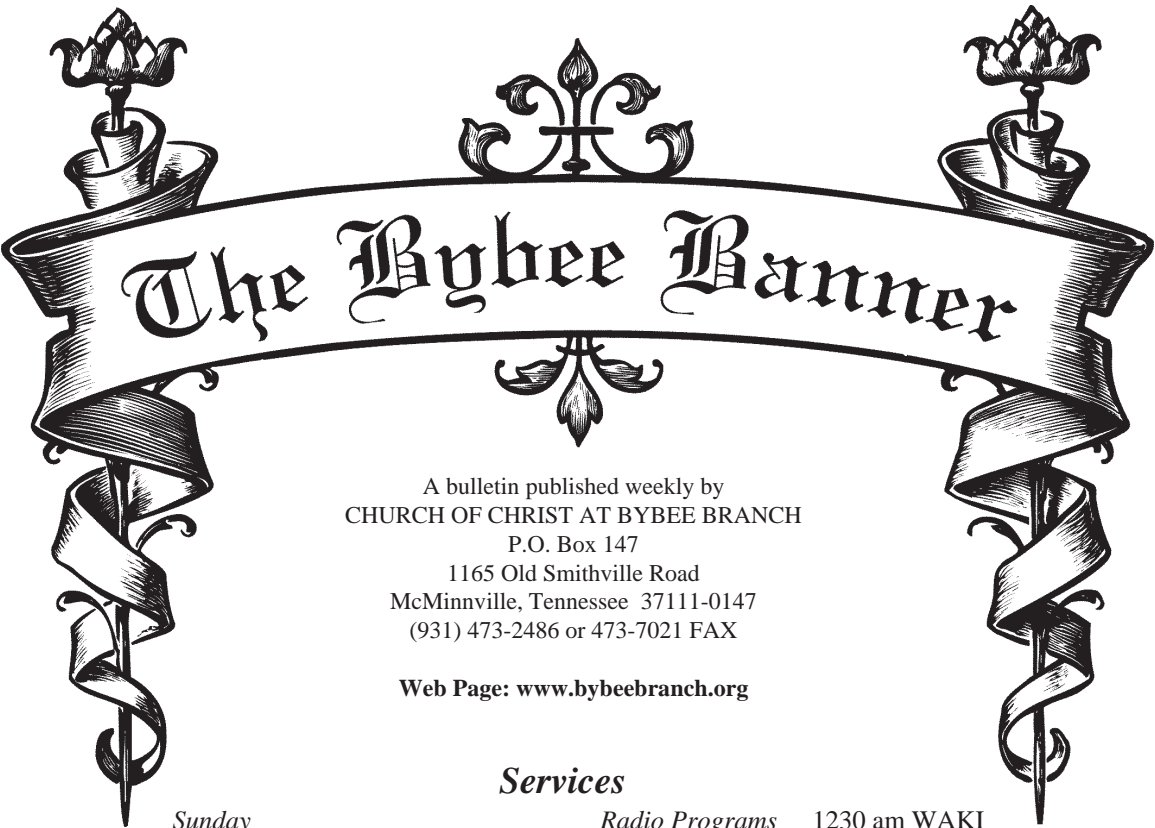
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Restorations

We rejoice that two came forward Sunday to request prayers for restoration. Brother Chuck Boles came forward Sunday morning and Diane Wakefield came forward Sunday evening.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. The God of All Comfort
P.M. Important Questions in Book of Job

UBS's & Gospel Meetings

The ***Central church of Christ*** will have a Gospel Meeting August 18-21, at 7:00 pm each evening with James Watkins preaching.

The *Earleyville church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting August 25-28, at 7:00 pm each evening with Jeff Archey preaching.

The *East End church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting September 1-4, at 7:00 pm each evening with Don Blackwell preaching.

Ladies Fall Retreat

The ladies Fall Retreat will be October 4-5 at the Comfort Inn Suites in Lebanon, TN. Deadline to sign up and pay is September 18. Please see Corretta Lawrence, Sherry Graves or Judy Sullivan to reserve your room. Cost will be: \$26 if 4 people in a room, \$32 if 3 people in a room; and \$43 per room for 2 people in a room.

Lessons from Steve

Desperate people seek different avenues to alleviate their problems. Some may lean on family and friends, while others may turn to drugs, alcohol, or any other type of vice. Samson, at the end of his life, was a desperate man who had fallen to his arch enemy the Philistines (*Judges 16:18 – 21*). He was so humbled that he was forced to perform for the heathen (*16:25*). However, from the many lessons we learn from Samson, maybe the most important is that God listens. Regardless of how far a person may fall, if we will come back to Him, in obedience, He will acknowledge us. In Samson's lowest time he finally remembered God and prayed "remember me" and strengthen me" (*16:28*). God heard Samson's prayer and delivered, and He hears those who trust in Him today. Again, we all hurt from time to time, but there is a light at the end of the tunnel. **"Oh, love the Lord, all you His saints! For the Lord preserves the faithful, And fully repays the proud person. Be of good courage, And He will strengthen your heart, All you who hope in the Lord"** (*Psalms 31:23 – 24*).

UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.

- Home Devotional - Sunday, August 25th - After the evening worship - Courtesy of the Maynards (Joe, Becky, and Lynette)

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- **Jungle Gym - Devotional/Cookout - Saturday, August 31st – 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM**

‘SENIOR SAINTS’

• Bible Class - Monday, August 26th – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew

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Many in the congregation do not have access to the Internet and may not be aware of the fact that the church has a web site on the World Wide Web. It is a source of church information accessible to anyone who has a computer and access to the Internet. The most recent additions to the web site are the lectures that were delivered last week. A person can click on the title and listen to any of the lessons at his own convenience.

Sometimes we do not realize how far this information goes. As of Tuesday morning, August 20, the site had already had 1847 “hits” for the month, averaging 97 per day. What is interesting is where the “hits” come from. According to the statistics kept by our server, most come from within the US by local networks but they also come from: US Commercial; US Military; Non-Profit Organization; New Zealand (Aotearoa); Singapore; Australia; Saudi Arabia; US Educational; United Kingdom. People found us by typing in “teenage Bible studies,” “McMinnville Church of Christ,” and etc. The Internet is a place where people can search at their own leisure. We need to provide good material for them to find. It can be a tremendous teaching tool, just like radio, TV, and newspaper.

The web site also is a repository of back issues of the Bybee Banner. At present, the email edition of the bulletin is saving the church approximately \$1,000 per year in printing and postage costs, not to mention the countless hours of labor folding, labeling and mailing it. These are a few of the details that we felt many would want to know... TL

“Preachers Home” to be sold by “sealed bids”

After considerable thought, the elders have made the decision that it is in the best interest in the long term growth of the congregation to sell the “preachers home” to be moved off the property. Sealed bids will be taken until September 20. If you think you might be interested in the house, please see one of the elders for a bid packet.



Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan

Lead Singing Stanley Graves

First Prayer Bob Bonner

Reading Caleb Graves

Scripture 2 Corinthians 1:23-24

Lord's Table (N) *Billy Gilbert

(S) *Ken Martin

(N) Hoyt Crouch

(N) Lee Gann

(N) Joe Maynard

(S) Jeremy Burks

(S) Lynn Gann

(S) Harley Northcutt

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Winfrey Hennessee

Sunday Evening Worship

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Lead Singing Stanley Graves

First Prayer John Biddle

Reading Ricky Prince

Scripture Mark 16:15,16

Lord's Table *Steve Hillis

*Chuck Boles

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Willie Newby

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-7916) Joe Collins

Lead Singing Young Men

First Prayer Danny Duncan

Reading Abram Pryor

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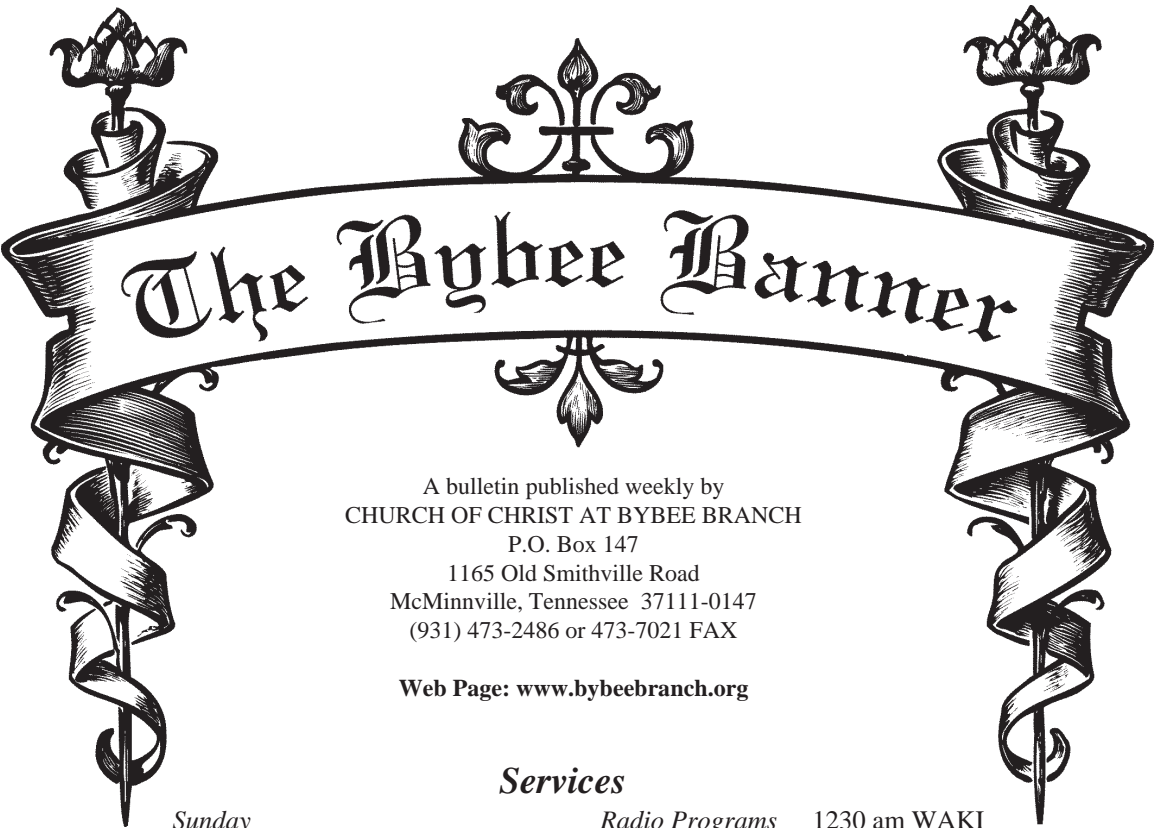
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A.M. Worship	326
Bible Study	231
P.M. Worship	238
Wednesday Bible Study	229
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Greg Grizzell
Elaine Goodman
Patsy Reynolds
Barbara King

In The Hospital:

*Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister) moved to
Masters Health Care in Algood
Clyde Christian-Riverpark #216*

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Your Salvation Is Your Choice
P.M. Five Views Of Mark 16:16

Gospel Meetings

The *Earleyville church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting August 25-28, at 7:00 pm each evening with Jeff Archey preaching.

The *East End church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting September 1-4, at 7:00 pm each evening with Don Blackwell preaching.

Class Promotion Sunday

This Sunday, September 1, will be promotion Sunday at Bybee Branch. Everyone please stay in the auditorium following worship and new classes and teachers will be announced. If you have not been attending classes regularly, why not begin this Sunday?

Wedding Reception

*You are invited to attend a Wedding Reception
honoring Jamie Barnes and Heath Griffith
August 31, 2002 at 7:00 p.m.
at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Griffith
1500 Wilson Road
McMinnville, Tennessee*

(in case of rain, it will be at the church fellowship room)

Lessons from Steve

“In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes” (Judges 17:6). A nation without authority is like children left alone in a house without supervision. Something bad is bound to happen. Israel, in the times of the Judges, had no king, therefore no physical entity to enforce God’s law. People were left alone to make judgments in civil and religious matters and it was a total disaster. The United States depends on officials, elected by the people, to abide and enforce the Constitution and the laws of the land, and for the most part they are successful. However, what about religious laws? First, *Ephesians 4:4-6* states there is ONE body, Spirit, hope, Lord, faith, baptism, and God the Father, meaning ONE TRUE religion, Christianity. Second, the authority over Christianity is her namesake, Jesus the Christ, for He said, **“I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me” (John 14:6).** Third, there are elders, bishops, pastors, or overseers who are to **“Shepherd the flock of God which is among us, serving as overseers...”** (I Peter 5:2). Finally there is God’s word itself as is written, **“For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart” (Hebrews 4:12).** Learning to understand proper authority will help all of us to live in harmony with God and our fellow man.

UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.

- 5th Annual Labor Day Youth Madness (Countdown to Midnight!) Sunday, September 1st – 7:00 PM to 12:00 AM Food/Bowling/Games/Devotional

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Jungle Gym - Devotional/Cookout - Saturday, August 31st, 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM
- Pew Packers Class, Sunday, September 1st, 5:00 PM

‘SENIOR SAINTS’

- Bible Class - Monday, September 9th – 9:00 AM -
The Gospel According to Matthew

September 2002

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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Rickey Hurst
Reading	Shannon Griffin
Scripture	2 Corinthians 2:5-11
Lord's Table (N)	*Ronnie Rogers
(S)	*Ronnie Prince
(N)	Harold McGinness
(N)	David McColloch
(N)	Bran Merritt
(S)	Micah Lawrence
(S)	Ken Lee
(S)	Rodney Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dennis Gann

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Joe T. Cantrell
Scripture	Acts 9:3-6
Lord's Table	*Allen Hughes
	*Chip Cantrell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7916) Joe Collins
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Jeff Flatt
Reading	Marty Boles
Invitation	Mike Driver
Dismiss	Bob Mayfield

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Buell & Flossie Warren
P.M.	Harry Felty Family

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Ushers: Steve Boyd & Zollie Settles

Attend Nursery: Lisa Burks

Lock Building: David Chilton

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Cards & Pencils: Steve Boyd

Pantry Item: Pancake Syrup

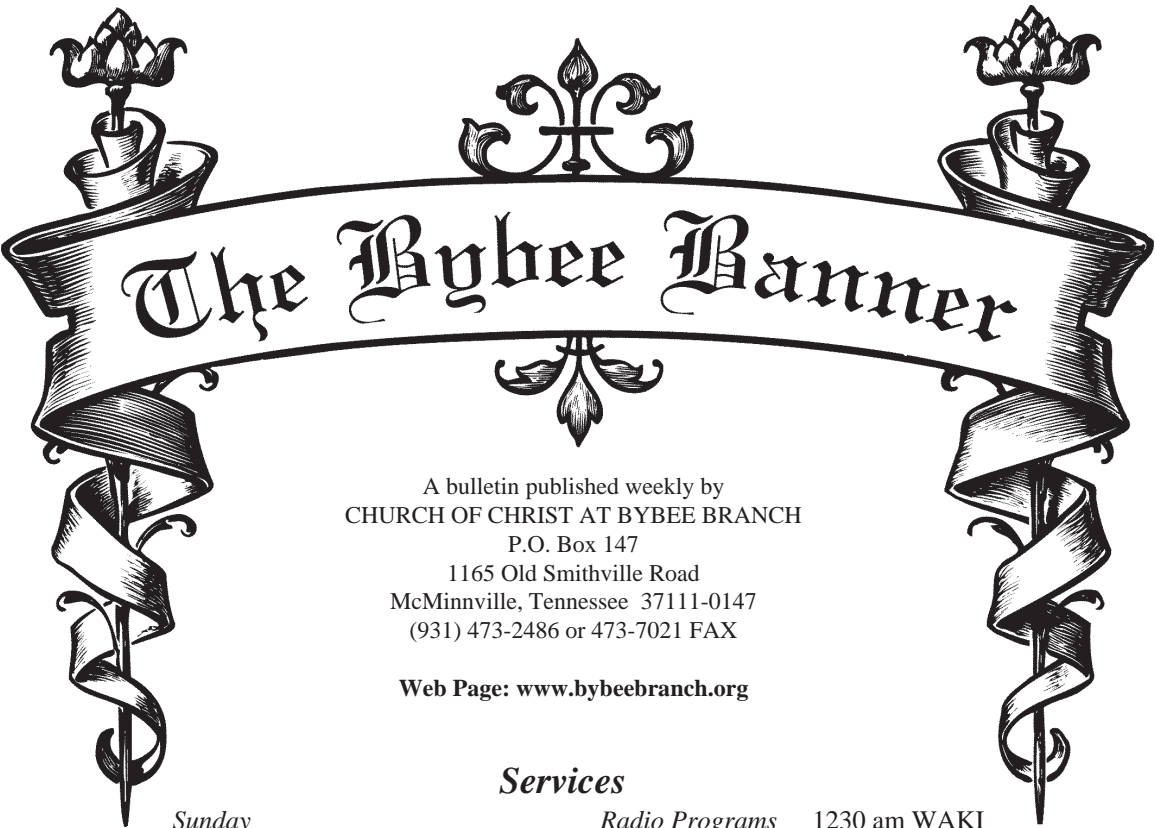
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Sick

At Home:

- Greg Grizzell
- Patsy Reynolds
- Clyde Christian, released from Riverpark
- Eugene & Georgia Jones

In The Hospital:

- Myra Bell-Riverpark #216
- Iola Gribble-Riverpark #218

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Don’t Let Satan Take Advantage Of Us
P.M. **WWJD: What Would Jesus Desire?**

Gospel Meetings

The *East End church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting September 1-4, at 7:00 pm each evening with Don Blackwell preaching.

The *Centertown church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting September 15-19, at 7:00 pm each evening with Johnny Lance preaching.

Ladies Day

The *Leoni church of Christ* will have a Ladies Day September 7, at 9-12 with Gaitha Crowson speaking.

Address Changes

Recently two of our families have had address changes, please make note of these in your church directory:

Marty & Sharon Boles
153 Old Quarry Road
Woodbury, TN 37190-5815
(615) 563-2909

Shannon & Janie Griffin
21 Linda Lane
McMinnville, TN 37110-7405
668-2494

Shut-ins

NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care):

- Jane Golden
- Pearl Mitchell
- Houston Stiles
- Carol Sue Taylor
- Violet Webb
- Dora Mae Wilcher

NHC **Smithville** (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):
Bertha Stewart

McMinnville Boarding Home

Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother)

Hillcrest Health Care:

Edith Collins

Norcliff Life Care Center

85 Main St. N
Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada
Stanley McNery (905) 768-4612

Masters Health Care (278 Dry Valley Road; Algood, TN 38506-549)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan’s sister)

Home:

- Vada Campbell
- Carolyn Cantrell
- Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)
- Rozelle Goodman
- Greg Grizzell
- Willene Kell
- Bessie Parker
- Sherry Pelham
- Robbie Vandagriff

Baptism

What a privilege and a joy to witness Terann Hillis being baptized into Christ by her father Steve on Monday night. We rejoice with this family and the several other young people that have put on Christ in baptism this year.

Lessons from Steve

“**Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at His footstool-He is holy**” (*Psalms* 99:5). As Moses was tending his father-in-law’s sheep in the desert, his attention was drawn to a strange sight. A bush was burning, but it was not being consumed. As he looked more closely at this phenomenon, he heard a voice say to him, “**Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground**” (*Exodus* 3:5). Joshua had a similar experience as he led the Israelites into the Promised Land. When he approached “**the Commander of the Lord’s army,**” he was told to take off his sandals because he stood on holy ground (*Joshua* 5:13-15).

The experiences of Moses and Joshua vividly teach us that a holy God demands our reverence and respect. True, we are encouraged to “**come boldly to the throne of grace**” (*Hebrews* 4:16), and we can enter the presence of God with confidence because Christ has opened the way for us through His death on the cross. However, we should never approach God with disrespect thinking He is “the man upstairs” or “the big guy.” He is God, the One who is “**high and lifted up**” (*Isaiah* 6:1). As the one true God, He is worthy of our highest adoration and praise. “**Exalt the Lord our God, And worship at His holy hill; For the Lord our God is holy**” (*Psalms* 99:9).

UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.

- “2nd Sunday Eats, Sunday, September 8th, After the evening worship service
- TeenAge Bible Study (TABS), Sunday, September 15th – 6:00 PM, Main Street Church of Christ

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Pew Packers Class, Sunday, October 6th – 5:00 PM, Fellowship Room

‘SENIOR SAINTS’

- Bible Class - Monday, September 9th – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew

Mad At The Preacher

We were having a Gospel Meeting years ago. The visiting preacher and I were standing at the door of the meeting house after services, shaking hands as people were leaving. A young woman of the congregation walked right past us with a frown on her face, without speaking, shaking hands, or even saying, “I enjoyed your sermon.” It was obvious that the visiting speaker had said something that upset her, and she was mad at me too, because she thought I had put him up to it.

Preachers quite often have people to get mad at them. In the past, this has resulted in faithful gospel preachers getting put in prison, being beaten, and even killed. Sometimes people get mad because of something the preacher says. People in the days of Isaiah told their preachers, ‘Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophecy deceits’ (Isa. 30:10). Isaiah refused this request, and they got mad at him.

Sometimes preachers will preach against some thing that a person likes to do. Even though Bible passages are quoted in context to uphold the condemnation of a sin or questionable activity, he gets the whole family of the guilty party mad at him. Sometimes people get mad at a preacher because he fails to visit them when they were sick, even though no one informed him of the sickness. Or, one may get mad at the preacher when the preacher does visit him when he didn’t wish to be disturbed.

Sometimes a whole congregation gets mad at the preacher because he preached a “hard” sermon — one they should have heard years ago. Preachers call this a “moving sermon” because he’s likely going to have to move after preaching it. One time a preacher said he moved because of health reasons — the members were sick of him and he was tired of them.

Sometimes a preacher deserves to have people get mad at him. He may be harsh, unfairly judgmental, or have a bad attitude. Sometimes people get mad at the preacher when he intended no offense. It was just a misunderstanding. But sometimes people find it easier to get mad at the messenger rather than heeding the message.

I love being a preacher. In the 45 years I have been a “located preacher,” I have been well treated. I love my brethren even when they get mad — sometimes because of my fault, sometimes because of theirs. ~Darrell Beard~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bruce Pryor
Reading	Tom McColloch
Scripture	1 Timothy 6:13-15
Lord's Table (N)	*Jim Slatton
(S)	*Calvin Rogers
(N)	John Nussbaum
(N)	Joey Reynolds
(N)	Jason Vandagriff
(S)	Ryan Kesey
(S)	Ben Biles
(S)	Asa Kell
Sermon	Steve Hillis
Dismiss	Steve Wilcher

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Carl Douglas Newby
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Kurt Maynard
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Tommy Crouch
	*Danny Duncan
Sermon	Joe D. Gray
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7916) Joe Collins
Lead Singing	Rickey Hurst
First Prayer	Doug Hendrixson
Reading	Ken Martin
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Brett Merritt

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Ralph & Drucilla Crouch
P.M.	Ricky Prince Family

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Paul Hurst & Ken Lee

Attend Nursery: Doris Wilcher

Lock Building: David Chilton

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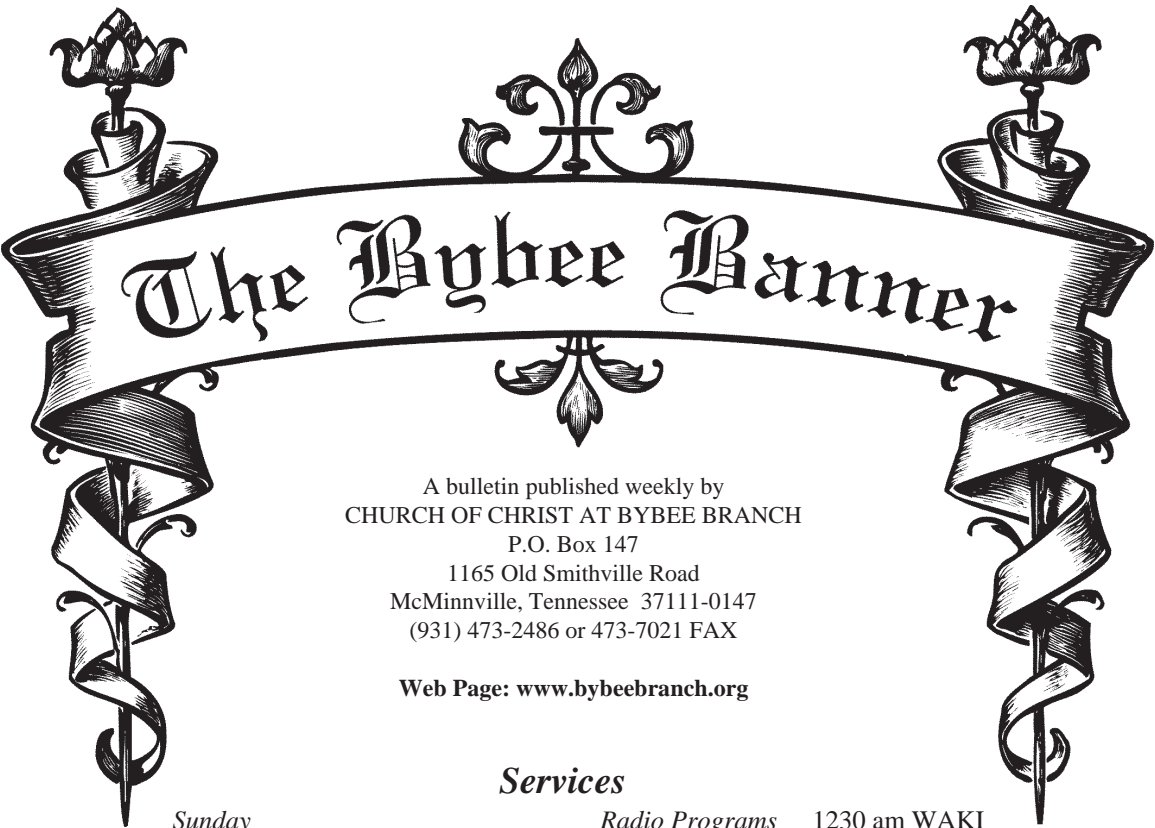
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Eugene & Georgia Jones
Myra Bell

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Iola Gribble-transferred to NHC

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. A Bad King, A Good King & The King
P.M. Guest Speaker: Joe D. Gray

Gospel Meetings

The *Centertown church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting September 15-19, at 7:00 pm each evening with Johnny Lance preaching.

The *Oakland church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting September 22-24, at 7:00 pm each evening with Joe Gray preaching.

Restorations

We rejoice that this past Wednesday evening Richard Miller and Glenda Hughes requested prayers on their behalf. Please remember these two in your prayers.

Hispanic Baptism

Our hearts are made to rejoice again with another baptism on Sunday afternoon, September 1, Vianey Hernandez Diaz was baptized into Christ. We continue to rejoice to see souls added to the Lord’s Kingdom among our Spanish speaking brethren.

Ladies Retreat

The ladies fall retreat will be October 4-5, in Lebanon at the Comfort Inn Suites. The deadline to sign up in September 18. If you have questions, see Corretta Lawrence, Sherry Graves or Judy Sullivan.

Lessons from Steve

“Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage” (*Galatians 5:1*). From Lexington, MA in 1775 to Afghanistan in 2002, men and women have fought and died for the freedom’s most Americans hold dear. September 11th caused us all to reflect on where we stand as a people of the United States. Atheist’s, the ACLU, the media, and other radicals opposed to Godly ways were silenced, at least for a little while, in the aftermath of the terrorists attacks. God was center stage and that helped grieving families and made us feel more comfortable. Christians know, from study and faith in God’s word, that Jesus died to give us a chance at eternal freedom. Just as Americans must take a stance against the evils of the world, Christians must stand firm in the awesome responsibility of the liberty we have in Christ Jesus. Hopefully, the U. S. will also fight to keep God in the forefront of our hearts and minds, but as Christians we have no choice, if we are true to our faith. As Paul admonished the Galatians not to fall into the entrapment of old ways, may we all strive for the unity that is found only in Jesus and continue to seek God in bad and good times. **“I would have lost heart, unless I had believed That I would see the goodness of the Lord In the land of the living”** (Psalm 28:13).

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50th Anniversary of Gospel Preaching

50 years ago on September 14th 1952, Joe D. Gray along with his new bride Harriett (married September 2, 1952) moved to McMinnville to being his first full-time work with the Bybee Branch congregation. Joe served the congregation as its local preacher until December 1955. It was during his tenure here that the first issue of the Bybee Banner was printed on July 16, 1953. In 1954 the building was remodeled to provide additional seating in the auditorium and new classroom space.

Since brother Gray left McMinnville he has continued to be busy in the work of the Lord. After Bybee Branch he has served churches at Watts St. in Durham, NC; Central in Valdosta, GA; George St. in Dunedin, New Zealand, and various congregations in the Nashville area. He is presently preaching for the Altamont church of Christ. He is a retired professor of Bible and Missions from David Lipscomb University where he also directed “Project Good News,” a mission effort to train young people to carry the Gospel into all the world. He is the author of “Say A Good Word for Jesus” and “Unity in the Midst of Slavery & War.” Brother Gray also continues to preach the Gospel by radio on the “Treasure of Truth.”

Please invite your friends and former members to come and worship together with us this Sunday evening, September 15. Leading the singing will be Carl Douglas Newby (son of Lucille Newby). Afterwards there will be a fellowship/reception for Joe and Harriett in the fellowship room.



Joe D. & Harriett Gray
September 1952

Very Good Advice

Everything I need to know about life, I learned from Noah’s Ark...

1. Don’t miss the boat.
2. Remember that we are all in the same boat.
3. Plan ahead. It wasn’t raining when Noah built the ark.
4. Stay fit. When you’re 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.
5. Don’t listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.
6. Build your future on high ground.
7. For safety’s sake, travel in pairs.
8. Speed isn’t always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.
9. When you’re stressed, float a while.
10. Remember, the ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic was built by professionals.
11. No matter the storm, when you are with God, there’s always a rainbow waiting.

~selected~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Allen Hughes
Reading	Chris Neale
Scripture	2 Corinthians 3:1-2
Lord's Table (N)	*Noel Pepper
(S)	*Frank Reynolds
(N)	Daniel Boyd
(N)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Jeff Templeton
(S)	Kevin Judkins
(S)	Marty Boles
(S)	Zollie Settles
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Eddie Palmer

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Rickey Burks
Reading	David Chilton
Scripture	Acts 22:12-16
Lord's Table	*Ricky Prince
	*Winfrey Hennessee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	W.C. Chilton

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7916) Joe Collins
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Chip Cantrell
Reading	Steve Hillis
Invitation	Shane Fisher
Dismiss	Billy Gilbert

Welcome Committee

A.M.	David & Iona King
P.M.	Ronnie Rogers Family

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Ushers: Harold McGinness & Mike Driver

Attend Nursery: Mickey Whiteaker

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Pantry Item: Potted Meat

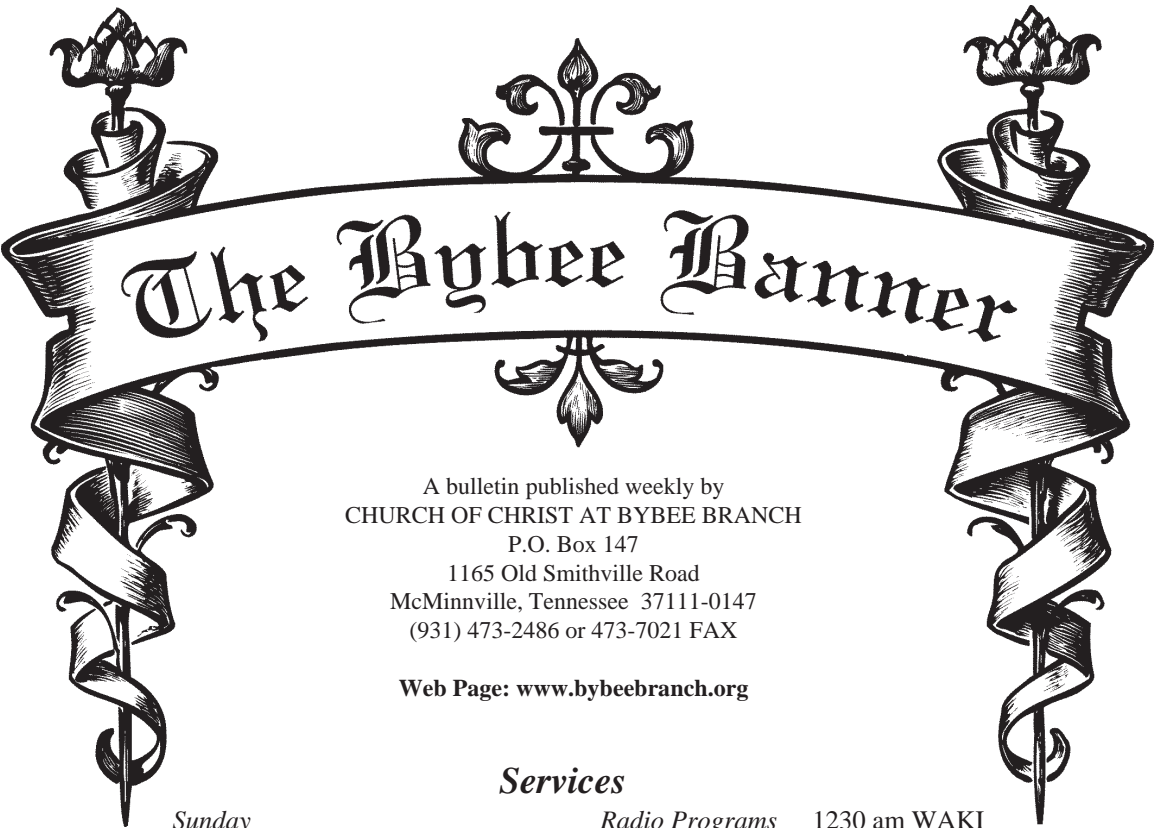
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Eugene & Georgia Jones
Myra Bell

In The Hospital:
Opal Duncan (Danny’s mother) Centennial
Medical Center undergoing tests.

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A.M.Pure Preaching And Living Letters
P.M. Why Are You Waitng?

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The *East End church of Christ* will have their annual Homecoming on October 6, 2002.

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Lessons from Steve

I’ve learned...

That just one person saying to me, “You’ve made my day!” makes my day.

That having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.

That no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.

That life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

That we should be glad God doesn’t give us everything we ask for.

That money doesn’t buy class.

That to ignore the facts does not change the facts.

That love, not time, heals all wounds.

That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.

That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.

That life is tough, but I’m tougher.

That opportunities are never lost: someone will take the ones you miss.

That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

That one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.

That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.

That I can’t choose how I feel, but I can choose what I do about it.

That a handshake, hug, or pat on the back is simply a good thing to do.

The words above were given to me by a friend who found it on the internet and it reminded me of what Paul learned...

“Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content: I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and suffer need. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. (Philippians 4:11 – 13).

Help Wanted

In an economy that is in a slump you hear of many people out of work. With the unemployment rates up, those out of a job purchase newspapers and serf the Internet scrounging the “Help Wanted” section of the classifieds looking for the best employment opportunities available. The jobs most coveted are often government jobs. Such jobs allow employees to serve the public and their nation while receiving great benefits. Unfortunately, in our federal government, job opportunities are limited. Yet the opposite is true in the spiritual nation, the kingdom of God, the church. There are immediate openings in multiple areas. The needs are urgent and the job qualifications are obtainable. If you are looking for a meaningful and rewarding job keep reading.

THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

Entry-level position requiring honesty, openness, thoroughness, and self-examination (2 Cor. 13:5). Must have knowledge of spiritual hygiene and proof of personal application of such knowledge (I Peter 1:22-25; James 1:21-25). Must be willing and able to guard the internal treasures of great personal and public worth (Matt. 12:34-37; Prov. 4:23; 23:7; Acts 2:37; 8:18-24). Only those desiring to advance need apply.

THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Seed sowers needed (Luke 8:4-15). Unlimited openings. Applicants should have knowledge of “the seed,” what it produces, and the potential yield of different kinds of soil. The benefits can multiply to as much as an hundredfold (Matt. 13:23). There is also an urgent need for those to irrigate the fields that have been planted. You will not be personally responsible for the crop yield. Field hands are disparately needed for the great harvest that is promised (Luke 10:2; Matt. 9:37-38). You must apply in person to “the Lord of the harvest.”

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Nurses are needed from pediatrics to geriatrics (1 Peter 2:2; 1 Thess. 2:17) with a loving and tender attitude. Physician’s assistants also needed (Luke 4:23). This job requires a knowledge and understanding of the spiritual body and its proper functions (1 Cor. 12:i2-31; Eph. 4:11-16). Must be willing to respond to emergencies and make house calls (James 5:19,20; Gal. 6:1).

THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Teachers needed. Anyone who desires to work in this field must be a “Home Schooler” (Deut. 6:1-8; 11:19; Eph. 6:1-4; 2 Tim. 3:14-17; 2:15). Those who have done well in the “Home School” environment will be aptly qualified and are urgently needed to begin teaching in the “public school” domain (Matt. 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16; 2 Tim. 2:2; 4:1-4). Applicants must have good people skills and be committed to being lifelong learners (Eph. 4:15-16; 1 Tim. 4:12-16; 2 Tim. 2:15; Heb. 5:12-14; 2 Peter 1:3-11; 3:18)

THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Soldiers are needed to defend the greatest nation to ever exist (1 Peter 2:9). Volunteers only; no draft will be held. Your armor will be specially designed to protect you in battle and assure victory (Eph. 6:11-17). Volunteers will have the privilege to serve under the supreme commander In Chief (2 Tim. 2:3-4; Heb. 2:10). The life of a soldier is disciplined and hard but the retirement is out of this world (1 Tim. 6:11-14; 2 Tim. 4:6-8).

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

(Mark 16:15-16; Acts 10:34-35; 1 Cor. 12:13; Gal. 3:28).

~Jerry L. Martin~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Steve Hillis
Reading	Joe Roller
Scripture	2 Corinthians 3:15-18
Lord's Table (N)	*Brett Merritt
(S)	*Bob Mayfield
(N)	Cody Prince
(N)	Marc Martin
(N)	Barry Hendrixson
(S)	Paul Hurst
(S)	Chris Burks
(S)	Buell Warren
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Chuck Boles

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-3115) Ben Biles
Lead Singing	Eric Fisher
First Prayer	Tyler Boyd
Reading	Cody Prince
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Bruce Pryor
	*Abram Pryor
Sermon	Joey, Paul, Chris, and Shane
Dismiss	Bran Merritt

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Kurt Maynard
Reading	Asa Kell
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tommy Crouch

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Noel & Martha Pepper
P.M.	Chip Cantrell Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Jason Vandagriff & Tim Fisher

Attend Nursery: Cassie McGinness

Lock Building: David Chilton

Trash Pickup: Leonard Clemons

Cards & Pencils: Steve Boyd

Pantry Item: Dry Beans

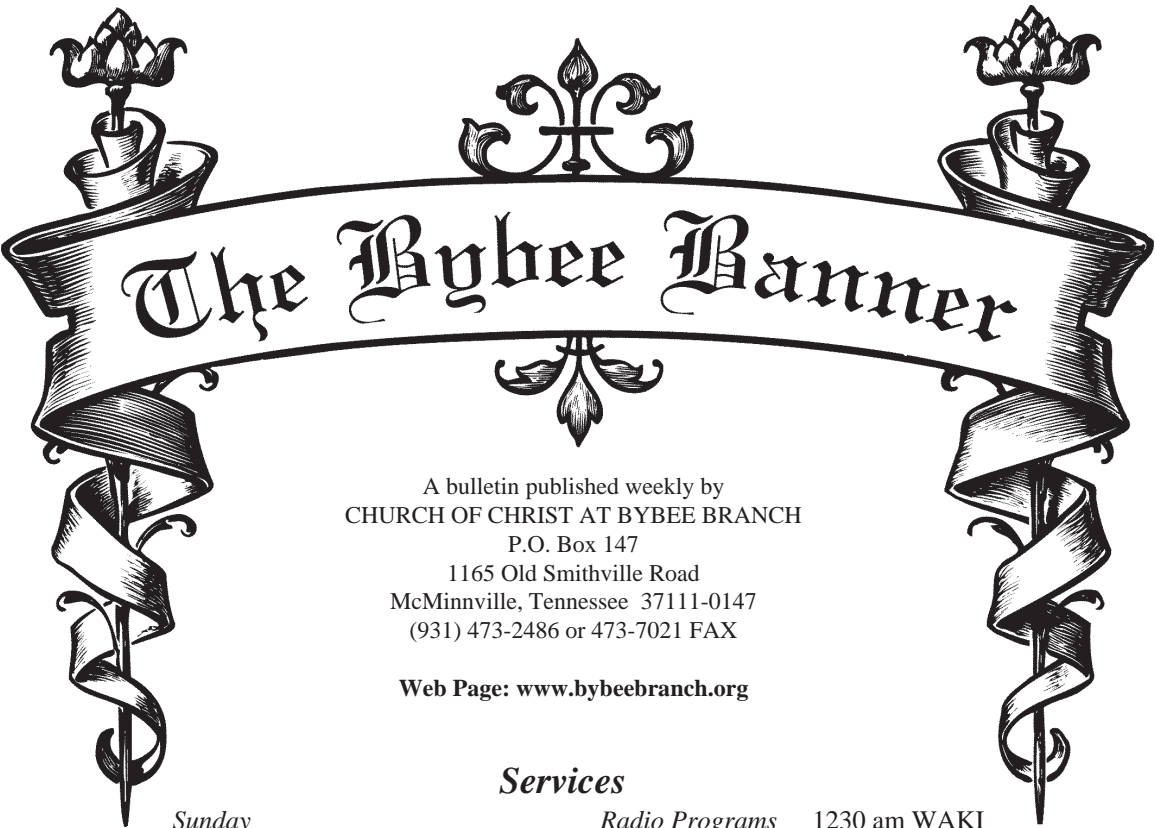
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	307
Bible Study	248
P.M. Worship	233
Wednesday Bible Study	250
Contribution	\$4,266

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P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.	Tony Lawrence	8:00 a.m.
		Winford Claiborne	8:30 a.m.
<i>Wednesday</i>			
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

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Stanley Graves	Willie Newby
Jim Slatton	

Ministers

Tony Lawrence	668-9123	Steve Hillis	668-2632
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Sick

At Home:
Greg Grizzell
Angie Caldwell (at home after breaking her leg in two places).
Dickie Kesity (to be dismissed from St. Thomas after surgery to clear his carotid artery)
Carl Roberts (to be dismissed from St. Thomas after tests for chest pains)
W.C. Chilton (dismissed from Riverpark following tests).

In The Hospital:
Opal Duncan (Danny’s mother) Centennial Medical Center ICU.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Remove The Veil
P.M. Young Men

Gospel Meetings

The *Oakland church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting September 22-24, at 7:00 pm each evening with Joe Gray preaching.

The *New Hope church of Christ* in Readyville will have a Gospel Meeting October 6-9, at 7:00 pm each evening with Ken Willis preaching.

The *East End church of Christ* will have their annual Homecoming on October 6, 2002.

Wedding

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Father-Son Campout

On Friday evening, October 11, will be the annual father-son camp out at the Bob Mayfield farm.

Lessons from Steve

“For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ” (John 1:17). It was through Moses that the Israelites received a law that would govern them in the Promised Land. Laws covering every aspect of life, including religious, civil, judicial, individual, and so on, provided the people with a unique way to live. No other nation on the earth had laws that compared to this new nation, because it came directly from God (II Samuel 7:23 – 24). However, the unmerited favor (II Corinthians 8:9) and the awe inspiring truth (John 14:6) Jesus brought for everyone, establishes Him as the fulfiller of the old law (Matthew 5:17) and the Redeemer of mankind (Revelation 5:9). Paul sums it up the best in how Christ consolidates us all by this statement, “For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus” (Galatians 3:27 – 28).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.
- Treasure Hunt- Sunday, September 29th – 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM - Beginning at the church building.
 - 1st Sunday Eats-Sunday, October 6th-After the evening worship.

- PEW PACKERS CLUB
- Pew Packers Class, Sunday, October 6th – 5:00 PM, Fellowship Room

- ‘SENIOR SAINTS’
- Bible Class - Monday, October 7th – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew

Repsonse

We rejoice with Regina Templeton that came forward requesting prayers last Wednesday evening.

October 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Martha Maxwell			Mickey Whiteaker	Stephen Boyd
		1	2	3	4	5
Georgia Womack Bernice Fults	Senior Saints Bible Class 9:00 am	Larry Flatt Donna Newby	Carol Felty Daniel Boyd	Dot Powell	W.C. & NELMA CHILTON Missy Lee	Willene Kell Bill Biles Bruce Pryor
6	7	8	9	10	Father-Son Camp Out at Mayfield Farm 11	White-Merritt Wedding 2:00 12
Nelma Chilton	JACK & ANNA JEAN BOND LARRY & JANE FLATT Heath Griffith			Jennifer Maynard Joe T. Cantrell Andy Slatton		MORRIS & SCARLETT GRIFFITH Derrick Pennington Myra Bell
Bible Bowl at Bybee Branch at 2:00 pm 13	School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo 7:00 pm 14	15	16	17	18	19
Mildred Glenn Jim Slatton Lawrence Lane Christian Barrett	GREG & DAWN WANAMAKER CHIP & SHEILA CANTRELL	Mildred Bumbalough Sarah Kell	Julie Slatton	Bailey Martin	Kelly Thaxton	BRUCE & SHIRLEY NUNLEY Mary Flatt
TABS at Grundy St. Tullahoma 20	Senior Saints Bible Class 9:00 am 21	22	23	24	25	26
Brandon McGinness Darrell Chilton	School of Bible Emphasis at Mt. Leo 7:00 pm 28	Cassie McGinness	BOBBY & CAROLYN CANTRELL			
27	28	29	30	31		

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Chip Cantrell
Scripture	2 Corinthians 4:7
Lord's Table (N)	*Danny Duncan
(S)	*Chuck Medley
(N)	Tom McColloch
(N)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	Tyler Boyd
(S)	Harry Felty
(S)	George Trail
(S)	J.B. Gribble
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joey Reynolds

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Joe Collins
Reading	Calvin Rogers
Scripture	Revelation 2:13-16
Lord's Table	*Rickey Burks
	*Ronnie Prince
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Rickey Hurst

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Bruce Pryor
Reading	David McColloch
Invitation	Larry Flatt
Dismiss	David Chilton

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Willie Newby Family
P.M.	Winfrey & Dorothy Hennessee

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

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Attend Nursery: Anna Hendrixson

Lock Building: Chip Cantrell

Trash Pickup: Joe Collins

Cards & Pencils: Leonard Clemons

Pantry Item: Taco Seasoning

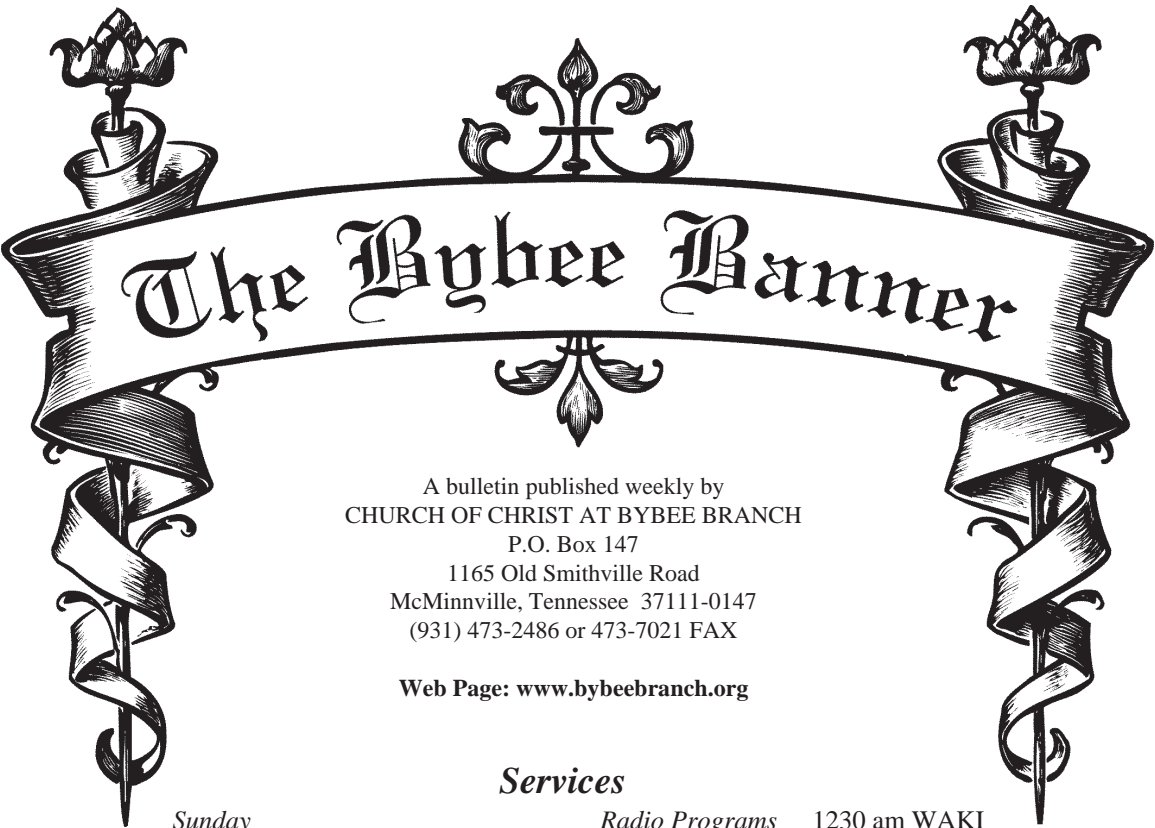
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	317
Bible Study	243
P.M. Worship	235
Wednesday Bible Study	223
Contribution	\$4,697

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Sick

At Home:

- Angie Caldwell
- Dickie Kesey
- Jessica Templeton
- Maggie Hurst
- Georgia Brown-pneumonia
- Freda Womack

In The Hospital:

Brenda Bratten-surgery at Baptist Hospital on October 9.

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathies to the family of Opal Duncan (mother of our Danny Duncan). Her funeral was Monday at Highs.

Also, sympathy to the family of Pauline Elrod (sister-in-law to our Dot Foster). Her funeral was also Monday in Nashville.

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. The Treasure In An Earthen Vessel
P.M. Do Not Cast A Stumblingblock

Gospel Meetings

The *New Hope church of Christ* in Readyville will have a Gospel Meeting October 6-9, at 7:00 pm each evening with Ken Willis preaching.

The *Campaign church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting October 6-8, at 7:00 pm each evening with Vernon Joines preaching.

The *East End church of Christ* will have their annual Homecoming on October 6, 2002.

The *Morrison church of Christ* will have a Gospel Meeting October 13-18, at 7:00 pm each evening with Robert Taylor, Jr. preaching.

Shut-ins

NHC (formerly McMinnvill Health Care):

- Jane Golden
- Pearl Mitchell
- Houston Stiles
- Carol Sue Taylor
- Violet Webb
- Dora Mae Wilcher

NHC **Smithville** (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):
Bertha Stewart

McMinnvill Boarding Home

Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother)

Hillcrest Health Care:

Edith Collins

Norcliff Life Care Center

85 Main St. N
Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada
Stanley McInery (905) 768-4612

Masters Health Care (278 Dry Valley Road; Algood, TN 38506-549)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan’s sister)

Home:

- Vada Campbell
- Carolyn Cantrell
- Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)
- Rozelle Goodman
- Greg Grizzell
- Willene Kell
- Bessie Parker
- Sherry Pelham
- Robbie Vandagriff

Bible Bowl Food

Bybee Branch will be hosting the first Bible Bowl for this school year on Sunday, October 13. We will be needing sandwiches and finger desserts for the refreshments. If you would be willing to help, would you please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer? We are anticipating a crowd of over 400.

Lessons from Steve

“For the ways of man are before the eyes of the Lord, and he ponders all his path” (Proverbs 5:21). God notices everything that man does on this earth (Job 34:21; Psalm 33:13) because He is that powerful. Jeremiah wrote, “ ‘Can anyone hide himself in secret places, So I shall not see him?’ says the Lord; ‘Do I not fill heaven and earth?’ says the Lord” (Jeremiah 23:24). However, God not only sees all, He remembers all. Hosea, in warning Judah to repent, spoke these words, “They do not consider in their hearts That I remember all their wickedness; Now their own deeds have surrounded them; They are before my face” (Hosea 7:2). Sin can “surround” us and blind our hearts to the point of believing that God does not perceive what is going on in our life, which is a very foolish mistake. Just because the consequences of sin do not immediately appear, we must not form a false conception that all is o.k. “Because the sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil. Though a sinner does evil a hundred times, and his days are prolonged, yet I surely know that it will be well with those who fear God, who fear before Him” (Proverbs 8:11 – 12).

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Father-Son Campout

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Boycott The Promoters of Liquor & the Lottery

You may have noticed several businesses and individuals promoting the “Liquor by the Drink” referendum. You can let your conviction be known to these people by refusing to patronize their businesses. If they want people to know that they stand in support of intoxicating our city, then let them know that you cannot support their business with your purchases. It is for this reason that personally I have decided to no longer purchase the Southern Standard until they quit trying to hoist the banner of every ungodly issue that comes through Warren County. I bear them no malice but I choose not to support them in what they are doing.

Sunday night’s lesson will be on the evils of gambling (the lottery just being one form of it). Next Sunday evening’s lesson will be on the evil of alcohol. While much of the community anti-liquor and anti-lottery efforts revolve around the social and economic, these lessons presented will address the *moral* aspect. For the community this may appear to be only a social or economic issue. However, for Christians it is also a *moral* issue. And, even though some argue, “you can’t legislate morality,” there are many laws that do so. This is the reason prostitution is not only against the law but morally wrong. It is *past time* that Christians take a stand!

~Tony Lawrence~

Directory Update

Please make the following changes in your church directory:

Steve & Jane Wilcher
218 Roosevelt Road
McMinnvill, TN 37110-1236; Phone: 507-9513

Wedding

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Sunday Morning Worship

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First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	Jeff Flatt
Scripture	2 Corinthians 4:1, 16-18
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(S)	*Eddie Palmer
(N)	Jeremy Burks
(N)	Marek Sadlon
(N)	Ben Biles
(S)	Bob Cantrell
(S)	Abram Pryor
(S)	Daniel Boyd
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bob Mayfield
Reading	Jim Slatton
Scripture	Proverbs 20:1
Lord's Table	*Ken Martin
	*Tommy Crouch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kurt Maynard

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Allen Hughes
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
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Pantry Item: Vienna Sausage

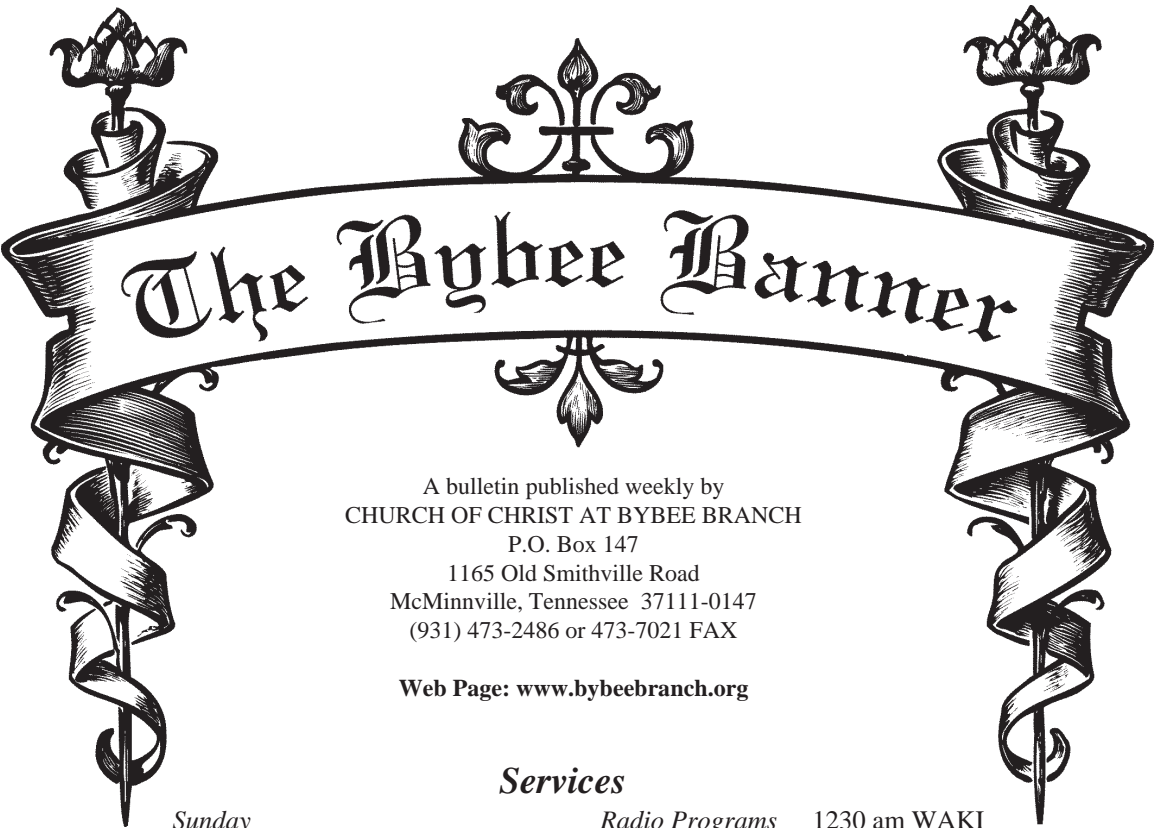
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<p>Sick</p> <p>At Home:</p> <p>Angie Caldwell</p> <p>Georgia Brown</p> <p>Brenda Bratten (following surgery)</p>	<p>Lessons from Steve</p> <p>“Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life’” (John 8:12). As the sun gives light and energy to the earth, so Jesus gives light and hope to a sinful world. Matthew places the fulfillment of an Old Testament prophesy of the Messiah to Jesus. “The people who sat in darkness saw a great light, And upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned” (Matthew 4:16; Isaiah 9:2). Truly, “Light has dawned” and brought the hope of eternal life to ALL men and women. Darkness (sin) can have no relationship with the light, because the two are not compatible. Paul told the Ephesians two very important things about darkness and light. First, he acknowledges that they were once in darkness, but now accept the light, therefore he commands that they walk in light. Secondly, he encourages the brethren to not only stay away from the unfruitful works of darkness, but to expose sin and its consequences (Ephesians 5:8, 11). We can defeat the temptations of darkness, if we put our trust and faith in God, who through Christ Jesus our Lord, has granted us an eternity of rest and peace. “The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light” (Romans 13:12).</p>	<p>Bible Bowl 2002-2003</p> <p>This coming Sunday (13th) will begin the Bible Bowl for this school year and will be hosted by us. We are anticipating an extremely large turnout for this first meeting. Twenty-two congregations are participating this year! Last year we had more than 400. Why not come at 2:00 pm and enjoy the lessons presented by Chad Ramsey along with the participation of a great gathering of young people.</p>	
<p>In The Hospital:</p> <p>Pauline Gribble (wife of Newton Gribble)- Baptist Hospital following cancer surgery.</p>		<p>There will be a study session this Saturday evening from 5-8 pm at the home of Steve & Sharla Hillis. This month’s test will be over Judges 1-3.</p>	
<p>Sympathy</p> <p>We want to extend sympathy to the family of Loyd Maxwell (brother of our Georgia Jones). He passed away Saturday and his funeral will be this Friday at 11 at McMinnville Funeral Home.</p>		<p>We will need a few men to help us set up the rooms with chairs for all the students. If you can do this, please let Steve Hillis or Tony Lawrence know. We plan on doing this after lunch on Sunday.</p>	
<p>Sunday’s Sermons</p> <p>A.M. Do Not Lose Heart</p> <p>P.M. Look Not Upon The Wine</p>		<p>Those who can prepare sandwiches or homemade desserts are asked to sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer. We will need several who can do this. Please help if you can.</p>	
<p>Gospel Meetings</p> <p>The <i>Morrison church of Christ</i> will have a Gospel Meeting October 13-18, at 7:00 pm each evening with Robert Taylor, Jr. preaching.</p> <p>The <i>East Main church of Christ in Murfreesboro</i> will have a Gospel Meeting October 13-18, at 7:00 pm each evening with Gary Colley preaching.</p>	<p><i>UPCOMING EVENTS</i></p> <p>B.B.Y.G.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Inner” Beauty Salon-Sunday, October 13th-After the evening worship in Fellowship Room (Young Ladies Only) <p>PEW PACKERS CLUB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday, November 3rd – 5:00 PM, Fellowship Room 	<p>For those of you who have not been attending our Bible Bowls they are an excellent opportunity for our young people. The students study a preassigned section of Scripture and then on the second Sunday of the months of October-March meeting at a host congregation. After a short devotional the young people from each congregation will assemble into the class rooms. There the students will take the test individually for 15 minutes. Then after for the final 15 minutes they will compile their answers on one answer sheet. Hearing these young people discuss what they have studied and arriving at an answer is perhaps the most encouraging part of the Bible Bowl. They are able to reason together and arrive at the right answer most of the time. Then the tests are turned into the monitors who assemble together to grade them. After the tests are graded the scores are tabulated and the winners for that month are announced. Following the announcements the young people have refreshments served to them. Isn’t it wonderful that such a large number of young people are willing to give up their Sunday afternoon for a study of the Bible? Be sure to give these young people a word of encouragement. They truly are some great ones and will provide the church a bright future.</p>	
<p>Fall Festival</p> <p>Our annual Fall Festival has been planned for Saturday, October 26th. If you would like to donate to this, please give your money to W.C. Chilton, Chip Cantrell, or Barry Hendrixson.</p>		<p>Hispanic Baptism</p> <p>We rejoice at another precious soul added to the Lord’s kingdom. This past Sunday afternoon Enrique Rodas was baptized into Christ.</p>	<p>Restoration</p> <p>This past Sunday evening brother Paul Hurst came forward requesting the prayers of the congregation to be stronger in the faith. Please remember Paul in your private prayers.</p>
<p>Father-Son Campout</p> <p>On Friday evening, October 11, will be the annual father-son camp out at the Bob Mayfield farm.</p>	<p>“SENIOR SAINTS”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bible Class - Monday, October 21st – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew 	<p>Directory Addition</p> <p>Please make the following addition in your church directory:</p> <p>Heath & Jamie Griffith 202 Mountain Street McMinnville, TN 37110-1625 Phone: 507-8126</p>	<p>Wedding</p> <p>On this Saturday, October 12th, at 2:00 pm at the Bybee Branch building, Brett Merritt and Rebecca White will be joined together in marriage. The congregation is invited to celebrate this joyous event with them.</p>
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First Prayer	Noel Pepper
Reading	Jeff Templeton
Scripture	2 Corinthians 5:9-11
Lord's Table (N)	*Ricky Prince
(S)	*Willie Newby
(N)	Chris Neale
(N)	Steve Wilcher
(N)	Rodney Maynard
(S)	Jason Vandagriff
(S)	Bran Merritt
(S)	Marc Martin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Buell Warren

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	Frank Reynolds
Scripture	Romans 1:28-32
Lord's Table	*Ronnie Rogers
	*Chip Cantrell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Winfrey Hennessee

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Young Men
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	Joe T. Cantrell
Invitation	Rickey Hurst
Dismiss	Hoyt Crouch

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Rickey Burks Family
P.M.	Zollie & Vera Settles

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

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Attend Nursery: Judy Sullivan

Lock Building: Chip Cantrell

Trash Pickup: Joe Collins

Cards & Pencils: Leonard Clemons

Pantry Item: Ketchup

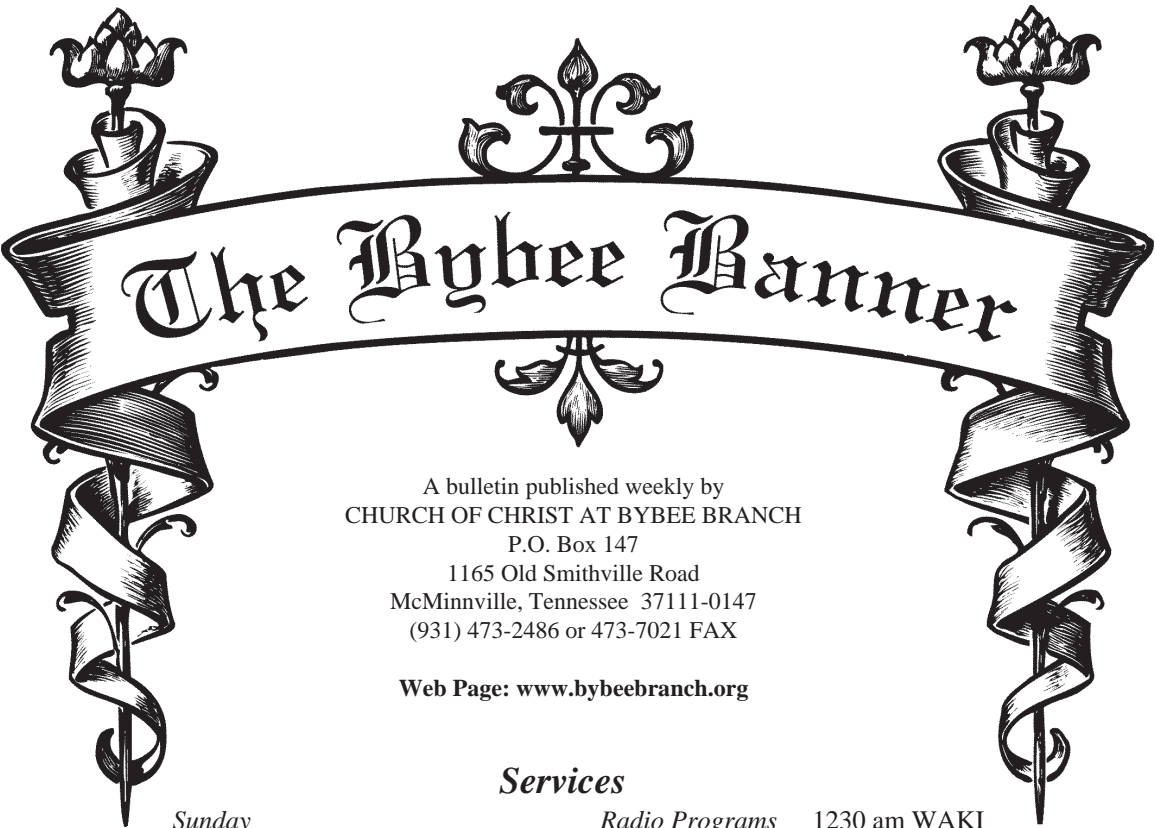
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	348
Bible Study	251
P.M. Worship	253
Wednesday Bible Study	244
Contribution	\$4,567

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Sick

At Home:
Angie Caldwell
Georgia Brown
Eugene & Georgia Jones
Freda Womack
Brenda Bratten (following surgery)

In The Hospital:
Kaitlyn Thaxton-Riverpark #205

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the Stinson family, Jamie and Teresa (niece of Leonard & Avie Clemons) lost their baby last Thursday. Her name was Allie Elizabeth. The family will receive friends this Thursday from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. at Highs. A graveside service will be held for the family only at the Caney Branch Cemetery.

We also want to extend sympathy to the family of Molly Claiborne, wife of Winford Claiborne. She succumbed to cancer this past Saturday evening. Her services were on Tuesday afternoon at the West Fayetteville church of Christ. Brother Claiborne has been with us several times.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Preparing People For Judgment
P.M. Without Natural Affection: Abortion

FYI

Eight young people die in alcohol related crashes every day. Alcohol related traffic deaths are the number one killer of 15-24 year olds.

Youth who drink alcohol are 7.5 times more likely to use any illicit drug, and 50 times more likely to use cocaine than young people who never drink.

Lessons from Steve

“He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked” (1 John 2:6). Everyone has probably seen the old “slap-stick” comedies where someone might need directions and the person being asked will say, “Walk this way.” Sure enough the people who would follow along literally imitates the way he or she is walking, usually in an exaggerated limp. Well, comedy aside, Christians have a literal way in which we are to walk, an example that has been given to us. Peter wrote, “For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps...” (1 Peter 2:21). Jesus left a clear and legible pattern for every facet of a Christian’s life, in good times and in bad, and we are never to stray from following in the Master’s footsteps, regardless of how big those prints are. “Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me” (John 15:4).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.
- T.A.B.S. -Sunday, October 20th – 6:00 PM - Grundy Street church of Christ
 - Home Devotional - Sunday, October 27th – After the evening worship - Courtesy of Missy and Ben Biles

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Sunday, November 3rd – 5:00 PM, Fellowship Room

‘SENIOR SAINTS’

- Bible Class - Monday, October 21st – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew

Bible Bowl — 429 present

The Bible Bowl yesterday was a tremendous success. 429 people assembled for the first Bible Bowl of this year. What a joy it was to see that many young people assembled on a Sunday afternoon. All of the groups did a great job. Chad Ramsey delivered two powerful lessons. Here are the results of the test:

- 1st Place: Bybee Branch (Banner), Keltonburg, & Southside (missing 0, Bybee Branch won the tiebreaker)
2nd Place: Earleyville, Main Street, & Smartt (missing 1)
3rd Place: Central, Ivy Bluff, Mt. Leo, New Hope, New Union, Woodbury (missing 2)
4th Place: Dibrell & Smyrna (missing 3).



Fall Festival

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Meetings & Lectureships

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Meetings & Lectures continued

Ladies Day at *East End Drive church of Christ*. October 19, at 9:00 am with Ira Booker speaking.

The *Main Street/Manchester church of Christ* will have a lectureship on Saturday, November 2. Look for the schedule soon.

The *Bethlehem/Murfreesboro church of Christ* will host the 5th annual Greater Murfreesboro Area Lectureship on November 1-3. Schedule is on the bulletin board.

The *Leoni church of Christ* will host the 15th Annual Bob Ford Memorial lectureship on November 8-10. Schedule is on the bulletin board.

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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Zollie Settles
Reading	Doug Hendrixson
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table (N)	*Tim Fisher
(S)	*Allen Hughes
(N)	Joe Roller
(N)	Asa Kell
(N)	Kevin Judkins
(S)	David McColloch
(S)	Joe Maynard
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
Sermon	Daniel Hamm
Dismiss	Ken Martin

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Rickey Burks
Reading	Bruce Pryor
Scripture	Romans 1:26-27
Lord's Table	*Don Sullivan
	*Billy Gilbert
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Brett Merritt

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Eric Fisher
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tyler Boyd

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Ronnie Prince Family
P.M.	Kurt Maynard Family

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Ushers: Harold McGinness & W.C. Chilton

Attend Nursery: Susan Pryor

Lock Building: Chip Cantrell

Trash Pickup: Joe Collins

Cards & Pencils: Leonard Clemons

Pantry Item: Mustard

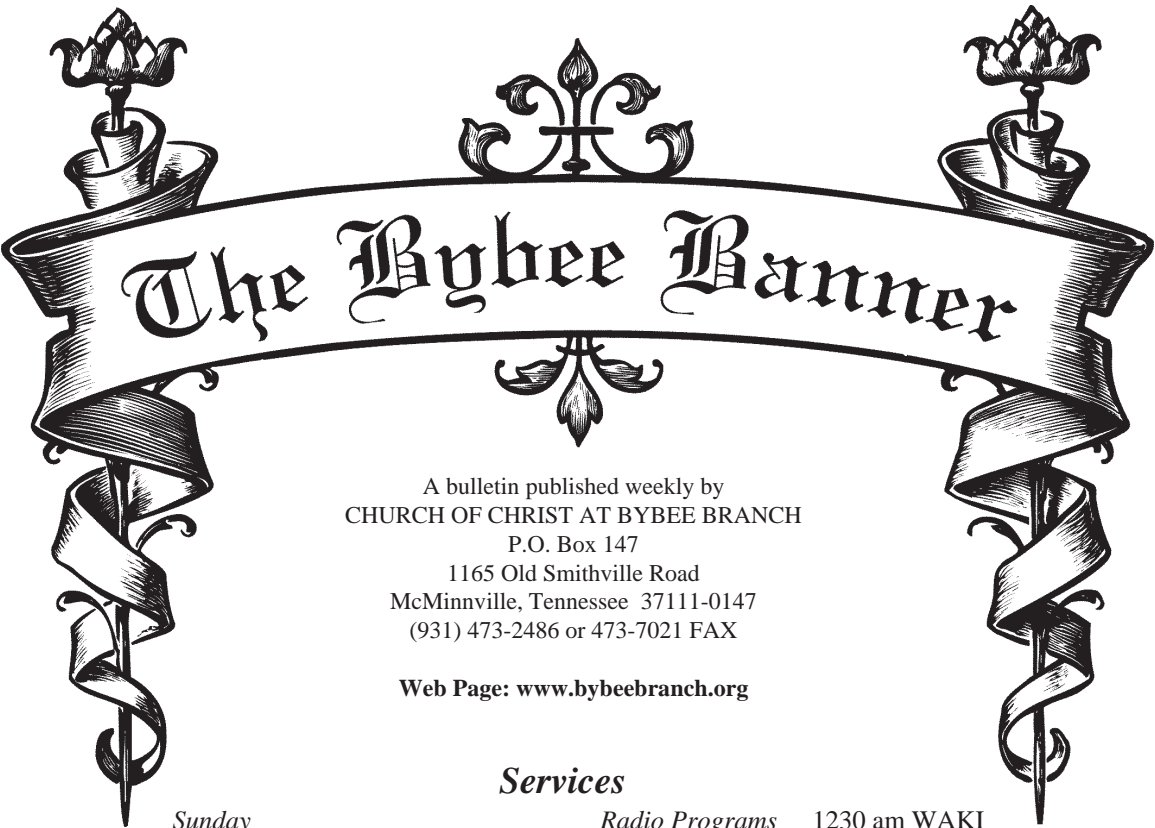
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Sick

At Home:

- Angie Caldwell
- Eugene Jones
- Pat Boles (following surgery)
- Kathy Thaxton (following surgery)

In The Hospital:

- Floyd Gambrell (husband of Mildred Gambrell)-Riverpark

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Tony Paul (he formerly preached at Shady Grove). He was killed by a farm animal on Saturday. His funeral was Tuesday in Murfreesboro.

Sunday’s Sermons

- A.M. Guest Speaker: Daniel Hamm
- P.M. Unnatural: Homosexuality

Reponse

Sunday morning sister Barbara King requested prayers for her to rededicate her life to the Lord.

General Business Meeting

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

Fall Festival

Our annual Fall Festival will be this Saturday, October 26th beginning at 5:00 pm. If you would like to donate to this, please give your money to W.C. Chilton, Chip Cantrell, or Barry Hendrixson. Please remember to bring desserts!

Lessons from Steve

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new” (II Corinthians 5:17). Nicodemus was puzzled, to say the least, when Jesus told him a person would have to be “**born again**” to see the kingdom of God (John 3:3). The thoughts swirling around in the mind of Nicodemus must have been wide and varied as he contemplated the idea Jesus had presented to him (John 3:4, 9). We now know that to be born again is simply to become a new creature, a Christian, by **Hearing** (Romans 10:17); **Believing** (Hebrews 11:6); **Repenting** (Acts 2:38); **Confessing Christ** (Matthew 10:32 – 33); and being **Baptized** (Acts 10:47 – 48). Christians are to be renewed by taking off the old man of sin and putting on the new man of righteousness, remembering that Christ is all and in all (Colossians 3:9 – 11). Thanks be to God that a new beginning and a bright future lies ahead for all who are in Christ Jesus our Lord. “**There is no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus...**” (Romans 8:1).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.
- Home Devotional - Sunday, October 27th – After the evening worship - Courtesy of Missy and Ben Biles
 - Youth Visitation - Saturday, November 2nd – 10:00 AM to Noon
 - 1st Sunday Eats — Sunday, November 3rd

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Sunday, November 3rd – 5:00 PM, Fellowship Room

‘SENIOR SAINTS’

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The Church Our Visitors Should See

Every week we ought to be inviting our family members, friends, and neighbors to come with us to worship services and Bible study. Our intent is to extend the opportunity of salvation to those who are lost as well as provide edification for numerical and spiritual growth for the church. To the extent that our visitors will take special notice of us, what kind of church should they see?

A JOYOUS CHURCH. The early church was certainly known for its joyfulness. “*And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart*” (Acts 2:46). They rejoiced in their relationship with God (Acts 5:41; 2 Cor. 8:1-5; 9:7; Phil. 4:4).

A LOVING CHURCH. Love is the ingredient that the Lord requires of all that want to be known as His disciples. “*By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another*” (John 13:35). Hatefulness, envy, strife and division are not attractive and are not characteristic of those in Christ. They stifle the life and energy from any church that allows them to germinate. Yet, faith, hope and love are the abiding qualities of a congregation that is alive and growing. Every visitor ought to be able to see love evident among us.

A FRIENDLY CHURCH. Any visitor that we might have should see outward, open, and consistent friendliness exhibited by every member of this congregation. All of us have the ability and the opportunity to create and maintain such an atmosphere. If our visitors don’t see our friendliness they will soon cease to visit. May we heed the wisdom of Proverbs 18:24. “*A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.*”

AN ENTHUSIASTIC CHURCH. Webster defines enthusiasm as, “fervor, something inspiring zeal or passion.” In the spiritual context enthusiasm literally means “God in us.” God’s instructions teach us how to live and become our motivation for serving Him (Titus 2:11-14). Our visitors should witness a church that is zealously enthusiastic in our work for our Master. This is how we will be most effective in reaching people for Christ.

~Jerry L. Martin~
Edited from an article in Lifelines 10/13/02

Meetings & Lectureships

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Song Survey

Our song leaders are requesting that you fill out a song survey. Sheets are on the table in the foyer. They would like to know which are your favorite songs.



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
TIMES ENDS
SATURDAY NIGHT,
SET YOUR CLOCK
BACK ONE HOUR.**

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Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Dennis Gann
Reading	John Biddle
Scripture	2 Corinthians 6:11-13
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(S)	*Tommy Crouch
(N)	Lynn Gann
(N)	Micah Lawrence
(N)	Chris Burks
(S)	Shannon Griffin
(S)	Cody Prince
(S)	Dickie Kesey
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Caleb Graves

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Ricky Prince
Reading	Joey Reynolds
Scripture	Exodus 3:9-12
Lord's Table	*Mike Driver
	*Chuck Boles
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9326) Bruce Pryor
Lead Singing	Rickey Hurst
First Prayer	Jeff Flatt
Reading	Tyler Boyd
Invitation	Chuck Medley
Dismiss	Paul Hurst

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P.M.	Don & Judy Sullivan

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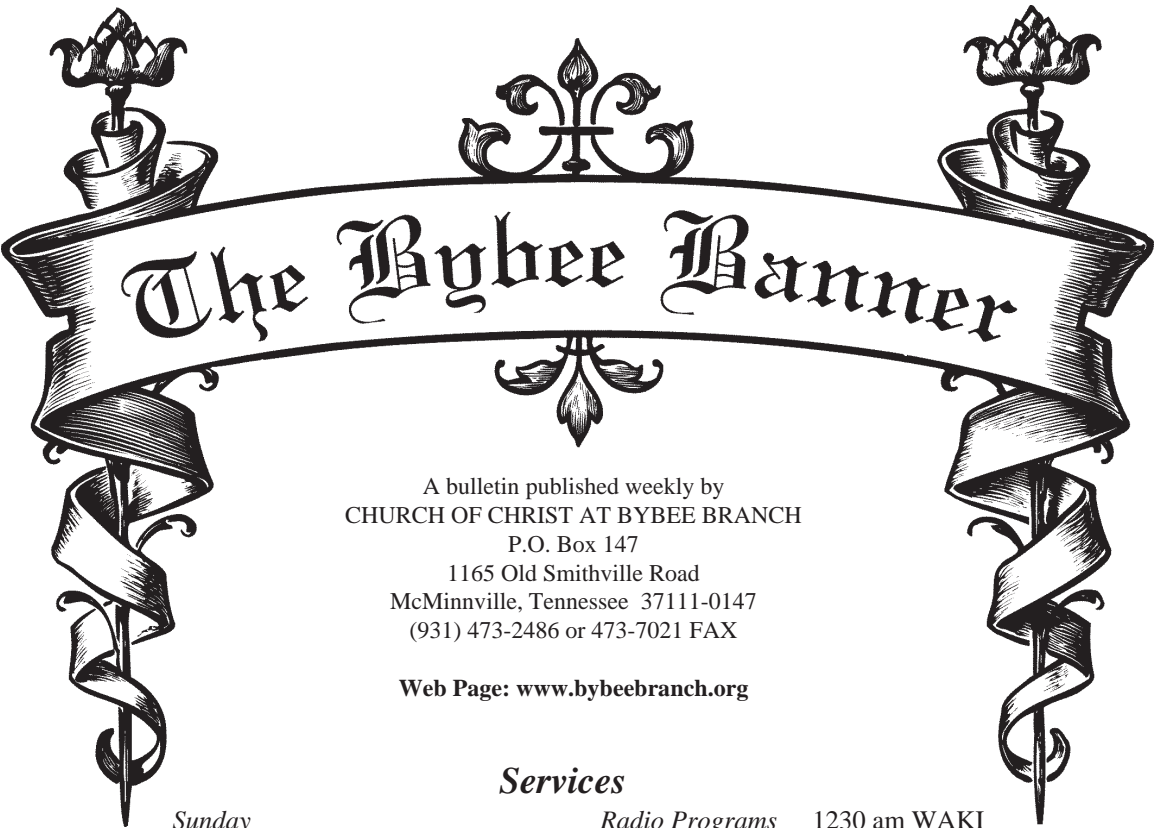
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Sick

At Home:
Eugene Jones
Pat Boles (following surgery)
Kathy Thaxton (following surgery)
Floyd Gambrell (husband of Mildred Gambrell)

In The Hospital:
Terri Smith-Riverpark with pneumonia
Kaitlyn Thaxton-Vanderbilt Children’s Hospital
Sherry Pelham-St. Thomas

Thank You

Thank you for all you have done for us during our loss of Allie. We truly appreciate all the cards, visits, food and most of all prayers.

s/Jamie & Teresa Stinson

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Wide Open Hearts
P.M. Excuses Of Moses

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Lessons from Steve

Halloween congers up thoughts of horror movies, ghosts, witches, and several other things that are designed to frighten us. When we go through a haunted house we know it is harmless, yet the thrill and adrenaline rush is still present. Again this is all make believe and fantasy, so what about something that is real and should concern us. How about, **“The harvest is past, The summer is ended, And we are not saved!”** (Jeremiah 8:20)

Have you made preparations for your soul? To not be saved spiritually is a frightening thought when one considers what happens to the lost soul. Notice Paul’s stern warning to the unprepared at the return of Jesus, **“...in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. These will be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power...”** (II Thessalonians 1:8 – 9).

God is alive and loves us all, but do not fall prey to the idea that the Lord will simply look the other way if we die in sin. **“It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of a living God.”** (Hebrews 10:31)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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- 1st Sunday Eats — Sunday, November 3rd
 - “Inner” Beauty Salon — Sunday, November 10th – After the evening worship-Courtesy of the Boyds

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Hispanic Baptisms We rejoice that Luis and Josefina Chavez were baptized into Christ on October 24.						Woodrow Glenn Lori Judkins Youth Visitation 10:00 am
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Barry Hendrixson Matt McColloch Teresa Gann Pew Packers Class	Mary Beth Atnip Barbara King Sr. Saints Bible Class 9:00 am	Joe Thomas Cantrell III				Chad Graves Bible Bowl Study 5-8 pm at Graves
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
WOODROW & MILDRED GLENN Bible Bowl 2:00 @ Main St. Manchester		Rodney Maynard Helen Morgan Bran Merritt	Taylor Felty	Bruce Nunley	Stacey Bonner	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	LEONARD & AVIE CLEMONS David King Blake Sadlon Sr. Saints Bible Class 9:00 am	Steve Atnip	Georgia Brooks Alan Collins	WALTER & DAISY MAXWELL Cristy Caldwell		Olivia Newby
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
CHUCK & PAT BOLES Joint worship with Iglesia de Cristo		Anna Jean Bond	Willie Newby Joe Collins	Corretta Lawrence Lauren Roller	Pearl Mitchell	Stefanie McColloch
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements (668-8936) Allen Hughes

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Billy Gilbert

Reading Marty Boles

Scripture 2 Corinthians 6:14-18

Lord's Table (N) *Calvin Rogers

(S) *Chip Cantrell

(N) Daniel Boyd

(N) Ronnie Prince

(N) Harold McGinness

(S) Lee Gann

(S) Hoyt Crouch

(S) Barry Hendrixson

Sermon Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Jim Slatton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-8936) Allen Hughes

Lead Singing Leonard Clemons

First Prayer Brett Merritt

Reading Willie Newby

Scripture Lamentations 3:22-24

Lord's Table *Rickey Burks

*Frank Reynolds

Sermon Leonard Clemons, Steve Hillis

Dismiss Don Sullivan

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-9326) Bruce Pryor

Lead Singing Steve Hillis

First Prayer Larry Flatt

Reading Asa Kell

Invitation Tony Lawrence

Dismiss Shane Fisher

Welcome Committee

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P.M. W.C. & Nelma Chilton

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Ushers: Steve Boyd & Zollie Settles

Attend Nursery: Glynna Lee

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Cards & Pencils: Joe Collins

Pantry Item: Chili

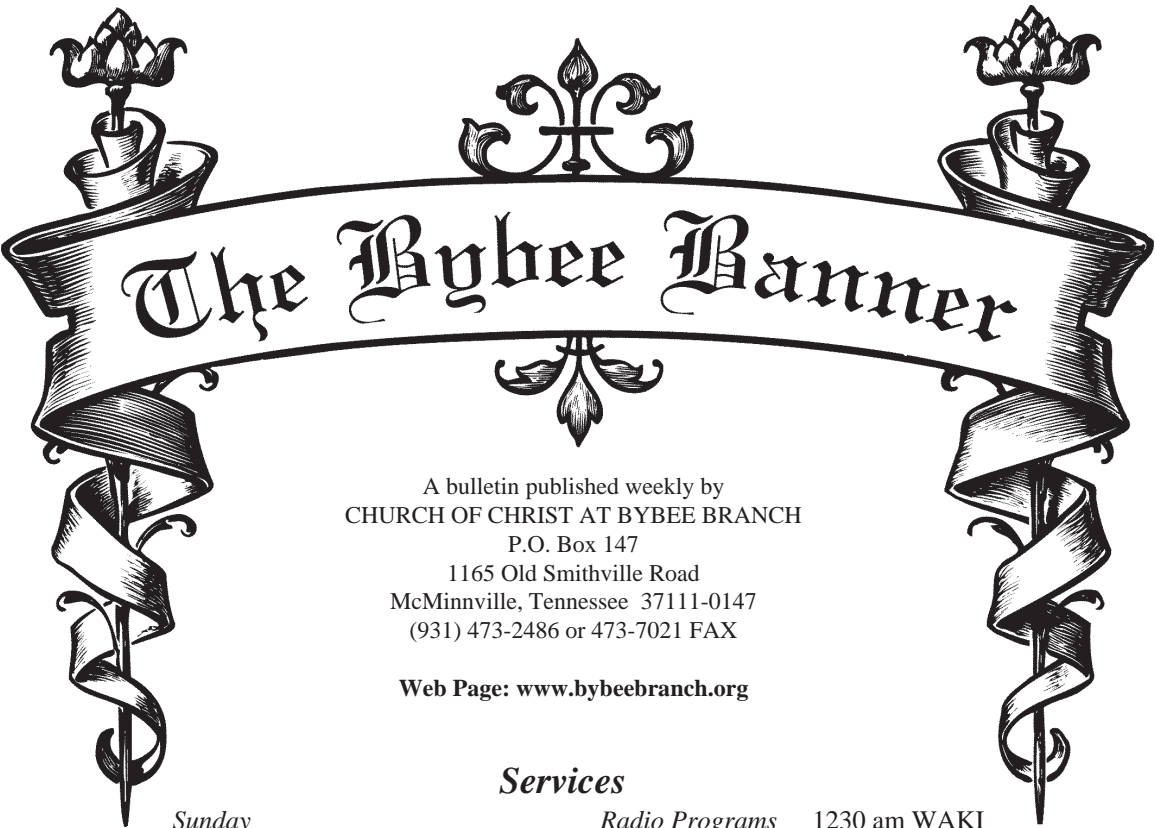
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Bible Study	10:15 a.m.	Sunday	
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.	Tony Lawrence	8:00 a.m.
		Winford Claiborne	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday			
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		

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Pat Boles (following surgery)
Floyd Gambrell (husband of Mildred Gambrell)
Kaitlyn Thaxton
Regina Templeton
W.C. Chilton
Jamie Griffith
Sherry Pelham

In The Hospital:

Minnie Whiteaker-St. Thomas

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Come Out!
P.M. Sermon and Song - It Is Well With My Soul

Lectureships

The *Leoni church of Christ* will host the 15th Annual Bob Ford Memorial lectureship on November 8-10.

The *Main Street/Manchester church of Christ* will have a lectureship on Saturday, November 16.

Calendar Update

Please add Ashley Vandagriff to your church calendar on November 10. *If you or one of your family are left off or is on the wrong date, please let us know so we can correct it.*

Sunday PM Service

Sunday evening there will be a period singing and study. Those who turned in a list of their favorite hymns and spiritual songs will get an opportunity to sing some of these praises to God during the evening service. Also during that time brother Steve Hillis will bring a short lesson on “It Is Well With My Soul.”

Tony Lawrence and Bob Bonner will travel to the East Main congregation in Tupelo, MS to give and update on the work in N.E. Thailand.

Shut-ins

NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care):

Jane Golden
Pearl Mitchell
Houston Stiles
Carol Sue Taylor
Violet Webb
Dora Mae Wilcher

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):
Bertha Stewart

McMinnville Boarding Home

Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother)

Hillcrest Health Care:

Edith Collins

Norcliff Life Care Center

85 Main St. N
Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada
Stanley McInery (905) 768-4612

Masters Health Care (278 Dry Valley Road; Algood, TN 38506-549)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan’s sister)

Home:

Vada Campbell
Carolyn Cantrell
Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)
Rozelle Goodman
Greg Grizzell
Willene Kell
Bessie Parker
Sherry Pelham
Robbie Vandagriff

It is our desire to keep this list as up-to-date as possible. If you know of someone we have left off, please let us know at the office.

Lessons from Steve

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” (Psalm 133:1)
One of the great prayers in all of scripture was uttered by Jesus and recorded by the apostle John. The premise of the prayer is unity and oneness between the Father and the Son, for the apostles, and for disciples of Christ (John 17:1 – 26). The expectation was that everyone be on the same page just as the early church began, “Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common.” (Acts 2:44)

If unity was important enough for Jesus to pray for and the early church to practice, then Christians today should expect nothing less. Let us all strive to use the one and only source available to know God, salvation, and unity, The Bible. “All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.” (II Timothy 3:16 – 17)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.
- Bible Bowl Study — Saturday, November 9th – 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM - Courtesy of the Graves
 - Bible Bowl — Sunday, November 10th – 2:00 PM at Main Street Church of Christ, Manchester
 - “Inner” Beauty Salon — Sunday, November 10th – After the evening worship-Courtesy of the Boyds

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- “The Santa Clause II” — Saturday, November 9th – 2:00 PM, Three Star Cinema, Meet at the theatre

‘SENIOR SAINTS’

- “Inherit the Wind”— Friday, November 15th – 7:30 PM - The Art Center of Cannon County - \$8.00 - Bus will leave at 6:00 PM
- Bible Class - Monday, November 18th – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew

Generous Donation

Two years ago the “Accu-cut” system was generously donated by Dawn Wanamaker and Brandon Lowry in memory of their mother Hilda Lowry. This has been a great tool for teachers in the class room.

Recently Linda Cantrell and her brother Bob Gribble gave a generous donation to add to the set of die cuts in memory of their mother Lena Mai Gribble.

Thailand Literature

Thanks to all the ladies who helped prepare the literature to send to the provinces in Thailand and to sister Carol Boyd for coordinating this effort. The material will be a great asset for the teachers of the children in Northeast Thailand. This material will be shipped in the next few days, however, we want to get a picture before we do. On Sunday, between worship and Bible classes we would like to get a picture of all the ladies (and others) who helped prepare this. If you helped would you please join in the picture.



Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Ronnie Rogers
Scripture	2 Corinthians 7:8-11
Lord's Table (N)	*Bob Mayfield
(S)	*Steve Hillis
(N)	David McColloch
(N)	Marc Martin
(N)	Abram Pryor
(S)	John Nussbaum
(S)	Blake Sadlon
(S)	Joe Roller
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Noel Pepper

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Kurt Maynard
Reading	Eddie Palmer
Scripture	Exodus 3:9-12
Lord's Table	*Dennis Gann
	*Larry Flatt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Danny Duncan

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9326) Bruce Pryor
Lead Singing	Young Men
First Prayer	Doug Hendrixson
Reading	Rickey Burks
Invitation	John Biddle
Dismiss	David Chilton

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Brett, Rebecca & Bran Merritt
P.M.	Joe & Becky Maynard

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Paul Hurst & Ken Lee

Attend Nursery: Margaret Hurst

Lock Building: Jeff Flatt

Trash Pickup: W.C. Chilton

Cards & Pencils: Joe Collins

Pantry Item: Pop-Tarts

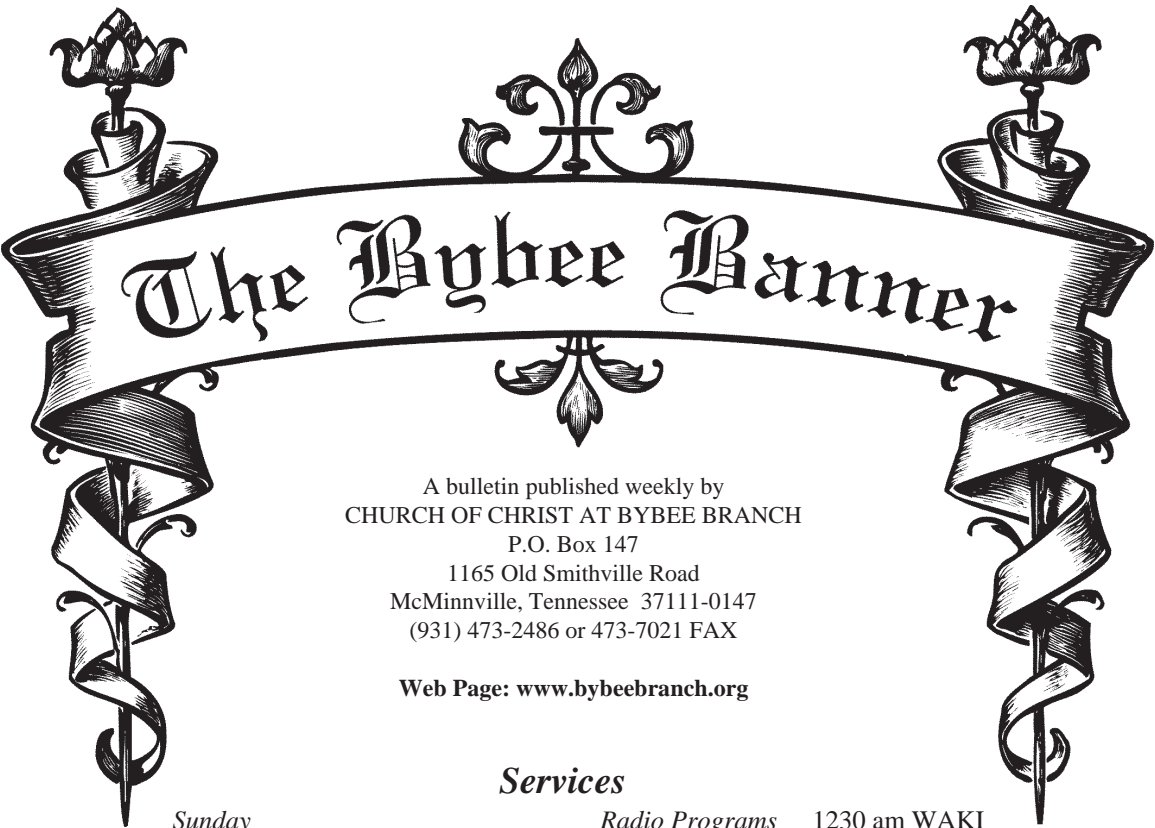
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Kaitlyn Thaxton
Sherry Pelham
Ellis Fults (grandfather of Denise Prince)
Janice Foster (following surgery)

In The Hospital:
Minnie Whiteaker-St. Thomas
Edgar Webb-Erlanger

Sympathy

We want to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Sarah Rogers, mother of our Vera Settles. She passed away in Michigan.

We also want to express our sympathy to the family of Jason Deric Wilson, grandson of Roberta Reynolds and the late Cordell Reynolds. He was killed in an accident this past weekend.

Thailand Literature Picture

The picture that was to be taken last Sunday was postponed to this Wednesday night following services. We would like to get a picture of all the ladies (and others) who helped prepare the Thai visual aids. If you helped would you please join in the picture.

Hispanic Baptism

We rejoice that on Sunday Romeo Rodas was baptized into Christ. We rejoice that the Iglesia de Cristo continues to grow with more precious souls learning the Gospel and being baptized into Christ.

Next week, November 24, there will be a joint worship service with the Hispanic congregation here at Bybee Branch.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Godly Sorrow
P.M. Excuses of Moses

Lectureship

The *Main Street/Manchester church of Christ* will have a lectureship on Saturday, November 16.

Bible Bowl

Congratulations to the young people from the Southside congregation in Manchester for coming in first place in the Bible Bowl this past Sunday. Our young people also did admirably coming in second place missing only 1 question.

Restoration

We rejoice with brother David King who asked for the prayers of the congregation this past Sunday. Please continue to remember him in your prayers.



Lessons from Steve

Have the wonders of this modern age made you question what is true?
How a single man in a simple time could offer life anew?
How a sinless life, a cruel death, then a glorious resurrection could offer more to a desperate world than all the inventions of man?

If in your life, the voice of God is sometimes hard to hear with other voices calling you His doesn't touch your ear. Then set aside modern technology, and all the fancy gear. Open your Bible, open your heart and let the Lord draw near.
(Internet source, author unknown)

“For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures... (I Corinthians 15:3 – 4)

UPCOMING EVENTS

B.B.Y.G.
• TABS - Sunday, November 17th – 6:00 PM - Woodbury Church of Christ

PEW PACKERS CLUB
• Pew Packers Class - Sunday, December 1st – 5:00 PM - Fellowship Room

‘SENIOR SAINTS’
• “Inherit the Wind”— Friday, November 15th – 7:30 PM - The Art Center of Cannon County - \$8.00 - Bus will leave at 6:00 PM
• Bible Class - Monday, November 18th – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew

“ I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go into the house of the LORD.” ”
Psalms 122:1, NKJV.

God and the Whirlwind

This past Sunday evening was an historic event in the South. Numerous tornados killed dozens and scores of people were hurt. Brother Bob Bonner and I travelled very near some of these as we made our way to my mother’s house on Sunday evening. We knew that things were very serious but it was only by the next morning that we realized just how much damage had been done and how much loss of life had taken place. Making our way back to Tennessee on Monday we personally saw much of the damage that took place in Fayette, Walker, and Cullman counties in Alabama.

Viewing the damage makes one wonder at the awesome power of God in nature. In a sense, God speaks in the whirlwind (as He does in nature, cf. Psalms 19:1-4). God spoke to Job out of the whirlwind (Job 38:1; 40:6). God speaks out of these storms today. What does He say? The message is very clear. Earthly possessions matter very little and being prepared for eternity is essential because one never knows when he will leave this earth. Listen to David’s observation about God in the book of Psalms. “The voice of Your thunder was in the whirlwind; The lightnings lit up the world; The earth trembled and shook.” Psalms 77:18, NKJV. Solomon continues by saying. “When the whirlwind passes by, the wicked is no more, But the righteous has an everlasting foundation.” Proverbs 10:25, NKJV. Does Solomon mean to indicate that the storms only take the wicked and leave the righteous? Not at all. However, the righteous man has a foundation that no storm can blow away! His life is built upon the firm foundation not the shifting sands (cf. Matthew 7:24-27).

Did the storms of Sunday evening concern you? Sure. Most of us use the sense God gave us to get out of harm’s way. However, to those whose trust is in God, these storms of life are a reminder that one who places his trust in material possessions only is foolish. Did these storms make you think more about spiritual things? Good. That is the way it ought to be.

~Tony Lawrence~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Steve Boyd
Reading	Emigdio Velasco
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table (N)	*Winfrey Hennessee
(S)	*Ken Lee
(N)	George Trail
(N)	Joe T. Cantrell
(N)	Bran Merritt
(S)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	Tom McColloch
(S)	Ben Biles
Sermon	Roberto Garibaldi
Dismiss	Juan Carlos Garcia

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Rickey Hurst
Reading	Tommy Crouch
Scripture	Mark 4:23-25
Lord's Table	*Jeff Flatt
	*Chuck Medley
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joe Collins

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9326) Bruce Pryor
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Chuck Boles
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Willie Newby

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Steve Hillis Family
P.M.	Danny Duncan Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

Ushers: Harold McGinness & Mike Driver

Attend Nursery: Jennifer Maynard

Lock Building: Jeff Flatt

Trash Pickup: W.C. Chilton

Cards & Pencils: Joe Collins

Pantry Item: baby cereal

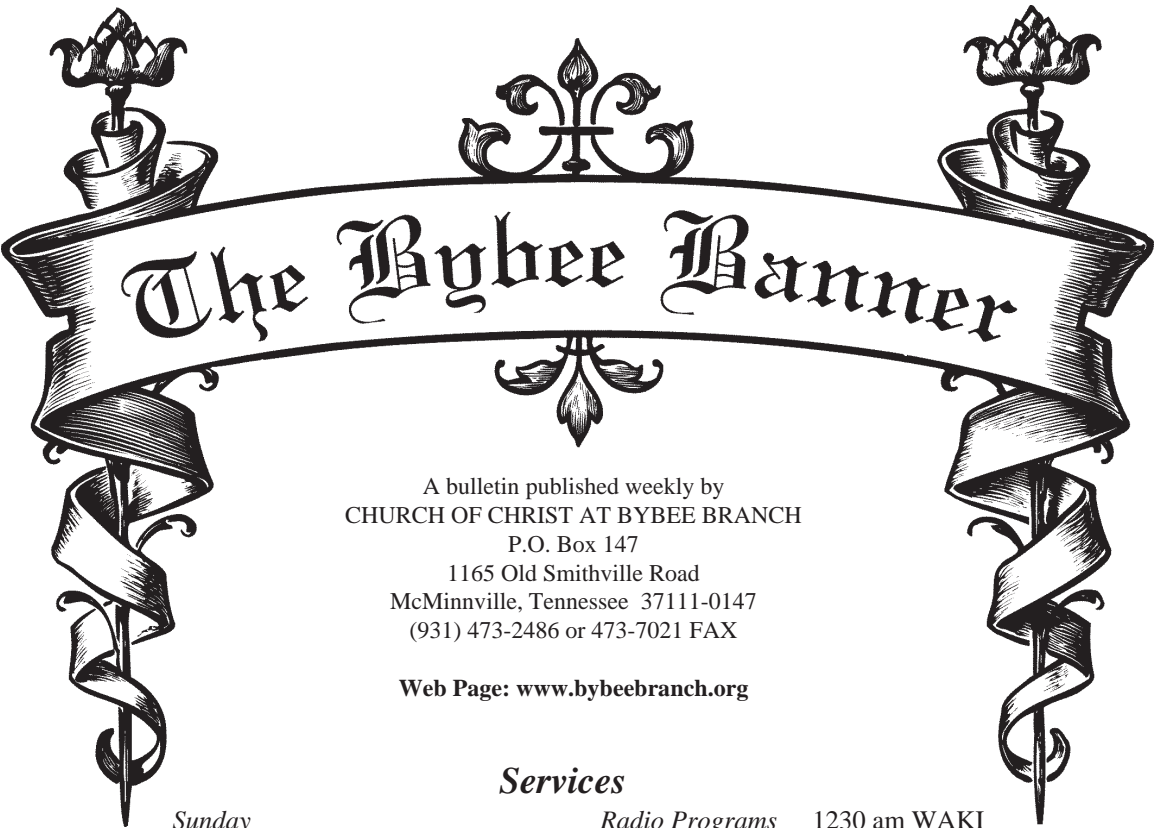
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At Home:

Georgia Jones
Pat Boles
Kaitlyn Thaxton
Sherry Pelham
Minnie Whiteaker
Janice Foster

In The Hospital:

Edgar Webb-Erlanger
Georgia Womack-St. Thomas following heart
attack and having two stints put in.
Bobby Prater (brother-in-law of Flossie
Warren)-Riverpark

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. Lesson by Roberto Garibaldi
P.M. How Well Do You Listen?

Sympathy

We want to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Terry Minton, uncle of our Lisa Burks, his funeral was this past Thursday.

Sympathy also to the family of Kevin Ogle, nephew of our Stanley Graves, his funeral was Tuesday in Huntsville.

Baptism

We rejoice that last Wednesday afternoon Kelly Wood was baptized into Christ. We rejoice with her decision to become a Christian.

Joint Worship Service

This Sunday, November 24, the church at Bybee Branch and our Hispanic brethren will have a joint worship service. Please welcome them and remember to make room on the pews. We will be over flowing in parking and seating Sunday!

Lessons from Steve

What are you thankful for? God has blessed this great country we live in to the extent that we may fail to recognize from whom our blessings come. Please read the following excerpts about individuals who were not confused about their thanksgivings.

Psalmist: **“We give thanks to You, O God, we give thanks! For Your wondrous works declare that Your name is near.”** *(Psalm 75:1)*

Daniel: **“I thank You and praise You, O God of my fathers; You have given me wisdom and might, And have now made known to me what we asked of You...”** *(Daniel 2:23)*

Paul: **“But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”** *(Ephesians 1:15 – 16)*

Regardless of how good or how bad life is, we can still find something to be thankful for. On November 28th our country has set aside a holiday called “Thanksgiving.” What are you thankful for?

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.
- Home Devotional-Sunday, November 24th Courtesy of the Hillis’
 - Wednesday Night Youth Something- November 27th After the devotional Fellowship Room
 - TABS-Sunday, December 1st BYBEE BRANCH CHURCH OF CHRIST!

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Pew Packers Class - Sunday, December 1st – 5:00 PM - Fellowship Room

“SENIOR SAINTS”

- Bible Class - Monday, December 2nd – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew

“Would Jesus Drive A Chevy?”

This is a question being asked by people all over the country. Why? Does the question strike you as little bit sacrilegious? Brother Michael Toby called to my attention last week an article by Jim Shea that originally appeared in the Hartford Courant by this title. It also appeared in the Hamilton, Ontario paper where he saw it. Since then it has appeared in a number of papers. What is it about Chevrolet cars and Jesus that causes such an uproar? General Motors and its Chevrolet Motor Division has chosen to use religion as a marketing appeal. Specifically it is deemed: “Chevrolet Presents: Come Together And Worship.” There is even a web site which advertises this series of events: <http://www.cometogetherandworshiptour.com/>

Why would we concern ourselves with such obvious blasphemy? There have been numerous people that have mocked and belittled our Savior. There have been many denominational attempts at commercialization of religion. What is it about this that would concern members of the churches of Christ? Listen to the description of this event from GM’s website: “Today Chevrolet announced the title sponsorship of the Come Together and Worship Tour, featuring multi-platinum, multi-GRAMMY-winning and Gospel Music Association Artist of the Year, Michael W. Smith; multi-GRAMMY nominated, Gospel Music Association Group of the Year, Third Day; and world-renowned author Max Lucado.” Though Max Lucado is a name which has become synonymous with apostasy he has reached a new level. Just in case you don’t know, he preaches for the Oak Hills church of Christ in San Antonio, TX. Why would a preacher in the Lord’s church join in participating in such an event? Could it be that he has the same motivations as Chevrolet? Money? Why would Max Lucado participate with those in denominations (as he has so often in the past)?

Some comments from Scripture would be helpful here. First, one cannot help but think that Jesus would severely upbraid those who are attempting to turn something so sacred as worship into a marketing tool to make money. His indignation as such attempts are clearly revealed in His “cleansing of the Temple.” *“And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the moneychangers doing business. When He had made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers’ money and overturned the tables. And He said to those who sold doves, “Take these things away! Do not make My Father’s house a house of merchandise!” Then His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for Your house has eaten Me up.””* John 2:14-17, NKJV. Further than that, Jesus would not encourage the coming together with those of a different faith to worship. The call of Chevrolet is “come together” whereas the message of Scripture is to “come out.” *“Therefore “**Come out** from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you.”* 2 Corinthians 6:17, NKJV. *“And I heard another voice from heaven saying, “**Come out** of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues.”* Revelation 18:4, NKJV. Some are deceived by the political correctness of the day to suggest that we should never criticize or fail to recognize someone else’s faith as being legitimate. Jesus statement regarding the Jewish sectarians was pretty stern, *“Then His disciples came and said to Him, “Do You know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this saying?” But He answered and said, “Every plant which My heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. “Let them alone. They are blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind leads the blind, both will fall into a ditch.”* Matthew 15:12-14, NKJV.

Would Jesus drive a Chevy if He were physically in the world today? I don’t know. I do know He would stand against such foolishness as the “Come Together And Worship” Tour being promoted by Chevrolet.

~Tony Lawrence~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Rickey Burks
Reading	Rodney Reynolds
Scripture	2 Corinthians 8:1-5
Lord's Table (N)	*Chuck Boles
(S)	*Doug Hendrixson
(N)	Joe Maynard
(N)	Zollie Settles
(N)	Harry Felty
(S)	Asa Kell
(S)	Eric Fisher
(S)	Chris Neale
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Martin

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(473-4887) Joey Reynolds
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Shane Fisher
Reading	Lee Gann
Scripture	Leviticus 19:3, 32
Lord's Table	*Ronnie Prince
	*Cody Prince
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bran Merritt

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-8473) W. C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Eddie Palmer
Reading	Ricky Hurst
Invitation	Joe Collins
Dismiss	Willie Newby

Welcome Committee

A.M.	David & Iona King
P.M.	Young People

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Joe T. Cantrell & Jeff Templeton

Attend Nursery: Glenda Hughes

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

Trash Pickup: Jeff Flatt

Cards & Pencils: W.C. Chilton

Pantry Item: mixed vegetables

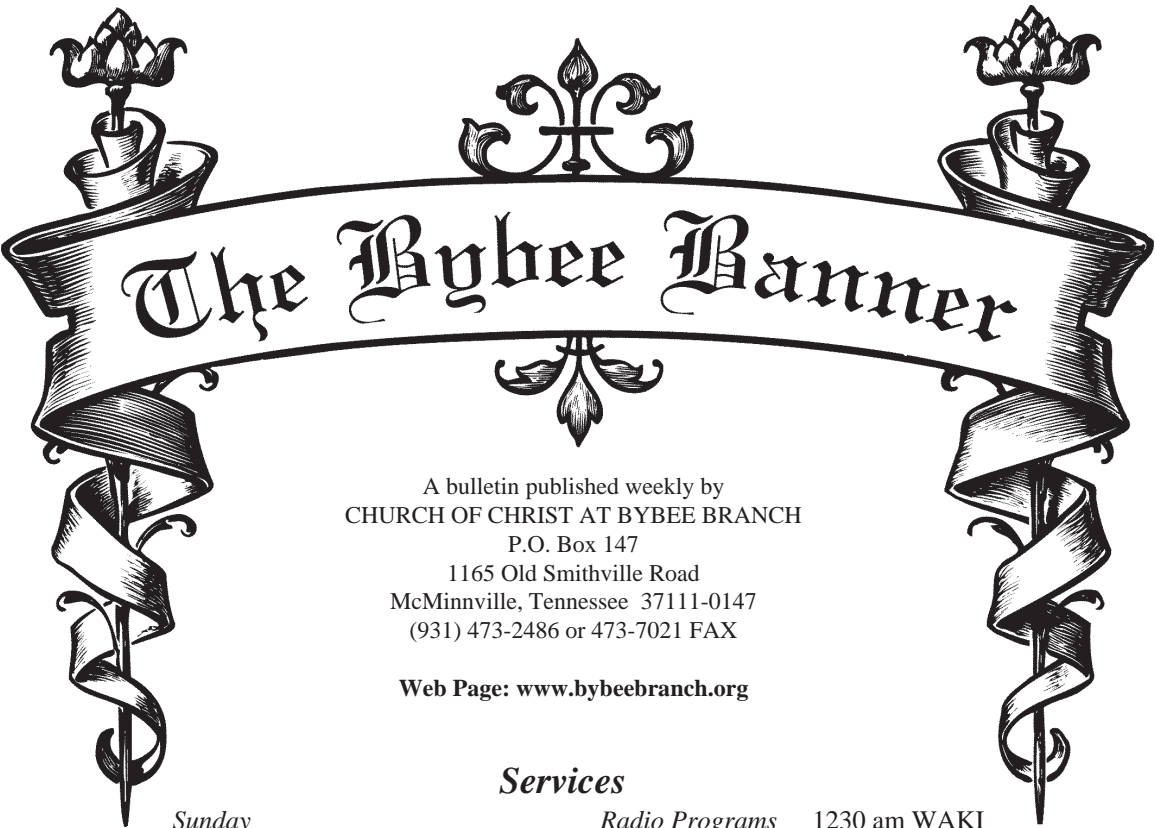
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Minnie Whiteaker

Vera Settles

Barbara King

Georgia Womack-now at home

In The Hospital:

Edgar Webb-Erlanger

Bobby Prater (brother-in-law of Flossie Warren)-Riverpark

Kaitlyn Thaxton-Vanderbilt, will have surgery on Tuesday

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. Giving From An Abundant Heart

P.M. Respect Where It Is Due

T.A.B.S.

The monthly meeting of TABS will be here at Bybee Branch this Sunday evening. We will have young visitors from several congregations, please make them feel welcome.

VERY IMPORTANT: Please bring desserts for the refreshments afterwards. If you have questions, please see Lynette Maynard

Joint Worship Service

This past Sunday was a great success with the joint worship service with our Hispanic brethren. We had an excellent crowd of 412. Please continue to remember them in your prayers as the church there continues to grow.

For those of you who get the bulletin before Wednesday night, all classes will meet in the auditorium for a Special Program.

Lessons from Steve

Last week we asked the question, “What are you thankful for?” We illustrated what three individuals from the Bible gave thanks for, namely that God is near (*Psalms 75:1*), He grants wisdom and might (*Daniel 2:23*), and most important of all, He has given us the ultimate victory through Christ Jesus (*Ephesians 1:15–16*). If you are still not sure what to be thankful for, please consider the following suggestions.

Be thankful that it takes faith to be pleasing to God. (*Romans 10:17; Hebrews 11:6*)

Be thankful for Jesus humbly submitting Himself to the cross. (*Philippians 2:8*)

Be thankful Jesus defeated death. (*Romans 6:9-10*)

Be thankful Jesus ascended back to heaven. (*Acts 1:9-11*)

Be thankful that the church began in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost. (*Acts 1:4; 2:1; Isaiah 2:2-3*)

Be thankful for the clear and understandable plan of salvation. (*Acts 2:37-38; 8:26-39; 18:8; Galatians 3:26-28*)

Be thankful God adds to the church those who obey the gospel. (*Acts 2:47*)

Be thankful that a home is prepared for Christians after this life is over. (*John 14:1 – 3*)

“Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations.” (*Psalms 100:4-5*).

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“SENIOR SAINTS”

- Bible Class - Monday, December 2nd – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
TRENT & DANA ROLLER Susan Pryor TABS at Bybee Branch 1	Janie York Hoyt Crouch 2	Elaine Goodman Trent Roller 3	Zollie Settles 4	Johnny Smith Rickey Burks 5	DENNIS & JANICE FOSTER 6	Sherry Pelham Bible Bowl study at Shannon & Janie Griffin's 7
LOY & PAULINE WATSON Irene Lawrence Bible Bowl at Woodbury 8	9	Joshua Foster Kane Maynard 10	Brandi Wilcher J.B. Gribble 11	RAY & DORIS SMITH Shane Nunley Iona King Sharon Driver 12	13	Jane Wilcher 14
Jeff Bond Holiday Party following PM service 15	John Biddle Thelma Glenn 16	EDGAR & VIOLET WEBB 17	Lisa Thaxton Abby Roller 18	Shirely Nunley 19	BOB & MELBA BONNER Christine Gribble 20	Don Sullivan 21
Allison Boyd 22	Rosetta Bain 23	BILL & FREDa WOMACK FRANK & SHARON REYNOLDS Paul Davis 24	25	JOE & MARSHA COLLINS Chuck Medley Hunter Chilton Emily Groves 26	STEVE & JANE WILCHER Dale Bennett 27	Lee Edward Cantrell 28
Edith Collins 29	30	31				

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Frank Reynolds
Reading	Kevin Judkins
Scripture	2 Corinthians 10:1-5
Lord's Table (N)	*Jeff Flatt
(S)	*Kelly Thaxton
(N)	J.B. Gribble
(N)	Eugene Wilcher
(N)	Buell Warren
(S)	Rodney Maynard
(S)	Jeremy Burks
(S)	Micah Lawrence
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Chuck Medley

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Bob Bonner
Scripture	John 10:10
Lord's Table	*Billy Gilbert
	*Rickey Prince
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-8473) W. C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Steve Hillis
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Tom McColloch
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Wilcher

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Ken & Nona Martin
P.M.	Jason Vandagriff Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (473-4528)

Ushers: Steve Boyd & Zollie Settles

Attend Nursery: Cindy Rogers

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

Trash Pickup: Jeff Flatt

Cards & Pencils: W.C. Chilton

Pantry Item: canned chicken

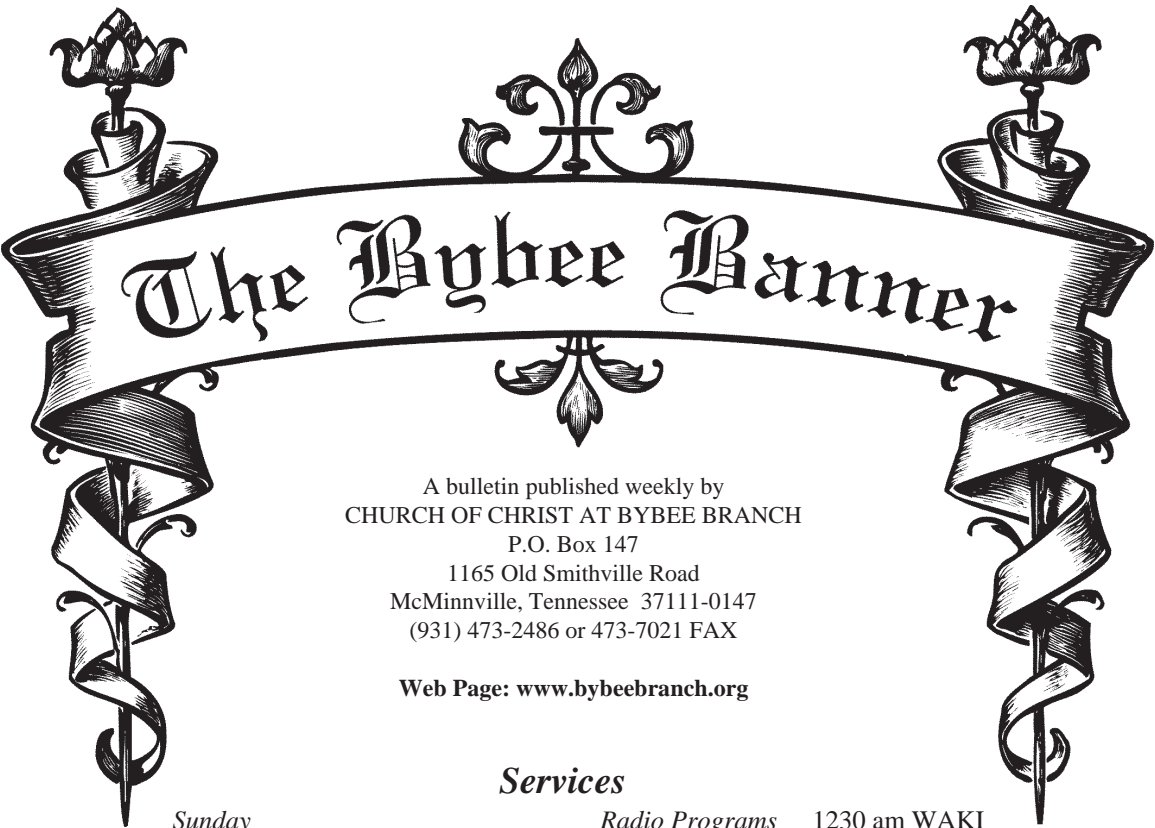
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	338
Bible Study	252
P.M. Worship	343
Wednesday Bible Study	193
Contribution	\$3,823

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Wednesday			
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Sick

At Home:

Pat Boles
Sherry Pelham
Minnie Whiteaker
Barbara King
Bobby Prater (brother-in-law of Flossie Warren)
Georgia Womack-now at home
Eugene Jones
Ada Hensley

In The Hospital:

Edgar Webb-Erlanger
Kaitlyn Thaxton-Vanderbilt, will have surgery on Thursday
Robbie Vandagriff-Riverpark ICU

Sunday’s Sermons

A.M. The Christian Warfare
P.M. Secrets To An Abundant Life

Restoration

We rejoice with Mike Driver as he came forward last Wednesday night to request prayers. Please continue to remember Mike in your prayers.

Singing

The West Riverside congregation will host a singing this Friday, December 6, at 7:00 pm.

Holiday Fellowship

The Annual Holiday Fellowship will be Sunday evening, December 15, following the evening services. If your last name begins with the following letters, please bring the assigned items:

- A-F Chip/Dip or Veggie Tray
- G-M 2 Dozen Sandwiches
- P-Z Desserts

Shut-ins

NHC (formerly McMinnville Health Care):

Jane Golden
Pearl Mitchell
Houston Stiles
Carol Sue Taylor
Violet Webb
Dora Mae Wilcher

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166):
Bertha Stewart

McMinnville Boarding Home

Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons’ mother)

Hillcrest Health Care:

Edith Collins

Norcliff Life Care Center

85 Main St. N
Hagersville, Ontario N0A-1H0 Canada
Stanley McInery (905) 768-4612

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr; Sparta, TN 38583) *** Note this is a new address***
Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan’s sister)

Home:

Vada Campbell
Carolyn Cantrell
Clyde Christian (at daughter’s home)
Rozelle Goodman
Greg Grizzell
Willene Kell
Bessie Parker
Sherry Pelham
Robbie Vandagriff

It is our desire to keep this list as up-to-date as possible. If you know of someone we have left off, please let us know at the office.

Lessons from Steve

“And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:19) Paul had just informed the Christians at Philippi that he received their gift and it was welcomed and fulfilling (Philippians 4:14 – 18). He then states that God will provide for their need “according to His riches.” The argument can be made over what these riches are, whether physical, material, or spiritual, but the impressive lesson is that God can and has the ability to supply our needs. The blessings that God can shower down are unlimited, however the riches will come through and by Christ Jesus.

Trusting in God through faith in Jesus enables Christians to have hope and assurance that we will be taken care of, no matter what. Recognize Who is truly in control and it will be easy to say as David did, “The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.” (Psalms 23:1)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.
- Bible Bowl Study-Saturday, December 7th – 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM-Courtesy of the Griffins
 - Bible Bowl-Sunday, December 8th – 2:00 PM-Woodbury church of Christ

PEW PACKERS CLUB

- Pew Packers Class - Sunday, January 5th – 5:00 PM - Fellowship Room

“SENIOR SAINTS”

- Bible Class - Monday, December 16th – 9:00 AM - The Gospel According to Matthew

Gifts for Nursing Homes

Each year the young people plan on giving gifts to those in the nursing homes without families and to under-privileged children. If you wish to assist them in this effort, please give your money to Steve Hillis or W.C. Chilton.

Buy The Truth

Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding. (Proverbs 23:23)

This time of year people are looking for just the right gift to give to their family and friends. Tools, sweaters, and numerous items seem to always top the list. However, from time to time someone thinks, I will give a Bible or a religious book. Thinking in spiritual terms is always commendable. However, let me encourage you to “buy the Truth.”

First of all, if you choose to “buy” a Bible, be sure that you buy one that correctly translates the Truth. There are some Bibles that are so careless in their translation that they are dangerous. By all means stay away from the NIV and TEV. I recommend you consider the KJV, NKJV, or the ASV (if you can find a copy). Remember, you want to buy the Truth.

Second, some will say, “they have a good Bible, I want to buy them something that will help them in their Bible study.” One must remember that all commentaries are the work of men and thus are not inspired and infallible. However, there are some books that are more helpful than others. A concordance is a very helpful tool, providing the student a handy reference to local words where they occur in the Bible. Books on Bible backgrounds like Bible Handbooks, Dictionaries, and Geographies can also be useful in one’s personal study. Commentaries can be a marvelous tool, depending upon the commentator. There have been several commentaries written by our brethren, and the ones written by men like brother Guy N. Woods are excellent in teaching the Truth. There are also lectureship books on various books of the Bible and topical studies. I would caution one to beware of many of the many devotional books written by men like Max Lucado and others like him.

The bottom line: “buy the Truth.” The last thing you need to give someone as a gift is something that teaches error.

~Tony Lawrence~

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Tim Fisher
Reading	Bob Cantrell
Scripture	2 Corinthians 10:12, 18
Lord's Table (N)	*Willie Newby
(S)	*Brett Merritt
(N)	Jason Vandagriff
(N)	Marty Boles
(N)	Caleb Graves
(S)	Jeff Templeton
(S)	Marek Sadlon
(S)	Tyler Boyd
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	David Chilton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Steve Hillis
Reading	Joe T. Cantrell
Scripture	Proverbs 5:21-22
Lord's Table	*Bob Mayfield
	*Calvin Rogers
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bruce Pryor

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-8473) W. C. Chilton
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	Noel Pepper
Invitation	Rodney Reynolds
Dismiss	Joey Reynolds

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Allen Hughes Family
P.M.	Asa & Sarah Kell

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

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Pantry Item: Pancake Mix

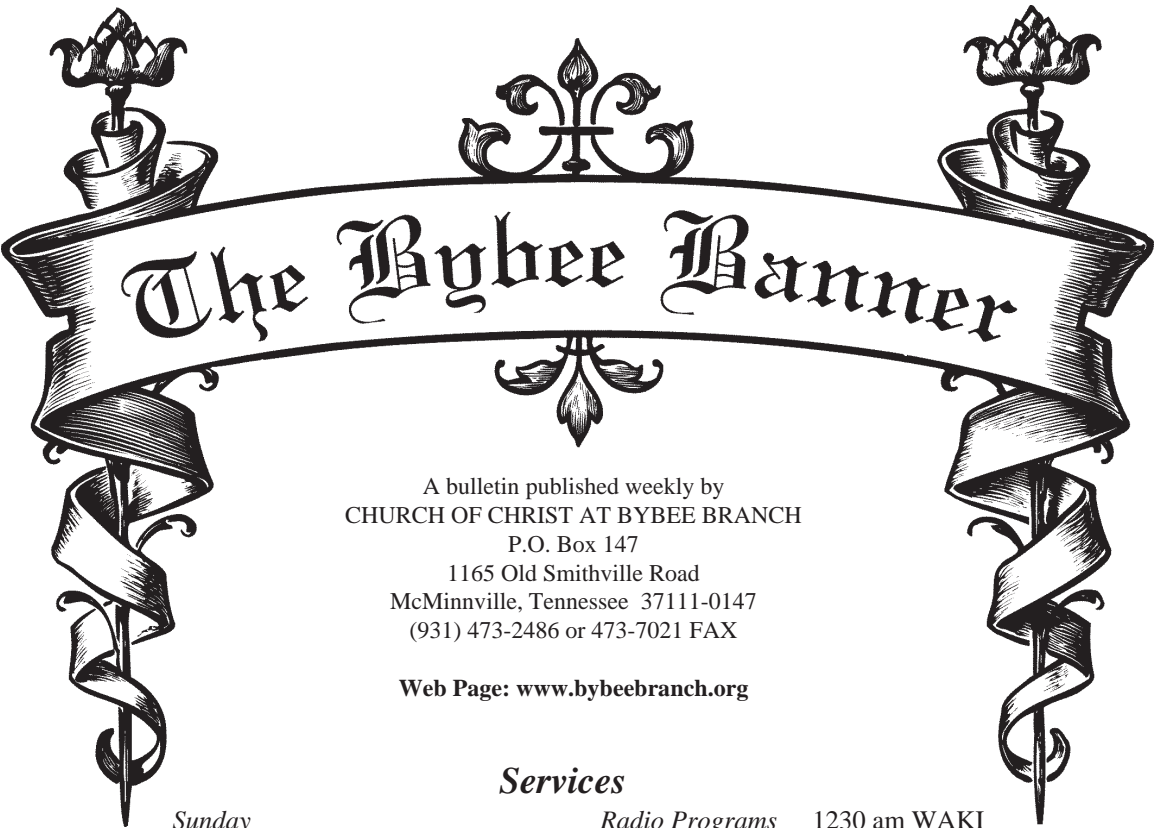
Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	324
Bible Study	278
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- Sherry Pelham
- Minnie Whiteaker
- Bobby Prater (brother-in-law of Flossie Warren)
- Georgia Womack
- Eugene Jones
- Ada Hensley
- Glenda Faye Bell

In The Hospital:

- Edgar Webb-Erlanger
- Kaitlyn Thaxton-Vanderbilt,
- Robbie Vandagriff-Riverpark
- Mildred Gambrell-Riverpark
- Doyle Mullican (son of our Dora Mullican)-Centennial Medical Center

Sunday’s Sermons

- A.M. A Careful Evaluation
- P.M. Sin and Guilt

Restoration

We rejoice with Shane Fisher and Amy Hurst that came forward Sunday requesting prayers. We have some great young people with tender hearts. Please continue to pray for them.

Holiday Fellowship

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- G-N 2 Dozen Sandwiches
- O-Z Desserts

Gifts for Nursing Homes

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Young Girls Fellowship

On Thursday evening, December 19 from 6:00-8:30 pm the young girls in Kindergarten through 6th grade will have a fellowship. Please see Lynette Maynard for more details.

Sympathy

We want to express sympathy to the family of Paralee Tittsworth, sister of our Pearlene Cantrell. Her funeral was Monday at Highs.

Visitation Program

Brother Joe Collins announced that the visitation program will be reorganized again for the first of the year. If you wish to make changes in your status on the program, please see Joe.

Bible Bowl

Sunday was a great gathering of young people at the Woodbury congregation. The time and effort being put in by these young people is remarkable. The following congregations came in first place missing 0 on the test (Bybee Branch, Central, Ivy Bluff, Keltonburg, Leoni, Mt. Leo, New Hope, New Union, Rome, Smartt, and Southside). Mt. Leo and Keltonburg shared honors of taking home the banner. Coming in second place missing only 1 on the test (Earleyville, Rockliff and Woodbury). Coming in third missing only 2 (Arlington and Hebron). Coming in fourth missing only 3 (Dibrell, Main Street, Rock Island).

Lessons from Steve

“Then He said to Thomas, ‘Reach you finger here, and look at my hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into my side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing.’” (John 20:27) Thomas needed hard, physical evidence that what the other disciples were telling him was true, that they had been in the presence of Jesus, resurrected from the dead. Possibly the last scenes etched in Thomas’s mind, was the hammering of nails, then six hours later Jesus’ body going limp on the cross. Eventually, as from the verse mentioned above, Thomas received his proof and confessed, “My Lord and my God!” (vs. 28)

But Jesus gave a very enlightening response to the remark of Thomas. He did not belittle Thomas for believing, but gave hope to those who would not have the advantage of physically seeing Him resurrected. “Jesus said to him, ‘Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.’” (vs. 29) We read and study the Bible to attain faith (Romans 10:17) which enables Christianity to be set apart from any other religion in the world. By faith we believe Jesus defeated death and is reigning on high overlooking His church. (Ephesians 1:20-23) Do you desire a stronger more spiritual relationship with God? If you do, then don’t await around for some magical revelation to engulf you. Read the Bible, for in it lies the answer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- B.B.Y.G.
- Gift Delivery-Saturday, December 21st and/or Sunday, 22nd-Times to be determined.

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When Coming To Worship

When we come together to worship God, there are some things that we should bring along, and there are some things that we should leave at home.

We should bring along (John 4:24):

- A cheerful disposition. Worship will be joyful. A pleasant smile. Others will be encouraged.
- An open mind, ready to learn. The preacher’s efforts will be more successful.
- An honest heart. We can worship with a clear conscience.
- An humble and contrite spirit. Worship will be more acceptable to God.
- A rested body. Tired bodies often cause one to drop off to sleep. One does not worship while asleep.

We should leave at home (I Corinthians 11:24-29):

- All home and business problems and worries.
- The plans for the week.
- Thoughts and plans about the vacation.
- All envy, malice, ill will and insincerity.

~author unknown~

“I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go into the house of the LORD.””
Psalms 122:1, NKJV.

Sunday Morning Worship

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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	Hoyt Crouch
Scripture	2 Corinthians 11:1-3
Lord's Table (N)	*Steve Boyd
(S)	*Noel Pepper
(N)	Shannon Griffin
(N)	Barry Hendrixson
(N)	Harley Northcutt
(S)	Blake Sadlon
(S)	Abram Pryor
(S)	Marc Martin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Chip Cantrell

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Allen Hughes
Reading	Lynn Gann
Scripture	Matthew 1:18-25
Lord's Table	*Eddie Palmer
	*Jim Slatton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kurt Maynard

Wednesday Bible Study

All classes will meet in the auditorium
for a devotional service. Steve Hillis
will coordinate.

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Dana Roller & Isabel Bouldin
P.M.	Jeff Flatt Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

Ushers: Harold McGinness & Mike Driver

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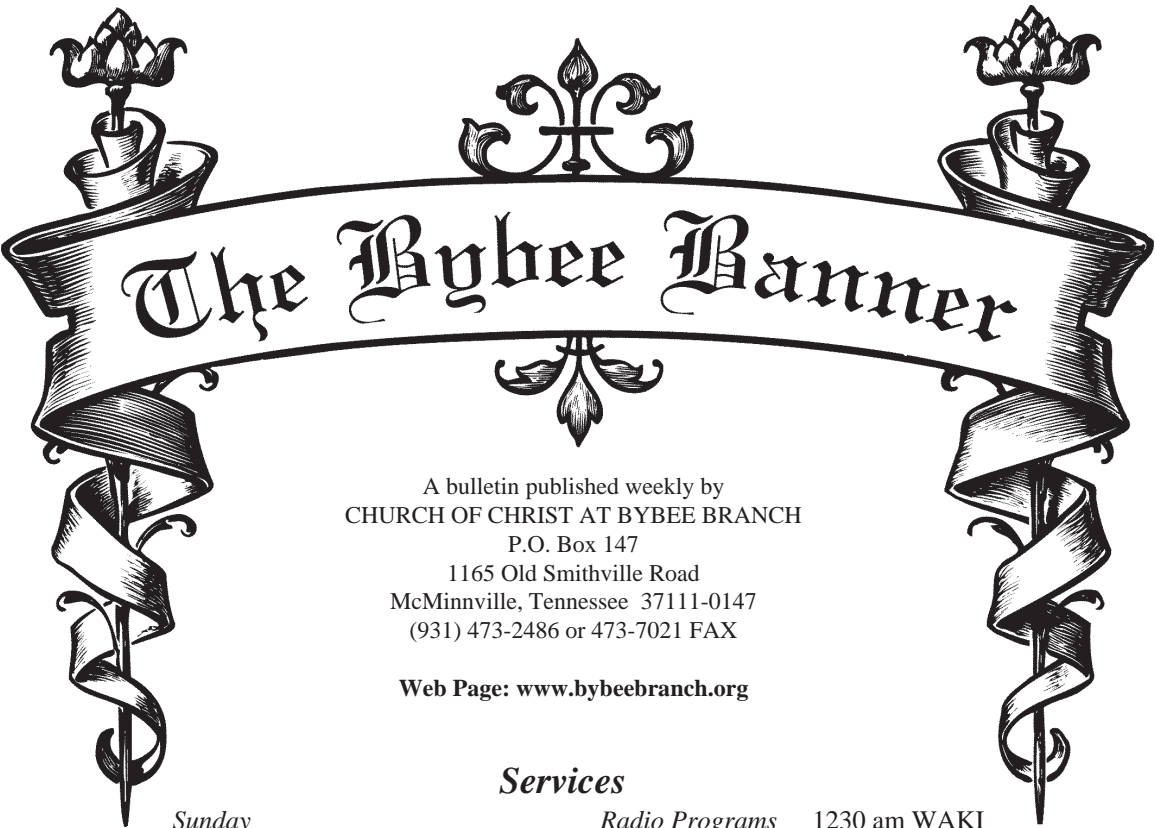
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Mildred Gambrell
Barbara King
Ralph & Drucilla Crouch

In The Hospital:
Edgar Webb-Erlanger
Kaitlyn Thaxton-Vanderbilt,
Doyle Mullican (son of our Dora Mullican)-
Centennial Medical Center
B.F. Yates (father of Shirley Nunley)-Winchester
Kenneth Woods-Baptist Hospital following
kidney removal.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M. The Devil's Desire To Destroy
P.M. .. Fact Versus Fiction About The Birth of Christ

New Arrival

Congratulations to Keith & Paula Prater on the birth of a son, Lucas Robert, born last Thursday and weighed in at 7 lbs. 3 ozs. He is the grandson of Bob and Melba Bonner.

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to family of Flora Roller (aunt of our Helen Morgan and Linda Cantrell, and grandmother David Maynard). Her funeral was this past Sunday.

Also, we extend sympathy to the family of Norman Grizzell (brother of our Jane Golden). His funeral was Monday in Warren, MI.

Restoration

We rejoice with Ashley Boles who came forward requesting prayer Sunday morning.

Message from Steve

On behalf of Sharla and Terann I want to thank the youth group for the \$204.00 gift. The timing is wonderful and it is truly appreciated.

Also, on behalf of the youth group, I want to thank the congregation as a whole for your generous contribution to purchase gifts. We collected a record \$1050.00 to buy items for nursing home residents and families this year.

I love you all! Steve

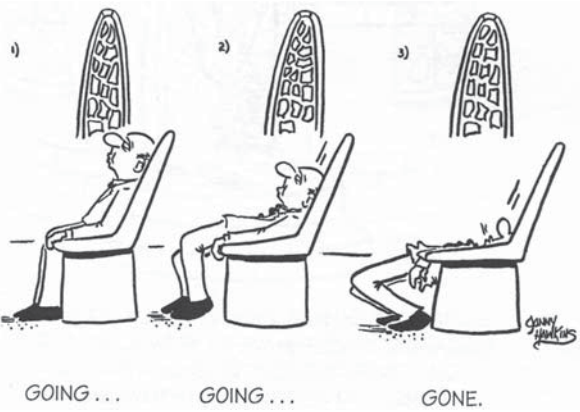
Words of Wisdom

It is right to be content with what you have, but not with what you are.

He that's content has enough. He that complains has too much.

Contentment consists not in great wealth, but in few wants.

COULD THIS BE YOU ? ? ?



Program for Sunday, December 29, 2002

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Bob Mayfield
Reading	Billy Gilbert
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table (N)	*Joe Collins
(S)	*Ricky Hurst
(N)	Joe Roller
(N)	Dickie Kesey
(N)	John Nussbaum
(S)	David McColloch
(S)	Cody Prince
(S)	Daniel Boyd
Sermon	Steve Hillis
Dismiss	Ronnie Rogers

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2115) Tyler Boyd
Lead Singing	Shane Fisher
First Prayer	Jeremy Burks
Reading	Chris Burks
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Brett Merritt
	*Bran Merritt
Sermon	Elders Will Present Budget & Lesson
Dismiss	Ben Biles

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2115) Steve Boyd
Lead Singing	Young Men
First Prayer	Calvin Rogers
Reading	Ken Martin
Invitation	Steve Hillis
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Welcome Committee

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P.M.	Mike Driver Family

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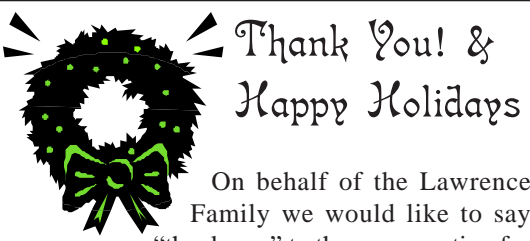
Attend Nursery: Jane Wilcher

Lock Building: W.C. Chilton

Trash Pickup: Jeff Flatt

Cards & Pencils: W.C. Chilton

Pantry Item: Ranch Beans



On behalf of the Lawrence Family we would like to say “thank you” to the congregation for the generous gift. As always, your kindness goes far beyond the ordinary. Thanks not only for the gift but for the many cards that we have received in the mail over the past few weeks. We are humbled by such an outpouring of love.

We will be enjoying our final week of vacation for 2002 on December 23-29. Part of that time will be spent here with Corretta's parents visiting from Texas and part of it will be spent with my mother in Alabama.

We pray that everyone will have a safe and enjoyable holiday season.

Due to my being out of the office next week and the holidays no bulletin will be published next week. Be sure to save this bulletin for next weeks's program.

Tony Lawrence