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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2115) Steve Boyd Announcements Lead Singing **Leonard Clemons** First Prayer W.C. Chilton **Kevin Judkins** Reading Psalms 96:8-9 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Calvin Rogers *Don Sullivan (N) Blake Sadlon (N)George Trail (N) Jeremy Burks Matt Martin (S) (S) Jason Vandagriff Joe Maynard (S) Tony Lawrence Sermon **Dismiss Noel Pepper**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2115) Steve Boyd
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First Prayer Allen Hughes
Reading Jim Slatton
Scripture John 14:1-4
Lord's Table *Ronnie Prince

*Frank Reynolds

Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Zollie Settles

Wednesday Bible Study

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Pantry Item: Dry Beans

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Missionaries

At Home:

Shirley Parker
Eugene & Georgia Jones
Mildred Lowry-broken collar bone
Joe Adams (Cindy Roger's father)-home after
hospital stay, more tests to be done.

In The Hospital:

Nettie Clemons-Riverpark #300 with pneumonia
Nelma Chilton-will enter Manchester Hospitalto have surgery on the 11th.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....Attitudes Toward Giving P.M.....Where Do You Want To Live?

Welcome

We would like to welcome Becky, Mileah and Emily Crawford to the family here at Bybee Branch. Their address is:

6669 Bluff Springs Road Smithville, TN 37166 934-2018

Restorations

On Sunday two precious souls came forward requesting to be restored. Christine Gribble came forward on Sunday morning and Kelly Thaxton came forward on Sunday evening. Please pray for these two Christians.

Church Directory

Those who have signed up to have their pictures made for the church directory are encouraged to remember their appointments this Sunday evening.

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300)
Rozelle Goodman (#207)
Pearl Mitchell (#204)
Lorene Pendagraph
Florene Nokes
Carol Sue Taylor (#212)
Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166)

Bertha Stewart

McMinnville Boarding Home

Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons' mother)

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St, Ashland City, TN 37015) Edith Collins

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr; Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81 Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Vada Campbell
Carolyn Cantrell
Mildred Gambrell
Greg Grizzell
Willene Kell
Maggie Hurst
Eunice Simpson
Janie York
Loy Watson
Shirley Parker

Lessons from Steve

When viewed in contrast with the great kings, emperors, and rulers throughout history, whether in civic or religious jurisdictions, the name of Jesus continues to draw praise from countless people claiming to be His follower, as well as criticism from those who proclaim he was a fraud or just a good man. His name invokes awe and reverence or rolling eyes and hatred. Jesus of Nazareth claimed to be the unique Son of God (Matthew 26:59-68) and the resurrection, claimed by His followers, substantiated it.

Jesus as the Christ caused people to totally change cultural habits, religious practices, and literally place their life on the line daily. Why would Jews all of a sudden stop rituals that were thousands of years old, to follow the rules of Jesus? Why would people like His immediate followers, including the apostles, run from Him and watch Him die, only to preach that He truly was the Christ fifty days later? Why would someone like Saul of Tarsus, the apostle Paul, who persecuted Christians to the point of imprisonment and even death, make a total about face? Obviously, the resurrection was not a myth to them, it was real, and they claimed to be eyewitnesses and their actions back up those claims. The point is Jesus taught wonderful lessons and witnesses said he performed undeniable miracles, but if He died and did not come back from the dead, the whole religion of Christianity is a hoax. Christianity is suppose to be based on verifiable, historical evidence, not just a mere ideology (II Peter 1:15; John 1:1-4, 14.)

So, this is the endearing legacy of Jesus of Nazareth that His claim is backed by the hundreds of eyewitness accounts found in the biographies of His life and by writings of those who saw him alive. The apostle Paul made the following argument, "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, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time... Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen. then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up--if in fact the dead do not rise. For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable. But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" (II Corinthians 15:3-8; 12-20.) Jesus was not just a charismatic human as some historians try to portray him. He claimed more than that! His followers claimed more than that!

BIBLE BOWL: The study will be at the Pryor's, Saturday, Jan. 8th from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. The Bible Bowl will be at Main Street with the bus leaving at 1:15 PM.

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS: The next class is Monday, January 10th at 9:00 AM

WINTER RETREAT: A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board with full details.

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2115) Steve Boyd Announcements Lead Singing Stanley Graves Rickey Hurst First Prayer Reading Ronnie Rogers Matthew 19:16-22 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Willie Newby *Don Griffith Eugene Wilcher (N) (N)Jared Mullican (N)John Nussbaum (S) Ken Lee (S) Asa Kell (S) Marek Sadlon Tony Lawrence Sermon **Dismiss Brett Merritt**

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Billy Gilbert
Galatians 1:6-9
*Ken Martin

*Chuck Boles

Sermon Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Joey Reynolds

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Bible Study	290
P.M. Worship	244
Wednesday Bible Study	260
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7:00 p.m.

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Donna Anderson
Gerry Waddell-following surgery on Monday
Louise Driver (Mike's mother)
Franklin Brooks (husband of Georgia Brooks),
following stints
Shirley Parker
Eugene Jones
Mildred Lowry-broken collar bone
Joe Adams (Cindy Roger's father)-home after
hospital stay, more tests to be done.

In The Hospital:

Charles Campbell-St. Thomas following heart surgery Robert Cunningham (Susan Pryor's father)-St. Thomas ICU with pneumonia Nettie Clemons-Riverpark Rehab #254 Nelma Chilton-Manchester Hospital Corretta Lawrence-Riverpark

Sympathy

Sympathy to the family of Paul Rogers (cousin of our Freda Womack. His funeral was in Centerville on Sunday.

Symapthy to the family of Effie Mae Turner (mother of our Georgia Brooks and Pat Merritt), her funeral was Wednesday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M	So Close, But Lost
P.M	. Modern Day Revelations

Baby Shower

The ladies of the congregation are invited to a baby shower for Rebekah Merritt on Sunday, January 16, from 1-3 pm at the home of Ada Mayfield.

Lessons from Steve

The Preacher of Ecclesiastes gives us wonderful lessons about what he saw under the sun. One such lesson is found in Ecclesiastes 4:13-16. The Preacher talks about how a poor and wise youth is better than and old, foolish king who would not heed the advise of others. Eventually this youth rose up from poverty to become king. However, here is where the story makes an interesting turn. All the people were with the youth who became king, but those subjects who came later did not have the same feelings. So, what is the lesson to be learned?

Reread Ecc. 4:13-16 and think about the story in terms of popularity. Many things are fleeting in this life and the pursuit of popularity is one of them. Countless stories could be told of those who achieved great notoriety, only to lose it and no on pays attention or takes them seriously again. Some will go to great lengths to attain a popular status, but the Preacher states this too is vanity and grasping for wind.

So, as Koheleth instructs, "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man's all. For God will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil" (Ecc. 12:13-14.)

BIBLE BOWL

Congratulations are passed along to our Bible Bowl team who brought home a blue ribbon from Main Street last Sunday. I know we are all proud of the effort they are giving to studying God's Word. Also coming in first place were Rome and Woodbury. Other groups who placed were Arlington (3rd), Bluff Springs, Dibrell, Hebron, Ivy Bluff, & New Hope (3rd), and Mt. Leo (4th.)

EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY

Several of us will be traveling to Savannah, TN this weekend (14th to 16th) for this wonderful program.

Please keep us in your prayers as we travel.

WINTER YOUTH RETREAT

This retreat will be held in Pigeon Forge on February 18th to 20th at the Grand Resort Hotel and Convention Center. The retreat is for students in the 7th to 12th grade, families, and chaperones. The cost for students and chaperones is \$45.00 with an additional price for families who would like a private room. The theme is "Family Matters" with Kyle Butt (Apologetics Press) as the keynote speaker.

A meeting to answer any questions you may have will be this Sunday, January 16th, after the evening worship. This meeting will serve as the last time you can sign-up to go AND all money must be turned in at his time. Additionally, release forms will need to be filled out and notarized before we leave for he retreat.

PEW PACKERS

All the younger youth are asked to join us for bowling on Sunday, January 23rd, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. The cost is \$7.00, which includes 2 hours of bowling and shoes. Parents will be responsible for getting their kids to the bowling alley and picking them up.

Just An "Amateur"?

This was the concept shared by Jerry Jenkins at the most recent *Polishing The Pulpit*, held in Jacksonville, Alabama, this year. Brother Jenkins is the highly effective, long-serving preacher for the peerlessly evangelistic Roebuck Parkway church of Christ in Birmingham, Alabama. His was an audience of almost exclusively preachers. His point was basic, but profound.

He introduced his idea by going back to his rural upbringing, when he and several other boys congregated on a cow pasture to play football. There were no pads, no officials, no goalposts, no salaries, and (ahem) built-in impediments. What

compelled these guys to join in the game? They were amateurs. Brother Jenkins then revealed the etymology (origin) of the word "amateur." I checked behind him by going to the office's trusty Webster's Dictionary. I should have detected it. The word is derived from the famous French word "amare" (the Italians say "amore"), meaning "love." As he said, amateur literally means "one who does something for pleasure, not for money."

Then, brother Jenkins called all of us preachers "amateurs." All you non-preaching readers have now properly "amened" his assessment of us. However, here is what he meant by it. A good, effective preacher is an evangelist, not a mere office manager. He does what he does out of the love for souls, not the paycheck he draws. While preaching has its "business side" and a preacher, like others, must provide for his own household (cf. 1 Tim. 5:8), have there been preachers whose primary concern was the pay rather than the people, the support over the souls? To quote a phrase used frequently by Paul, "May it never be" (the KJV more strongly puts it, "God forbid!").

Whether preacher or non-preacher, we share the gospel, we live the Christian life, we serve and are involved, we live Christ before others, we refrain from worldliness, and we overcome adversity best by being pure amateurs! Whatever you attempt in life, you will do far better and enjoy far more those things you do just for the love or pleasure of it than those things you push yourself to do because you just have to do it. Certainly, as parents, spouses, employees, and Christians, we must do the attending duties whether or not we feel like it. Yet, I am convinced that very often, if we will let ourselves, we can do all of these things "for pleasure."

Serve Christ with all your heart today, and do it just for the love of it!

~Neal Pollard~

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Eddie Palmer

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Xunt Maynard
Luke 16:22-24
Lord's Table

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Toanny Duncan
Allen Hughes
Tony Lawrence

Wednesday Bible Study

Dismiss

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Pantry Item: Chicken Noodle Soup

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Robert Cunningham (Susan Pryor's father)
B.F. Wilson (Melba Bonner's father)
Nelma Chilton-following surgery
Jacob Hendrixson-following knee surgery

In The Hospital:

Charles Campbell-St. Thomas following heart surgery Nettie Clemons-Riverpark Rehab #254 Dorthy Swan (sister of Sarah Kell)-moved to NHC Grady Hurst (Rickey's father)-surgery this

Sunday's Sermons

Friday

A.M.... Emulating Enoch P.M... Terror In Hades

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The elders and deacons will have their scheduled meeting this coming Sunday afternoon at 5 pm.

Church Directory

The final pictures and make-up photos will be made this coming Sunday (January 23) evening before and after services. If you are a member of the congregation and have not yet had your picture made, please come dressed Sunday evening. Your cooperation is GREATLY appreciated.

Lessons from Steve

Tonight was the big night! Mom and dad were finally going on a much-needed date away from the kids and the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Dad had made reservations at "Le Cher de Fantaisie" restaurant in town and both had on their best clothes. Then it happened. Mom had dressed in the one outfit of which she only had one pair of her earrings that would perfectly match and after getting dressed, fixing her hair just right, and applying her makeup just so, she was about to make the ensemble complete, the earrings. She heads toward her jewelry ready to attach those precious earrings to her lobes and then to her astonishment only one of the precious earrings was there. She couldn't change, because she would mess her hair up and smear her makeup (duh), so the search began. Everyone got on hands and knees looking under, in, around and on all the furniture. They knew the earring was there, it was just lost, but it had to be found. They searched, and searched until it was determined the lost earring could not be salvaged. Mom and dad were devastated.

Now imagine a world where we who profess to be Christians searched after lost souls the way this couple tried to find a perishing item. When was the last time we took measures to reach out to someone who was lost? IF it was important enough for us to accept Jesus as our Savior by obeying the gospel call, is it not also vastly important that we use all urgency and diligence to search out others who are lost and give them the good news of Jesus Christ? Remember, "... there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12.) Also, "Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the

truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6.) IF salvation is found in no other name and IF no one will have access to the Father except through Jesus, don't we have an obligation to grab every opportunity to tell people this life-saving news? (This article was inspired from a lesson that Lonnie Jones preached at a recent youth event.)

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TABS

The next TeenAge Bible Study takes place on Sunday, January 23rd, beginning at * 5:00 PM * (note the time) with the Smyrna Church of Christ. We will leave from our building at 4:30 PM. Robert Jeffries will be the speaker and his topic is "Feet Shod with the Preparation of the Gospel of Peace."

SENIOR SAINTS

The next class is Monday, January 24th beginning at 9:00 AM. Our study will center on a most perplexing topic from Acts 21:18-26. Did Paul sin or is there another explanation as to why James, the elders, and Paul took the course of action they did? Please come and help us search the scriptures to find the answer.

SPRING YOUTH RETREAT

Sign-up sheets are now on the bulletin board for S.Y.R. 2005! Our theme this year is "Return To Sender." ONLY Bybee youth can sign up now, but you will have a window of opportunity to invite friends later. The cost is \$50.00, the date is March 18th – 20th, and the place is Camp Hy-Lake.

Will Your Children Go to Heaven?

Elders all over the nation are concerned about the "drop- out rate" of our young people. And well they ought to be. It is a tragic thing to see these precious boys and girls, who are so thrilled with Bible study as little people, grow cold and uninterested in the Lord's work as they grow older. Lately, several congregations have made in-depth studies of all the factors available concerning all their young people, with an eye to learning what might be done to help solve this problem. What do we need? More youth programs? More youth rallies?

From the material that has been published on these studies, it seems to me that one great central truth has begun to emerge. Faithfulness of the young person to Jesus doesn't have anything to do with special programs or teachers. It is not dependent on whether they are members of a large congregation or a small one. The single most important value is their own immediate family.

One congregation found that where both parents were faithful to the Lord, 93% of the kids remained faithful. On the other hand, if only one of the parents was faithful, that figure dropped to 73%. Where parents were only what we call reasonably active in the Lord's work, only 53% of the young people maintained their faith.

Now comes the shocker. In those cases where both parents attended only infrequently, the percentage of their children remaining faithful to the Lord dropped to 6%. Do you want your children to go to heaven? Make sure you are leading them by your faithful example.

~Daniel Whitworth, 1960-2004~

Brother Daniel Whitworth went to be with the Lord on September 16, 2004.

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Abram Pryor
Tyler Merritt
TBA
*Paul Hurst

*Mark Lawrence

Sermon Bran Merritt
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Eugene & Georgia Jones
Robert Cunningham (Susan Pryor's father)
B.F. Wilson (Melba Bonner's father)
Asa Kell
Loy Watson
Willie Holmes-after a fall (broken shoulder)
Ralph Crouch

In The Hospital:

Charles Campbell-St. Thomas following heart surgery but is doing better Grady Hurst (Rickey's father)-hospital in Knoxville following surgery Rozelle Goodman-Riverpark with pneumonia June Keaton (relative of Sandra Holt)-bypass surgery at St. Thomas Wayne Turner-Baptist Hospital

Sunday's Sermons

A.M	Matthew's Faith
P.M	. Young Men Conduct Services

Long-Winded Preachers

Gladys Dunn was new in town and decided to visit the church nearest to her new apartment.

She appreciated the pretty auditorium and the singing, but the sermon went on and on. Worse, it wasn't very interesting. Glancing around, she saw many in the congregation nodding off.

Finally it was over. After the service, she turned to a still sleepy-looking gentleman next to her, extended her hand and said, "I'm Gladys Dunn." He replied, "You and me both!"

~Adapted~

Lessons from Steve

S.W.T. & I.B.S.

Each class will meet this Sunday, January 30th, beginning at 7:15. The topic is "Where's the Priest?" Remember we will go out to eat after class.

SPRING YOUTH RETREAT

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Church Directory

The pictures have been made and a proof book is on the table in the foyer. Please stop by and check the book for accuracy. If you see any errors, please write the problem on the sheet next to the book. Hopefully, we can have our church directories prepared in a couple of weeks after that. A BIG THANKS goes to Ronnie Rogers for his tireless efforts taking pictures. Also, to Mary Davis, Lucille Newby and Doris Smith for updating the information for the roster and calendar.

Singings

The *Bethlehem church of Christ* in Van Buren County will have their annual Gospel Singing on Saturday, January 29, at 6:30 pm. The bus will leave the parking lot at 5:30 pm for those who wish to ride.

The *Rock Island church of Christ* will have a Youth Singing on Saturday, January 29, at 6:00 pm. Matthew Winkler will be directing that singing.

The *West Riverside church of Christ* will have their 5th Sunday singing on Sunday, January 30, at 2:00-3:00 pm.

		Febr	uary	2005		
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
S.W.T. I.B.S. 7:15 pm	Ronnie Prince	1	2	3 Fuston Womack	4	5
HAROLD & TERESA MCGINNESS	Parker Smith Ricky Prince Stanley Graves	Tim Fisher Buell Warren Ashley Newby JEWEL & JOYCE WHITE	Q Cory Prince HUSTON & LISA THAXTON	10	11	12 JOHN & BECKY CRAWFORD
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20	21 Avie Clemons	22 Joey Reynolds Beth Reynolds KELLY & GAYE HILLIS	JIM & JUNE SLATTON	24 Rozelle Goodman	25	Gilbert Kell 26
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Willie Holmes-after a fall (broken shoulder)
Ralph Crouch
Grady Hurst (Rickey's father)

In The Hospital:

Charles Campbell-St. Thomas following heart surgery but is doing better June Keaton (grandmother of Sandra Holt)bypass surgery at St. Thomas Wayne Turner (brother-in law of Barbara Northcutt)-Baptist Hospital

Sympathy

We want to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of James Settles, he was the brother of our Zollie Settles. His funeral will be this Saturday at 1:00 pm at Highs.

Hispanic Baptism

We rejoice in the baptism of Nereida Reyes Aguilar on Monday evening. This makes 81 who have obeyed the Gospel at the Hispanic congregation.

Baby Girl Shower

The ladies of the congregation are invited to a baby girl shower in honor of Melissa Lee Sprinkles on Sunday, February 13, from 1-3 pm in the church fellowship room. Missy has registered at: Walmart, Ashley's Attic, and Target.

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300)
Rozelle Goodman (#207)
Pearl Mitchell (#204)
Lorene Pendagraph
Florene Nokes
Carol Sue Taylor (#212)
Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166)

Bertha Stewart

McMinnville Boarding Home

Nettie Clemons (Leonard Clemons' mother)

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St, Ashland City, TN 37015)

Edith Collins

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr; Sparta, TN 38583) Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81 Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Vada Campbell
Carolyn Cantrell
Mildred Gambrell
Greg Grizzell
Willene Kell
Maggie Hurst
Eunice Simpson
Janie York
Loy Watson
Shirley Parker

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....Amos, The Herdsman Prophet P.M....I Want To Go To Heaven

Lessons from Steve

When we say our final goodbye to this life it has always been said about death that we cannot take anything with us. However, we can leave behind things that people will remember. For instance notice what the Preacher stated in Ecclesiastes 7:1, "A good name is better than precious ointment, And the day of death than the day of one's birth."

This one verse has two great lessons. The first part of the verse states one should try hard not to dirty the family name or one's own reputation. If someone talks about us, we should strive to maintain a name that cannot be soiled with mud or viewed in a negative light. The second half of the verse is very interesting. We all have milestone birthdays we celebrate such as 1st, 16th, 29th, and (I guess that's it!) However, the Preacher is telling us from his observations that the death day is better! From the time we are born to the time we die, life has moments of joy, yet also sorrows and grief. But the death day, eternally speaking, is better. Read Revelation 21 and 22 to get a picture of how life will be for the saved after this earthly life is over. No more sorrows, pains, or anguish, but an eternal life in the very presence of God and the Lamb.

Finally, how can we connect the two thoughts into one? Simply by stating that if we work hard to keep our name as clean as possible, that is part of what is left behind when we enter eternity. In my short stint as a minister, I have assisted at three funerals and every one of them were "easy" in the sense that they all had a good name and from my vantage point their death day was better. Let's work to keep our name intact and leave behind a blessing for our loved ones.

"Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, 'Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on. Yes, says the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them.'"

PEW PACKERS CLASS

The class begins at 5:00 PM in the fellowship room this Sunday, February 6th. The topic is "Paradise," which continues our study of Genesis.

Also, we will be attending the Kid's Rally in Ethridge again this year. The date is Saturday, February 26th. The theme is "All God's Creatures." Games, short sermons, classes about animals, and "Dinosaurs Unleashed" will be presented by Kyle Butt (Apologetics Press.) A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board with further details.

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Comment On Outrageous News

The news service telegraph.co.uk, reported on Sunday, 1/30/05 that a woman who was drawing unemployment benefits in Germany was going to have her benefits denied unless she accepted a job as a prostitute. "How could they do that?" is the thought of any rational person. Here's how: two years ago the German government made prostitution legal. The law no longer considers this immoral but simply another occupation.

What does this have to do with us in the United States. Some question if legalization of vices like alcohol and the lottery really have any negative impact on moral people? The answer is, YES. The critic may protest, "just don't participate if you don't want to." The problem is that not only does it weaken the moral fabric of society, but it also puts Christians in the position of labeling activity immoral that the Government calls moral. "If the foundations are destroyed, What can the righteous do?" Psalms 11:3, NKJV.

~Tony Lawrence~

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Hospital following surgery (Room #8334)
Nettie Clemons (Leonard's mother)-Riverpark

Now That I Am A Christian

- 1. Now that I am a Christian, and my sins are forgiven, it is comforting to know that no one can take salvation from me.
- 2. I have the final say as to where I will spend eternity, and no one, absolutely no one, can keep me out of heaven.
- 3. My soul cannot be taken; I must give it away.
- 4. If I am lost, it will be only because I have given something in exchange for my soul. "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" Matthew 16:26
- 5. The teaching of God's word is that a man sins when he is drawn away by his own lusts and is enticed. Then, when lust conceives, it brings forth sin (James 1:14-15). It is not the case that one is forced into sinning.

~Mel Martin~

Notes from Steve

BIBLE BOWL

The Bible Bowl will take place at Woodbury Church of Christ this Sunday, February 13th and the bus will leave from our building at 1:00 PM. The material will cover Ecclesiastes 5 – 8.

Our monthly study will be at Rodney and Patsy Reynolds (*which is a change in the schedule*) this Saturday, February 12th from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Remember to bring your Bible (KJV preferred.)

SENIOR SAINTS

The next class is Monday, February 14th beginning at 9:00 AM in Room 1.

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Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... How Do We Make A Strong Church? P.M..... "I Forgive You"

How Do I Talk to My Friends about the Church?

Allow me to suggest four ways to communicate effectively this vital Bible truth. This plan can used to teach any "controversial" Bible truth.

Speak INTELLIGENTLY - This requires STUDY! "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Tim 2:15). May we never be guilty of misusing or misrepresenting God's Word. Speaking intelligently requires a knowledge of what to say, but it also includes knowing how to say it. Too many people have driven from the truth by well- meaning Christians either through poor attitudes or poor selection of words. Colossians 4:6 says, "Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, so that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man." Jesus spoke in words the common man could understand (Mark 12:37). Use words that are easily understood and create an interest in learning more.

Speak INCREMENTALLY - Don't try to teach everything you know (or think you know) in one sitting. Sometimes in our zeal to teach, we overload our audience with too much information. Remember! Most of our friends have never considered the idea that denominationalism is anti-biblical and unacceptable to God! The "one church is as good as another" idea has been taught to them all their lives. Even Jesus practiced this principle. In John 16:12, He told the twelve, "I have many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now." These men had been with Jesus, heard His teaching, and witnessed His miracles for three years, yet Jesus knew the limitations of their understanding. Paul writes similarly to the Corinthians in 1 Corinthians 11:34.

Speak ILLUSTRATIVELY - "A picture is worth a thousand words." The same is true in teaching. We all love to hear folks who can "spin yarns" and place you in the middle of their stories as if

you were an invisible spectator. Great teachers and preachers do the same. Consider Jesus' first record sermon in Matthew 5-7. Jesus pictured His audience as the light of the world and a city on a hill (5:13-16). Not coincidentally, He was on a mountain at the time. He illustrated the hypocrisy of the religious leaders (6:1-8) and the worthlessness of worry (6:25-34). He illustrated using hyperbole (an intended exaggeration - 7:1-5). He spoke of narrow and broad roads (7:13-14), of sheep and wolves figs and thistles (7:15-20), of firm and foundering foundations (7:21-27). In like fashion, the church is pictured in many ways. It is called a kingdom in Matthew 13, meaning it has a king, subjects, a law, and a boundary. In 1 Corinthians 3, Paul describes the church as a family (v 1), a field or vineyard (v 9), a building (vv 9-14), and as a temple (vv 16-17). All of these characteristics of the church can be explored individually.

Finally, speak INSISTENTLY - "Buy the truth and sell it not" (Prov 23:23). Do not compromise the truth. Where the Bible speaks definitively on a subject, we must be firm in our resolve concerning that truth. The Bible speaks clearly as to the number of churches having a scriptural right to exist ... ONE! Jesus promised to build His church, not churches (Matt 16:18). On the day of Pentecost, the saved were added to the church (Acts 2:47). Ephesians 4:4 says there is one body. Earlier in that same epistle, Paul equated that body with the church (Eph 1:23). Later, in Ephesians 5:23-32, Paul uses 12 nouns and pronouns to describe the church . . . all of them singular. This settles the matter of how many churches Jesus built and how many existed in the New Testament.

We must not be ashamed to say what the Bible says on this or any other subject (Mark 8:38). Let us all prepare ourselves to speak as oracles of God (1 Peter 4:11). Anything less is to do God and His word a terrible injustice.

~Todd Clippard~

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Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....Four Basic Commands P.M.....The Controversial Christ

Baptism

We rejoice at the baptism of Ryan McColloch. He was baptized last Tuesday.

New Arrival

Congratulations to Brett & Rebecca Merritt on the birth of a baby girl, Josie Gail. She was born Last Friday in Murfreesboro.

GIVE THE DEVIL AN INCH AND HE WILL BE YOUR RULER

Some People Are Like Potatoes

- 1. Some people are very bossy and like to tell everyone what to do, but of course they do not wish to soil their hands. You might call that type "Dick Tater."
- 2. Some people never seem to be motivated to participate. They are content to watch while others do. They are "Speck Taters."
- 3. Some people never do anything to help, but they are gifted at finding fault with the way others do things. They might be called "Comment Taters."
- 4. Some people are always looking for ways to cause problems. They look for others to agree with them. You call them "Aggie Taters."
- 5. Then there are those who always say they will, but somehow never get around to, doing anything. They are "Hezzie Taters."
- 6. Some people put on a front and act like they are someone they are not. They are "Emma Taters."
- 7. Still, there are those who live what they talk. They are always prepared to stop what they are doing to lend a hand. They bring real sunshine into others' lives. You might call them "Sweet Taters."

Something to Think About

Sin is the greatest of all detectives; be sure it will find you out.

We need to ask the Lord to save us from evil hearing as well as from evil speaking.

The world is full of men who are making good livings but poor lives.

Lessons from Steve

With his hand held high flashing a number one sign to everyone, Joe Namath ran off the field after leading his team to a surprising upset victory in the 1967 NFL title game (Super Bowl III) over the heavily favored Baltimore Colts. The game was not even suppose to be close, but not only did Namath's New York Jet's win, they dominated the game. Supposedly the Colts were stronger, faster, and smarter than their upstart AFL counterpart, but in the end that did not matter.

The Preacher of Ecclesiastes wrote, "[T]he race is not to the swift, Nor the battle to the strong, Nor bread to the wise, Nor riches to men of understanding, Nor favor to men of skill; But time and chance happen to them all" (Ecclesiastes 9:11.)

Arguably, the Colts could beat the Jets nine out of ten times, but on this particular day in 1967 time and chance happened. The apparent stronger, faster, smarter team did not win. Spiritually speaking, we should be thankful for this. We should be glad that our societal status, bank account, or bicep size will not determine our eternal destiny. What we are commanded to do is what the Jets did and that is regardless of what everyone may say, you still prepare "to win." The Preacher will go on to say that no man knows his time, when evil will befall us (vs. 12.) Since time and chance will happen to us all, yet we don't know when, the best we can do is be prepared to win.

BIBLE BOWL

Congratulations to our team for coming in 3rd place at Woodbury last Sunday missing only 2 on the test! A job well done also goes to the following youth groups and their teachers, Arlington and Rome (1st), Smyrna and Woodbury (2nd), and Dibrell, Hebron, Leoni, Mt. Leo, and New Hope (4th.)

WINTER YOUTH RETREAT

Several of us will be leaving this Friday for the W.Y.R. in Pigeon Forge. Please keep us in your prayers as we travel to and from the retreat. Also, some have enquired if this is affiliated with Winterfest, which happens to be the same weekend in Gatlinburg. The answer is a firm and unhesitating **NO**!

KID'S RALLY

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Change In Announcements

Some may have noticed the vastly abbreviated form of the announcements last Sunday. The elders decided that the regular announcements will be put on the screen and run right up until services begin. The announcer will only make corrections and last minute announcements. The purpose of this is to give more time to worship, which is after all the purpose for which we come together. If you have an announcement, please call Steve Hillis before Saturday night. This format will be used for a while to see how well it works.

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Kelly Thaxton

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June Keaton (grandmother of Sandra Holt)
Michael Brasher (Mary Flatt's brother)
Sam Woodlee (cousin of Doris Smith & Wanda
Hendrixson)

In The Hospital:

Charles Campbell-Riverpark (hopes to go home this week)

Wayne Turner (brother-in law of Barbara Northcutt)-Baptist Hospital Rosie Rogers (Calvin's mother)-Riverpark after a fall

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Be sure to call the church office or the announcer when you know of someone who is sick. We don't want to overlook anyone.

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Arlene Pennington. She passed away last Wednesday. She was the aunt of our Derek Pennington

We also want to extend sympathy to the family of Lorene Pendergraph. She passed away last Thursday. She was the sister of our Clara Roller.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M	Four Basic Commands
P.M	The Controversial Christ

Lessons from Steve

"As you do not know what is the way of the wind, Or how the bones grow in the womb of her who is with child, So you do not know the works of God who makes all things" (Ecclesiastes 11:5.) For obvious reasons. I cannot control the weather. I cannot force the wind to go in a direction it does not want to. I cannot make bone, much less make them grow. I can study meteorology or the various fields of medicine and science, but there are certain things that neither I nor anyone else will ever know. The Preacher of Ecclesiastes has pounded this point home time and time again throughout his writings. With all the great wisdom, wealth, power, and pleasure man holds dear and seemingly conquers, we still do not know all the answers.

Does this not point us in a direction that should clearly indicate that there is a greater power that exists? Twice in the Psalms (14:1 and 53:1) the writers stated, "The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God.'" What does this mean? Does it mean the fool cannot understand or is it that the fool is one who refuses to understand? Notice, the fool is saying in "his heart" that God does not exist. The indication is the latter explanation, that for one to say this they simply refuse to accept the abundance of evidence, which again points to a Creator.

But why do some still refuse to accept the evidence? Because for one to admit there is a God, would mean that the writings we call The Bible are truly God's revelations to man. From this one would understand that obedience is a prerequisite to eternal life and to avoid eternal condemnation. Therefore it is easier for one to foolishly condition the heart to believe there is no God, than to live within the rules of the game.

No, we do not know all the answers to life, but one thing is clear. God is real, alive, and the final judge of the heart. Don't be a fool and let God's Word melt your unbelieving heart.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASS

This Wednesday night starts a monthly series of lessons for grades 7 to 12. The theme will center on <u>Evangelism</u>. We encourage all in these grades and regular teachers of the various classes to attend.

KID'S RALLY

Several Pew Packer's and parents will be traveling to Ethridge, TN this weekend for the annual Kid's Rally. Please keep us in your prayers that we will have a safe trip to and from Ethridge.

TABS

TeenAge Bible Study will be held at Central Church of Christ on Sunday, February 27th. We WILL NOT meet at our church building to take the bus. Please make arrangements to be at Central by worship time, which begins at 6:00 PM. The topic for this month is "The Shield of Faith."

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

Our next class time is Monday, February 28th beginning at 9:00 AM in Room 1. Please, mark off this time on your calendar to join us for great Bible study and fellowship.

Longing For Home

Longing for home. We all know the feeling. We plan a vacation for months, excitedly detailing each day's activities. We can't sleep the night before we leave because we are so anxious to get started. We are having a wonderful time, but invariably somewhere along the way our thoughts begin to turn toward home. Vacations are fun, but it's not home. It's nice to go camping or stay in a motel, but it's not home. How often have you said and heard, "It's great to get away, but it's sure good

to be back home." Why? Because home is where we belong, where life is real and fulfilling.

It's great to have company over the holidays. It's great to have family visit for several days. But I've often thought, "It was sure great to see them come, but it's also great to see them go." Why? Longing for home as it is meant to be.

I believe the Apostle Paul was in that frame of mind when he wrote 2 Corinthians 5. In a sense, our life on earth can be compared to going on a vacation. We live in temporary housing. There is much to do, much to experience and enjoy, but it's not like being home. The older we get, the nearer we come to ending our vacation here on earth, the more we long for home. At least that's the way Paul describes it for Christians.

In 2 Corinthians 5:1-9 Paul speaks of life as being in an "earthly tent." Yet, while in this tent, we "long to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling." ... "Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord." ... "Now it is God who has made us for this very purpose and has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come."

Sometimes we are enjoying our vacation so much that we don't want to go home. We don't even want to think of home. Instead, we long to stay another day or two. We may even wish for our vacation to be permanent. That's what Satan is wanting us to believe about vacation here on earth. He wants us to long for a few more days here than to be at home with the Lord.

That's why we are to walk by faith, not by sight. Do you "prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord"? Does your faith allow you to see that the heavenly dwelling is so much better than this present tent? Are you longing for home? Then make it your goal to be pleasing to Him.

~Joe Chesser~

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Bob Bonner
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Job 32:6-11

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Sunday's Sermons

A.M......Have We Lost Our Sense Of Lostness? P.M.....Wrong Reasons

Church Directories

The church directories are completed. If you have not picked up your copy yet, please get one off the table in the foyer. Thanks to all who helped make this a success!

Something To Think About

There will be no atheists in Hell.

Forbidden fruit creates many jams.

Satan subtracts and divides, God adds and multiplies

Christians, keep the faith... but not from others

A closed mouth gathers no foot.

Notes from Steve

SPRING YOUTH RETREAT

The official meeting for SYR 05 is this Sunday, March 6th, following our evening worship. All money will be due at the meeting. Also, we will go over the rules and agenda for the weekend. All who are attending the retreat must be at this meeting.

Since the meeting will interfere with the scheduled Inner Beauty Salon and Spiritual Weight Training, we will instead have a devotional after the meeting. Following the devotional we will then go out to eat.

Opportunities For Edification

Dunlap church of Christ, Lectureship, March 5, 8:30-2:00 pm. Theme: Soldiers Of Christ Arise.

Dibrell church of Christ, Gospel Meeting, March 10-13, 7:00 pm with Larry Acuff

East End church of Christ, Singing, March 12, 6:30 pm.

East End church of Christ, Gospel Meeting, March 13-17, 7:00 pm with Stan Stevenson

Our own Gospel Meeting is not that far off. On April 10-14, brother David Sain will be conducting our meeting.

Marriage & Home Class

Beginning this Sunday there will be a new class for those in the 18-30 age range on the subject of marriage and the home. This class is for both those married and those who are thinking about getting married. It will meet in Room 1 with Tony Lawrence and Bob Bonner as the teachers.

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Pantry Item: Pop-Tarts

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Sunday's Sermons

Opportunities For Edification

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If we all daily stand for Truth and Right, then peace of mind is ours when we retire at night.

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300)

Nettie Clemons

Rozelle Goodman (#207)

Pearl Mitchell (#204)

Rosie Rogers

Carol Sue Taylor (#212)

Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166)

Bertha Stewart

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Fannie B's Boarding Home

Clercie Delon Ada Hensley

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St,

Ashland City, TN 37015) *Edith Collins*

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr;

Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81

Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell

Carolyn Cantrell

Mildred Gambrell

Greg Grizzell

Willene Kell

Maggie Hurst

Eunice Simpson

Ianie York

Shirley Parker

Notes from Steve

The concluding statement of the Preacher of Ecclesiastes sets forth the importance of words with thought and meaning. He stated, "The Preacher sought to find acceptable words; and what was written was upright – words of truth. The words of the wise are like goads, and the words of scholars are like well-driven nails, given by one Shepherd" (Ecc. 12:10-11.) The Preacher wanted to implant in the reader's mind that what he was saying was acceptable, truthful, a guide, solid, and unified. What a fitting parallel this is to God's Word as a whole!

The words of the Bible are acceptable or desirable and a statement by King Solomon fits nicely here. He said, "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver" (Proverbs 25:11.) The Word of God is truth. Jesus made this vividly clear when he said, "Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth" (John 17:17.) The Sacred Word "goads" us along, keeping us on the righteous path. "Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path," is a statement from the Psalmist as found in Psalm 109:105. The Holy Scriptures is like the "welldriven nails" of a master of assembly, built right and built to last. Isaiah (and many years later Simon Peter) presented God's message this way. "The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever" (Isaiah 40:7-8; I Peter 1:24-25.) Finally, the Old and New Testaments we use derived from one source. "...knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit" (II Peter 1:20-21.) The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are one and when their message was revealed to man, we can rest assured there were no discrepancies.

BIBLE BOWL

The final Bible Bowl of the 2004/05 season is this

Sunday at Central. We will not take the bus, so be at Central by 1:45 PM. The study session will be this Saturday at the Duncan's.

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

The next class session will be Monday, March 14th beginning at 9:00 AM. We will meet in Room 1.

SPRING YOUTH RETREAT

S.Y.R. is March 18 – 20 at Hy-Lake Christian Camp. We set aside Saturday night of the retreat so parents and guests can come up and enjoy the activities. We kindly ask, however, that if you do plan on visiting on Saturday night that you inform Marsha Collins or myself so proper arrangements can be made for food. Also, those preparing food should have it at the building by 12:00 PM on Friday, March 18th.

Invitation

Come celebrate 100 years of life, love, and laughter with Hallie Cantrell on Sunday, March 19, from 1-4 pm at her home at 544 Steakley Road, Viola, TN. Please RSVP 635-2811 by March 14. Your presence is your gift. In case of rain the party will be held at the Viola church of Christ.

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Antonio Garibaldi, brother to our Roberto Garibaldi. He passed away last week in Mexico. Cards may be sent to 200 Westview Street, McMinnville, TN 37110.

Two ears but a single tongue, By nature's laws to man belong The lesson she would teach is clear; Repeat but half of what you hear. Volume 48, Number 11 March 20, 2005

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Linda Glenn
Betty Upton

In The Hospital:

Ken Lee-Riverpark ICU with blood sugar problems.

Freda Womack-St. Thomas, following a car accident

Minnie Carter (mother of Kathy Hamm), has a brain tumor and expected to live 4-6 weeks. Family has requested prayers Dorothy Hennessee will enter Riverpark on Tuesday, March 22, for hip replacement surgery.

Help us keep the sick list updated by calling the church office when someone in your family is sick.

Opportunities For Edification

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Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....Sins Of Nadab & Abihu P.M....Peace & Longsuffering

Bible Bowl Results

This has been a wonderful year for the Bible Bowl with so many congregations doing so well. The March results were: 1st: Arlington, Rome, Mt Leo & Woodbury; 2nd Bybee Branch; 3rd Central; 4th Dibrell, Hebron, Leoni & New Union. For the year the results were: 1st Rome & Woodbury; 2nd Bybee Branch; 3rd Arlington; 4th Mt. Leo. Thanks to all who have helped our young people.

Hispanic Baptisms

There were three precious souls baptized this past weekend at the Hispanic congregation. On Saturday Pedro and Linda León were baptized and on Sunday, Lorenza Romero was baptized. Sister Romero is the wife of brother Hosea Luis Romero, the first Hispanic convert in McMinnville about 5 years ago.

How Do I Talk to My Friends about the Church?

Allow me to suggest four ways to communicate effectively this vital Bible truth. This plan can used to teach any "controversial" Bible truth.

Speak INTELLIGENTLY - This requires STUDY! "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Tim 2:15). May we never be guilty of misusing or misrepresenting God's Word. Speaking intelligently requires a knowledge of what to say, but it also includes knowing how to say it. Too many people have driven from the truth by well- meaning Christians either through poor attitudes or poor selection of words. Colossians 4:6 says, "Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, so that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man." Jesus spoke in words the common man could understand (Mark 12:37). Use words that are easily understood and create an interest in learning more.

Speak INCREMENTALLY - Don't try to teach everything you know (or think you know) in one sitting. Sometimes in our zeal to teach, we overload our audience with too much information. Remember! Most of our friends have never considered the idea that denominationalism is anti-biblical and unacceptable to God! The "one church is as good as another" idea has been taught to them all their lives. Even Jesus practiced this principle. In John 16:12, He told the twelve, "I have many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now." These men had been with Jesus, heard His teaching, and witnessed His miracles for three years, yet Jesus knew the limitations of their understanding. Paul writes similarly to the Corinthians in 1 Corinthians 11:34.

Speak ILLUSTRATIVELY - "A picture is worth a thousand words." The same is true in teaching. We all love to hear folks who can "spin yarns" and place you in the middle of their stories as if you were an invisible spectator. Great teachers and preachers do the same. Consider Jesus' first record sermon in Matthew 5-7. Jesus pictured His audience as the light of the world and a city

on a hill (5:13-16). Not coincidentally, He was on a mountain at the time. He illustrated the hypocrisy of the religious leaders (6:1-8) and the worthlessness of worry (6:25-34). He illustrated using hyperbole (an intended exaggeration - 7:1-5). He spoke of narrow and broad roads (7:13-14), of sheep and wolves figs and thistles (7:15-20), of firm and foundering foundations (7:21-27). In like fashion, the church is pictured in many ways. It is called a kingdom in Matthew 13, meaning it has a king, subjects, a law, and a boundary. In 1 Corinthians 3, Paul describes the church as a family (v 1), a field or vineyard (v 9), a building (vv 9-14), and as a temple (vv 16-17). All of these characteristics of the church can be explored individually.

Finally, speak INSISTENTLY - "Buy the truth and sell it not" (Prov 23:23). Do not compromise the truth. Where the Bible speaks definitively on a subject, we must be firm in our resolve concerning that truth. The Bible speaks clearly as to the number of churches having a scriptural right to exist . . . ONE! Jesus promised to build His church, not churches (Matt 16:18). On the day of Pentecost, the saved were added to the church (Acts 2:47). Ephesians 4:4 says there is one body. Earlier in that same epistle, Paul equated that body with the church (Eph 1:23). Later, in Ephesians 5:23-32, Paul uses 12 nouns and pronouns to describe the church . . . all of them singular. This settles the matter of how many churches Jesus built and how many existed in the New Testament.

We must not be ashamed to say what the Bible says on this or any other subject (Mark 8:38). Let us all prepare ourselves to speak as oracles of God (1 Peter 4:11). Anything less is to do God and His word a terrible injustice.

~Todd Clippard~

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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Mike Driver
Reading	Calvin Rogers
Scripture	1 Corinthians 15:1-4
Lord's Table (N)	*Chip Cantrell
(S)	*Chuck Boles
(N)	Hoyt Crouch
(N)	Derek Vinson
(N)	Asa Kell
(S)	Kane Maynard
(S)	Clent Kesey
(S)	Tom McColloch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Boyd

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Tim Fisher
Reading	Joe Collins
Scripture	1 Peter 3:7
Lord's Table	*Ken Martin
	*Bruce Pryor
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jewel White

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7078) Danny Duncan
Lead Singing	Steve Hillis
First Prayer	Rickey Burks
Reading	Jeremy Burks
Invitation	Bran Merritt
Dismiss	Winfrey Hennessee

Welcome Committee

A.M. Ken & Nona Martin P.M. Clent & Lynette Kesey

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Calvin Rogers & David Roberts

Attend Nursery: Janie Griffin

Lock Building: David McColloch

Prepare Communion:

David & Iona King

Assist with Baptisms:

Sharon Driver & Sharon Reynolds

Pantry Item: Pork & Beans

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	284*
A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship	206
P.M. Worship	230
Wednesday Bible Study	222
Contribution********************************	. \$3,599
*57 were at Youth Retreat at Hylake	

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Greg Grizzell
Thelma Glenn
Linda Glenn
Betty Lane
Larry Flatt
Ken Lee

In The Hospital:

Freda Womack-St. Thomas, following a car accident Minnie Carter (mother of Kathy Hamm), 347 Briarfield Road, Princeton, KY 42445 Dorothy Hennessee-Riverpark, for hip replacement surgery.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... The Great Resurrection P.M..... Differences Between Men and Women

Opportunities For Edification

Gospel Meeting at the *Leoni church of Christ*, April 3-6, 7:00 PM with David Costello speaking

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Ladies Day at the *East End church of Christ*, April 9, 9:00 AM with Clara A Shannon speaking

Ladies Day at the *Central church of Christ*, April 16, 9:30 AM with Cynthia Northcutt speaking

Our own Gospel Meeting is not that far off. On April 10-14, brother David Sain will be conducting our meeting.

Baptism & Restorations

We rejoice that on Sunday evening following the services Kevin Flatt put on his Lord in baptism.

At the youth retreat Ben Biles, Abram Pryor, Heather Tanner, and Jennifer Flatt asked for prayers for restoration.

Pew Packer's Notice

The planned "Parent's Night Out" for March 25th has been rescheduled for April 8th.

TABS

The Unity Church of Christ will host TABS this Sunday night beginning at 6:00 PM. We will leave from our building at 5:30 PM.

Senior Saints

Remember our class on Monday, March 28th beginning at 9:00 AM in Room 1.

Work Day

There will be a work day in preparation for our upcoming Gospel Meeting on Saturday, April 2, at 8 AM. In case of rain, the work day will be moved to April 9.

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Jim Cantrell, grandson of our Christine Cantrell. He was killed in Iraq last week and his funeral was Monday.

Also sympathy to the family Hattie Mitchell, sister-in-law to our Nan Cantrell. Her funeral was Sunday.

Sunday Morning Worship (4/3/05)

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers Announcements **Stanley Graves Lead Singing** First Prayer Rodney Reynolds **David Roberts** Reading 1 Samuel 15:10-11 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Jeff Flatt *Noel Pepper (S) (N) Harry Felty Jared Mullican (N) (N) Harley Northcutt Lynn Gann (S) (S) Micah Lawrence (S) J.B. Gribble **Tony Lawrence** Sermon Dennis Gann Dismiss

Sunday Evening Worship (4/3/05)

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers **Stanley Graves Lead Singing** First Prayer **Chuck Boles** Reading **Bob Cantrell** Scripture 1 Thessalonians 5:14-15 Lord's Table *Rickey Burks *Brett Merritt Sermon **Tony Lawrence** Dismiss **Hoyt Crouch**

Wednesday Bible Study (4/6/05)

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(473-5028) Jim Slatton
John Biddle
Paul Hurst
Dustin Rhea
Bob Bonner
Daniel Boyd

Welcome Committee

A.M. Steve Hillis Family P.M. Derek & Miranda Vinson

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Ushers: Caleb Graves & Asa Kell
Attend Nursery: Cynthia Duncan

Lock Building:Jason VandagriffPrepare Communion:Zollie & Vera SettlesAssist with Baptisms:

Nelma Chilton & Angie Caldwell

Pantry Item: Crushed Pineapple

New Arrival

Congratulations to Craig and Missy Sprinkles on the birth of a little girl, Leah Nichole, she was born on March 16, weighing 7 lbs. 7 ozs and 19 inches long. Proud grandparents are Ken & Glyna Lee.

Mission Trips

During Spring Break, Delanie Sullivan is on a mission trip to Scotland. Eric Fisher is working with groups helping with the aftermath of the hurricanes in Florida. Please remember our young people as they are serving others.

Two-Week Bulletin

Due to Tony being out of town next week for the Memphis School of Preaching lectureship, this bulletin will be for two weeks. Please keep this bulletin for next week's program.

April Calendar

The calendar for April would generally but put in this week's bulletin, but due to the lack of space it will be printed and put on the table for those who wish to pick one up. For those who receive the bulletin by email it will be sent as an attachment.

Church Directories

If you have not picked up your church directory, please do so within the next week. We will be putting back the others for new members. Also, there are several old directories available. Feel free to take as many of them as you wish.

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Sunday Morning Worship

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers Announcements Lead Singing **Leonard Clemons** First Prayer **Bruce Pryor** Reading Willie Newby Scripture **TBA** Lord's Table (N) *Don Sullivan *Ronnie Prince (N)Jason Vandagriff (N) Dickie Kesev (N) Lee Gann Ioe Maynard (S) (S) Bran Merritt (S) Ioe Roller David Sain Sermon **Dismiss** Tim Fisher

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers Lead Singing Leonard Clemons First Prayer Calvin Rogers Reading Eddie Palmer Scripture **TBA** Lord's Table *Steve Hillis *Kelly Thaxton David Sain Sermon **Dismiss** Zollie Settles

Wednesday Bible Study

GOSPEL MEETING

Welcome Committee

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Ushers: Ken Martin & Derrick Vinson

Attend Nursery: Nona Martin

Lock Building: TBA
Prepare Communion:
David & Iona King

Assist with Baptisms:

Sharon Driver & Sharon Reynolds

Pantry Item: Potted Meat

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship Bible Study	324
Bible Study	251
P.M. Worship	233
Wednesday Bible Study	213
Contribution	\$4,043

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Dorothy Hennessee
Hilda Duke (Steve Hillis' mother) following
by-pass surgery

In The Hospital:

Freda Womack-moved to NHC Minnie Carter (mother of Kathy Hamm), 347 Briarfield Road, Princeton, KY 42445 Marvin Anderson (Johnny's father) Doran Thomison (Avie Clemons brother-in-law)-St. Thomas following by-pass surgery

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Joyce Marshall, sister of our Carolyn Cantrell. She passed away Sunday in Buchanan, MI.

Opportunities For Edification

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Gospel Meeting at the *West Sparta church of Christ*, April 3-6, 7:00 PM with Gary Colley speaking

Ladies Day at the *East End church of Christ*, April 9, 9:00 AM with Clara A Shannon speaking

Gospel Meeting at the *Morrison church of Christ*, April 10-14, 7:00 PM with Johnny Fox speaking

Gospel Meeting at the *Berea church of Christ*, April 10-13, 7:00 PM with Kirk Brothers speaking

Ladies Day at the *Central church of Christ*, April 16, 9:30 AM with Cynthia Northcutt speaking

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300) Nettie Clemons Rozelle Goodman (#207) Pearl Mitchell (#204) Rosie Rogers Carol Sue Taylor (#212) Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166)

Bertha Stewart

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Fannie B's Boarding Home

Clercie Delon Ada Hensley

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St, Ashland City, TN 37015) Edith Collins

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr; Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81 Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell Mildred Gambrell Greg Grizzell Willene Kell Maggie Hurst Eunice Simpson Janie York Shirley Parker

Gerry Waddell

Gospel Meeting



April 10-14, 2005
Guest Speaker,
David Sain of the
West Fayetteville church of Christ
Fayetteville, TN

Please stay for the fellowship meal following the morning services on Sunday morning!

Date	Time	Topic
Sunday	9:00 AM	How Do You Listen?
Sunday	10:15 AM	Life is in the Blood
Sunday	6:00 PM	The Power of Hope
Monday	7:00 PM	God's WordWhat Does That Mean?
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Does It Make A Difference?
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Things You Need To Know About Sin
Thursday	7:00 PM	The Church is a Divine Institution

Work Day

There will be a work day in preparation for our upcoming Gospel Meeting this Saturday, April 9, at 8 AM.

Relay For Life

Sign-up sheets are now on the board for those wishing to be on the team. A \$10.00 donation is required for being on the team. See Steve Hillis or Marsha Collins for more information.

Prom Alternative Trip

The 2005 PAT is headed to Atlanta from April 28th to May 1st. A meeting is scheduled for this Sunday, April 10th following our evening Gospel Meeting services. The cut off date for signing up is Wednesday, April 13th.

Senior Saints Class

The next class is Monday, April 11th beginning at 9:00 AM. Our study continues with Acts 23:25.

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Sunday Morning Worship

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers Announcements Lead Singing Stanley Graves Ricky Prince First Prayer Reading David McColloch Scripture Mark 1:3-4 Lord's Table (N) *Tommy Crouch *Steve Boyd (N)Abram Pryor John Nussbaum (N) (N) Chris Neale Matt Martin (S) (S) Eugene Wilcher (S) Cody Prince Tony Lawrence Sermon Larry Flatt **Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing Stanley Graves
First Prayer Zollie Settles
Reading Jewel White
Scripture 1 John 5:18-21
Lord's Table *Johnny Anderson

*Winfrey Hennessee

Sermon Tony Lawrence Dismiss Chip Cantrell

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (473-5028) Jim Slatton
Lead Singing Bran Merritt
First Prayer W.C. Chilton
Reading Daniel Boyd
Invitation Tony Lawrence
Dismiss Mark Lawrence

Welcome Committee

A.M. Ralph & Drucilla Crouch P.M. Kelly & Gaye Hillis

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Calvin Rogers & David Roberts

Attend Nursery: Sharla Hillis

Lock Building: Rickey Burks

Prepare Communion:

Zollie & Vera Settles

Assist with Baptisms:

Nelma Chilton & Angie Caldwell

Pantry Item: Cereal Bars

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	351
A.M. Worship Bible Study	254
P.M. Worship	256
Wednesday Bible Study	215
Contribution	

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Freda Womack-NHC (not doing very well) Marvin Anderson (Johnny's father) Edwin Rogers (brother of Vera Settles)-San Antonio, TX with blot clot James Barnes (Jamie Griffith's father)-St. Thomas with 5 bypasses.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....John the Baptizer P.M....Certainties Of The Christian Faith

B_{aptism}

We rejoice in the baptism of Olivia Newby, she was baptized by her father, Willie, this past Wednesday evening.

Gospel Meeting & Internet

We are currently enjoying a great Gospel Meeting with David Sain. His preaching has been simply outstanding. All the lessons will eventually be posted on the church's web site: www. bybeebranch.org. Several are already posted.

If you have not been able to attend, then why not take the time to listen there. Or, why not encourage your friends to listen to them there? They are going to be available in both audio and video format. Our plans are to eventually post more preaching and teaching on the web site. Please spread the word!

Opportunities For Edification

Gospel Meeting at the *Bluff Springs church of Christ*, April 17-22, 7:30 PM with James Watkins speaking.

Gospel Meeting at the *Main Street church of Christ in Manchester*, April 17-20, 7:00 PM with Glenn Colley speaking.

Gospel Meeting at the *Chestnut Grove church of Christ*, April 22-24, 7:00 PM with Vernon Joines speaking.

Ladies Day at the *Central church of Christ*, April 16, 9:30 AM with Cynthia Northcutt speaking

School of Bible Emphasis at the *Mt. Leo church of Christ*, April 25, 7:00 PM.

Gospel Singing at the *West Riverside church of Christ*, April 29, 7-9 PM.

Contending For The Faith Lectureship at the *Old Philadelphia Meeting House*, May 20-21, see the program on the bulletin board for topics, speakers and time.

Jesus Christ

- -- J esus, Son of God Eternal
- --E verlasting Lord is He,
- --S avior of a world of sinners,
- --U niversal King to be,
- --S ought us, brought us victory.
- --C hrist is due all adoration,
- --H umbly born to save our race,
- --R uler of the whole creation
- --I ntercedes and gives us grace,
- --S aves us from sin's condemnation,
- --T ruly worthy of all praise!

~ Author unknown~

Lessons From Steve

"When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, The moon and the stars, which You have ordained, What is man that You are mindful of him, And the son of man that You visit him?" *Psalm 8:3-4*. The Psalmist, probably on a clear warm night, is gazing up at the stars and the moon. He considers the "fingers" that established everything he is viewing and concludes it is the wonderful works of God. However, the more the Psalmist contemplates the work of God, the more he asks: What is it that causes God to acknowledge me, pay attention to me, think about me, even to care about me? As I ask that same question this is the answer I come away with:

LOVE

Open your Bible to *I John 4:9-10* and read about true love. You'll find the love of God is manifested (made known) by the tremendous sacrifice of His Son. God sacrificed His Son that through Jesus we can live. God sacrificed His Son so we could find favor with Him.

Now, look at *I John 4:17-19* and read about this awe-inspiring love. Love has been perfected in our midst so we can have boldness on the day of judgment. We have no need to fear because the love of God has paved the way for us. We are allowed to love God ONLY because He first loved us. Jesus the Christ is our link and the manifestation of God's love.

PROM ALTERNATIVE TRIP

The 2005 PAT is headed to Atlanta from April 28th to May 1st. The cut off date for signing up is Wednesday, April 13th and a \$25.00 deposit is needed.

RELAY FOR LIFE

A meeting is scheduled this Sunday, April 17th,

immediately following our evening services to go over our agenda for fundraisers and determine our team theme. A\$10.00 donation is required to be on the team. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board for those interested.

HOME DEVOTIONAL

Our next devo will be at the home of Micah and Amy Lawrence this Sunday, April 17th, from 7:15 PM to 9:00 PM. Abram Pryor will be speaking.

Graduates Pictures Needed

Those who will be graduating from either High School or College are asked to bring a picture to the church office in the next couple of weeks. For those graduating from college, please give the information of the school and the degree being received.



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Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Kurt Maynard
Reading	Kelly Thaxton
Scripture	Mark 1:14-20
Lord's Table (N)	*Mike Driver
(S)	*Joe Collins
(N)	Kane Maynard
(N)	George Trail
(N)	David King
(S)	Dustin Rhea
(S)	Marc Martin
(S)	Daniel Boyd
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Martin

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Rickey Burks
Reading	Steve Wilcher
Scripture	Hebrews 5:7-8
Lord's Table	*Rickey Hurst
	*Dennis Gann
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Derek Vinson

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-5028) Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	Ben Biles
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Prepare Communion:

Zollie & Vera Settles

Assist with Baptisms:

Nelma Chilton & Angie Caldwell

Pantry Item: Sweet Peas

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	346
Bible Study	253
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A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study Contribution	\$4,330

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At Home:

Louise Driver (Mike's mother)
Greg Grizzell
Gina Mullican (to begin treatments this week)
Nan Cantrell (after a fall)
Edwin Rogers (Vera Settles brother)-with
blood clot
James Barnes (Jamie Griffith's father)-following
bypass surgery

In The Hospital:

Freda Womack-NHC (not doing very well) Marvin Anderson (Johnny's father) Charles Brown (father-in-law to Sandy Brown)-Knoxville for surgery.

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Minnie Carter, mother of Kathy Hamm. Her funeral was last Thursday in Princeton, KY.

Baptisms & Restoration

Last week was a great week! On Tuesday evening Jeff Templeton came forward requesting to be baptized. On Wednesday evening Ethan Duncan was bapitzed. On Thursday morning, Andy Vander Kooi was baptized.

On Sunday evening sister Ada Hensley came forward requesting the prayers of the congregation. Please remember all these precious souls in your prayers.

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Gospel Meeting at the *Bonner church of Christ*, April 24-26, 7:00 PM with Willie Long speaking.

School of Bible Emphasis at the *Mt. Leo church of Christ*, April 25, 7:00 PM.

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Lectureship at the *Ward's Chapel church of Christ*, April 29-May 1, program is on the bulletin board.

Youth Rally at the *Smyrna church of Christ*, May 7, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM, program is on the bulletin board.

Contending For The Faith Lectureship at the *Old Philadelphia Meeting House*, May 20-21, see the program on the bulletin board for topics, speakers and time.

Sunday's Sermons

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A.M	Follow Me	e
P.M	When It Is Difficult To Do God's Wil	l

Lessons From Steve

Imagine making a promise and then keeping it. Imagine the promise being to ask for something you really, really want knowing all along you will be giving it up. Imagine the promise is asking for a child knowing you will have to give that child over to someone else. Hannah made such a promise and kept it, as she gave birth to Samuel then gave him up to the service of the Lord. Hannah would go on to be blessed with five more children and Samuel would grow up to be a light amongst the darkness of Israel. But this all happened because Hannah made a promise and kept it (I Samuel 1:11-28; 2:11.)

Christians make a vow, so to speak, when we obey the gospel of Jesus Christ. We are stating that it is not my life anymore, but God's. He is now our Lord and King, and we pay homage to Him. Paul stated, "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me" (Galatians 2:20.)

TABS

Our final TeenAge Bible Study for this series is this Sunday, April 24th, at Rockliff. We will leave from our building at 5:30 PM.

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

The next class is Monday, April 25th, in Room 1 beginning at 9:00 AM. Our study begins with Acts 24:10.

PROM ALTERNATIVE TRIP

The 2005 PAT is headed to Atlanta from April 28th to May 1st. The cut off date for signing up is Wednesday, April 13th and a \$25.00 deposit is needed.

YOUTH RALLY

Smyrna Church of Christ will host a Youth Rally on Saturday, May 7th. The theme is "The Joy of Salvation." David Shannon will be the keynote speaker. We will leave from our building at 8:30 AM. Please mark this on your calendar and let's take a good group to support this event.

RELAY FOR LIFE

If you have any questions about being on the team, please see Marsha Collins or Steve Hillis. Relay is June 3^{rd} and 4^{th} . To confirm your place on the team we must receive your \$10.00 donation by Sunday, May 8^{th} .

General Business Meeting

There will be a General Business Meeting for all the men of the congregation this coming Sunday evening, April 24, following the evening services.

"If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God..." (1 Peter 4:11).



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Ronnie Prince

Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2115) Steve Boyd Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** John Biddle First Prayer Reading **Marty Boles** Mark 1:22-23 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Ricky Prince *Rickey Burks (N) Joe T. Cantrell Clent Kesey (N) (N) Harold McGinness (S) Jeremy Burks Jeff Flatt (S) (S) **Kevin Flatt** Sermon **Tony Lawrence Dismiss David Chilton**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Scripture
Lord's Table
Sermon

(668-2115) Steve Boyd
Stanley Graves
Don Sullivan
Micah Lawrence
Luke 11:1-4
*Jim Slatton
*Dennis Gann
Tony Lawrence

Wednesday Bible Study

Dismiss

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-1242) Rickey Hurst
Paul Hurst
Noel Pepper
Noel Pepper
Tony Lawrence
Hoyt Crouch

Welcome Committee

A.M. Allen Hughes Family P.M. Harley & Barbara Northcutt

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

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Attend Nursery: Patsy Reynolds

Lock Building: Mike Driver

Prepare Communion:

Gaye & Kelly Hillis

Assist with Baptisms:

Avie Clemons & Marsha Collins

Pantry Item: Spaghetti O's

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	322
Bible Study	256
P.M. Worship	202
Wednesday Bible Study	238
A.M. Worship	\$4,639

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Greg Grizzell
Gina Cantrell-Mullican
Dora Mullican
Marvin Anderson (Johnny's father)-receiving
treatments
Charles Brown (father-in-law to Sandy
Brown)-following surgery

In The Hospital:

Freda Womack-NHC (not doing very well)

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Louise Driver, mother of our Mike Driver. Her funeral was Saturday in Lebanon.

Notes From Steve

PROM ALTERNATIVE TRIP

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PEW PACKER'S CLASS

The next class will be Sunday, May 1st beginning at 5:00 PM. Our topic will be "Rainbows and Promises."

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RELAY FOR LIFE

Relay will take place on June 3^{rd} and 4^{th} . All those on the team are asked to bring their forms and \$10.00 this Wednesday night, April 27^{th} .

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....The Authoritative Christ P.M.....Lord Teach Us To Pray

Baptism & Restoration

We rejoice that Billy Pinegar was baptized on Sunday morning. Also, Ashley Pinegar came forward requesting the prayers of the congregation.

Graduates Pictures Needed

Those graduating from either High School or College are asked to bring a picture to the church office.

Opportunities For Edification

Gospel Singing at the *West Riverside church of Christ*, April 29, 7-9 PM.

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Gospel Meeting at the *Trousdale church of Christ*, May 1-4, services at 7 PM with Larry Acuff preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Old Philadelphia church of Christ*, May 1-6, services at 7 PM with different speakers each night.

Friends & Family Day at the *Smartt church of Christ*, May 8, the program is on the bulletin board.

Contending For The Faith Lectureship at the *Old Philadelphia Meeting House*, May 20-21, see the program on the bulletin board for topics, speakers and time.

VBS Planning Meeting

Our VBS this year will be July 18-20, and the theme will be "The Kings." A planning meeting will be Sunday evening, May 8.

May 2005						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
JEFF & REGINA TEMPLETON EUGENE & DORIS WILCHER Ada Hensley	Betty Upton 2	3	4 Zachary Cantrell	5	6	7 Teresa Atnip
Tyler Boyd	9	Ryan McColloch Regina Templeton James Thomison	Joe Roller	12 LEONARD & JUNE CROUCH Thomas E. Cantrell Kevin Flatt Ken Lee	Billy Gilbert 13	14
GILBERT & WILLENE KELL MICAH & AMY LAWRENCE Pauline Watson	16 Wallace Stevens	17 Melba Bonner Maggie Hurst	Mary Davis 18	19	20	21 Mattie Medley
22 Matthew Martin	Chris Neale 23	24 LAWRENCE & BETTY LANE	Pearl Biddle Eugene Jones Bertha Stewart	Terann Hillis	Rachel Flatt 27	28
29	30 Sarah Beth Hurst Harold McGinness	31	MARC & MELINDA MARTIN Haley McColloch	KURT & STEPHANIE MAYNARD GEORGE & JOY TRAIL Jaylen Boles	Glenda Hughes C.J. Rogers	OSBURN & RUBY HUNTLEY DICKIE & LENNIE RUTH KESEY CHUCK & MATTIE MEDLEY

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2115) Steve Boyd Announcements **Lead Singing Leonard Clemons** Winfrey Hennessee First Prayer Reading W.C. Chilton Mark 1:22-23 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Johnny Anderson *Kelly Thaxton (N) **Kevin Judkins** Tom McColloch (N) (N) Eugene Wilcher Ben Biles (S) (S) Rodney Maynard (S) Barry Hendrixson **Tony Lawrence** Sermon **Dismiss** Caleb Graves

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2115) Steve Boyd **Leonard Clemons Lead Singing** First Prayer Willie Newby Reading Doug Hendrixson Luke 11:1-4 Scripture Lord's Table *Chuck Boles *Eddie Palmer Sermon Tony Lawrence **Dismiss Brett Merritt**

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-1242) Rickey Hurst
Tim Fisher
Joe Collins
Dustin Rhea
Danny Duncan
Bob Cantrell

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P.M. Joe T. & Mary Lois Cantrell

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Gaye & Kelly Hillis

Assist with Baptisms:

Avie Clemons & Marsha Collins

Pantry Item: Pancake Mix

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	304
Bible Study	205
P.M. Worship	210
Wednesday Bible Study	2316
Contribution	\$4,471
	A.M. Worship

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Brown (father-in-law to Sandy Brown
Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)-following
three mini-strokes

In The Hospital:

none known

Terann Hillis

Opportunities For Edification

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Friends & Family Day at the *Smartt church of Christ*, May 8, the program is on the bulletin board.

Contending For The Faith Lectureship at the *Old Philadelphia Meeting House*, May 20-21, see the program on the bulletin board for topics, speakers and time.

Graduates Pictures Needed

Those graduating from either High School or College are asked to bring a picture to the church office. *Please do this soon!*

Restoration

We rejoice that Sarah Beth Hurst came forward last Wednesday evening requesting the prayers of the church.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M	The Authoritative Christ
P.M	Lord Teach Us To Pray

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300)

Nettie Clemons

Rozelle Goodman (#207)

Pearl Mitchell (#204)

Rosie Rogers

Carol Sue Taylor (#212)

Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)

Freda Womack (#110)

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166)

Bertha Stewart

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Fannie B's Boarding Home

Clercie Delon Ada Hensley

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St.

Ashland City, TN 37015)

Edith Collins

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr;

Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81

Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell

Mildred Gambrell

Thelma Glenn

Greg Grizzell

Willene Kell

Maggie Hurst

Eunice Simpson

Janie York

Shirley Parker

Notes From Steve

4TH ANNUAL YOUTH RALLY

Smyrna Church of Christ will host a Youth Rally this Saturday, May 7th. The theme is "The Joy of Salvation." David Shannon will be the keynote speaker. We will leave from our building at 8:30 AM. Please mark this on your calendar and let's take a good group to support this event.

S.W.T. & I.B.S.

The final session for this series is Sunday, May 8th following the evening worship services. Remember we will go to eat "as a group, <u>on the</u> bus" after we are finished.

SENIOR SAINT'S CLASS

The next class will meet on Monday, May 9th beginning at 9:00 AM. Following the class we will load the bus to go eat lunch. Please, if you have not taken advantage of the lessons and fellowship, make plans to join us.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Relay will take place on June 3rd and 4th. All those on the team are asked to bring their forms and \$10.00 this Wednesday night, April 27th.

VBS Planning Meeting

Our VBS this year will be July 18-20, and the theme will be "The Kings." A planning meeting will be this Sunday evening, May 8.

Observations from Attending A Liberal Church

This past Sunday morning, instead of standing in the pulpit I was sitting in the pew. We had gone to Columbus, MS due to my mother having three successive mini-strokes on Saturday morning. She had made considerable improvement by Sunday morning so we attended a congregation not far from the hospital. Here is what I

observed:

- 1. When we arrived there were black balloons on the doors of the building. I thought that rather odd. When we went inside there were black balloons taped to the pulpit. As we later learned, it was the preacher's 40th birthday. There was even a large picture put up on the screen of a dog in front of a fan with a notation of the preacher's age. After the announcements one of the members presented him with a walking cane with an assortment of horns on it. He had to honk them several times. I was grieved that the reason why I had attended services was the reverence and honor our Lord Jesus Christ and instead the focus was on the preacher. "For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake." 2 Corinthians 4:5. NKJV.
- 2. Things only digressed when the preacher actually got up to preach. For the first 8-10 minutes of his lesson he walked around the pulpit with an extremely large kite in the shape of a Diet Coke can. His purpose evidently was to suggest that the kite could not fly without wind and the church cannot operate without the Holy Spirit as the wind beneath our wings (kite). He then went on to tell that he was preaching a series of lesson on misconceptions of the church. I cannot tell you how much error he packed into that short lesson, but I can tell you that his second point was that we cannot restore the New Testament church. He said it was a misconception that if we "do what they did, we will become what they were." His message was clear: there is no need to "seek the old paths." (Jer. 6:16)

The only thing I could think of was what Paul said about those being disorderly with the spiritual gifts. "Therefore if the whole church comes together in one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in those who are uninformed or unbelievers, will they not say that you are out of your mind?" I Corinthians 14:23, NKJV. I truly believe these brethren are out of their minds. *T.L.*

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Jim Slatton

Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2115) Steve Boyd Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** First Prayer Paul Hurst Reading **Shannon Griffin** Mark 2:9-11 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Tim Fisher *Steve Hillis (N) Marc Martin (N) Joe Maynard (N) **Bran Merritt** Asa Kell (S) **Danny Duncan** (S) (S) **Ethan Duncan** Sermon **Tony Lawrence Dismiss** Mark Lawrence

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
Stanley Graves
First Prayer
Reading
Scripture
Lord's Table
Sermon

(668-2115) Steve Boyd
Stanley Graves
Ronnie Rogers
Kurt Maynard
1 Corinthians 12:12-14
*David Chilton
*Bob Bonner
Tony Lawrence

Wednesday Bible Study

Dismiss

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-1242) Rickey Hurst
Jeremy Burks
Mike Driver
Abram Pryor
Tony Lawrence
Tommy Crouch

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Attend Nursery: Donna Anderson

Lock Building: Mike Driver

Prepare Communion:

Gaye & Kelly Hillis

Assist with Baptisms:

Avie Clemons & Marsha Collins

Pantry Item: Pancake Syrup

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	359
A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	229
P.M. Worship	233
Wednesday Bible Study	224
Contribution	\$6,899

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Brown (father-in-law to Sandy Brown
Maggie Hurst
Grady Hurst
Rickey Martin (Brittany Martin's uncle)following bypass surgery
Joletta Reynolds (Rodney's sister-in-law)to being receiving treatments soon in
Washington DC

In The Hospital:

none known

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... He Who Forgives Sins P.M.... Thing NOT Needed In The Church

Baptism

This past Sunday evening, Emily Crawford was baptized into Christ. We rejoice with her as she begins her life as a Christian.

Opportunities For Edification

Gospel Meeting at the *Oak Grove church of Christ*, May 15-19, services at 7:00 pm with Burnes Lyons preaching.

Truth In Love Lectureship at *East Hill church of Christ* in Pulaski, May 11-14, programs are on the table in foyer.

Contending For The Faith Lectureship at the *Old Philadelphia Meeting House*, May 20-21, see the program on the bulletin board for topics, speakers and time.

Notes From Steve

Mark Twain once said, "Courage is not the lack of fear. It is acting in spite of it." A truer statement could not be said and can be applied to many situations in life, including those who contemplate giving their life to God. For a person to be wrought with fear, yet refuses to let those fears hinder them from performing the important tasks of life can be counted as very courageous.

As Joshua was preparing to lead the Israelites into Canaan to take possession of the promised land, he must have had mixed feelings about what was going to happen. However, the Lord reminded Joshua to be strong, courageous, and unafraid. God looked to the past when He said, "Be strong and of good courage, for to this people you shall divide as an inheritance the land which I swore to their fathers to give them" Joshua 1:6. The Lord is literally fulfilling a promise made many years ago, so this should serve as occasion to be strong and courageous.

In Joshua 1:7, God reminded Joshua of the present. "Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go." The Israelites now had a law and God is giving them a land, so all they are asked to do is stay on their present path, not veering from it. What strength they should have drawn from the very fact that God was immediately in their midst.

Finally, God states He is before them and will continue to be in the Israelites future if they remained focus on Him. "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go" Joshua 1:9.

We will never be able to rid ourselves of fear, because it is a very natural characteristic. We can, however, teach ourselves to act in spite of whatever anxieties or displeasures may keep us from being true to the God of heaven.

PARENT'S MEETING

All parents/guardians of the B.B.Y.G. are encouraged to attend the quarterly planning meeting for your children. The meeting will be this Sunday, May 15th, following our evening worship. We will discuss events and activities for May through August.

All parents/guardians of the Pew Packer's are asked to attend a meeting to discuss summer plans for your kids. The meeting will be Sunday, May 22nd, following our evening services.

GRADUATION

Remember and support our youth at their upcoming graduations. Mary Beth Atnip, Tara Felty, and Blake Sadlon will be graduating from Warren County High School on Friday, May 13th. Bran Van Merritt will be graduating from Boyd Christian High School on Tuesday, May 17th. Congratulations to all these fine young people.

Congratulations Graduates High School







Tara Felty WCHS



Bran Merritt Boyd Christian



Blake Sadlon WCHS

College

Donna Anderson - Associates Degree in University Parallel/Elem. Ed. Motlow State Community College Kayla Black - Associates Degree at Motlow State Community College

Micah Lawrence - Associates Degree in Business Administration at Motlow State Community College Chad Graves - Masters of Business Administration at Tennessee Tech University

Caleb Graves - Masters of Business Administration at Tennessee Tech University

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2184) Don Sullivan Announcements **Lead Singing Leonard Clemons** First Prayer Jewel White Reading Don Griffith Mark 3:13-18 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Ken Martin *Calvin Rogers (N) **Cody Prince** Steve Wilcher (N) Derek Vinson (N) Jeremy Burks (S) Kane Maynard (S) (S) Dickie Kesey **Tony Lawrence** Sermon Rodney Reynolds **Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2184) Don Sullivan **Lead Singing** Joe Collins First Prayer Chip Cantrell Reading Chris Neale 1 Corinthians 14:23-25 Scripture Lord's Table *Ronnie Prince *Allen Hughes Tony Lawrence Sermon **Dismiss** Daniel Boyd

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-1242) Rickey Hurst
John Biddle
Billy Gilbert
Billy Gilbert
Brett Merritt
Jeff Flatt

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Prepare Communion:

Gaye & Kelly Hillis

Assist with Baptisms:

Avie Clemons & Marsha Collins

Pantry Item: Salad Dressing

Record For The Week...

ı	A.M. Worship	361
ı	Bible Study	233
ı	P.M. Worship	231
ı	A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	231
ı	Contribution	34,574

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Grady Hurst
Rickey Martin (Brittany Martin's uncle)following bypass surgery
Joletta Reynolds (Rodney's sister-in-law)receiving treatments in Washington DC

In The Hospital:

Rosie Rogers (Calvin's mother)-Riverpark following a fall. Has a broken pelvis Steve Smith (Doris' son)-St. Thomas Ada Mayfield-Vanderbilt

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... He Chose Twelve P.M..... What Visitors Expect

Restorations & Baptisms

This past Sunday morning Ronnie Rogers and Sunday evening Dale Bennett came forward requesting prayers. Please pray for these two good brethren. Following the services Sunday evening we rejoiced to see Cory Prince was baptized.

At the Hispanic congregation they were blessed with two baptisms Sunday morning. Roberto Meza and Odila Rocha were batpzied into Christ.

Bridal Shower

There will be a miscellaneous Bridal Shower given in honor of *Chad Graves and Emily Crawford* on Sunday, May 29, from 1-3 pm at the home of Stanley & Sherry Graves, 206 Chamber St.

New Address

Sister Betty Upton has moved to Shelbyville. Here new address is:

Betty Upton 2589 Midland Road Shelbyville, TN 37160

Just Married

Congratulations to Josh King and Sarah Beth Hurst who were married on Monday, May 9. There new address is:

Josh & Sarah Beth King 2088 Chestnut Grove Road Morrison, TN 37357

Opportunities For Edification

Gospel Meeting at the *Oak Grove church of Christ*, May 15-19, services at 7:00 pm with Burnes Lyons preaching.

Contending For The Faith Lectureship at the *Old Philadelphia Meeting House*, May 20-21, see the program on the bulletin board for topics, speakers and time.

Gospel Meeting at the *Centertown church of Christ*, May 20-22, services at 7:00 pm with Chris Perry preaching.

VBS at the *Centertown church of Christ*, May 22-26, services at 7:00 pm with classes for all ages and different speakers for the adult classes.

VBS at the *Ivy Bluff church of Christ*, May 29-June 2, services at 7:00 pm with classes for all ages and different speakers for the adult classes.

Gospel Meeting at the *Altamont church of Christ*, June 5-8, services at 7:00 pm with different speakers preaching.

Notes From Steve

"Then the Lord said to Samuel: 'Behold, I will do something in Israel at which both ears of everyone who hears it will tingle" I Samuel 3:11. Chapter four reveals what this "tingling" was as Israel is defeated by the Philistines, 34,000 Israelite soldiers are killed, the remaining army is running for their lives, Eli's sons are killed, Eli died, and the worst catastrophe of all, the ark of the covenant is captured. Why did God allow such a calamity to happen? Previous chapters reveal why. Eli allowed corruptness to exist. He did not refrain his sons from their wickedness, which caused the people in general to rebel. Evil practices produced evil practices, which produce evil practices, etc.

People in positions of leadership can sometimes abuse authority. Clearly this was happening in Israel under Eli's watch and was allowed to run rampant. If only Eli could have reversed time and made better decisions as a leader of God's people and as a parent, surely things would have turned out different. However, no one can turn back the clocks. Decisions we make now will affect our future.

Moses, Samson, and Solomon are just a few of the biblical examples who would surely have changed certain decisions they made if it would have been possible. Obviously they could not and paid the consequences. Maybe you know someone who fits this category or maybe even yourself. The decisions we make now will affect our future. Therefore, thanks be to God for Jesus of Nazareth.

ALL of us have made decisions that we have regretted and are possibly in some way or another are still reaping the consequences. However, a wonderful event happened approximately 2000 years ago. Glory left heaven and took up

residence here on earth. This Glory eventually provided a way in which we could deal with future consequences and still be free. The birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth is His gospel and obeying it sets us free from sin.

We cannot change the outcome of ill-advised decisions, but we can move forward and not repeat our mistakes. "Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" Philippians 3:13-14.

PARENT'S MEETING

All parents/guardians of the Pew Packer's are asked to attend a meeting to discuss summer plans for your kids. The meeting will be Sunday, May 22^{nd} , following our evening services.

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

The next class will be Monday, May 23rd beginning at 9:00 AM.

RELAY FOR LIFE FUND RAISER

Everyone is invited to Hickory Creek Elementary on Friday, May 27th from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM to support a fundraiser for our Relay team. The fundraiser is a variety show including music and comedy. Also, food will be available. Tickets are \$5.00 per person.

"He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?"

Micah 6:8, NKJV.

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2115) Steve Boyd Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves Eddie Palmer** First Prayer Reading Jared Mullican Scripture 1 Corinthians 14:23-25 Lord's Table (N) *Bruce Prvor *Larry Flatt (N) **David Roberts** David McColloch (N) (N) Ryan McColloch (S) Harley Northcutt (S) Matt Martin John Nussbaum Sermon **Tony Lawrence Dismiss Zollie Settles**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-3115) Ben Biles **Lead Singing** Daniel Boyd First Prayer Abram Prvor Reading Ryan McColloch, Dustin Rhea, & Kane Maynard **TBA** Scripture Lord's Table *Bran Merritt *Brett Merritt Jeremy Burks & Leonard Clemons Sermon **Dismiss** Tyler Boyd

Wednesday Bible Study

(668-9581) Willie Newby Announcements **Lead Singing Bran Merritt Rickey Burks** First Prayer Reading Ronnie Rogers Invitation **Tony Lawrence Dismiss** Doug Hendrixson

Welcome Committee

Doris Smith & Lucille Newby

P.M. Youth Group

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

Ushers: Johnny Anderson & Steve Hillis

Attend Nursery: Nelma Chilton

Lock Building: Mike Driver

Prepare Communion:

Gaye & Kelly Hillis

Assist with Baptisms:

Avie Clemons & Marsha Collins

Pantry Item: Breakfast Cereal

Record For The Week...

١	A.M. Worship285	
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Willus Roberts
Greg Grizzell
Gina Cantrell-Mullican
Marvin Anderson (Johnny's father)
Grady Hurst
Rickey Martin (Brittany Martin's uncle)following bypass surgery
Joletta Reynolds (Rodney's sister-in-law)receiving treatments in Washington DC

In The Hospital:

Rosie Rogers (Calvin's mother)-NHC Steve Smith (Doris' son)-Riverpark Rehab Ada Hensley-Parthenon Pavilion Ed Crouch (brother of Ralph Crouch)-Centennial Ada Mayfield-Vanderbilt

Sunday's Sermons

A.M...... What Visitors Expect P.M...... YOUNG MEN IN CHARGE

Baptism

We rejoiced this past Wednesday evening when Angel Campbell was baptized into Christ.

Bridal Shower

There will be a miscellaneous Bridal Shower given in honor of *Chad Graves and Emily Crawford* on Sunday, May 29, from 1-3 pm at the home of Stanley & Sherry Graves, 206 Chamber St.

The Bible will keep you from sin, and sin will keep you from the Bible.

Address & Correction

Please make the following addition to your church directory:

Angel Campbell 7421 Manchester Hwy Morrison, TN 37357-7520

Please **CORRECT** the following address:

Josh & Sarah Beth King 2380 Chestnut Grove Road Morrison, TN 37357-6303

Opportunities For Edification

VBS at the *Ivy Bluff church of Christ*, May 29-June 2, services at 7:00 pm with classes for all ages and different speakers for the adult classes.

Gospel Meeting at the *Highland church of Christ*, May 29-31, services at 7:00 pm with Ted Jones preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Harmony church of Christ*, June 5-7, services at 7:00 pm with different speakers preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Altamont church of Christ*, June 5-8, services at 7:00 pm with different speakers preaching.

Lectureship at the *White Oak church of Christ in Chattanooga*, June 4. Lectures from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm (eastern time).

Notes From Steve home devotional

Steve & Sharla Hillis will host the next Home Devo this Sunday, May 29th, following the evening worship until 9:00 PM.

June 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30 Sarah Beth Hurst Harold McGinness	31	MARC & MELINDA MARTIN Haley McColloch	KURT & STEPHANIE MAYNARD GEORGE & JOY TRAIL Jaylen Boles	3 Glenda Hughes C.J. Rogers	OSBURN & RUBY HUNTLEY DICKIE & LENNIE RUTH KESEY CHUCK & MATTIE MEDLEY
LARRY & ELAINE GOODMAN DON & SUSIE GRIFFITH Shirley Adcock June Crouch Huston Thaxton	6	7 Trista Wooten	BILL & GEORGIA BROWN Martha Pryor	Gonner Nunley	Jarah Anderson Mildred Gambrell	DANNY & CYNTHIA DUNCAN
12 Roberta Parmley	13 Kayla Maynard	JARED & REBECCA MULLICAN	15	MINFREY & DOROTHY HENNESSEE	17	18 RICKY & RITA PRINCE
HARRY & ANNA HENDRIXSON Asa Kell Joyce White	STANLEY & 20 SHERRY GRAVES	WILLIE & DONNA NEWBY NOEL & MARTHA PEPPER W.C. Chilton	22 Georgia Brown Nonie Grizzell	EUGENE & 23 GEORGIA JONES	24 Cynthia Duncan June Slatton	DENNIS & TERESA GANN DAVID & JOANN ROBERTS Ruby Huntley Jessica Templeton
Noel Pepper 26	Jane Flatt	Jacob Hendrixson Georgia Jones	FRANK & GEORGIA BROOKS John Nussbaum	30	JAMES & NELLIE THOMISON JASON & SONIA VANDAGRIFF	DAVID & STEFANIE MCCOLLOCH WALLACE & GLYNDA STEVENS DON & JUDY SULLIVAN

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2918) Jeff Flatt Announcements **Lead Singing** Joe Collins **Bob Bonner** First Prayer Reading **Noel Pepper** Mark 4:3-9 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Dale Bennett *Ronnie Rogers (N) **David King** (N) **Dustin Rhea** Joe Roller (N) **Abram Pryor** (S) George Trail (S) (S) **Bob Cantrell Tony Lawrence** Sermon **Tommy Crouch Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
Joe Collins
First Prayer
Danny Duncan
Reading
Lynn Gann
Scripture
Mark 6:53-54
Lord's Table

*Lead Singing
Joe Collins
Danny Duncan
Lynn Gann
*Chip Cantrell

*Johnny Anderson

Sermon Tony Lawrence Dismiss Kurt Maynard

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-9581) Willie Newby
Bran Merritt
Don Griffith
Jim Slatton
Rickey Hurst
Larry Flatt

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David & Stefanie McColloch

Assist with Baptisms:

Cynthia Duncan & Corretta Lawrence

Pantry Item: Baby Cereal

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	317
A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	231
P.M. Worship	188
Wednesday Bible Study	218
Contribution	\$3,814

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Steve Smith (Doris' son)
Ada Mayfield
Nellie Thomison

In The Hospital:

Rosie Rogers (Calvin's mother)-NHC Ada Hensley-Parthenon Pavilion Will Wood (Johnny Anderson's cousin)following burn accident

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... The Power Of Seed P.M.... Distinctive Marks Of The Church #1

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the family of Ed Crouch, brother of our Ralph Crouch. His funeral was Saturday in Woodbury.

Restorations

Heath Griffith asked for prayers for restoration last Wednesday and on Sunday morning Sheryl Hitchcock requested prayers. We rejoice with these two Christians in their desire to please God.

Elders-Deacons Meeting

This Sunday evening at $5:00\,\mathrm{pm}$ will be the regularly scheduled Elders-Deacons Meeting.

Wedding Shower

There will be a miscellaneous Wedding Shower given in honor of *Josh & Sarah Beth King* on Sunday, June 5, from 1-3 pm at the home of Tony & Corretta Lawrence, 16 N. Steeplechase Dr.

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300) Nettie Clemons

Rozelle Goodman (#207) Pearl Mitchell (#204)

Rosie Rogers

Carol Sue Taylor (#212)

Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)

Freda Womack (#110)

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave, Smithville 37166)

Bertha Stewart

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Fannie B's Boarding Home

Clercie Delon Ada Hensley

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St,

Ashland City, TN 37015)

Edith Collins

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr;

Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81

Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell

Mildred Gambrell

Thelma Glenn

Greg Grizzell

Willene Kell

Eunice Simpson

Janie York

Shirley Parker

Opportunities For Edification

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Gospel Meeting at the *Harmony church of Christ*, June 5-7, services at 7:00 pm with different speakers preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Mt. View church of Christ*, June 5-8, services at 7:00 pm with Jim Waldron preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Blues Hill church of Christ*, June 5-8, services at 7:00 pm with Glenn Ramsey preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Altamont church of Christ*, June 5-8, services at 7:00 pm with different speakers preaching.

Lectureship at the *White Oak church of Christ in Chattanooga*, June 4. Lectures from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm (eastern time).

VBS at the *East End church of Christ*, June 18, 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM for ages Kindergarten to 6th grade. Theme: Creation & The Dinosaurs.

VBS at the *Central church of Christ*, June 19-23, services at 7:00 pm with classes for all ages and different speakers for the adult classes.

Notes From Steve

RELAY FOR LIFE

The event takes place this Friday beginning at 6:00 PM and lasts until 6:00 AM.

PEW PACKER'S CLASS

The next class is this Sunday, June 5th, at 5:00 PM in the fellowship room. ALL Bybee kids around the 6th grade and down are invited and encouraged to attend. The book of Genesis is our study text this year and our next class is entitled "What? Qué? Was? Ce Qui? Che Cosa?"

1ST SUNDAY EATS

Our seniors will choose where the B.B.Y.G will be dining this Sunday night, June 5th, following our evening worship services.

MISSION WORK

"... 'Go home to your friends and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you.' And he departed and began to proclaim in Decapolis all that Jesus had done for him; and all marveled. " (Mark 5:19-20)

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20)

<u>Go - Tell - Make - Baptize - Teach.</u> Christians, we have information that others desperately need to know about - the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus the Christ. Mission work is a vital part of a Christian's life whether in a foreign country or our next-door neighbor.

Two of our young men have <u>not</u> taken the commission of Jesus lightly and are currently on mission trips. Shane Fisher started in Indiana and is currently in West Virginia working his way toward Pennsylvania. Eric Fisher will be working in New Zealand. Please keep these two faithful young men in your prayers that the work they are doing for the Lord will be fruitful.

Additionally, pray for our Bybee youth. They will have three "Mission Weekends" (one in June, July, and August) this summer. The work will consist of visiting various nursing homes, boarding homes, and other places as needed. Also, the youth will be involved in service projects for members of our congregation. If you need or know of someone who needs assistance with any small projects please let me know. Finally, the youth will be working with smaller congregations in the county knocking doors or making phone calls to encourage that particular community to attend a Sunday night service of which our young men will be conducting the worship. If you can volunteer your time to help coordinate service projects and/or knock doors, again, please let me know. Our first Mission Weekend is June 10th to 12th.

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2918) Jeff Flatt Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves Chuck Boles** First Prayer Reading Jason Vandagriff Scripture Mark 4:35-41 Lord's Table (N) *Dennis Gann *Billy Gilbert (N) **Jeff Templeton** (N) Rodney Maynard Micah Lawrence (N) **Billy Pinegar** (S) **Hoyt Crouch** (S) (S) Clent Kesey **Tony Lawrence** Sermon **Dismiss** Mike Driver

Sunday Evening Worship

(668-2918) Jeff Flatt Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** First Prayer W.C. Chilton Joe Roller Reading Mark 6:53-54 Scripture Lord's Table *Tim Fisher *Shane Fisher Sermon Tony Lawrence **Dismiss** Don Sullivan

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-9581) Willie Newby
Paul Hurst
Paul Hurst
Rodney Reynolds
Tony Lawrence
Doug Hendrixson

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Cynthia Duncan & Corretta Lawrence

Pantry Item: Butter Beans

Record For The Week...

ı	A.M. Worship	350
ı	Bible Study	253
ı	P.M. Worship	213
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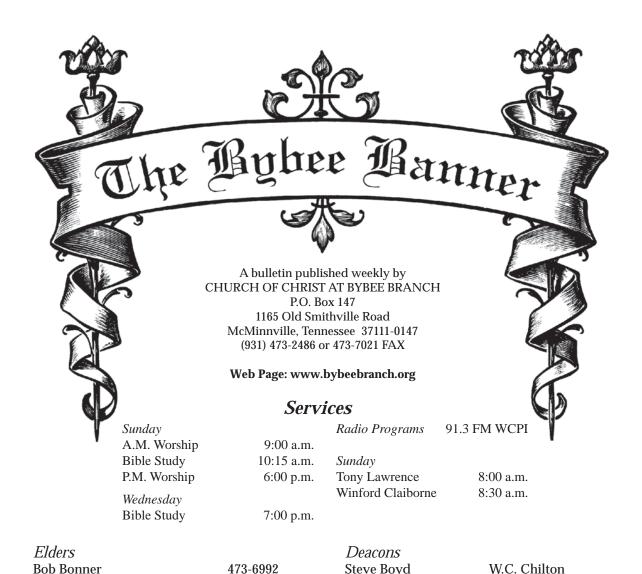
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Ada Mayfield
Martha Maxwell
Alan Canterbury (following surgery)
Loy Watson

In The Hospital:

Rosie Rogers (Calvin's mother)-NHC Becky Pedigo (Calvin Rogers sister)-NHC Ada Hensley-Parthenon Pavilion

Sunday's Sermons

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the family of Harlan Tenpenny, brother to our Wilma Chisam. His funeral was this past Thursday.

Restorations

Two sisters came forward Sunday evening requesting the prayers of the congregation, Jane Wilcher and Diana Wakefield. Please remember these two in your prayers.

VBS Planning Meeting

There will be a *short* planning meeting following the evening services this coming Sunday evening.

"Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12, NKJV.

Opportunities For Edification

Gospel Meeting at the *Mt. View church of Christ*, June 5-8, services at 7:00 pm with Jim Waldron preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Blues Hill church of Christ*, June 5-8, services at 7:00 pm with Glenn Ramsey preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Altamont church of Christ*, June 5-8, services at 7:00 pm with different speakers preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Plainview church of Christ*, June 12-16, services at 7:00 pm with Larry Acuff preaching.

VBS at the *Hebron church of Christ*, June 5-8, 7 pm with classes for all ages.

VBS at the *East End church of Christ*, June 18, 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM for ages Kindergarten to 6th grade. Theme: Creation & The Dinosaurs.

VBS at the *Central church of Christ*, June 19-23, services at 7:00 pm with classes for all ages and different speakers for the adult classes.

Notes From Steve

MISSION WEEKEND #1

Friday, June 10th – Visitation – 9AM to 12 PM Saturday, June 11th – Service Projects – 9AM to ?? Sunday, June 12th – Door Knocking – Times & Places T.B.D.

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

Monday, June 13th - 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM - Room 1

JUNIOR/SENIOR BANQUET - Thursday, June 16th

LAKE WINNIE - Friday, June 17th

MID-SOUTH YOUTH CAMP

June 26th to July 1st - www.fhu.edu/msyc

Superficial Faith

Last Sunday, as most of you probably know, I was in Marietta, Georgia doing a seminar on "Worship" at the Piedmont Road congregation. That morning, before we left the hotel and headed to the building, I went to the hotel lobby to eat breakfast. I was stunned and heartbroken by what I saw when I stepped off the elevator - wall to wall children in baseball uniforms and all of their parents and chaperones preparing to play baseball.

"But it's Sunday," I thought. "It's the Lord's Day," I said to myself. "Oh my, how our culture has changed," I continued to think as I shook my head.

There was a time - not too long ago, in fact-when scheduling Little League ball games on Sunday morning was unthinkable. It never even crossed our minds. Sunday morning was when we honored the Lord's command to gather with the church to worship God, remember the death and resurrection of Christ, and encourage one another. Back then Sunday Little League games would have never worked because far too many people would have refused to put baseball over God.

But that was then and this is now in America. For the majority of Americans, it is clear that Sunday morning has no real spiritual significance. At least it is not so significant that going to church on that day is the number one priority.

As I sat there and ate my cinnamon roll, I pondered the spiritual condition of our culture. The obvious disregard for the Lord's Day by so many people made me think about my preacher friends in western Europe who tell me about the challenges they face. I thought about how they often tell me that the vast majority of western Europeans have no interest at all in spiritual matters, and then I thought about how much like western Europe we have become.

And then it hit me-no, we are not really like western Europeans, but I think we may be worse off spiritually as a culture than they are. Here is what I mean. While most Europeans may have no interest in spiritual matters, most Americans only have a superficial interest in them. In other words, while most Europeans are "ice cold" about Jesus, most Americans are "lukewarm" about Him. And when it comes to having a relationship with God "ice cold" may actually be a little better off than "lukewarm."

Do you recall those bone-chilling words in Revelation 3:15-16 which Jesus directs to the church at Laodicea? "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth."

Do not be deceived. God is not interested in superficial faith. He will not save those who put other things before Him. Jesus wasn't just blowing smoke when He said in Matthew 10:37: "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me." May I add that the principle found in this verse includes not just father, mother, son and daughter, but also Little League baseball and anything else.

~Dan Chambers, Maryville, TN~

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2115) Steve Boyd Announcements **Lead Singing Leonard Clemons** First Prayer Rickey Hurst Reading Paul Hurst Mark 5:19-20 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Danny Duncan *Rickey Burks (N) **Ethan Duncan** (N) **Kurt Maynard** Kane Maynard (N) Jeremy Burks (S) David McColloch (S) (S) Ryan McColloch Sermon **Tony Lawrence** Ricky Prince **Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2115) Steve Boyd **Leonard Clemons Lead Singing** First Prayer John Biddle Mark Lawrence Reading Mark 6:53-54 Scripture Lord's Table *Eddie Palmer *Joe T. Cantrell Sermon Tony Lawrence **Dismiss David Chilton**

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-9581) Willie Newby
Lead Singing Tyler Boyd
First Prayer Noel Pepper
Reading David King
Invitation Dale Bennett
Dismiss Caleb Graves

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Pantry Item: Salad Dressing

Record For The Week...

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Steve Smith (Doris' son)
Ada Mayfield
Martha Maxwell
Alan Canterbury (following surgery)
Macon Jennings (Sharon Driver's mother)

In The Hospital:

Loy Watson-Riverpark Gentry McGinness (Harold's father)-Riverpark Johnny Dodson (Marsha Collins' brother-inlaw)-Southern Hills Ada Hensley-moved to Raintree Manor

Sunday's Sermons

A.M....Exorcism
P.M....Distinctive Marks Of The Church #3

Annual Ice Cream Supper

The annual ice cream supper will be July 6, following the Wednesday evening services. All who can are asked to make a freezer of *homemade* ice cream. Others asked to bring desserts.

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Jack Hutchings, nephew of our Mildred Lowry. He passed away on Tuesday morning and arrangements were incomplete at this writing.

MSOP Graduates

Two of the students Bybee Branch has supported for the past two years will be graduating this Sunday, De'Angelo Brown and Jeff Johnson. We wish them well as they begin their service for the Lord.

Opportunities For Edification

Gospel Meeting at the *Plainview church of Christ*, June 12-16, services at 7:00 pm with Larry Acuff preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Rockliff church of Christ*, June 12-16, services at 7:00 pm with Robert Moss preaching.

VBS at the *Leoni church of Christ*, June 12-16, services at 7:00 pm with classes for all ages and different speakers for the adult classes.

VBS at the *East End church of Christ*, June 18, 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM for ages Kindergarten to 6th grade. Theme: Creation & The Dinosaurs.

Gospel Meeting at the *Spencer church of Christ*, June 19-23, services at 7:00 pm with Dan Jenkins preaching.

Gospel Meeting at the *Grange Hall church of Christ*, June 19-24, services at 7:00 pm with Dan Jones preaching.

VBS at the *Central church of Christ*, June 19-23, services at 7:00 pm with classes for all ages and different speakers for the adult classes.

VBS at the *Woodbury church of Christ*, June 20-24, services at 9-11 am with classes for all ages.

Don't forget that our own VBS will be in just a month, July 18-20!

VBS Planning Meeting

Our VBS planning meeting was scheduled for this past Sunday evening but was postponed until this coming Sunday evening. Those who are scheduled to participate and those who are willing to help are asked to be present for a *short* meeting.

Notes From Steve

An historic event happened this past weekend. The B.B.Y.G (Bybee Branch Youth Group for those of you keeping score) set out on its first ever "Mission Weekend." The youth visited with folks in several nursing and boarding homes on Friday. Then on Saturday they had a couple of service projects in the church building (because of the rain outside work was suspended.) A very messy closet was cleaned out at the church building (containing the old tables and chairs.) A person can actually get to the tables and chairs now! Sunday, however, was the culminating event that made me so proud of our youth. About twenty of them set out to knock doors in the Oakland community with our young men conducting the evening worship. I was amazed (although I should not be) at the energy, zeal and commitment these kids had for going to strangers houses and talking to them about the Lord's church. They visited approximately 130 homes on Sunday afternoon!

What the result will be we do not know. What we do know, however, is that people were invited to hear, talk about, and/or study the gospel of Jesus Christ. As Jesus taught in a certain parable, some will gladly accept the invitation while some will not (Matthew 22:1-14.) Regardless, on this particular afternoon, the youth accomplished a goal that Jesus set forth, which is to tell everyone about His good news (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16.) May nothing but blessings come from the work that was done.

I want to personally commend our elders for allowing the B.B.Y.G. to participate in this program. I know there is a gaping hole when so many of our youth are not in their usual pews, but the fruits of their labor will be evident someday, if not sooner. Additionally, thanks to the Oakland Church of Christ for allowing us to

work in their community and especially letting our young men conduct the evening worship service.

JUNIOR/SENIOR BANQUET

The Banquet is Thursday, June 16th at the Parthenon Restaurant in Murfreesboro. We will leave from the church building at 6:00 PM. Remember to bring casual clothes to change into for the activity afterward. If you will need transportation, please let Steve Hillis know.

LAKE WINNIE

The trip is this Friday, June 17th. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board for this annual event with full details. Again, specific details are on the sign-up sheet, so make sure you read everything carefully.

HOME DEVOTIONAL

Bruce and Susan Pryor will host this month's devo on Sunday, June 19^{th} following the evening worship. Boys are asked to bring a 2-liter drink and girls are to bring a chocolate dessert.

MID-SOUTH YOUTH CAMP

We will be attending camp from June 26th to July 1st. To register and to find out all the pertinent information go to www.fhu.edu/msyc.

Are You Listening?

During a sermon one Sunday, the preacher heard two teenage girls in the back giggling and disturbing people.

He interrupted his sermon and announced sternly, "There are two of you here who have not heard a word I've said." That quieted them down.

When the service was over, he went to greet people at the front door. Three different adults apologized for going to sleep in church, promising it would never happen again.

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2918) Jeff Flatt Announcements **Lead Singing** Joe Collins **Zollie Settles** First Prayer Reading Johnny Anderson Scripture Mark 6:6 Lord's Table (N) *Calvin Rogers *Brett Merritt (N) J.B. Gribble (N) Dickie Kesey (N) **Bran Merritt** Lee Gann (S) Jared Mullican (S) (S) Harry Felty Tony Lawrence Sermon **Kelly Thaxton Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2918) Jeff Flatt **Lead Singing** Joe Collins First Prayer Tim Fisher **Hoyt Crouch** Reading Matthew 25:34, 41 Scripture Lord's Table *Don Sullivan *Mike Driver Sermon Tony Lawrence **Dismiss** Chip Cantrell

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-9581) Willie Newby
Larry Flatt
Ben Biles
Tony Lawrence
Winfrey Hennessee

Welcome Committee

A.M. Don & Susie Griffith P.M. Winfrey Hennessee

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

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Attend Nursery: Regina Templeton

Lock Building: Willie Newby

Prepare Communion:

David & Stefanie McColloch

Assist with Baptisms:

Cynthia Duncan & Corretta Lawrence

Pantry Item: Peaches

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	342
A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	250
P.M. Worship	217
Wednesday Bible Study	236
Contribution	\$4,083

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Jo Leta Reynolds (Rodney's sister-in-law)
Steve Smith (Doris' son)
Ada Mayfield
Martha Maxwell
Alan Canterbury (following surgery)
Macon Jennings (Sharon Driver's mother)
Asa Kell

In The Hospital:

Loy Watson-NHC
Ada Hensley-NHC
Gentry McGinness (Harold's father)-Riverpark
Johnny Dodson (Marsha Collins' brother-inlaw)-St. Thomas
Rodney Reynolds-surgery Thursday at
Centennial
Jill Basham (Chuck Medley's sister)-surgery on
Wednesday at MTMC in Murfreesboro

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... He Marveled At Their Unbelief P.M..... The Difference Between a C and a D

Sunshine Basket

The Ladies Wednesday Night Bible Class is preparing a sunshine basket for Ada Mayfield. If you would like to participate, please bring your item by Sunday night. Any questions, please see Jane Flatt or Regina Templeton.

Annual Ice Cream Supper

The annual ice cream supper will be July 6, following the Wednesday evening services. All who can are asked to make a freezer of *homemade* ice cream. Others asked to bring desserts.

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Notes From Steve

Webster's New World Dictionary defines the word unconditional as "without conditions or reservations." A "no strings attached" idea, if you will. When one uses the term unconditional, it usually means that there are no limitations or consequences to what one thinks, states, or practices. So when applied to religion and Christianity in general, an unconditional agenda is one that allows groups to set their own thought. For instance there exists the theory that if God is love, then He accepts anything and everything unconditionally. However, is this true? Well, not to be nonchalant with the Bible, but in actuality, not a lot of study is needed to determine this is a false notion.

Consider a short, yet concise statement Jesus made. He said, "If you love me, keep My commandments" (John 14:15.) This is not an unconditional request, but rather an if/then comment. If you love me, Jesus states, then you will conduct your life as

I desire. A certain unmistakable condition has been attached to loving Jesus.

Study yet another passage, this time from the Old Testament. "Therefore you shall love the Lord your God, and keep His charge, His statues, His judgments, and His commandments always" (Deuteronomy 11:1.) Careful study will reveal there is no "out" in this text. The Israelites were commanded (as are Christians) to obey all God has asked us to obey.

We have no problem understanding that if we take a loan from the bank, then one condition attached to that is added interest we must pay. We have no problem understanding that if we choose to drive a car, then one condition is that we must put gas in the tank. Life teaches us there are conditions attached to about everything we do. God's Word teaches us the same thing! Neither the Old Testament nor the New Testament left anything open for discussion as to whether a safe relationship with God was conditional or unconditional. Time and again we are told to follow God's ways, not man's ways. Consequences follow our actions.

Please think carefully where you stand in your relationship with God. Do not be deceived into thinking that Christianity is unconditional. *For a well-written article on this very subject go to www. acts17-11.com/cows_unlove.html.*

MID-SOUTH YOUTH CAMP

We will be attending camp from June 26th to July 1st. To register and to find out all the pertinent information go to www.fhu.edu/msyc. We will leave on Sunday (26th) from the church parking lot at 6:30 AM.

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

The next class meets on Monday, June 27th, beginning at 9:00 AM in Room 1.

A Parable on How We See People

A man was exploring caves by the seashore. In one of the caves he found a canvas bag with a bunch of hardened clay balls. It was like someone had rolled clay balls and left them out in the sun to bake. They didn't look like much, but they intrigued the man, so he took the bag out of the cave with him. As he strolled along the beach, he would throw the clay balls one at a time out into the ocean as far as he could. He thought little about it until he dropped one of the balls and it cracked open on a rock. Inside was a beautiful, precious stone.

Excited, the man started breaking open the remaining clay balls. Each contained a similar treasure. He found thousands of dollars worth of jewels in the twenty or so clay balls he had left. Then it struck him. He had been on the beach a long time. He had thrown maybe fifty or sixty of the clay balls with their hidden treasure into the ocean waves. Instead of thousands of dollars in treasure, he could have taken home tens of thousands, but he just threw it away.

It's like that with people. We look at someone, maybe even ourselves, and we see the external clay vessel. It doesn't look like much from the outside. It isn't always beautiful or sparkling, so we discount it. We see that person as less important than someone more beautiful or stylish or well known or wealthy. But we have not taken the time to find the treasure hidden inside that person by God.

There is a treasure in each and every one of us. If we take the time to get to know that person, and if we ask God to show us that person the way He sees them, then the clay begins to peel away, and the brilliant gem begins to shine forth.

May we not come to the end of our lives and find out that we have thrown away a fortune in friendships because the gems were hidden in bits of clay. May we see the people in our world as God sees them.

Author Not Known

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Sunday Morning Worship

(686-2117) Kurt Maynard Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** Don Griffith First Prayer Reading Asa Kell Mark 6:17-18 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Eddie Palmer *Winfrey Hennessee (N) Kevin Flatt **Marty Boles** (N) Shannon Griffin (N) **Kevin Judkins** (S) (S) Joe T. Cantrell (S) Steve Wilcher **Tony Lawrence** Sermon **Dismiss** Steve Hillis

Sunday Evening Worship

(686-2117) Kurt Maynard Announcements **Stanley Graves Lead Singing** Doug Hendrixson First Prayer **David Roberts** Reading Romans 1:26-27 Scripture Lord's Table *John Biddle *Larry Flatt Tony Lawrence Sermon **Dismiss** Tim Fisher

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss
Paul Hurst
Brett Merritt
Clent Kesey
Tyler Boyd
Noel Pepper

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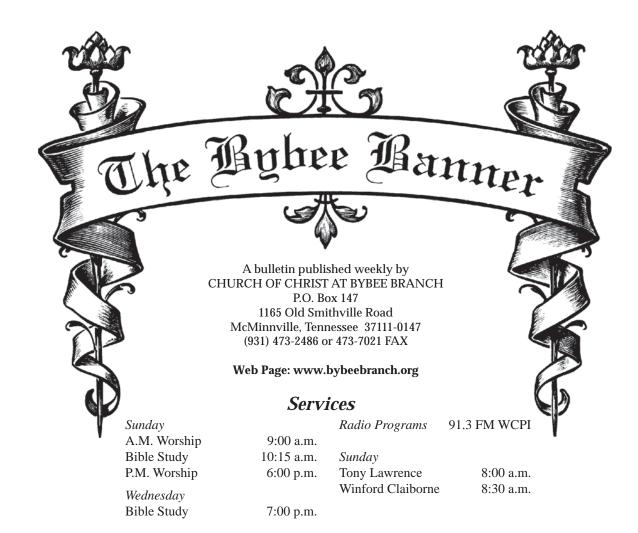
Pantry Item: Pears

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	316
Bible Study	229
P.M. Worship	194
Wednesday Bible Study	211
A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study Contribution	\$5,643

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In The Hospital:

Ada Mayfield-Riverpark (no visitors) Loy Watson-NHC Ada Hensley-NHC

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Emma Jean Hice. She passed away this past Friday and her funeral was Sunday.





Notes From Steve

PEW PACKER'S CLASS

The next class is Sunday, July $3^{\rm rd}$, at 5:00 PM in the fellowship room. Our lesson will be about "The Friend of God." Besides our lesson we sing and talk, and we have an activity for the kids.

1ST SUNDAY EATS

Our next adventure is Sunday, July $3^{\rm rd}$, following our evening service. The destination will be "Steve's Surprise Choice."

MISSION WEEKEND #2

Our next weekend of work is July 8th to 10th. Our last mission weekend was a huge success and we hope to only build upon that.

Annual Ice Cream Supper

The annual ice cream supper will be July 6, following the Wednesday evening services. All who can are asked to make a freezer of *homemade* ice cream. Others asked to bring desserts.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....It Is Not Lawful P.M.....The Sin Of Same Sex "Marriages"





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Noel Pepper	Jane Flatt	Jacob Hendrixson Georgia Jones	FRANK & GEORGIA BROOKS John Nussbaum	30	JAMES & NELLIE THOMISON JASON & SONIA VANDAGRIFF	DAVID & STEFANIE MCCOLLOCH WALLACE & GLYNDA STEVENS DON & JUDY SULLIVAN
Rita Prince 3	4 Willie Holmes	LYNDER & WILLIE HOLMES ALLEN & GLENDA HUGHES Kathy Thaxton Sonia Vandagriff	Kurt Maynard Judy Nussbaum Ice Cream Supper	7 SHANNON & JANIE GRIFFIN	Chris Burks Ruby Glenn Amy Lawrence	Lee Gann Debbie Glenn Emily Newby
10 Glenda Faye Bell Austin Medley	11 Greg Grizzell	12	BRUCE & SUSAN PRYOR Jeremy Burks Judy Sullivan	14	Teresa McGinness	KEVIN & LORI JUDKINS RODNEY & JENNIFER MAYNARD Junior Logan
HATTON Jeff Flatt Cora Stembridge	18 Miranda Atnip Emily Crawford Shirley Parker Joy Trail	19 ee Branch-Tho	Lois Loftis	21 HARRY & CAROL FELTY RANDEL & MICKEY WHITEAKER Hilary McGinness	22	23
24 Cindy Fisher	25 Gerry Waddell	26	27 Ashley Boles Chip Cantrell	28 JEFF & MARY FLATT Don Griffith	29	30
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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	Jewel White
Scripture	Mark 6:34
Lord's Table (N)	*Rodney Reynolds
(S)	*Joe Collins
(N)	Joe Maynard
(N)	Ben Biles
(N)	Matt Martin
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
(S)	Zollie Settles
(S)	Chris Neale
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Jeff Flatt
Reading	Kelly Hillis
Scripture	Psalms 92: 12-15
Lord's Table	*Chip Cantrell
	*Willie Newby
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Caleb Graves

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	Jeremy Burks
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Welcome Committee

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Attend Nursery: Pat Boles Lock Building: Steve Boyd

Prepare Communion:Rickey & Jeremy Burks

Assist with Baptisms:

Angie Caldwell & Sonia Vandagriff

Pantry Item: Tomato Sauce

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	321
Bible Study	229
P.M. Worship	222
A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	186
Contribution	\$4,480

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In The Hospital:

Eugene & Georgia Jones

Ada Mayfield-Riverpark (no visitors) Randel Whiteaker-Riverpark Gentry McGinness (Harold's father) Harley Northcutt-St. Thomas (arteriogram on Wednesday)

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Russell Lawrence, nephew of Sarah Kell. His funeral was Saturday.

Also sympathy to the family of Katherine Degler, sister-in-law to Eva Simons and great aunt of Heather Tanner. Her funeral was Tuesday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... Sheep Needing A Shepherd P.M. Bearing Fruit Until Old Age

Baptism

We rejoice that Brooke Bouldin was baptized into Christ on Sunday morning.

Directory Update

Change in Phone number: Eugene & Georgia Jones 668-9855

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300) Nettie Clemons

Rozelle Goodman (#207) Pearl Mitchell (#204)

Rosie Rogers

Carol Sue Taylor (#212)

Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)

Ada Henslev Loy Watson

NHC Smithville (825 Fisher Ave. Smithville 37166)

Bertha Stewart

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Raintree Manor

Clercie Delon

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St. Ashland City, TN 37015)

Edith Collins

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr;

Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81

Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell Mildred Gambrell

Thelma Glenn

Greg Grizzell Willene Kell

Eunice Simpson

Janie York

Shirley Parker

Notes From Steve

A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord! What an inspiring and true lyric this is! Jesus is the centerpiece of salvation and love. He perfectly obeyed the Father and gave His life for you and me. All of mankind is so blessed because of the Christ and the invitation to join Him in the place He is preparing for the prepared (John 14:1-4.)

The true God of heaven desires that we all acknowledge Him and save our souls. Paul told the Thessalonians, "For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ..." (I Thess. 5:9.) He truly wants for His creation a life spent in eternal bliss. Again, this is why the Father offered His Son as a sacrifice, pouring on Him the wrath of sin. When Jesus cried while nailed to the cross, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?" which is translated, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" He was not necessarily shouting because of the physical pain. He was screaming from the pain and anguish of having OUR SINS thrust upon Him. The sinless drinking our sin.

Our wonderful Savior endured the agony that is the cross and is now reigning in glory as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords (I Tim. 6:15; Rev. 17:14.) Evaluate your life and pledge full allegiance to Jesus, because only through Him will one have an eternal existence with Him. "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6.)

MISSION WORK

The second Mission Weekend begins this Friday and we look forward to a successful time. Please keep this work in your prayers. The schedule is:

Friday, July 8th - Visitation - 9 AM to 12 PM Saturday, July 9th – Service Projects – 9 AM to ?? Sunday, July 10th – Door Knocking/Evening Services – 2:00 PM

Someday

During our past years, we have known many people who have met their appointment with death (Hebrews 9:27). Some have been our precious loved ones, friends, and spiritual brothers and sisters in Christ. In fact, almost every day of our lives we either read or hear about someone dying. However, as a general rule, we think about someone else dying rather than ourselves!

But refusing to think about death and always applying the reality of it to others does not change the fact that our time will come to leave this earth. This fact is the reason why Jesus often used such words as "Now," "Watch," "be Prepared," and "be Ready!"

Yet, thousands who have either read or heard such Scriptures taught, never get around to preparing for death and eternity. They may make excuses, promise to prepare later, and even show their emotions when the subject is discussed, but their plans always involve tomorrow.

For example, when Paul reasoned with **Felix** "about righteousness, self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and answered, 'Go away for now; when I have a convenient time I will call for you'" (Acts 24:25). But we **never** read in the Bible or in man's history, where a convenient season came for him!

How serious do we take **OUR** appointment with death? Where are the priorities in our lives? Are physical things that are so temporary in nature, ruling our lives, or is the kingdom of God and His righteousness receiving first place? (Matthew 6:33).

While thinking about the seriousness of our appointment with death, I wrote the following thoughts:

Someday, we will come to the end of life's way **Someday**, we will breath our last to end earth's stay Someday, our friends and loved ones will say, We have departed for an eternal day.

Someday. we will give account for our earthly stay **Someday**. we will face the Judge of endless days So let us live in such a way As though, **Someday** may be **today**! —

~Benny Bristow~

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Sunday Morning Worship

(686-2117) Kurt Maynard Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** First Prayer Steve Boyd Reading **Bob Cantrell** Mark 7:5-9 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Chuck Boles *W.C. Chilton (N) **Barry Hendrixson** Harold McGinness (N) **Billy Pinegar** (N) Marc Martin (S) (S) Ronnie Prince (S) **Cory Prince Tony Lawrence** Sermon **Bruce Pryor Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

(686-2117) Kurt Maynard Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** First Prayer Allen Hughes Mike Driver Reading Acts 17:6 Scripture Lord's Table *Brett Merritt *Rickey Burks Tony Lawrence Sermon **Dismiss** Ricky Prince

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

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Tim Fisher
Don Sullivan
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Tony Lawrence
Ronnie Prince

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Prepare Communion:
Rickey & Jeremy Burks

Assist with Baptisms:

Angie Caldwell & Sonia Vandagriff

Pantry Item: Tuna

Record For The Week...

ı	A.M. Worship	340
ı	A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	255
ı	P.M. Worship	213
ı	Wednesday Bible Study	264
ı	Contribution	34,629

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Thomas

Sunday's Sermons

A.M....Traditions Versus Truth P.M... What Have You Heard About the Church of Christ?

Baptism

We rejoice that Hao Shi was baptized into Christ this past Wednesday evening following services.

Welcome

We welcome the Bouldin Family that placed membership with us on Sunday. Please add their names and address to your directory.

David & Barbara Bouldin Bert, Bethany, & Brooke 4990 Bybee Branch Road McMinnville, TN 37110 939-2769

Also we welcome Chandler Cantrell who has been attending with us for some time.

Chandler Cantrell 305 Sunset Drive McMinnville, TN 37110 473-1617



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT BYBEE BRANCH



July 18-20, 2005 • 7:00-8:30 pm
Theme: The Kings
Classes for Nursery-Adult
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS!

Announcements about VBS

- We will need cookies for refreshments. Would you please bring them to the building by next Sunday?
- There will be NO CLASSES on Sunday morning. All classes will assemble in the auditorium for the Bible Class hour.

Caution from Leonard Clemons

I have been a member of the Lord's church for about 50 years. Like, most of you, I have attended services in several states and other countries. In all that time I removed myself from two different services. The first was in Ohio in the mid 60's when they started playing the piano in worship. The second was Sunday, June 26, 2005 at the Destin Church Of Christ in Destin, FL.

The people were very nice and made us feel welcomed. The building was nice and well maintain, etc. BUT; the congregation there has a problem(s). They wanted the service to be very 'informal' and in fact, the song leader was a very talented man but he looked like Larry the Cable Guy. Of course, the Bible does not give us a "dress code" but at the same time we should dress in a way we would if meeting a King which we are when we come to worship.

There was a lot of this 'informal', 'do it different' actions by all in the program. That was bad enough until the minister Mr. Stan Newton started his sermon. He was a very good 'speaker' - very smooth and convincing. The title of the sermon was "How To Have Freedom In Christ Without Offending A Brother" based on Romans 14. The whole gist of the sermon (of the part I heard) was if the Church was to compete with the large Methodist, Baptist, Catholic, etc. in that neighborhood it (the Church of Christ) MUST do things 'different', "exciting", 'new" and get away from the 'old ways' and those 'old songs' that have no appeal. In other words get in the entertaining business and worship God the way they want and make it 'appealing' to the times. How can you make Romans 14 apply to that? He was saying we have no right to "judge" a brother or tell them how to worship. Hello! Hasn't the Lord already addressed that subject in His Word? John 4:24, Ephesians 5:19, 1 Corianthians 14:40

When did the Lord ever instruct us to make our worship "different" or "entertaining"? I have no idea of how the song leader in the early Church did his assignment. The Bible does not say or even say they had 'song leaders'. I have led singing under the oversight of several different Elders of the Church in my lifetime. I have never had any of them tell me to "make it entertaining". All I have ever heard was "let all things be done decently and in order" 1 Cor. 14:40 That is the attitude of the Elders here at Bybee Branch and our sister congregations in this area (at least the ones I have attended). I commend our Elders and all other such men that will not allow such teaching and/or actions in the congregation.

Mr. Newton gave an illustration of how (what I understood) an elderly lady had told him that he needed to put down the joke books and use the Bible more as his guide. He made several 'smart' remarks about how she was living in the past, not up to date, etc. The audience was laughing (except me). Friends, all the lady was trying to do was teach him something; but, he was too educated and up to date to listen. That is sad. She was just trying to do what Jeremiah was doing a long time ago by telling them: "Thus says the Lord: ""Stand in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk in it; then you will find rest for your souls"". But they said, ""we will not walk in it"" Jeremiah 6:16.

Some of you may be planning a vacation in or around Destin, FL in the near future. The congregation is listed in "Where the Saints Meet" and is close to many of the motels and condos. I wanted to write this to let you know the situation there before you go. My prayers are with the Church in that area.

Thank you, Leonard Clemons

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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Chip Cantrell
Reading	Derek Vinson
Scripture	Mark 7:25-30
Lord's Table (N)	*Bob Bonner
(S)	*Tommy Crouch
(N)	Eric Fisher
(N)	Daniel Boyd
(N)	John Nusbaum
(S)	Lynn Gann
(S)	Dickie Kesey
(S)	Cody Prince
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Rickey Burks

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Ken Martin
Scripture	Ephesians 3:14-15
Lord's Table	*Dale Bennett
	*Dennis Gann
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Calvin Rogers

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(473-4528) Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Joe Collins
Reading	Dustin Rhea
Invitation	Shane Fisher
Dismiss	Eddie Palmer

Welcome Committee

A.M. David Bouldin Family P.M. Jeff Flatt Family

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Attend Nursery: Lisa Burks Lock Building: Steve Boyd

Prepare Communion:

Rickey & Jeremy Burks

Assist with Baptisms:

Angie Caldwell & Sonia Vandagriff

Pantry Item: Salad Dressing

Record For The Week...

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ı	A.M. Worship Bible Study	214
ı	P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	221
ı	Wednesday Bible Study	229
ı	Contribution\$	5,425

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Christian Barrett
Millie Clendenon (aunt of Dana Roller)

In The Hospital:

Joyce Vandagriff (Jason's mother)-St. Thomas Sarah Southard (Jane Wilcher's mother)-Summit Medical Center with cancer Janie Barnes (Jamie Griffith's mother) St. Thomas for quadruple bypass surgery Mildred Gambrell has been moved to NHC.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Bertha Stewart, grandmother of Becky Crawford. Sister Stewart was a long-time member at Bybee Branch. Her funeral was this past Tuesday

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Ruby Thurman, great aunt to Melba Bonner and Dale Bennett. She was killed this past week and her funeral was Saturday.

Sympathy to the family of Laura Williams, mother-in-law to Angie Caldwell. Her services were Monday.

Also sympathy to the family of Davy Griffith. He passed away Saturday evening and his funeral was Tuesday in Huntsville, AL.

Let us remember these grieving families.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... Are You Going To Feed The Dogs? P.M. God's Family

In Good And Serious Fun!

Question: What do they call pastors in Germany? **Answer:** They call them German shepherds.

Question: What was the greatest financier? **Answer:** Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.

Question: What kind of man was Boaz before he married? **Answer:** He must have been a mean and hardfisted character, for we know that he was *Ruthless*.

Question: Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible? **Answer:** It must have been Samson, for he brought the house down.

Question: What excuse could Adam give to his children as to why he no longer lived in Eden? **Answer:** "Your mother ate us out of house and home."

Question: Why did they not play cards on the ark? **Answer:** Because Noah was standing on the deck.

Question: What Bible character, additional to Adam and Eve, can be said to have no parents? **Answer:** Joshua, because he was the son of Nun.

Question: What must have been the richest area of Palestine? **Answer:** The area round Jordan must have been because the banks were always overflowing.

Question: Does the practice of seeing how many college students can be squeezed into a Volkswagen have Biblical precedent? **Answer:** Yes, the apostles were said to have all been in one Accord.

Question: Would you suppose that it is a sin for a woman to make coffee? **Answer:** One book in the Bible says *Hebrews*.

~copied from Crandull Church of Christ Bulletin~

Termites In The Church

If the cry were made that we have termites in the church building, all efforts would be made to find them since they are very destructive. My brethren, the termites just mentioned are dangerous, but not nearly so much as church termites! There are those in almost any given congregation who eat away like termites. Someone has researched the habits of the termite, and I would like to use their findings for this article. Let us focus in on the ways of the termite, and apply them to spiritual principles.

TAKES CARE OF NUMBER ONE

We are told that of all insects, the termite considers only itself. Some insects work together and help each other, but the termite is selfish.

There are those in the church who love only themselves. When something happens to their brethren, they show no concern. Any religion they possess is centered on the well being of only themselves. Paul writes: "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). James defines pure religion in these words: "Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world" (James 1:27).

SEEKS DARKNESS

The termite does its best work in the dark. It loves to get in a wet dark place and there accomplish its dirty work. The termite has destroyed thousands of dollars worth of damage before being discovered.

Have you ever known one or more in the church to secretly eat away at peace and unity? Usually this kind of destruction is done privately, and by the time such is discovered, great harm has been done. The apostle John was deeply concerned about a man named Diotrephes: "I wrote to the church, but Diotrephes, who loves to have the preeminence among them, does not receive us. Therefore, if I come, I will call to mind his deeds which he does, prating against us with malicious words. And not content with that, he himself does not receive the brethren, and forbids those who wish to, putting them out of the church" (3 John 1:9,10)

UNDERMINES AND DESTROYS

A structure may be totally weakened when invaded by termites! They work on the parts that are essential to the strength of the building.

Church members undermine the work of the church. Such make their attack on unity, which is essential to keeping a congregation growing. Good works, which are not performed to their satisfaction, are ridiculed. Usually they do their greatest damage with their tongues. James warns: "If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion is useless" (James 1:26).

THEY HAVE SOFT SHELLS

Termites have soft shells, but they are still very capable of doing great damage to structures.

This is likewise true with the church termite. They look for ways to get their feelings hurt and always find such. But this does not stop their destructive work, but rather, such is used to increase the harm that they do.

How is the best way to get rid of church termites? Make sure that the foundation of the church is Jesus Christ, the Son of God (Matthew 16:16-18), and that it is built of stones—"living stones!" "...you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 2:5).

~Benny B. Bristow~

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-7916) Joe Collins Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** Willie Newby First Prayer Larry Flatt Reading Mark 8:31-38 Scripture *Danny Duncan Lord's Table (N) *Noel Pepper (N) Clent Kesey (N) Jared Mullican (N) **Abram Pryor** Joe Roller (S) (S) Rodney Maynard (S) Micah Lawrence **Tony Lawrence** Sermon **Hoyt Crouch Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Scripture
Lord's Table

(815-8675) Jeremy Burks
Abram Pryor
Ben Biles
Hao Shi
*Tyler Boyd
*Steve Boyd

Sermon Chris Burks, Bran Merritt, Daniel Boyd Dismiss Marek Sadlon

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
Rickey Hurst
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss
Rodney Reynolds
Rodney Reynolds

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Pantry Item: Peanut Butter

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ı	Contribution\$4,	292
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Pat Gribble (Jane Flatt's sister-in-law)
Millie Clendenon (aunt of Dana Roller)
Sarah Southard (Jane Wilcher's mother)
Janie Barnes (Jamie Griffith's mother)
following bypass surgery
Leonard Crouch

In The Hospital:

Joyce Vandagriff (Jason's mother)-St. Thomas will have surgery for brain aneurysm this week

Don Crouch (Hoyt & Leonard's brother)-St.
Thomas

Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-inlaw)-Centennial Medical Center

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Ada Mayfield. She lost her battle with cancer on Monday evening. Her funeral arrangements were incomplete at this writing.

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The regularly scheduled elders-deacons meeting will be this coming Sunday afternoon at 5:00 pm.

Quarterly Men's Business Meeting

The regularly scheduled quarterly men's business meeting will be this coming Sunday evening following the services.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M...... What Is On Your Mind? P.M...... Young Men To Conduct Services

Outstanding VBS

This year's VBS was simply outstanding. The attendance averaged 310 this year. Compare this with the previous years:

	<i>2002</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>	<i>2005</i>
Monday	225	230	216	327
Tuesday	265	265	247	284
Wednesday	313	324	290	318

Thanks to all the teachers and those who helped in too many ways to count. You are greatly appreciated!

Bridal Tea

The ladies of the congregation are invited to a bridal tea in honor of Misty Childers, bride-elect of Michael Griffith on Sunday, August 7, from 2-4 pm at the home of Don & Susie Griffith, 1500 Wilson Road.

Gospel Meetings

Smartt church of Christ - July 24-28 - Charles Curtis preaching at 7 pm

Pleasant View church of Christ - July 24-28 - Marion West preaching at 7 pm

Jericho church of Christ - July 24-26 - Gene Brock preaching at 7 pm

Central church of Christ - August 21-24 - Jim Gammon preaching at 7 pm

Vacation Bible Schools

Berea church of Christ- July 24-28, at 7 pm

Rockliff church of Christ - July 31-August 3, at 7 pm

August 2005

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
CLENT & LYNETTE KESEY Kevin Judkins	TIM & CINDY FISHER	2 Rebecca Mullican Amberly Thaxton	Shane Fisher 3	4 Kara Nunley	5	JOHNNY & DONNA ANDERSON
7 Kayla Medley Cindy Rogers	8	9 Mike Driver Gaye Hillis	DOUG & WANDA HENDRIXSON	11	12 Allen Hughes Ryan Kesey Freda Womack	13
Bob Bonner 14	Marty Boles Lucille Newby	16 Jamie Griffith Joshua Templeton	17 Brooke Bouldin Willus Roberts	Winfrey Hennessee Steve Hillis	19 JoAnn Roberts	20 RICKEY & LISA BURKS Sheila Cantrell
21	22 Taylor Mullican	23 Sharon Reynolds	Marek Sadlon	25	26 Micah Lawrence	27 Linda Cantrell Tristan Gilbert Steve Wilcher
28 Jennifer Flatt Vera Settles Miranda Vinson	Clent Kesey Doris Wilcher	30 Isabell Bouldin Jaylon Wooten	HEATH & JAMIE GRIFFITH Mildred Lowry Megan Rhea Carol Sue Taylor	Rodney Reynolds Nancy Rogers	LEE Allison Chilton	3
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Sunday Morning Worship

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers Announcements **Lead Singing Leonard Clemons** Jewel White First Prayer Reading Tom McColloch Scripture Mark 9:1 Lord's Table (N) *Jim Slatton *Mike Driver (N) **David Chilton** Ryan McColloch (N) (N) George Trail Bran Merritt (S) **Jeff Templeton** (S) (S) Jason Vandagriff **Tony Lawrence** Sermon **Dismiss David Bouldin**

Sunday Evening Worship

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers Announcements **Leonard Clemons Lead Singing** First Prayer John Biddle Reading **Kelly Thaxton** Acts 2:42-47 Scripture Lord's Table *Joe Collins *Steve Hillis Sermon **Tony Lawrence Dismiss** Daniel Boyd

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss
(668-2944) Brett Merritt
Tim Fisher
Billy Gilbert
Ethan Duncan
Tony Lawrence
Kelly Hillis

Welcome Committee

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Cindy Fisher & Corretta Lawrence

Pantry Item: Jelly

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Bible Study	245
P.M. Worship	227
Wednesday Bible Study	205
Contribution	\$4,708

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Gospel Meetings

West Riverside church of Christ, August 7-10, services at 7 pm with Tom Holland preaching.

Smyrna church of Christ, August 7-10, services at 7 pm with Chris Whitaker preaching.

Morrison church of Christ, August 14-17, services at 7 pm with Samuel Jones preaching.

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Sunday's Sermons

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Sympathy

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Notes From Steve

MISSION WEEKEND #3

The final Mission Weekend for the summer is this Friday and Saturday. On Friday, August 5th, the group will make general visits from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Then on Saturday, August 6th, we will door knock for the Smyrna church of Christ from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The Smyrna brethren will be providing lunch.

PEW PACKER'S CLASS

The next class is Sunday, August 7th, beginning at 5:00 PM in the fellowship room. The lesson is "Extreme Faith." Please make plans to be with us and bring a friend.

SENIOR SAINT'S CLASS

The next class is Monday, August 8^{th} , beginning at 9:00 AM in Room 1.

BBYG PICTURE

Following our Sunday morning worship on August 14th (and before class begins), a group picture will be taken of the entire BBYG. Please wear your "Sunday best" for this group picture.

WHITEWATER TRIP

A trip is scheduled for Ocoee Whitewater Rafting on Saturday, August 27th. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board with details. The cut-off date for signing-up is August 14th.

Keep It Simple!

We may have heard the statement, "KEEP IT SIMPLE," applied to many things. However, this is not too often applied to the teaching of God's word, to the way of the gospel, and to salvation. Down through the centuries, millions have changed the simplicity of Christianity to all kinds of complex and mysterious teachings and practices.

For example, the teaching about the bread used in worship to remember the body of Jesus, has been changed by some to become the literal flesh of Jesus. This was not the teaching of Jesus. When He referred to the bread as His body, He was teaching that when they ate the bread, they were to remember His broken body, "do this in remembrance of Me" (1 Corinthians 11:24). The apostle Paul taught, "For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes" (1 Corinthians 11:26).

The simplicity of the Lord's Supper is to remind Christians weekly of the death that Jesus died on the cross. Man has turned the event into ceremony, with containers of gold, and individuals put on display. However, Jesus simply blessed the bread and cup, gave them to His disciples, and commanded that they partake in remembrance of Him.

Not only has there been an effort to change the simplicity of the Lord's Supper, but also the other acts of worship. To illustrate, the command by Paul to speak "to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord," (Ephesians 5:19), is too simple for many. Therefore, over the years they have added (without authority) mechanical instruments of music such as pianos, large pipe organs, and other types of instruments. But based on the teaching of God's word, He is pleased with sounds that come from a sincere heart, and

not from a instrument made by man. Paul wrote, "What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding" (1 Corinthians 14:15).

The simplicity of the gospel has also been changed! Paul used a simple illustration to show how a sinner is saved, and how one gets into Christ. He taught that this is done by obeying a form of the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. Here are his exact words: "Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). Then in verse 17, he sums up what the Roman Christian did, "But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness" (Romans 6:17,18).

However, this simple form did not please man, so they removed the form of baptism and came up with the teaching of "faith only" and "the sinner's prayer." Please note, that in the Bible the concept of "faith only" is condemned (James 2:24), and "the sinner's prayer" is not found! Thus, this kind of teaching is from man and NOT from God! In fact, this false teaching has deceived millions. The apostle Paul faced this same problem when he wrote:

"But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the **simplicity that is in Christ**" (2 Corinthians 11:3).

~Benny B. Bristow~

16th Annual Bible Lectureship Vision of Victory August 14-17



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Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers **Lead Singing** Micahael Toby First Prayer **Rickey Burks Dale Bennett** Reading Revelation 2:18-29 Scripture Lord's Table *Chuck Boles *Tommy Crouch Ben Flatt Sermon **Dismiss Zollie Settles**

Wednesday Bible Study

Lectureship

Welcome Committee

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A.M. Worship	371
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Vera Settles

In The Hospital:

Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-inlaw)-Centennial Medical Center Gladys Prater (sister of Flossie Warren)-St. Thomas for by-pass surgery Joyce Vandagriff (Jason's mother)-St. Thomas for tests

Gospel Meetings

West Riverside church of Christ, August 7-10, services at 7 pm with Tom Holland preaching.

Smyrna church of Christ, August 7-10, services at 7 pm with Chris Whitaker preaching.

Unity church of Christ, August 7-10, services at 7 pm with Brandon Britton preaching.

Morrison church of Christ, August 14-17, services at 7 pm with Samuel Jones preaching.

Central church of Christ - August 21-24 - Jim Gammon preaching at 7 pm.

Remember that on November 13-15, there will be a county-wide campaign of the churches of Christ at the Civic Center with the theme: Freedom, Family, & Forever. Brother Tom Holland will be preaching for this event.

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300)
Rozelle Goodman (#207)
Pearl Mitchell (#204)
Rosie Rogers (#120)
Carol Sue Taylor (#212)
Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)
Mildred Gambrell (#101)

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Raintree Manor

Clercie Delon

McMinnville Boarding Home

Nettie Clemons

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St,

Ashland City, TN 37015) *Edith Collins*

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr;

Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81

Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702) Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell Thelma Glenn Greg Grizzell Willene Kell Eunice Simpson Shirley Parker

Help us keep our shut-in list up-to-date. If you know of those who should be placed on this list, please turn their names in to the office.

2005 Lectureship Program

"VISIONS OF VICTORY" CHURCHES THAT OVECOME

In the book of Revelation, the Apostle John addresses a message of warning and encouragement to seven churches in Asia minor. The messages to these churches can help churches today to overcome.

Time	<i>Topic</i>	Speaker
9:00 AM 10:15 AM 6:00 PM	gust 14, 2005 Ephesus-Left Her First Love Smyrna-The Rich-Poor Church Pergamum-Where Satan's Throne Is	Ben Flatt Ben Flatt Ben Flatt
Monday, Au 7:00 PM 7:45 PM	gust 15, 2005 Thyatira-The Tolerant Church Sardis-The Dead Church	Brandon Britton Kirk Brothers
Tuesday, Au 7:00 PM 7:45 PM	gust 16, 2005 Philadelphia-The Open Door Church Laodicea-The Lukewarm Church	Chris Whitaker Stan Stevenson
Wednesday, 7:00 PM	August 17, 2005 Becoming A Church That Overcomes	Curtis Cates

Lectureship Notes

There will be a fellowship meal on Sunday morning following the services at 11:30 AM. The following ladies are in charge: *Mary Flatt, Miranda Vinson, Janie Griffin, Regina Templeton, Cindy Fisher, Stefanie McColloch, Gaye Hillis, and Nelma Chilton.* If you have any questions, please see W.C. Chilton.

Please invite your friends to come to be at services with you. Those who can't, tell them the lectures will be available on the website.

Notes From Steve

BBYG PICTURE

Following our Sunday morning worship on August 14th (and before class begins), a group picture will be taken of the entire BBYG. Please wear your "Sunday best" for this picture.

WHITEWATER TRIP

A trip is scheduled for Ocoee Whitewater Rafting on Saturday, August 27th. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board with details. The cut-off date for signing-up is August 14th.

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Sunday Morning Worship

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** Ricky Prince First Prayer Reading Rodney Reynolds Mark 9:2-13 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Allen Hughes *Johnny Anderson (N) Eugene Wilcher Dickie Kesey (N) Jeremy Burks (N) Ethan Duncan (S) (S) **David King** (S) Joe Maynard Tony Lawrence Sermon **Noel Pepper Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (939-3797) Ronnie Rogers **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** First Prayer Winfrey Hennessee **Marty Boles** Reading Hebrews 11:7 Scripture Lord's Table *Caleb Graves *Kelly Thaxton Sermon Tony Lawrence **Dismiss Bob Cantrell**

Wednesday Bible Study

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Lead Singing
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Dismiss

(668-2944) Brett Merritt
Paul Hurst
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Bob Bonner
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Bruce Pryor
Danny Duncan

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Sunday's Sermons

A.M	Hear Him
P.M	Build An Ark

Baptism

It was a great joy to witness the baptism of Kristin Maynard this past Sunday evening. She is just one of the great young people that we have at Bybee Branch.

Gospel Meetings

Central church of Christ - August 21-24 - Jim Gammon preaching at 7 pm.

Bonner church of Christ - August 21-24 - Stan Stevenson preaching at 7 pm.

Notes From Steve

What a scene it must have been! Jesus had just finished speaking with the apostles when all of a sudden His feet begin to leave the ground. Then, to the apostle's amazement Jesus ascends higher and higher, until at last He is out of their sight. Their teacher, friend, leader, and Savior was gone. So distraught were the apostles (apparently) that divine intervention was needed to assure them that everything would be fine. But how could everything be fine if Jesus went away? BECAUSE HE IS COMING BACK AGAIN! (Acts 1:9-11)

When Jesus comes again everyone will know (I Thessalonians 4:16.)

When Jesus comes again there will be no time to prepare (II Peter 3:10.)

When Jesus comes again it will catch many offguard (I Thessalonians 5:1-6.)

The time is coming when "[W] e shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written: 'As I live, says the Lord, Every knee shall bow to Me, And every tongue shall confess to God.' So then each of us shall give account of himself to God" (Romans 14:10-12.)

Someday, sooner or later, Jesus will return to take home to the place He has prepared those who were not ashamed of Him (John 14:2-3; I John 2:28.) The appearance will be sudden, with NO time to repent, confess, and be baptized for the remission of sins.

Friend, if you are reading this and are not a part of God's kingdom, please take the time to inventory your eternal destiny and make a life changing decision. Obey the gospel and live!

PEW PACKER'S PICTURE

Following our Sunday morning worship on August 21st (and before class begins), a group

picture will be taken of the Pew Packers (5th Grade and down.)

HOME DEVOTIONAL

Our monthly devo will be held at Missy Biles home on Sunday, August 21st, immediately following our evening worship. Boys bring a 2-liter and girls bring a dessert.

SENIOR SAINT'S CLASS

The next class is Monday, August 22^{nd} , beginning at 9:00 AM in Room 1.

Lordship

I believe the average person has a hard time grasping the scope of the term "lord." After all, we live in the "land of the free; the home of the brave." We choose the place we will live and the type of car we drive. We are subject to certain laws, but by and large, we are free. We may be aware of the dictionary definition of "lord," (a ruler by hereditary right or preeminence to whom service and obedience are due"—Merriam-Webster), but we do not really encounter it outside religion.

When God revealed his will to us in the New Testament, he used a word for "lord" that was already in use in the public domain. It had reference to a ruler who had authority over others by possession of title, land, or the persons themselves. Throughout history, "lord" has carried with it the idea of obedience on the part of those under the lord. During medieval times, people understood lords to be holders of land and rulers over those who were "lesser" by birth and social class. Now, with so much emphasis on personal freedom, it seems that the implications of "lord" are lost on the average American. (Partly because of a general disdain for history, they have no frame of reference.) They are "free" and "don't have to answer to anybody." They don't see obedience to most laws as an infringement upon their freedom (at least, not yet). My point is this: when God spoke of "Lord" in the New Testament, the people knew what that implied because they were familiar with the concept. Now, however, some people resent even the demands of God because they recognize only one complete authority: themselves.

American church-goers of all affiliations are confounding theologians in one major area: they want to "come to God" on their own terms. People want to be seen as "Christian," (and really, any other religion they find appealing), but want only minimum indoctrination—a sort of "giveme-the-old-time-name, but-not-the-old-time-religion!" This, of course, is an oxymoronic state of affairs—you cannot sincerely call Jesus "Lord" and refuse to serve him. But, oh how men try!

This very circumstance is the reason for the multiplicity of religious bodies throughout America and the world. A serious study of the implications of "lordship" in the light of the New Testament would help all of us see the gravity of the confession that "Jesus Christ is Lord" (Philippians 2:11). No wonder, then, the burning question of Jesus, "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord' and do not do what I say?"

~Lance Cordle~ Calvert City church of Christ

"Happiness doesn't depend on what we have, but it does depend on how we feel toward what we have. We can be happy with little and miserable with much." Volume 48, Number 33 August 28, 2005

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Chuck Boles
Reading	Clent Kesey
Scripture	Mark 9:33-37
Lord's Table (N)	*Tim Fisher
(S)	*Larry Flatt
(N)	Derek Vinson
(N)	Ben Biles
(N)	Joe T. Cantrell
(S)	Hoyt Crouch
(S)	Dustin Rhea
(S)	Kane Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Wilcher

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Joe Collins
Reading	Steve Hillis
Scripture	Genesis 22:1-2
Lord's Table	*Ken Martin
	*Calvin Rogers
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Willie Newby

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-2944) Brett Merritt
Lead Singing	John Biddle
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	Tommy Crouch
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jeff Flatt

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Sunday's Sermons

A.M	The Greates
P.M	Sacrifice Your Sor

Gospel Meetings

Central church of Christ - August 21-24 - Jim Gammon preaching at 7 pm.

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Chestnut Grove church of Christ - August 26-28 - Joe Solomon preaching at 7 pm.

Pleasant Knoll church of Christ - August 28-31-Vernon Joines preaching at 7 pm.

Notes From Steve

Can we show love for one another, even when having to deal with negativities in Christianity? The apostle Paul certainly thought so. He told the Ephesians that "speaking the truth in love" would help us to grow in Christ (Ephesians 4:15.) Paul expected the church to grow so we could protect ourselves from "every wind of doctrine...the trickery of men, and...the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting: (Ephesians 4:14.) Paul understood the false teachings of his day, but he also determined that without love, most people would turn a deaf ear to God's eternal truth.

Challenging false doctrines need not be done, however, with the absence of love. 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.) "...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. I charge *you* therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching" (II Timothy 3:16-17; 4:1-2.)

God's word stands on it's own merits and it alone convicts the heart's of men. The Bible is to be preached because it contains information to help soul's determine where they stand eternally. If we can learn to truly love one another, then many doors of opportunity will be opened unto us to

present God's message to family and friends.

Then, with the proper love in our heart, we can approach the dangerous waters of false doctrine and shed the light of truth upon its darkness. Pride and arrogance may get us to the door, but it won't get us in the door.

COLLEGE BOUND

We have several of our youth who are leaving or have already left for college this week. We will try to have an updated list in the next week of names and addresses. Also, remember in your prayers our other students who have to face daunting temptations on a daily basis. Pray they will take the escape route God provides for us all.

4TH WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASS

Grades 7 to 12 are reminded that we will meet in the Fellowship Room for our monthly "Evangelism" class.

BBYG PARENT'S MEETING

A meeting is planned this Sunday, August 28th, for parents/guardians of the BBYG to discuss activities for the remainder of 2005.

8TH ANNUAL LABOR DAY YOUTH MADNESS

LDYM VIII is scheduled for Sunday, September 4^{th} , from 7:15 PM to 12:30 AM. The cost is \$10.00 (which includes pizza, drinks, snacks, bowling, and shoes) and is open to ALL ages. (If any want to bowl only, see Steve Hillis for details.) A signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

PEW PACKER'S CAMPOUT

Clent and Lynette Kesey will host a campout for the Pew Packers on Friday September 9th. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

What Is A Bible Teacher?

Over the years, many efforts have been made to show the importance of Bible teachers, but there is no way of fully knowing their worth. Why? Because we cannot possibly see all the good they do. For their influence and value do not end with the ringing of the bell, but live on in the hearts of the ones they teach for many years to come.

Among the many compliments given to the Lord Jesus came from a Jew named Nicodemus when he said, "we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him" (John 3:2). This must have been pleasing to Jesus, to be called a teacher from God.

Please know that if you are a Bible teacher, you are of **GREAT** value. Please don't grow **weary** in well doing, as Paul wrote:

"And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart" Galatians 6:9).

I was considering the value of good Bible teachers while writing the following words:

A teacher is...a path, to help avoid falls. A teacher is... an ear, to listen when others call.

*A teacher is...***a voice**, with which to talk and sing *A teacher is...***a hinge**, on which the future swings.

A teacher is...**a shield**, for stopping Satan's darts A teacher is...**a hand**, to touch a lonely heart.

A teacher is...an arm, to lift hearts from defeat A teacher is...a light, to awaken those who sleep

A teacher is...a rock, to be solid for each day A teacher is...an example, showing Christ, the Way

A teacher is...a hope, while traveling earth's sod A teacher is...a life, dedicated to God. (bbb)

~BBBristow~

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2115) Steve Boyd Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** First Prayer Billy Gilbert Reading Dennis Gann Mark 10:1-2 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Mark Lawrence *Calvin Rogers (N) **Kevin Judkins** Marc Martin (N) (N) **Cory Prince** Shannon Griffin (S) (S) John Nussbaum (S) **Abram Pryor Tony Lawrence** Sermon **Dismiss** Paul Hurst

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2115) Steve Boyd **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** First Prayer Don Sullivan Steve Wilcher Reading **Ephesians 4:11-16** Scripture Lord's Table *Rickey Burks *David Chilton Tony Lawrence Sermon **Dismiss Kelly Thaxton**

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-7916) Joe Collins
Lead Singing Steve Hillis
First Prayer Bob Bonner
Reading Joe Roller
Invitation Mike Driver
Dismiss Brett Merritt

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Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Gentry McGinness, father of our Harold McGinness. He passed away last Saturday and his funeral was Monday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M	The Disaster of Divorce
P.M	Speaking The Truth In Love

Restoration

Last Wednesday brother Harley Northcutt asked for the prayers of the congregation to be restored. Please remember him in your prayers.

Library Books

If you have library books that you have not returned and have been out some time, please return them so others may use them. One book that is missing is the Commentary on Revelation by Foy Wallace. This book belongs to a member of the congregation.

Notes From Steve

PEW PACKER'S CLASS

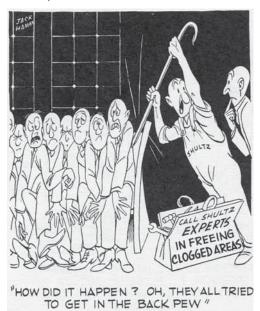
The class will meet this Sunday (September 4th) at 5:00 PM in the fellowship Room. Our lesson will center on a certain pot of stew. Our numbers have dwindled down just a tad, so we hope to see a lot more kids this Sunday.

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September 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 Jennifer Flatt Vera Settles Miranda Vinson	Clent Kesey Doris Wilcher	30 Isabell Bouldin Jaylon Wooten	HEATH & JAMIE GRIFFITH Mildred Lowry Megan Rhea Carol Sue Taylor	Rodney Reynolds Nancy Rogers	KEN & GLYNA LEE Allison Chilton	3
4	5	Gail Crouch	7 Marsha Collins Micah McColloch Denise Prince Nichole Wilcher	RONNIE & DENISE PRINCE Heather Tanner George Trail	Frin Duncan Roeba Jones	10
11 ZOLLIE & VERA SETTLES	12 STEVE & CAROL BOYD Kayla Napier	Josh Medley Lori Pepper	14 Clercie Delon Janice Foster Lennie Ruth Kesey Merek McColloch	15 Emma Cantrell Porter Hendrixson	Marc Martin 16	Doug Hendrixson
18 Caleb Hughes	19	20	JAMES & DONNA GOOLSBY Caleb Graves	22 RONNIE & CINDY ROGERS	CALVIN & NANCY ROGERS Rosetta Bain Eric Fisher Ken Martin Barbara Northcutt Clara Roller	24 Leonard Crouch Sandra Holt
Mary Lois Cantrell Trista Wooten	26	27 Walter Maxwell Dana Roller Randel Whiteaker	28 Harry Felty	29 Glynda Stevens	30 Justin Griffin	1 Martha Maxwell

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Wednesday Bible Study

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Lead Singing
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Nettie Ĉlemons (Leonard's mother)-Riverpark Jeffery Parker (son of Vera Settles)-hospital in Michigan

Sunday's Sermons

Ladies Day

Leoni church of Christ - September 10, 9:30 am to 12:00 pm with Carol Boyd speaking.



New Book

Bybee Branch has another author in the congregation, Allison Boyd. She along with several other young ladies have written a book called "Girl to Girl." It will be available in a few weeks. Contact Allison if you wish to purchase a copy.

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300)
Rozelle Goodman (#207)
Pearl Mitchell (#204)
Rosie Rogers (#120)
Carol Sue Taylor (#212)
Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)
Mildred Gambrell (#101)
Woodrow Glenn (#127)
Martha Maxwell (#120)
Shirley Parker (#109)

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Raintree Manor

Clercie Delon

McMinnville Boarding Home

Nettie Clemons

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St,

Ashland City, TN 37015) *Edith Collins*

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr;

Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81

Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell Thelma Glenn

Greg Grizzell Willene Kell

Eunice Simpson

Shirley Parker

Loy & Pauline Watson

Notes From Steve

There's just something about winning that makes one feel – good. As if you have accomplished a great task in life. I have been amazed at our community's willingness to jump on the ban...uhh, I mean "come back" and root-on the Pioneer football team. Hey, everybody loves a winner! The prognosticators have deemed that the college football team from east Tennessee that wears orange is one of the best in the country. I even watched with glee last Thursday night as my Vandy Commodores actually did not pull a loss from the jaws of victory (meaning they won.) Yes, everybody loves a winner!

But when the losing starts...it is extremely hard to stay faithful.

When you know that the only way to heaven is through obedience to Jesus the Christ and the whole world seems to state otherwise...it is hard to stay faithful (John 14:15, Matthew 28:18.)

When you are convinced of your research that Creation is true and Evolution is false, yet the entire world seems to be against you...it is hard to stand up to the pressure (Genesis 1:1, Exodus 20:1.)

When your diligent study has led you to overwhelming evidence that the Bible can back up its claims, but others still ridicule you for it...it is hard to remain focused (II Timothy 2:15, Hebrews 4:12.)

Hey, everybody loves a winner! However, sometimes we get our minds clouded by what it really means to be a winner or a loser.

The following verse helps to keep me grounded and focused on whom a true winner will be. "These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are

with Him are called, chosen, and faithful"

(Revelation 17:10.) When your faith is being tested, pressure is raining down upon you, and your focus is getting blurred, remember, this. Jesus is the Lamb and He will win...HE WILL WIN. Only those who are on His "team" (the called, chosen, and faithful) will be deemed a winner. Everyone else will be declared a loser and there will be no "we'll get'em next week."

Hey, everybody loves a winner.

PEW PACKER'S CAMPOUT

Clent and Lynette Kesey will host a campout for the Pew Packers on Friday September 9th. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board with full details.

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

The next class will meet on Monday, September 12th, at 9:00 AM in Room 1. Our study is in I Corinthians beginning with chapter two. Please make plans to join us for an hour of great Bible study and fellowship.



The county wide campaign for Christ will be November 13-15 at the McMinnville Civic Center. Plans are underway to have several thousand in attendance. Tom Holland will be the speaker. Advertisement has already begun.

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2115) Steve Boyd Announcements **Lead Singing** Joe Collins Doug Hendrixson First Prayer Reading Caleb Graves Scripture John 16:33 Lord's Table (N) *Brett Merritt *Willie Newby (N) Micah Lawrence (N) Lynn Gann Jewel White (N) Clent Kesey (S) (S) Harold McGinness (S) Ryan McColloch Sermon Steve Hillis **Dismiss Eddie Palmer**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2115) Steve Boyd Joe Collins **Lead Singing** First Prayer **Dale Bennett** Kane Maynard Reading **TBA** Scripture Lord's Table *Tim Fisher *Larry Flatt Steve Hillis Sermon **Dismiss Chuck Boles**

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-7916) Joe Collins
Paul Hurst
Jeff Flatt
Ben Biles
John Biddle
Bob Cantrell

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Pantry Item: Crackers

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Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....God Knows Our Needs P.M....TBA

Directory Correction

Please make the following correction to your church directory:

Clent & Lynette Kesey 507-0669

Gospel Meeting

Oakland church of Christ, September 18-21. services at 7:00 pm with Joe Gray preaching.

Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Dot Peel, sister or our Helen Morgan. She passed away this past week.

\$0.00

I certainly hope that what I was told recently was not exactly true. I was told about a brother who attends worship services at a fairly large and well established congregation in what I guess would be described as a mid-major metropolitan area. I hesitate to describe what he does as worship, even though, as I have already stated, he is a brother and does attend the worship assemblies regularly.

According to a preacher friend of mine who is in a position to know something about that congregation, this man is a billionaire (that's billion, with a b - or 1,000 million!) While he may not have a billion dollars in ready cash, if all of his assets were sold, his "net worth" would easily top \$1,000,000,000.00

According to the information I received, each Lord's day, when the collection plate is passed, this man drops his check in the plate. Each Lord's day, the amount he writes on the check is exactly the same -- \$0.00!

The reason for this, as I understand it, is that this man "Has a problem" with some of the things going on at this church. He apparently would like to see things going in a different direction than the direction in which the elders are leading this particular flock. So, each Sunday, in silent protest, he "contributes" \$0.00.

What a shame! And what an utter misunderstanding of the purpose of giving of our means!!

Most of us are aware of some of the reasons and motivations for giving as spelled out in the New Testament. I will not go into all of them in this short article.

I will, however, state that I have not yet found the verse that indicates that the Lord intended for giving to be my way of "voting" on how I think things are going at the church where I am a member. Good, effective, open communication between the elders and all of the members is vital in gauging support. Surely, if elders and the other members have the relationship described in the New Testament, no member would feel the need to resort to withholding his or her contribution in protest.

Please read carefully the eighth chapter of 2 Corinthians. This is one of the places where we find some information about how the Lord views our giving. It is interesting that giving is nowhere described as "proof of your agreement," "proof of your support for the local programs of work," or "proof of how much you like the elders, preachers, etc."

To me it is very interesting that our giving is called "the proof of your love" (2 Cor. 8:24).

~Jim Faughn~

Notes From Steve

Our youth are privileged to be a part of the Bible Bowl, a competition in Bible knowledge. The particular class I teach began classes two weeks ago in Acts. The book of Acts is a well researched and written history of the church of Jesus Christ by Luke (Luke 1:1-4; Acts 1:1.) Luke describes in vivid detail the beginning, establishment and growth of God's divine institution. Chapter one deals with Jesus reminding the apostles how they were not to leave Jerusalem, but wait for the "Promise of the Father. Why was this important?

Scripture presents two important things that were to happen in Jerusalem. First, notice Isaiah 2:2-3. "Now it shall come to pass in the latter days *That* the mountain of the LORD'S house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And all nations shall flow to it. Many people shall come and

say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem." From Jerusalem something was going to happen that would include "all nations" and involve God's Word being presented to the masses. Second, the apostles would receive "power from on high" in Jerusalem (Luke 24:49.) What Jesus meant was they had to be in Jerusalem for the fulfillment of the "Promise of the Father." Jesus had already revealed what the Promise was and why it would happen (please read John 14:15-29; 16:1-15.)

After Jesus ascended back to glory (Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12) the apostles and their immediate company did exactly as Jesus had asked; they went back to Jerusalem. Upon arriving in the city, the apostles appointed Matthias to take the place of Judas and waited. Approximately ten days later, the wait would be over and the entire world would be changed forever.

HOME DEVOTIONAL

Jeff and Mary Flatt will host the next Home Devo on Sunday night, September 18th, from 7:15 PM to 9:00 PM. Guys bring a drink and Girls bring a dessert.

VISITATION TEAM MEETING

Team 3 remember your meeting this Sunday night, September 18th, following our evening worship in Room 1.

TABS

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Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-2115) Steve Boyd
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Chris Neale
Scripture	Mark 11:15-18
Lord's Table (N)	*Don Sullivan
(S)	*Ken Martin
(N)	Jeff Templeton
(N)	Bran Merritt
(N)	Joe Roller
(S)	Kevin Flatt
(S)	David McColloch
(S)	Eugene Wilcher
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Zollie Settles

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2115) Steve Boyd
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
Reading	Jeremy Burks
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Billy Gilbert
	*Mike Driver
Sermon	Mark Lance
Dismiss	John Biddle

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-7916) Joe Collins
Lead Singing	Rickey Hurst
First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	Cory Prince
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kurt Maynard

Welcome Committee

Ronnie & Elaine Hoover **Dennis Gann Family** P.M.

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Prepare Communion:

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Assist with Baptisms:

Elanie Goodman & Regina Templeton

Pantry Item: Jelly

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Mary Elizabeth Holt (Sandra's grandmother)home from the hospital Woodrow Glenn

Jeffery Parker (son of Vera Settles)-home from hospital and doing much better.

In The Hospital:

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Ruby Glenn-Riverpark Clifford Reynolds (brother of Rodney)-Vanderbilt ICU following a stroke

School of Bible Emphais

The Mt. Leo congregation hosts the "School of Bible Emphasis" each 2nd and 4th Monday nights of the month at 7 pm. Some great teachers come for this class. The classes meet at the Educational Building. The first class of this school year will be this coming Monday evening, September 26.

Door Knocking for Campaign

The date of October 22, has been set for the door knocking for the Campaign for Christ. Breakfast will begin at 8 am and door knocking will begin at 9 am. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

You can do it! Sign up right away and be a part of a team to invite people to the meeting.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....A House Of Prayer P.M...... Report and Lesson from Mark Lance

Homecoming at East End

The East End congregation will be having their annual Homecoming on Sunday, October 2. Garland Robinson will be the speaker.

Welcome

The elders announced Sunday that Ronnie & Elaine Hoover placed membership with us. Please welcome them to the congregation!

How to Catch A Monkey

One of the oldest methods of catching monkeys is so simple you would seriously doubt its reliability although it really works. A hunter merely cuts a small hole in a gourd, ties it to a tree, then places a few seeds inside the gourd. Soon a monkey happens by, and overwhelmed by curiosity, reaches through the tine hole to explore. Feeling the seeds, he scoops them up in his hand and tries to pull his fist out to the tiny hole. To his dismay, he finds that he cannot free himself. He stubbornly refuses to let go of his precious treasure and keeps his fist closed until the hunter returns and captures him.

Oh, how pitiful to witness the thousands of people trapped by Satan using the same method. Satan baits the trap with material possessions, success, popularity, physical pleasure, social acceptance and numberless other "precious treasures" that are so important to us. Then we, like monkeys, grab and grasp and make tight little fists around our treasures only to discover that we are trapped in an existence of worldliness. God says that we cannot serve both God and mammon (Matt. 6:24).

~Copied~

Notes From Steve

To say that Acts chapter 2 begins with a bang would be a gross understatement. The first four verses reveal the "Promise of the Father" predicted by Jesus (Acts 1:4) and the coming of the "power from on high" (Luke 24:29.) Certain events began to happen that caused the multitudes to be confused, amazed, and in complete wonderment at what was transpiring (Acts 2:1, 5-13.)

The apostles stand up and pronounce exactly what was happening and their main reference source was God's Word. The prophet Joel was first used to (1.) stop anyone from thinking that the apostles were drunk and (2.) to show that the "last days' were now coming to pass (Acts 2:14-21.) From this initial scripture, Jesus is immediately preached with facts that were hard to ignore. Jesus performed miracles in their presence that no one could deny and the apostles saw Jesus alive three days after he had been killed! (Acts 2:22-24.) Second, words from the Psalms attributed to David are given as evidence further making the apostles claims more reliable by the minute. David wrote that "For You will not leave my soul in Hades, Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption" and the apostles made it abundantly clear David was not talking of himself, but of the resurrection of the Christ (Acts 2:27, 29-31; Psalm 16:10.) With more than an ample supply of evidence piling up, the proclamation is finally made, "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ (Acts 2:36.)

By using objective truths and sound reasoning, the people were "cut to the heart" meaning the message was really stinging and the question is asked, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" (Acts 2:37.) [NOTE: These people asking the question are already convinced that Jesus was the Messiah.] The people are told to Repent and be Baptized "for" [eis – unto] the remission of their sins. As the preaching continued, the time came when people began to respond to the gospel call and on this particular Pentecost day, three thousand believing souls did repent and were baptized, and THEN were added to God's church (Acts 2:38-41; 47.)

A very complex beginning to reach a simple conclusion. The people on this day heard the Father's truth, believed the message, repented of their sins, and were baptized for the remission of their sins and were added to the church. And the same method that was used when the church began, is still valid to this very day. If not who changed it and by what authority did they change it?!

YOUTH SINGING

The Rock Island Church of Christ will conduct a Youth Singing on Saturday, September 24th, beginning at 6:00 PM. Refreshments will follow the singing. Steve Hillis will lead the singing.

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Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
Stanley Graves
First Prayer
John Biddle
Reading
Daniel Boyd
Scripture
Exodus 3:1-6
Lord's Table
*Ken Martin
*Allen Hughes
Sermon
Tony Lawrence

Mark Lawrence

Wednesday Bible Study

Dismiss

Announcements (668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing Bran Merritt
First Prayer Don Griffith
Reading Lee Gann
Invitation Tim Fisher
Dismiss Rickey Hurst

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diagnosed with cancer)

Jeffery Parker (son of Vera Settles)

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Nelma Chilton-Riverpark Rehab #251
Joyce Vandagriff (Jason's mother)-in Critical Care at
St. Thomas following brain surgery
Clifford Reynolds (brother of Rodney)-Vanderbilt
ICU following a stroke
Mildred Gambrell-Riverpark
Corretta Lawrence-MTMC-outpatient surgery on
Friday

Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-in-law) Mary Elizabeth Holt (Sandra's grandmother)

Gospel Meeting

Centertown church of Christ, September 30-October 2, Services at 7 pm with Steve Vice preaching.

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Dot Peel, sister of our Helen Morgan. A memorial service was conducted for her this past Saturday.

We also extend our sympathy to the family of Pearl Mitchell. She was a long time member at Bybee Branch. She passed away on Saturday and graveside services were conducted on Monday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....The God Of The Living P.M.....Directions From A Burning Bush

Notes From Steve

EVENTS HAPPENING SUNDAY - OCTOBER 2ND

- Pew Packer's Class 5:00 PM Fellowship Room
- Visitation Team 4 Meeting Following evening worship – Room 1
- Spiritual Weight Training & Inner Beauty Salon
 7:15 PM to 9:00 PM "Difficult Decisions/ Positive Performances"

BIBLE BOWL

The first Bible Bowl of the year will be at Bybee Branch on Sunday, October 9th beginning at 2:00 PM.

Special Contribution Sunday

The elders have decided that the entire contribution this Sunday will be given to assist in the recovery efforts for the recent hurricanes. Please give generously. Thanks for Mark Lance for the excellent lesson he delivered Sunday evening!

Responses

This past Tuesday evening the elders met with Charlie Cantrell, who asked for prayers to be restored to faithfulness. Charlie is now living with Bob and Carolyn Cantrell. He has been sick and plans on being at services as soon as his health will permit. On Wednesday evening brother John Biddle asked for the prayers of the congregation. On Sunday morning Leah Pack came forward asking for prayers also. Also, Heather Tanner responded at Central on Sunday evening requesting prayers. Please remember these in your daily prayers.

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Mary Lois Cantrell Trista Wooten	26	27 Walter Maxwell Dana Roller Randel Whiteaker	Harry Felty	28	29 Glynda Stevens	30 Justin Griffin	1 Martha Maxwell
JOEL & SHIRLEY ADCOCK		Mickey Whiteaker	Stephen Boyc		6	7	8 Larry Flatt Donna Newby
Daniel Boyd Carol Felty	Dot Powell 10	W.C. & NELMA CHILTON	BRETT & REBECCA MERRITT Willene Kell Bruce Pryor	12	13 Nelma Chilton	14 JACK & ANNA JEAN BOND LARRY & JANE FLATT Heath Griffith Eva Simons	DAVID & BARBARA BOULDIN
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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2918) Jeff Flatt Announcements **Lead Singing Leonard Clemons** First Prayer Larry Flatt Reading **Bob Bonner** Mark 12:28-34 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Tommy Crouch *Steve Hillis (N) J.B. Gribble Barry Hendrixson (N) (N) Joe Maynard Ben Biles (S) Joe T. Cantrell (S) **Dustin Rhea Tony Lawrence** Sermon Rodney Reynolds **Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2918) Jeff Flatt **Leonard Clemons Lead Singing** First Prayer Eddie Palmer Reading Kelly Hillis Numbers 20:10-12 Scripture Lord's Table *Chuck Boles *W.C. Chilton Sermon Tony Lawrence **Dismiss** Johnny Anderson

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-9537) Larry Flatt
Paul Hurst
Steve Boyd
Jeremy Burks
Tony Lawrence
Billy Gilbert

Welcome Committee

A.M. David & Jo Ann Roberts P.M. Bruce Pryor Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

Ushers: Ken Martin & Derek Vinson

Attend Nursery: Melba Bonner

Lock Building: Chip Cantrell

Prepare Communion:

Clent & Lynette Kesey

Assist with Baptisms:

Nona Martin & Sharla Hillis

Pantry Item: Pudding

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	294
A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	246
P.M. Worship	233
Wednesday Bible Study	230
Contribution	\$7,478

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Ruby Glenn
Freda Womack
Eugene Jones
Roeba Jones
Randel Whiteaker
Gina Cantrell-Mullican
Sarah Southard (Jane Wilcher's mother)
Mary Bacum (former member here at Bybee

Branch, diagnosed with cancer)
Mary Elizabeth Holt (Sandra's grandmother)
Joyce Vandagriff (Jason's mother)-following
brain surgery

Corretta Lawrence-following sinus surgery Elaine Goodman

In The Hospital:

Vivian Ferrell-MTMC surgery Monday
Nelma Chilton-Riverpark Rehab #251
Clifford Reynolds (brother of Rodney)Vanderbilt ICU following a stroke
Mildred Gambrell-Riverpark
Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-inlaw)-Centennial
Jack Slatton (Jim's brother)-Riverpark ICU

Elders-Deacons Meeting

The scheduled meeting of the elders and deacons will be this coming Sunday afternoon at 5 pm.

Gospel Meeting

Bethany church of Christ, October 9-12, Services at 7 pm with Eddy Craft preaching.

Tracy City church of Christ, October 9-12, Services at 7 pm with Charles White, Charles Williams, and Ray Winton preaching.

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300)
Nettie Clemons (#121)
Rozelle Goodman (#207)
Rosie Rogers (#110)
Carol Sue Taylor (#212)
Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)
Mildred Gambrell (#101)
Martha Maxwell (#120)
Shirley Parker (#109)

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Raintree Manor

Clercie Delon

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St,

Ashland City, TN 37015) Edith Collins

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr;

Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81

Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell Thelma Glenn Greg Grizzell Willene Kell Eunice Simpson Shirley Parker Loy & Pauline Watson

Sunday's Sermons

A.M	Not Far From The Kingdom
P.M	From Humble To Haughty

Notes From Steve

"But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves, saying, "What shall we do to these men? For, indeed, that a <u>notable miracle</u> has been done through them *is* evident to all who dwell in Jerusalem, and we cannot deny *it*" (Acts 4:15-16.) The "notable miracle" that this closed-door meeting is discussing is the healing of a man who had been paralyzed since birth. The people were "filled with wonder and amazement" because they recognized whom this man was and that he should not be walking (Acts 3:1-10.)

The miracle served a dual purpose. First, a helpless man was given a chance to not be dependent on others. However, most importantly, a door of opportunity was opened for Peter and John to preach the gospel to an audience wanting answers to what had happened. Peter's response was adamant when he said that he nor John were the source for this wonderful occurrence, but none other than the one who the Jews had denied, the Holy One, the Just, the Prince of Life...Jesus! (Acts 3:12-16)

The council determined that a strong reprimand would suffice in deterring any further "nonsense" from the apostles. But again, notice the response, "But Peter and John answered and said to them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:19-20.) Quite evident in this answer was the apostles confirming that Christianity is not nonsense, but a religion based on **solid, verifiable evidence!**

The apostles nor the Christians of that day DID NOT STOP in their proclamation of the divine truth that Jesus was killed, buried, and raised the third day so mankind could have a means to

wash away the sin that stains our souls. Later on as all the apostles were placed under arrest [again for preaching Jesus,] the leading officials remind the apostles they were not suppose to invoke the name of Jesus nor spread His doctrine. Again, though, the apostles do not back down. "We ought to obey God rather than man," they state with conviction and unity. The apostles were eyewitnesses to the fact that God brought Jesus back from the dead and exalted Him to preeminence (Acts 5:27-32.)

The apostles were eventually released, but not before being beaten for their conduct and once again warned not to teach in the name of Jesus. They responded by "...rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name. And daily...they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ" (Acts 5:40-42.)

BIBLE BOWL NEWS

The first Bible Bowl of the year will be at Bybee Branch this Sunday, October 9th beginning at 2:00 PM. We will need volunteers to help set-up rooms immediately after class Sunday morning. Also, all who can are asked to bring a dessert. Our Bible Bowl study session will be Saturday (10/8) from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Danny and Cynthia Duncan's home.

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

The next class is Monday, October 10th, beginning at 9:00 AM in Room 1. Our study begins with I Corinthians 3:18.

Addresss Update

Please make the following change to your church directory:

Denice & Kaitlyn Reynolds 109 Franklin Street McMinnville, TN 37110

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2918) Jeff Flatt Announcements Lead Singing Stanley Graves Allen Hughes First Prayer Chip Cantrell Reading Mark 12:41-44 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Noel Pepper *Ricky Prince (N)Asa Kell Cody Prince (N) Steve Wilcher (N) David McColloch (S) Cory Prince (S) George Trail Tony Lawrence Sermon **Dismiss** David Bouldin

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements (668-2918) Jeff Flatt Lead Singing Stanley Graves Willie Newby First Prayer Ethan Duncan Reading Ioshua 4:20-24 Scripture Lord's Table *Rickey Burks *Brett Merritt Sermon Tony Lawrence **Dismiss** Ronnie Hoover

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements (668-9537) Larry Flatt
Lead Singing John Biddle
First Prayer Mike Driver
Reading Lynn Gann
Invitation Joe Collins
Dismiss Winfrey Hennessee

Welcome Committee

A.M. Jason Vandagriff Family P.M. Ralph & Drucilla Crouch

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Calvin Rogers & David Roberts

Attend Nursery: Glenda Hughes

Lock Building: Chip Cantrell

Prepare Communion:

Clent & Lynette Kesey

Assist with Baptisms:

Nona Martin & Sharla Hillis

Pantry Item: Lima Beans

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	. 325
Bible Study	. 236
P.M. Worship	. 207
Wednesday Bible Study	. 233
Contribution\$6	
	Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study

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Elaine Goodman

Vivian Ferrell

Nelma Chilton

Jack Slatton (Jim's brother)

Harold McGinness

In The Hospital:

Clifford Reynolds (brother of Rodney)-Riverpark Rehab Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-inlaw)-Centennial-chemo treatment Era Page (sister-in-law of Willie Holmes)-NHC for rehab

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....When A Little Is A Lot P.M...... What Means These Stones?

Campaign Door Knocking

The door knocking for the Campaign for Christ will be Saturday, October 22. The group will meet at 8 am for a breakfast and then begin knocking doors at 9 am. If you have not yet signed the list on the bulletin board, please do so soon.

Fall Festival

The annual Fall Festival Fellowship is scheduled for Saturday, October 29, Those who wish to contribute to this may give money to Mark Lawrence, Micah Lawrence, or Derek Vinson.

Gospel Meeting

Bethany church of Christ, October 9-12, Services at 7 pm with Eddy Craft preaching.

Tracy City church of Christ, October 9-12, Services at 7 pm with Charles White, Charles Williams, and Ray Winton preaching.

Homecoming

West Riverside church of Christ, October 16, with Duke Gregory preaching.

Restorations

Last week Tamela Roberts expressed a desire to be restored to faithfulness to Christ, and on Sunday morning, Regina Templeton came forward requesting prayers. Please remember these two sisters in your prayers.

Campaign For Christ

Remember to make your plans to be present at every service of the campaign. Also, start inviting your neighbors and friends to attend. The Gospel will be preached.



Notes From Steve

BIBLE BOWL WRAP-UP

A big thanks to all who made the first Bible Bowl of the year a smooth and fun event. Our team did a fantastic job and only missed one question to finish in second place. Congratulations to the Woodbury youth who finished first. The remaining teams who received ribbons were Hebron and Arlington finishing in third place and New Hope, Rock Island, and West Sparta coming in fourth place.

HOME DEVOTIONAL

The next Home Devo is this Sunday at the Pryors immediately following our evening worship service until 9:00 PM. Boys are to bring a 2 liter and girls bring a dessert.

Address Update

Please make the following changes in your church directory:

Kara Nunley 142 Creek Lane McMinnville, TN 37110

Phone: 668-7088

Telling Quotes By Scientists

"I have little hesitation in saving that a sickly pall now hangs over the big bang theory." Sir Fred Hoyle, Cambridge University

"At that moment, when the RNA/DNA system became understood, the debate between Evolutionists and Creationists should have come to a screeching halt." Biologist I. L. Cohen

"My attempts to demonstrate Evolution by an experiment carried on for more than forty years have completely failed." Evolutionist N. H. Nilsson

Letter from Daniel Hamm in Thailand

Dear Bybee Branch ladies,

Greetings from the Thailand mission field. A special thanks to all of you who worked so diligently to prepare the beautiful stuffed bears for children. We handed out about half of the ones you sent to children at the gospel meeting at Loie Province in August. Today, we went to the local hospital here in Surin where the Leaders Bible School is conducted. Jeff Bell from Union City and Daniel toured the hospital in August to find out if they could take care of Daniel's Leukemia if he got into trouble with it. Dr. Anan who could speak English very well, showed them around at that time. Her husband is also a medical doctor and owns the hospital. We called her today and told her about the stuffed bears. They have a large Pediatric section in the hospital. She told us to come over. We did. She was very pleased with the stuffed bears and asked what we wished to do. She then took us for another tour of the hospital, introducing us to staff, patients, and families as we went. We introduced ourselves, talked to them about Christianity and handed out teaching materials. We then visited all the children in the hospital, giving them the bears. There were at least 50 of them. Everyone was so nice and appreciative. The doctor then requested we come back next Monday evening and conduct Bible studies with the patients. WOW!! She asked bro. Sangiem, the local preacher in Surin to do so each Monday evening. The hospital that houses about 700 patients is across the busy street from our church/school/preacher's house/missionary residence.

Thanks to you ladies for opening this door of opportunity to teach perhaps thousands of Buddhists the saving gospel of Christ. Please pray that the local church/preacher will have the drive and vision here to do the necessary follow-up.

We send our love. Kathy & Daniel Hamm

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2918) Jeff Flatt Announcements **Lead Singing Leonard Clemons** Don Sullivan First Prayer Reading Tim Fisher Mark 13:5-8 Scripture *Kelly Thaxton Lord's Table (N) *Ronnie Prince (N) **Billy Pinegar** (N) Rvan McColloch (N) **Zollie Settles** Derek Vinson (S) (S) John Nussbaum Matt Martin **Tony Lawrence** Sermon Jewel White **Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

(668-2918) Jeff Flatt Announcements **Leonard Clemons Lead Singing** First Prayer **Bruce Prvor Jeff Templeton** Reading Joshua 9:9-14 Scripture Lord's Table *Joe T. Cantrell *Steve Boyd Tony Lawrence Sermon **Dismiss Hoyt Crouch**

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements
Lead Singing
Rickey Hurst
First Prayer
Reading
Bob Cantrell
Invitation
Tony Lawrence
Dismiss
Daniel Boyd

Welcome Committee

A.M. George & Joy Trail P.M. Willie Newby Family

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

Ushers: Rodney Maynard & Kelly Hillis

Attend Nursery: Teresa McGinness

Lock Building: Chip Cantrell

Prepare Communion:

Clent & Lynette Kesey

Assist with Baptisms:

Nona Martin & Sharla Hillis

Pantry Item: Peanut Butter

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	316
Bible Study	235
P.M. Worship	221
Wednesday Bible Study	231
A.M. Worship	\$4,113

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Eugene & Georgia Jones
Mary Davis-after a fall
Andy Slatton

In The Hospital:

Clifford Reynolds (brother of Rodney)-moved NHC for rehab Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-inlaw)-Centennial-chemo treatment Era Page (sister-in-law of Willie Holmes)-NHC for rehab Georgia Brown-Riverpark

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....What About All These Signs?
P.M.....Remember To Consult God First!

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower in honor of Rebecca Mullican on Sunday, October 23, from 1-3 pm in the church fellowship room.

Campaign Door Knocking

The door knocking for the Campaign for Christ will be this Saturday, October 22. The group will meet at 8 am for a breakfast and then begin knocking doors at 9 am. If you have not yet signed the list on the bulletin board, please do so soon.

Gospel Meetings

New Hope church of Christ, October 23-26, Services at 7 pm with Kevin Williams preaching.

Mt Leo church of Christ, November 6-10, Services at 7 pm with Wade Webster preaching.

Address Update

Heath & Jamie Griffith 834 Chickasaw Trail McMinnville, TN 37110

Restorations

Sunday morning four precious souls came forward requesting the prayers of the congregation. *Mileah Crawford, Abram Pryor, Miranda Vinson,* and *Paul Hurst* asked for us to remember them in prayers.

Fall Festival

The annual Fall Festival Fellowship is scheduled for Saturday, October 29, Those who wish to contribute to this may give money to Mark Lawrence, Micah Lawrence, or Derek Vinson.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those who desire to bring chili. Everyone else is asked to bring a dessert. If you have any questions about the food, see Lynette Kesey.

Some things to think about:

- We always find time for the things we value most.
- Live life so that the preacher won't have to lie at the funeral.
- If you think meek is weak, try being meek for a week.

Notes From Steve

God commanded Joshua to be strong, courageous, and not be afraid of the daunting task that were before he and the Israelites (Joshua 1:9.) The reason for this is that the Israelites were going into hostile territory carrying the banner of the true God, bringing a different law, and upsetting the normal routine of that day. Fast-forward to the first century and a certain man named Stephen.

Stephen was one of the seven appointed by the church and approved by the apostles to make sure the Grecian (Hellenist) widows were not being neglected in the daily distribution (Acts 6:1-5.) Eventually, however, Stephen would have to conger up the courage and boldness that served Joshua well. Stephen was preaching the gospel and people were accepting the liberty found in Christ, but as there always seems to be, some opposed the Good Word and set out to stop the message. In face to face debate, the synagogue of the Libertines (Freedmen) were no match for the wisdom and Spirit that led Stephen. So, if you can't stop the message – STOP THE MESSENGER, and this is exactly what transpired. False accusers were set up (does this all sound eerily familiar) that claimed Stephen was using blasphemous words against Moses, God, and the temple (this holy place.) (Acts 6:8-15)

When called upon to defend his stance, Stephen did so with conviction, knowledge, and courage. Stephen would go on to logically prove that it was not he who had turned his back on God and blasphemed, but rather his audience, the Jews who had done so! He proves this by using the Israelites own history against his accusers! They had constantly blasphemed against the Holy Spirit, had constantly killed the prophets would foretold of the "Just One," who Stephen states his countrymen had become "betrayers

and murderers" (Acts 7:1-50.)

Stephen entered a hostile environment that opposed Jesus. He carried the blood stained banner of the true and righteous God, delivered the gospel of Jesus Christ, and truly upset some of the people's lives of that day. Stephen was strong, courageous, and not afraid to stand up and be counted under tremendous pressure. Stephen lost his physical life that day, but look at what he gained – eternal freedom.

As the stones pounded away at his body, he eventually fell to his knees and then he "fell asleep" (Acts 7:60.) Stephen died a martyrs death, yet did so with such strength and dignity that it might be confusing to some who are reading this. However, remember this, Stephen was given a glimpse of what awaited him (Acts 7:55-56.) He knew everything that he had believed and taught concerning Jesus, was true so no doubt, Stephen is still "sleeping" well to this very day.

TABS

The church of Christ at Hebron will this Sunday, October 16th, host TeenAge Bible Study. Services begin at 6:00 PM and we will leave from our building at 5:25 PM. Our topic this month is "ONE Spirit."

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

The next class is Monday, October 24th, beginning at 9:00 AM.

Pray — Promote —Plan

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Sunday Morning Worship

(668-2918) Jeff Flatt Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** Calvin Rogers First Prayer Jason Vandagriff Reading Mark 14:1-11 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Dale Bennett *Jim Slatton (N) **Kevin Flatt David Roberts** (N) (N) **Abram Pryor** (S) David Chilton Joe Roller (S) Chris Neale **Tony Lawrence** Sermon Kelly Hillis **Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

(668-2918) Paul Hurst Announcements **Lead Singing** Ethan Duncan First Prayer Abram Prvor **Chandler Cantrell** Reading **TBA** Scripture Lord's Table *Jeremy Burks *Rickey Burks Daniel Boyd Sermon **Dismiss** Ben Biles

Wednesday Bible Study

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Tommy Crouch

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Prepare Communion:

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Assist with Baptisms:

Nona Martin & Sharla Hillis

Pantry Item: Crackers

Record For The Week...

ı	A.M. Worship	362
ı	A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	283
ı	P.M. Worship	217
ı	Wednesday Bible Study	228
ı	Contribution	35,177

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Eugene & Georgia Jones
Mary Davis-after a fall
Andy Slatton
Clifford Reynolds (brother of Rodney)
Era Page (sister-in-law of Willie Holmes)
Georgia Brown
Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-in-law)

In The Hospital:

Debbie Glenn-surgery Thursday at Riverpark Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan's mother)-Centennial

Sunday's Sermons

A.M	Two Attitudes
P.M	Young Men Conduct Services

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Edwin Rogers, brother of our Vera Settles. He passed away Sunday in San Antonio, TX.

Campaign Door Knocking

The door knocking for the Campaign for Christ this past Saturday was a resounding success. About 100 people showed up to knock around 1800 doors. Thanks to everyone for their dedicated work, especially deacons Steve Boyd, Stanley Graves, Willie Newby and Joe Collins for their leadership in this work.

Gospel Meetings

New Hope church of Christ, October 23-26, Services at 7 pm with Kevin Williams preaching.

Mt Leo church of Christ, November 6-10, Services at 7 pm with Wade Webster preaching.

Fall Festival

The annual Fall Festival Fellowship will be this Saturday, October 29, beginning at 5 pm. If you have any questions see Mark Lawrence. Everyone is asked to bring their favorite dessert.

Notes From Steve

4TH WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASS

All students in the 7th to 12th grade will meet in the fellowship room.

Baptism

We rejoice with our Hispanic brethren in the addition of another brother in Christ. Christian Rodas was baptized on Sunday afternoon.

New Bible Videos available on web

www.thebible.net/video now have several of the videos from World Video Bible School available. If you have a broadband connection, you will greatly benefit by these lessons.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6	7	8	9	10 WOODROW & MILDRED GLENN Ashley Vandagriff	11	12 Rodney Maynard Bran Merritt Helen Morgan
FREED	HERUCE NUMBER NTY-WIDE CAMIDOM, FAMILY, FO	REVER	Kelly Hillis	17	18 LEONARD & AVIE CLEMONS David King Blake Sadlon Jewel White	Steve Atnip 19
20 Georgia Brooks	WALTER & 21 DAISY MAXWELL	22	Olivia Newby	24 CHUCK & PAT BOLES	25	26 Anna Jean Bond
Joe Collins Willie Newby	Corretta Lawrence Lauren Roller Nellie Thomison	WILLUS & EDITH ROBERTS Pearl Mitchell	Stefanie McColloch	1 TRENT & DANA ROLLER Vivian Ferrell Susan Pryor	David Bouldin Hoyt Crouch Janie York	3 Elaine Goodman Trent Roller

November 6, 2005

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Billy Gilbert
Reading	Clent Kesey
Scripture	Mark 14:22-26
Lord's Table (N)	*Ronnie Rogers
(S)	*Ken Martin
(N)	Mark Lawrence
(N)	David King
(N)	Kane Maynard
(S)	Jeremy Burks
(S)	Lynn Gann
(S)	Bran Merritt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Johnny Anderson
Reading	David Bouldin
Scripture	Joshua 9:19-21
Lord's Table	*Danny Duncan
	*Ricky Prince
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tim Fisher

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9537) Chip Cantrell
Lead Singing	Steve Hillis
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Chris Neale
Invitation	Rickey Burks
Dismiss	Don Griffith

Welcome Committee

A.M. Doug & Wanda Hendrixson P.M. Rickey Hurst Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

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Assist with Baptisms:

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Pantry Item: Rice

Record For The Week...

ı	A.M. Worship352	
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7:00 p.m.

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Dora Mullican-after a fall
Ruby Glenn
Randel Whiteaker
Gina Cantrell-Mullican
Sarah Southard (Jane Wilcher's mother)
Vivian Ferrell
Jack Slatton (Jim's brother)
Eugene & Georgia Jones
Andy Slatton
Clifford Reynolds (brother of Rodney)
Era Page (sister-in-law of Willie Holmes)
Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-in-law)

In The Hospital:

Debbie Glenn-Riverpark

Opportunities For Edification

Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan's mother)

Dibrell church of Christ, November 4-6, Services at 7 pm with Stan Stevenson preaching.

Central church of Christ will host a Teacher Training Workshop, Saturday, November 5, from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm. Details are on the bulletin board.

Mt Leo church of Christ, November 6-10, Services at 7 pm with Wade Webster preaching.

Leoni church of Christ, November 11-13, Eighteenth Annual Bob Ford Memorial Lectureship. Theme: The Church. Speakers include James Watkins, Charles Williams, Jeff Archey, Stan Stevenson, David Costello, Bryan Pitts, James Boyd, Vernon Joines, and for the ladies, Janet Barnes.

Just A Quarter

Several years ago a preacher moved to Houston, Texas. Some weeks after he arrived, he rode the bus from his home to the downtown area. When he sat down, he discovered that the bus driver had accidentally given him a quarter too much change. As he considered what to do, he thought to himself "You better give the quarter back. It would be wrong to keep it."

Then he thought, "Oh, forget it, it's only quarter. Who would worry about this little of an amount? Anyway, the bus company already gets too much fare; they will never miss it. Accept it as a gift from God and keep quiet."

When his stop came, he paused momentarily at the door, and then he handed the quarter to the bus driver and said "Here you gave me too much change." The driver, with a smile replied, "Aren't you the new preacher in town? I have been thinking about going to worship somewhere. I just wanted to see what you would do if gave you too much change."

When my friend stepped off the bus, he literally grabbed the nearest light pole, and held on, and said, "Oh, God, I almost sold your Son for a quarter."

Our lives are the only Bible some people will ever read.

Be encouraged.

~Copied from the East Main Messenger/Murfreesboro~

Sunday's Sermons

A.M	A Memorial Feast
P.M	"I've Just Got To Have It!"

Notes From Steve

Reflections upon the Ethiopian Eunuch: (Acts 8:26-40)

- He was a trusted and loyal servant.
- He was a worshipper of the one true God.
- He studied his Bible.
- He asked questions.
- · He sought answers.
- He had an open mind.
- He separated fact from fiction, truth from error.
- He understood that Jesus must have a prominent role in his life.
- He believed Jesus was the Christ, the Son of the Living God.
- He understood he had to be baptized.
- · He was baptized.
- He went home full of joy knowing he had found redemption.

We would recognize this man as an honest, hard working, religious person. However, as Phillip explained that Jesus was the Christ and that salvation flowed through the Savior, this treasurer knew that his life was incomplete. The Ethiopian realized he had to meet Jesus on the Lord's terms. He had tremendous, admirable qualities, the kind that any society would love for their citizenry to have. But personally, the man from Ethiopia still had a void in his soul that only Jesus Christ of Nazareth could fill. In Jesus, the eunuch found the missing ingredient.

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

PEW PACKER'S CLASS

The next class is this Sunday, November 6th, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Room. The topic is "Extreme Forgiveness," centered on Joseph's reaction to his brothers.

S.W.T. & I.B.S.

Each group will assemble at 7:15 PM this Sunday, November 6th, to discuss the assigned topic of "Dress." Following the class session and a brief devo, the group will go out to eat.

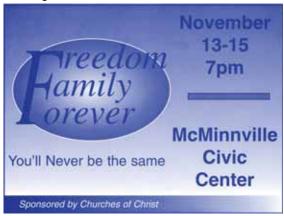
Visitation Team Meeting

Team 1 will meet immediately following our evening worship this Sunday, November 6th, in Room 1.

Ladies Bible Class Project

The Ladies Bible Class will be assisting three young ladies during this holiday season. If you would like to help, please see Jane Flatt or Sonia Vandagriff by Sunday, November 6.

Pray — Promote —Plan



Remember The Campaign

November 13, 2005

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Brett Merritt
Reading	Micah Lawrence
Scripture	Mark 14:27-32
Lord's Table (N)	*W.C. Chilton
(S)	*Chuck Boles
(N)	Jared Mullican
(N)	Eugene Wilcher
(N)	Kevin Flatt
(S)	Marc Martin
(S)	Lee Gann
(S)	Kevin Judkins
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Paul Hurst

Sunday Evening Worship

County-wide Campaign at McMinnville Civic Center

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9537) Chip Cantrell
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Zollie Settles
Reading	Ronnie Hoover
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Mike Driver

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A.M. Kelly & Gaye Hillis P.M. Allen Hughes Family

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Assist with Baptisms:

Stephanie Maynard & Stefanie McColloch

Pantry Item: Pineapple

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	338
Bible Study	253
P.M. Worship	224
Wednesday Bible Study	213
A.M. Worship	\$5,411

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Debbie Glenn

In The Hospital:

Mary Elizabeth Holt (Sandra Holt's grandmother)-St. Thomas
Georgia Womack (former member here)-Stone
Crest Hospital in Smyrna
Ronnie Hoover-knee surgery Tuesday in
Nashville
George Drake (husband of Yvonne Drake)Riverpark ICU

Bible Bowl News

Denice Reynolds will host this month's Bible Bowl Study, which takes place Saturday, November 12th, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Remember to bring your Bible (KJV preferred.) Then, on Sunday - November 13th, the bus will leave at 1:15 sharp for New Union (Manchester.) PLEASE remember you are representing the Bybee Branch church of Christ, so DRESS MODESTLY AND RESPECTFULLY. Parents...PLEASE help us in this endeavor.

Senior Saints Class

Our next class is Monday, November 14th, beginning at 9:00 AM in Room 1. We would love to see more Bybee people take advantage of the lessons and fellowship. Maybe you can start attending the class this Monday? Hope to see you there!

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower in honor of Sarah Beth Hurst-King this coming Sunday afternoon from 1:00-2:30 pm in the fellowship room.

Baptisms

We rejoice again with our Hispanic brethren with the baptism of Marcos Ruiz Rios. He was baptized Sunday morning, October 30. And, on Sunday, November 6 Gonzalo Mendez was baptized. This now makes 87 who have been baptized at the Iglesia de Cristo.

Visitation Team 2

Due to the county-wide meeting beginning on Sunday evening, Team 2 will meet in the library just before classes on Sunday morning.

Ten Most Wanted Individuals

- 1. The person who has a ready smile and a pat on the back for others.
- 2. The person who can see his or her own faults before he sees the faults of others.
- 3. The person who gives his or her money, time and talent without thought of return.
- 4. The person who gives himself or herself totally into a project and then gives credit for its success to his or her helpers.
- 5. The person who is willing to say, "I was wrong. I am sorry."
- 6. The person who will look at temptation squarely and say "No."
- 7. The person who brings his or her children to church rather than sending them.
- 8. The person who puts God's business above any other business.
- 9. The person who tries to be the right example to every individual rather than talk about it.
- 10. The person who has a passion to help rather than a passion to be helped.

~Kevin Rayner~

Campaign For Christ

November 13-15, at 7 pm each night Father, We Thank Thee For...

Freedom
Family
Forever

At the McMinnville Civic Center • Sponsored by churches of Christ

Sunday PM Service

Everyone should plan on going to the Civic Center for the Sunday evening worship. There will be brethren at the building just in case someone is traveling through and showed up at the building wanting to worship at our normal time of 6:00 pm. There will only be a short devotional at the building if there are those who show up. Please make an effort to be at every service!

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... A Profile Of Simon's Sin P.M.... Campaign At The Civic Center

Opportunities For Edification

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Pleasant Knoll church of Christ, November 18,7 pm will host an area wide singing.

November 20, 2005

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Harold McGinness
Scripture	Mark 15:12-13
Lord's Table (N)	*Dennis Gann
(S)	*Steve Boyd
(N)	Joe T. Cantrell
(N)	Jason Vandagriff
(N)	Zollie Settles
(S)	Ryan McColloch
(S)	Ethan Duncan
(S)	Barry Hendrixson
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Caleb Graves

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Doug Hendrixson
Reading	Derek Vinson
Scripture	Joshua 14:6-15
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee
	*Allen Hughes
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Cantrell

Wednesday Bible Study

Singing Night

Welcome Committee

A.M. Clent & Lynette Kesey

P.M. Lucille Newby & Doris Smith

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Calvin Rogers & David Roberts

Attend Nursery: Cassie McGinness

Lock Building: Jeff Flatt

Prepare Communion:

Doris Smith & Wanda Hendrixson

Assist with Baptisms:

Stephanie Maynard & Stefanie McColloch

Pantry Item: Peaches

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	333
Bible Study	235
I P.M. Worship	*
Wednesday Bible Study	213
Contribution	\$4,413
*services at the Civic Center	

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Mary Elizabeth Holt (Sandra Holt's
grandmother)

In The Hospital:

Asa Kell-St. Thomas Georgia Womack (moved to Peachtree Rehabiliation Center, 202 Enon Springs Road East, Smyrna, TN 37167)

Sympathy

Sympathy to the family of Sarah Southard (Jane Wilcher's mother). She passed away on Wednesday and her funeral last Saturday.

Sympathy to the family of George Drake (husband of Yvonne Drake) who also died last Friday. His funeral was Monday.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....Christ Crucified P.M....Promise Made, Promise Received

Opportunities For Edification

Pleasant Knoll church of Christ, November 18, 7 pm will host an area wide singing.

Main Street church of Christ/Manchester, November 18-20, 7 pm with Josh Ketchum preaching.

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300)
Nettie Clemons (#121)
Rozelle Goodman (#207)
Rosie Rogers (#110)
Carol Sue Taylor (#212)
Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)
Mildred Gambrell (#101)
Martha Maxwell (#120)
Shirley Parker (#109)

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Raintree Manor

Clercie Delon

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St, Ashland City, TN 37015) Edith Collins

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr; Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81

Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702) Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell Thelma Glenn Greg Grizzell Willene Kell Eunice Simpson Shirley Parker Loy & Pauline Watson

Ladies Holiday Meal

Ladies Holiday Fellowship Meal will be at "the Gathering Place" on Sparta Hwy. It will be Tuesday, Nov. 29, at 6:30 pm. Cost of the meal will be \$8. A sign up sheet will be on the bulletin board and deadline to sign up is Nov. 20.

Lessons From Steve

"And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch" Acts 11:26. A great debate is going on in the Hillis household these days. The debate centers on the question, what are we going to name the baby due in January? We had several good ideas IF it had been a boy, but that was not to be. I thought of having a "Name the Baby Contest" for the BBYG, until I came to my senses. So, Sharla, Terann, and I are left with the task of choosing a name that we can all come to some type of agreement on. However, an interesting question comes from this. Why all the fuss? It's only a name, for crying out loud, so what's the big deal.

Yet, it is a big deal! We want to give our child a name that we and someday she will not be ashamed of. A name is a big deal! On the day that disciples were first called Christians, it had huge repercussions, involving the past, present and the future. Isaiah had prophesied that God would give a name that was everlasting (56:5) and new, straight from the mouth of God Himself (62:2.) Obviously, this name is Christian. Agrippa was almost persuaded to be...a Christian (Acts 26:28.) Peter asked the disciples not to be ashamed of the name...Christian (I Peter 4:16.)

Does it not stand to reason then that if the Bible makes a "big-deal" about what name to wear, a true follower of Jesus our Savior would want to bear that same name? Therefore, to all who are reading this article and are wearing a religious name not found in the Bible, I kindly and respectfully, with no ill will in my heart, come to you with an appeal. Please challenge your thoughts and the thoughts of the one who may be teaching you that it is ok to wear the name _____ (you fill in the blank.) The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch for a reason. What is your reason for wearing a

name other than what has been providentially prescribed?

BIBLE BOWL NEWS

Congratulations to our Bible Bowl team for another great showing. We finished in 2nd place missing only three questions. However, on one of the questions our youth used solid biblical reasoning for basing their final decision. Monitors continue to praise our kids for their willingness to work together and the way they conduct themselves inside the classroom. Parents, elders, and the entire congregation can take pride in the character and study skills these kids possess. Woodbury finished in 1st place, with Arlington, Ivy Bluff, and New Hope taking 3rd place. Bluff Springs grabbed the pink ribbon for 4th place.

HOME DEVOTIONAL

November's Home Devo will be held at the home of Steve & Sharla Hillis. We will meet immediately after the evening services this Sunday. Boys are asked to bring a 2-liter and girls are asked to bring a dessert.

WEDNESDAY NITE YOUTH SOMETHING

The annual W.N.Y.S. falls on November 23rd. The youth are asked to bring their favorite dessert/food and games. Drinks will be provided. Also the exciting "Connect-the-Dot" World Championship will be back. Bran Merritt will be the keynote speaker for our devotional.

YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT

Each year our youth group asks the congregation for donations to help buy gifts for nursing homes and underprivileged children. The teens purchase, prepare, and deliver all the gifts. We are again seeking help in this endeavor. If you can help, please give your money to Steve Hillis or one of the elders.

November 27, 2005

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Ronnie Hoover
Reading	Shannon Griffin
Scripture	Mark 16:15-16
Lord's Table (N)	*Rickey Hurst
(S)	*Larry Flatt
(N)	David McColloch
(N)	Cory Prince
(N)	Dustin Rhea
(S)	Daniel Boyd
(S)	Ben Biles
(S)	Marty Boles
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jeff Flatt

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Daniel Boyd
First Prayer	Jeremy Burks
Reading	Ben Biles
Scripture	Ephesians 4:4-6
Lord's Table	*Steve Hillis
	*Mark Lawrence
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Abram Pryor

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-9537) Chip Cantrell
Lead Singing	Ethan Duncan
First Prayer	Willie Newby
Reading	Joe Collins
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Eddie Palmer

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Doris Smith & Wanda Hendrixson

Assist with Baptisms:

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Pantry Item: Cranberry Sauce

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254
214
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Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... The Great Commission P.M..... TABS: One Hope

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower in honor of Sharla Hillis on Sunday, December 4, from 1-3 pm at the home of Jeff & Mary Flatt

Baptism

We rejoice with the baptism of Jeff Rhea. He was baptized this past Friday afternoon.

Elders-Deacons Meeting

There will be an elders-deacons meeting this coming Sunday afternoon at 5 pm.

Homecoming

Smartt church of Christ, December 4, hosts their Homecoming Day. Services at 10 & 11 am and 2 pm. Speaker: Larry Vinson

Address Update

Please make the following update to your church directory:

Barry, Anna, Jacob and Porter Hendrixson 3840 East Compton Road Murfreesboro, TN 37130

New Arrival

Congratulations to Jared & Rebecca Mullican on the arrival of a new baby boy, Talan Lane, He was born at 7 lbs, 8 ozs and 20 3/4 inches long. Mother and baby are doing well.

Picture Request

Everyone knows that I enjoy preparing a slide show for the holiday party each year. If you have a picture or two that you would like to submit, please either email it to me, or bring it in so I can scan it. Thanks, Tony.

Twenty-something Class

On Sunday morning between worship and Bible classes there will be a meeting of the twenty-somethings to plan the future of the class. All in this age bracket are encouraged to attend.

School of Bible Emphasis

The School of Bible Emphasis hosted by the Mt. Leo congregation, November 28, at 7 pm.

Lessons From Steve

WEDNESDAY NITE YOUTH SOMETHING

The annual W.N.Y.S. is this Wednesday night, November 23rd. The youth are asked to bring their favorite board or card game and favorite dessert/food. Drinks will be provided. Also the exciting "Connect-the-Dot" World Championship will be back. Bran Van Merritt will be the keynote speaker for our devotional.

TABS

The monthly TeenAge Bible Study will meet at Bybee Branch this Sunday, November 27th. We have had excellent attendance for the first two TABS and expect that trend to continue. Our topic will be "One Hope." An activity and refreshments will follow our worship. Susan Pryor is our food preparation coordinator.

YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT

Each year our youth group asks the congregation for donations to help buy gifts for nursing homes and underprivileged children. The teens purchase, prepare, and deliver all the gifts. Already, the congregation is generously giving of their means and it is much appreciated. The last day we can take donations will be December 4th. If you can help, please give your money to Steve Hillis or one of the elders.

SIGN-UP FOR YOUTH TRIPS

Two sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board for upcoming trips.

First is Evangelism University in Savannah, TN. EU will take place January 13 – 15, 2006. The trip is for 7th to 12th grade students. I will not be able to travel with the youth on this trip, so we need volunteers who can chaperone our kids to Savannah and back. VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE: There are two separate prices for this trip, depending on when you sign-up AND PAY. For those who sign-up and paid BY DECEMBER 8TH, the cost is \$30.00. For those who sign-up AFTER DECEMBER 8TH, the cost will be \$40.00. The final cut-off date is December 25th.

Second is the Family Matters Retreat in Pigeon Forge. The retreat is February 17 - 19, 2006. The cost is \$45.00 for students and individuals. For those who request private rooms, see Steve Hillis for the cost. In talking to the organizers of this retreat, several changes have been made from last year to make for a more enjoyable weekend. The cut-off for signing-up

is January 22nd.

SENIOR SAINTS CLASS

The Senior Saints class will meet Monday, November 28th, at 9:00 AM in Room 1. This will be our final class for 2005, so if you can make it we would love to see you.

Thanksgiving

Thanks be to God! to whom earth owes
Sunshine and breeze,
The heath-clad hill, the vale's repose,
Streamlet and seas,
The snowdrop and the summer rose,
The many-voiced trees,
Thanks for the darkness that reveals
Night's starry dower;
And for the sable cloud that heals
Each fevered flower;

And for the rushing storm that peals
Our weakness and Thy power.
Thanks for the sweetly-lingering might
In music's tone:

For paths of knowledge, whose calm light Is all thine own;

For thoughts that at the Infinite Fold their bright wings alone.

Thanks for the gladness that entwines Our path below;

Each sunrise that incarnadines
The cold, still snow;

Thanks for the light of love which shines With brightest earthly glow.

Thanks, more thanks, to Him ascend, Who died to win

Our life, and every trophy rend From Death and Sin;

Till, when the thanks of earth shall end, The thanks of Heaven begin.

 \sim F. R. Havergal $\!\sim$

December 4, 2005

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bruce Pryor
Reading	Noel Pepper
Scripture	Mark 16:17-20
Lord's Table (N)	*Ronnie Prince
(S)	*Joe Collins
(N)	Dickie Kesey
(N)	Matt Martin
(N)	Chris Neale
(S)	Jeff Templeton
(S)	Joe Maynard
(S)	Cody Prince
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Mike Driver
Reading	David Roberts
Scripture	Judges 21:25
Lord's Table	*Dale Bennett
	*Larry Flatt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Wilcher

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Steve Boyd
Invitation	Don Sullivan
Dismiss	Brett Merritt

Welcome Committee

A.M. Rodney & Patsy Reynolds P.M. Allen Hughes Family

Bus Driver: Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

Ushers: Caleb Graves & Mark Lawrence

Attend Nursery: Nan Cantrell

Lock Building: Clent Kesey

Prepare Communion:

Steve Hillis & W.C. Chilton

Assist with Baptisms: Mary Flatt & Janie Griffin

Pantry Item: Chicken Broth

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	327
Bible Study	249
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A.M. Worship	\$4,312

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Clifford Reynolds (brother of Rodney)
Mary Elizabeth Holt (Sandra Holt's
grandmother)
Randel Whiteaker-at home but not doing very
well.

In The Hospital:

Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-inlaw)-Centennial

Sunday's Sermons

A.M	The Confirmed Word
P.M	The Necessity of Leadership

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower in honor of Sharla Hillis on Sunday, December 4, from 1-3 pm at the home of Jeff & Mary Flatt

Baptism

We continue to rejoice with our Hispanic brethren with another baptism this past Sunday. Jose Garcia Bidneo was baptized into Christ. This now makes 88 baptisms among our Hispanic brethren!

Homecoming

Smartt church of Christ, December 4, hosts their Homecoming Day. Services at 10 & 11 am and 2 pm. Speaker: Larry Vinson

GBN on BLTV

Thanks to our own Clent Kesey, Gospel Broadcasting Network will soon be on Ben Lomand TV. More next week.

Lessons From Steve

PEW PACKERS CLASS

Our final class for 2005 will be this Sunday, December 4th, beginning at 5:00 PM. The lesson is "Looking Ahead" based off certain things Genesis speaks of concerning the Christ. Following the abbreviated lesson, we will have a party for the kids.

SPIRITUAL WEIGHT TRAINING & INNER BEAUTY SALON

These two programs will meet this Sunday night following our worship service. First each respective group will discuss the topic "Dances/Dancing" and then, following a brief devotional, we will go out to eat.

TABS AFTERTHOUGHT

A big thanks to <u>everyone</u> who had a part in making last Sunday night a true blessing. An extra special thanks to Tony for a great lesson concerning our "One Hope" and Susan Pryor for coordinating our food.

YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT

Each year our youth group asks the congregation for donations to help buy gifts for nursing homes and underprivileged children. The teens purchase, prepare, and deliver all the gifts. The last day we can take donations will be this Sunday, December 4^{th} . If you can help, please give your money to Steve Hillis or one of the elders.

EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY

EU will take place January 13 – 15, 2006 in Savannah, TN. The trip is for 7th to 12th grade students. I will not be able to travel with the youth on this trip, so we need volunteers who can chaperone our kids to Savannah and back. VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE: There are two separate prices for this trip, depending on when you sign-up AND PAY. For those who sign-up and paid BY DECEMBER 8TH, the cost is \$30.00. For those who sign-up AFTER DECEMBER 8TH, the cost will be \$40.00. The final cut-off date is December 25th.

		Dece	mber	2005)	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Joe Collins Willie Newby	Corretta Lawrence Lauren Roller Nellie Thomison	WILLUS & EDITH ROBERTS	Stefanie McColloch	TRENT & DANA ROLLER Vivian Ferrell Susan Pryor	David Bouldin Hoyt Crouch Janie York	3 Elaine Goodman Trent Roller
Zollie Settles 4	Rickey Burks 5	6 DENNIS & JANICE FOSTER	7	8 LOY & PAULINE WATSON Irene Lawrence	9	10 Kane Maynard
J.B. Gribble Brandi Wilcher	12 RAY & DORIS SMITH Sharon Driver Iona King	13	Jane Wilcher	15	John Biddle Thelma Glenn	17
Abby Roller Lisa Thaxton Annual Holiday Fellowship after PM Services	19 Shirley Nunley	20 BOB & MELBA BONNER Christine Gribble	21 Don Sullivan	Allison Boyd	23	24 BILL & FREDA WOMACK
25	26 JOE & MARSHA COLLING Chuck Medley	27 STEVE & JANE WILCHER Dale Bennett	28	29 Edith Roberts	30	31

December 11, 2005

Sunday Morning Worship

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** Ricky Prince First Prayer Willie Newby Reading Scripture Acts 1:1-3 Lord's Table (N) *Calvin Rogers *David Bouldin (N) John Nussbaum Joe Roller (N) George Trail (N) Hoyt Crouch (S) Harry Felty (S) (S) **Abram Pryor** Sermon Tony Lawrence **Kelly Thaxton Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Steve Hillis
Reading
Scripture
Lord's Table
Sermon

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Stanley Graves
Steve Hillis
Danny Duncan
Hebrews 11:32-40
*Winfrey Hennessee
*Chuck Boles
Tony Lawrence

Mark Lawrence

Wednesday Bible Study

Dismiss

Announcements
Lead Singing
Rickey Hurst
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Rickey Hurst
Tory Prince
Tory Prince
Tory Lawrence
Bob Cantrell

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Assist with Baptisms:Mary Flatt & Janie Griffin

Pantry Item: Chili Beans

Record For The Week...

A.M. Wo	orship	329
Bible Stu	ıdy	242
P.M. Wo	rship	233
Wednes	orshipudyrshipdy day Bible Studyd	201
Contrib	ution	\$6,484

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grandmother)
Bruce Pryor
David Chilton
Mike Brashier (Mary Flatt's father)

In The Hospital:

Randel Whiteaker-St. Thomas Chuck Taylor (step-father to Carol Boyd)-St. Thomas following heart attack-Room 271 Brenda Ferrell (daughter of Myra Bell)-surgery Wednesday at Baptist Wanda Mayfield (Becky Crawford's mother-inlaw)-Centennial

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... The Proven Christ P.M... Lessons Learned from Gideon

Lessons From Steve

BIBLE BOWL STUDY

The study will be held at a special time, 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, at Steve & Carol Boyd's home this Saturday, December 10th. Immediately following our study we will travel to Manchester to eat. All who are interested can attend. Then, if time permits, we will attend the last hour of the youth singing at New Union. The Bible Bowl will be at Main Street in Manchester this Sunday. The bus will leave at 1:20 PM.

SENIOR SAINTS BREAKFAST

Reservations have been made for Monday, December 12th, at Wilma Jean's Kitchen for breakfast. Our reservations are for 8:00 AM.

EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY

If you are going on this trip the \$30.00 cut-off is this Wednesday. The price after this date is \$40.00 and must be paid by December 25^{th} .

Shut-ins

NHC

Pearlene Cantrell (#300)
Nettie Clemons (#121)
Rozelle Goodman (#207)
Rosie Rogers (#110)
Carol Sue Taylor (#212)
Dora Mae Wilcher (#313)
Mildred Gambrell (#101)
Martha Maxwell (#120)
Shirley Parker (#109)

Graceful 2 Boarding Home

Florene Nokes

Raintree Manor

Clercie Delon

Hillcrest Health Care (111 E. Lenox St, Ashland City, TN 37015)

Edith Collins

Life Care Center of Sparta (508 Mose Dr;

Sparta, TN 38583)

Shirlee Young (Helen Morgan's sister)

Windsor Place Nursing & Rehab Center (81

Windsor Blvd; Columbus, MS 39702)

Helen Lawrence (Tony's mother)

Home:

Charles & Vada Campbell Thelma Glenn Greg Grizzell Willene Kell Eunice Simpson Loy & Pauline Watson

Gospel Meeting

Chestnut Grove church of Christ, December 8-10, services at 7 pm with Tom Holland preaching.









Great Tools For Bible Study

There are so many things in this world that are being used for evil that have a great potential for good. Everyone has heard about the pornographic images being displayed on the Internet and filthy movies on cable and satellite, yet our brethren are determined to defeat the Devil by providing good programming. Here are some tools of which you may not be aware:

Just last week the Highland church of Christ in Dalton, GA began airing GBN (Gospel Broadcasting Network). It is being beamed into homes by means of satellite and across cable systems. One of the first systems to pick up this new network is our own local BLTV (channel 16). It can also be seen on the Internet at: www.gbntv.org. Some of the speakers on the new network are James Watkins, Tom Holland, Jim Dearman, David Sain, Paul Sain, Brandon Britton, Winford Claiborne, Don McWhorter, and others.

Locally, we are fortunate to have WSOJ-LP 102.5 FM operated by the East End congregation here in McMinnville. 24 hours a day, seven days a week there is Gospel preaching and singing. There is nothing but sound teaching found on this program! Some of the great Gospel preachers of the past can also be heard here. Listen in and you will hear Marshall Keeble preach (He departed this life in 1968). If you desire, you can hear the program either on your radio or the Internet at www.eecc.org. Also at www. wsoj.net one can even choose a topic or speaker.

Many wish they had the ability to attend a preacher training school but cannot leave their job or have the time. Now, there are two great means for a person to take classes on that level. www.theBible.net/video now has almost all the textual courses and some other courses online from World Video Bible School. One can study in-depth any book of the Bible, or Bible related courses. Even the class notes are available! In addition to theBible.net, is www.oabs.org. It is operated by the Phillips St. congregation in Dyersburg. Not only may one take Bible courses but numerous lectureships and debates are also online for viewing.

Brother Jim Boyd (Steve's dad) operates his own website, www.aburningfire.net, where one can find 942 lessons (as of this writing). He also has his commentaries online.

Links to all these sites are available out our website: www.bybeebranch.org. By the way, we continue to average about 10,000 hits a month at our own website. Look for more opportunities in the near future. Yes, one can find bad on the television, radio and the Internet, but there are many great things that our brethren are doing to teach the Truth. Let us pray to God that the Truth prevails.

~Tony Lawrence~

Holiday Party

The annual Holiday party will be following the PM services on December 18. If your last name begins with A-F, bring 2 dozen sandwiches; G-S desserts; T-Z chips AND dip. Those in charge this year: Sherry Graves, Glyna Lee, Corretta Lawrence, Gaye Hillis & Susie Griffith.

December 18, 2005

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	Don Sullivan
Scripture	Acts 2:1-4
Lord's Table (N)	*Eddie Palmer
(S)	*Rodney Reynolds
(N)	Jeff Rhea
(N)	Rodney Maynard
(N)	Derek Vinson
(S)	J.B. Gribble
(S)	Kelly Hillis
(S)	Billy Pinegar
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John Biddle

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Jewel White
Reading	Johnny Anderson
Scripture	Hebrews 11:32-40
Lord's Table	*Jim Slatton
	*W.C. Chilton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Martin

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Lead Singing	Steve Hillis
First Prayer	Chip Cantrell
Reading	Marty Boles
Invitation	Paul Hurst
Dismiss	Daniel Boyd

Welcome Committee

A.M. Marty & Sharon Boles P.M. Ken & Glyna Lee

Bus Driver: Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

Ushers: Calvin Rogers & David Roberts

Attend Nursery: Lynette Kesey

Lock Building: Clent Kesey

Prepare Communion:

Steve Hillis & W.C. Chilton

Assist with Baptisms: Mary Flatt & Janie Griffin

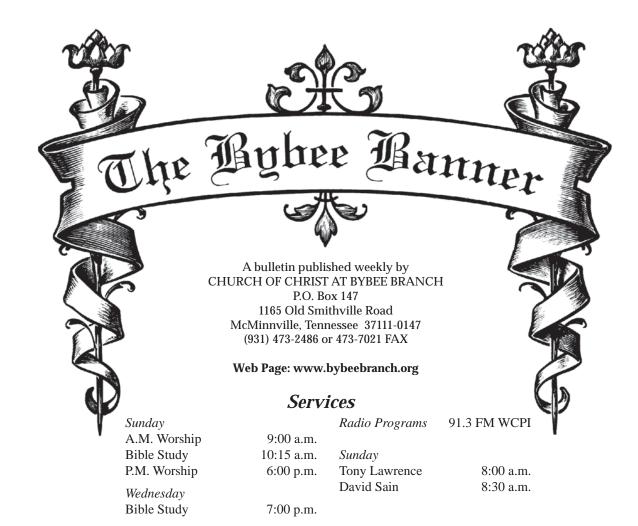
Pantry Item: Breakfast Cereal

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship3	323
Bible Study	235
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Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....Miracles With A Message P.M....Lessons Learned from Gideon #2

Holiday Party

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A-F, bring 2 dozen sandwiches G-S desserts T-Z chips AND dip.

Those in charge this year: Sherry Graves, Glyna Lee, Corretta Lawrence, Gaye Hillis & Susie Griffith.

New Arrival

Congratulations to Josh and Sara Beth King on the birth of a baby girl, Anna Grace, she was born Monday afternoon and weighed 7 lbs 14 oz., and 20 3/8 inches long.

Lessons From Steve

BIBLE BOWL WRAPUP

Congratulations to our Bible Bowl team on another outstanding finish. The team missed only two questions and pulled in a strong second place showing. Those congregations that also placed in the top four were: Woodbury (1st), Rock Island & West Sparta (3rd), and Arlington, Bluff Springs, & New Hope (4th.)

EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY

The final cut-off for this trip is December 25th. The cost is \$40.00.

RIVERVIEW TERRACE DEVOTIONAL

The youth have been invited to hold a devotional at this facility on Monday, December 19th, beginning at 6:00 PM. Our young men will be leading the singing and prayers. Shane Fisher will be the speaker.

NHC SERVICE PROJECT

NHC has invited the youth to help with their Holiday Party as we have done for the last several years. The party is Friday, December 23rd, beginning at 1:30 PM.

NOTE OF THANKS

Thanks to our wonderful congregation! The support you show our youth is tremendous and we really appreciate the money you gave so we could buy gifts for those less fortunate than us. Your generous support came in the amount of \$1161.00! We have already bought, wrapped, and delivered gifts for three children and look forward to helping many others.

Also, I would like to personally thank the Senior Saints Class for the nice gift I received last Monday at our breakfast. I am truly blessed in my life and I count each of you a dear friend, but most importantly I thank you for the great example and inspiration you are to me. My spiritual life is made stronger by being associated with each of you.

Would It Be OK To Cancel Services for "Christmas?"

In the Tennessean last Thursday there was an article regarding how many churches were going to cancel their services on Sunday, December 25, for their families to celebrate "Christmas." It astounded even the non-religious person how blatantly contradictory was this decision. While this article will not address the fact that there is no Scriptural authority to religiously observe "Christmas," it will look at the idea that is being advanced by many, namely that one may cancel or alter the worship on the Lord's day in order to make it more convenient for the members."

How did some come to this decision? In an article in *Christianity Today*, it was stated that several of the mega-churches got together and decided they would make a "family friendly" decision. Many of these churches have experienced a growth explosion because they have made their churches, x-friendly (where you fill in the X). This is just another attempt to accommodate the desires of the members of their churches. One church was just going to give their members a DVD so they could enjoy their services at home.

Perhaps one of the most telling comments was made by David Foster, pastor of the Bellevue Community church, "We're not legalists," "Most people will be there Saturday so why do they have to come back on Sunday? We do not think it is a sin to make church convenient to go to. An awful lot of people would go if they could." I would like for you to take notice of two things he said. "We're not legalists." What does that mean? The word "legalist" has been bantered around in the Lord's church for several years as if it were a bad term. Simply it means one who is legal and follows the law. However, it has come to characterize those who think it is not essential to obey God's law. Then he says, "we do not think it is a sin to make church convenient..." The question is: what does he mean by convenient? If one is discussing areas where God has allowed man to make his own choice then that would be acceptable, however, man does not have the choice to make things convenient contrary to God's law! To disobey is sin!

In the Old Testament, King Jeroboam sought to make worship "convenient" for the northern tribes by setting up centers of worship at Dan and Bethel. "Therefore the king asked advice, made two calves of gold, and said to the people, "It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem. Here are your gods, O Israel, which brought you up from the land of Egypt!" (1 Kings 12:28). God's response was, "Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment, Because he willingly walked by human precept." (Hosea 5:11). "And He will give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, who sinned and who made Israel sin." (1 Kings 14:16).

The Bible is abundantly clear that the church came together on the first day of the week (Sunday) to worship God (Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2). For people to willingly miss this service when they are capable of attending is *forsaking*. Scripture says, "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching." (Hebrews 10:25). The writer of the book of Hebrews was concerned about this "sin." "but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin." (Hebrews 3:13).

The choice of canceling services on Sunday, December 25, to celebrate a holiday only illustrates how far some religious people have gone. This does not shock me too much about the denominational world. They have been modifying and adapting the Bible to suit their own sinful desires for many years, but those of us to claim to serve the Lord must never follow their selfish example. Many forget, worship is not about us, but about God. He wants us to be in services that day and, Lord willing, that is where I will be!

~Tony Lawrence~

December 25, 2005

Sunday Morning Worship

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers Announcements **Lead Singing Stanley Graves** Chip Cantrell First Prayer Reading Tom McColloch Acts 2:36-39 Scripture Lord's Table (N) *Mike Driver *Rickey Burks (N) Barry Hendrixson Ronnie Hoover (N) Harold McGinness (N) Steve Wilcher (S) Shannon Griffin (S) (S) **Kevin Flatt** Sermon **Tony Lawrence Danny Duncan Dismiss**

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Scripture
Lord's Table
Sermon

(939-3797) Ronnie Rogers
Stanley Graves
Table
Stanley Graves
Larry Flatt
Tommy Crouch
1 Thessalonians 5:11-13
*Kelly Thaxton
*Tim Fisher
ELDERS

Hoyt Crouch

Wednesday Bible Study

Dismiss

Announcements
Lead Singing
First Prayer
Reading
Invitation
Dismiss

(668-8936) Allen Hughes
Tyler Boyd
Joe Collins
Joe Roller
Tony Lawrence
Don Griffith

Welcome Committee

A.M. Joe & Becky Maynard P.M. Joe T. & Mary Lois Cantrell

Bus Driver: Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

Ushers: Rodney Maynard & Kelly Hillis

Attend Nursery: Dana Roller

Lock Building: Clent Kesey

Prepare Communion:

Steve Hillis & W.C. Chilton

Assist with Baptisms:

Mary Flatt & Janie Griffin

Pantry Item: Macaroni & Cheese

Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	344
A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study	254
P.M. Worship	287
Wednesday Bible Study	203
Contribution	\$4,644

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Sunday's Sermons

A.M...... Jesus, Lord & Christ P.M.... ELDERS PRESENT BUDGET

Birthday Invitation

You are invited to a reception celebrating 99 years for Nettie Clemons on Saturday, December 31, from 2--4 pm at NHC (front entrance). Your presence is your gift. Please RSVP Leonard Clemons 473-4186. You are encouraged to send her a card at: Nettie Clemons, NHC Room 412, P.O. Box 528, McMinnville, TN 37111-0528

My Stomach Hurts

A little girl went up to her mother one day while holding her stomach saying, "Mommy, my stomach hurts." Her mother replied, "That's because it's empty. You have to put something into it!" She then prepared a bowl of soup. Later that day the preacher and his wife came over for dinner. The preacher began to feel bad. Holding his head he said, "I have such a terrible headache!" The little girl looked up at him, giving him a sweet smile, and said, "That's because it's empty. You have to put something into it!"

~from House to House, Heart to Heart~

Lessons From Steve

EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY

The final cut-off for this trip is this Sunday, December 25th. The cost is \$40.00.

FAMILY MATTERS RETREAT

A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board for the Family Matters Retreat in Pigeon Forge. Please see Steve Hillis if you have any questions concerning the trip.

NHC SERVICE PROJECT

NHC has invited the youth to help with their Holiday Party as we have done for the last several years. The party is this Friday, December 23rd, beginning at 1:30 PM. Everyone is to meet at NHC.

NOTE OF THANKS

To say that I have been blessed in placing membership at Bybee Branch back in 1991 would be a mighty understatement. Who would have believed the changes that have occurred? From a guy whose hair Bran Van Merritt couldn't even match to...well, not having much hair at all. But that's ok, because what a ride it has been!

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is For brethren to dwell together in unity!" Psalm *133:1* I love our Youth Group. I love the fact that they cared enough to share with my family a very generous donation to our new TV fund, but it is more than that. We have had some awesome and, yes, difficult times over the past year and a half. A lesser group might have just folded up the tent and moved on...yet, here we are still *standing*. That tells me that the hope for the BBYG is stronger and brighter than ever. From the first time I ever started working with our kids on a grander scale, I defined and made extremely important one word – unity. I have stressed that word because it signifies what our goal is. If we can stand together as one, the door for personal

growth and the avenue to spread the good news of Jesus our Redeemer is open. The strength of any group, however, depends on each part that makes the whole.

Parents, I kindly ask that you would be aware of the tremendous advantage it is for your sons and daughters to be an active participant in our youth activities, whether the BBYG or the PEW PACKERS. After ten years of working with kids I have seen a pattern develop. The youth who were/are active tend to excel in the workplace, college, school, and in society. Sadly, those who were not seem to struggle to find a place in this world. I am not stating this fits every case, but for the most part my data is accurate. Please, place an emphasis on the work we are doing. I know you won't regret it in the end.

Bybee Branch, I encourage you to pray for our youth, regardless of age. Pray that each endeavor we partake in will lead us to unity and spiritual knowledge. Pray that I will lead in a way that would never, ever lead one of our young people to a spiritual ruin. Pray that our elders will continue to monitor our every move and be hands-on. I find this to be a vital part of our youth program. Pray that these kids can endure and overcome the many temptations that they deal with on a "daily" basis.

Youth Group, I beg you to make a commitment. Make a commitment to study your Bible *everyday* and pray *everyday*. Make a commitment to not look down at others in our group, but rather to establish a bond of peace. Make a commitment to reach out to someone that is not as active as they should be and walk him or her through our open door. Make a commitment to recognize the enticing lures of the world and understand that worldly pleasure and a life in Christ are not compatible. Make a commitment to choose Jesus.

Finally as for me, I make the following pledge. As long as the elders see fit to allow me the opportunity of organizing youth programs and activities, and I am able, I will never take my responsibility lightly. I will make sure that whatever event we go to, the truth will be taught to your kids. I will make sure that wherever we go, your kids will be chaperoned to the very best of my ability. I will make sure that if the fire inside me to lead our youth ever diminishes; I will be the first to go to our elders and tell them to get someone here who is able. That is how serious I think this work is.

Thank you-Thank you-Thank you for the opportunity to serve our congregation in this capacity. Regardless of what lies ahead for me and my family, I know the youth of this congregation will always be taken care of and led to the pure waters of the blessed gospel truth of the Savior, Jesus Christ of Nazareth. I love you all.

A son of the King, Steve

Thanks From Lawrences

A simple thanks seems to be so inadequate for all the kind things that the Bybee Branch congregation has done for us over the past 20 years. Your kind and generous gift to us on Sunday evening was deeply appreciated. However, it is the warm friendship and kind words that make us appreciate you the most. When I think of just how much you have done for us, I think of what Luke records about the people of the island of Malta. "And the natives showed us unusual kindness; for they kindled a fire and made us all welcome, because of the rain that was falling and because of the cold." Acts 28:2, NKJV. "We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers," 1 Thessalonians 1:2, NKJV. (Tony & Corretta)