

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements(473-8760) Dale Bennett
 Lead SingingLeonard Clemons
 First Prayer Bob Bonner
 Reading Chris Neale
 Scripture.....Psalms 139:7-12
 Lord's Table (N)*Charles Gillies
 (S).....*Noel Pepper
 (N)David McColloch
 (N) Kane Maynard
 (N)Micah Lawrence
 (S)..... Josh King
 (S)..... Matt Martin
 (S).....Dickie Kesey
 Sermon Tony Lawrence
 Dismiss Phillip Brock

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements(473-8760) Dale Bennett
 Lead SingingLeonard Clemons
 First PrayerBruce Pryor
 ReadingJeff Templeton
 Scripture..... James 4:1-4
 Lord's Table.....*Rickey Hurst
*Chuck Boles
 Sermon Cliff Boyd
 Closing Prayer Doug Hendrixson

Wednesday Bible Study

VBS Program

Welcome Committee

A.M.....David Bouldin Family
 P.M.....Rodney Maynard Family

Bus Driver:.....Kelly Thaxton (607-9169)

Ushers: Ronnie Prince & Cory Prince
Attend Nursery:..... Sharon Driver
Lock Building:Rickey Hurst
Prepare Communion:Becky Crawford
Assist with Baptisms:
Stephanie Maynard & Sonia Vandagriff
Pantry Item: Applesauce
Elder Closing Remarks:Bob Bonner
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 A.M. Worship..... 326
 Bible Study 220
 P.M. Worship 253
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Services

<i>Sunday</i>	A.M. Worship	9:00 a.m.	<i>Wednesday</i>	Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
	Bible Study	10:15 a.m.		<i>Monday (2nd & 4th of each month)</i>	
	P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.		Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 a.m.	

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Jeff Flatt	Billy Gilbert
Shannon Griffin	Allen Hughes
David Keele	Ken Martin
Kurt Maynard	Willie Newby
Ricky Prince	Jim Slatton
Jeff Templeton	

Missionary

Robert Garibaldi	314-1387
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Sick

At Home:

Fuston Womack

Bob Bonner (following surgery)

Jim Slatton (following surgery)

In The Hospital:

Shirley Nunley-River Park #215

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the family of Austin "Jack" Hudson (Elaine Hoover's father). His funeral was this past Sunday afternoon.

Sunday's Sermons

A.M..... There's An All Seeing Eye Watching You
P.M..... Summer Series: Cliff Boyd

Gospel Meetings

Summitville church of Christ - July 12-15, with services at 7 pm with Eddie Brinkley preaching.

Gassaway church of Christ - July 12-15 with services at 7:00 pm. Lane Dix will be preaching.

Hebron church of Christ - July 12-16 with services at 7:00 pm. Ronnie Scherffius will be preaching.

Smartt church of Christ - July 19-23 with services at 7:00 pm. Roger Comstock will be preaching.

Sunday Classes This Sunday

Due to preparations for VBS the elders have decided that all classes will meet in the auditorium this coming Sunday. During that time Tony will show the slides of the recent Bible Lands trip to Greece and Turkey assisted by some who traveled with him.

VBS Cookies

We are needing homemade cookies, brownies, rice crispy squares, etc. for VBS. Please bring these to the building this Sunday, July 12.

Message From The Elders

The other Sunday morning Tony spoke on the story of Jonah. After telling the story, he made the following statement, "To me the reason the book of Jonah is included in the Bible is to teach us that every soul is precious in God's sight. It is our responsibility to make sure everyone has the opportunity to hear the Word and be saved."

We are fortunate that a number of our members have taken the opportunity to take short term mission trips this year. They would include Lacy Pack, Daniel Boyd and Tim Fisher. Two of our elders, Leonard Clemons & Harold Cook, are planning a mission trip in September to India. This will be Leonard's first trip to India but he has made trips to Canada, England and New Zealand in the past. This will be Harold's fourth trip to India.

Although it has been seven years since his last trip to India, he has stayed in touch with some of the native preachers via telephone and e-mail. Most of the conversations have ended with "when are you coming back to India?" Toward the end of last year and beginning this year the telephone calls from one of the brothers, TJR Sudhakar Babu, became more regular with him begging Harold to come to India and guide them in the work they are doing at the Andhra Pradesh School of Preaching, which has five locations in India. They are self sufficient in their work and are not seeking funds. Leonard & Harold plan to meet with the Directors of the preachers school and teach in the schools during the day. At night they will hold "gospel meetings" in various locations.

The estimated cost of this trip is \$6,000. If you would like to make a contribution toward this mission effort above and beyond your normal contribution, please make the check to Bybee Branch and indicate it is for the "India Mission Trip". We especially want you to keep this and all our mission efforts in your prayers.

The Elders

Upcoming Youth Events:

Friday July 10th

- Friday Friend's Fellowship (see Ben Biles or Ethan Duncan for details)

Sunday July 12th

- Spiritual Weight Training and Inner Beauty Salon. Followed by Sunday Night Eats

Monday July 13th – Wednesday July 15th

- VBS

Friday July 17th

- Camping @ Tyler's (If you can help chaperone, let Tyler know)

Sunday July 20th

- Pew Packers Class
- Youth Devo @ the Duncan's

From Tyler's Desk:

Should Christians Fast Today?

In my last few bulletin articles, I have written about fasting as it was practiced in Bible times. In the Old Testament, God's people often fasted during times of national, physical, or spiritual danger. The practice of fasting continued into the New Testament. It played a part in the life of Christ and was a subject of his teaching. We also read of multiple examples of the first century Christians fasting. Now we have come to the question, "should Christians fast today?"

First of all it should be noted that nowhere in the New Testament are Christians commanded to fast, or commanded not to fast. Therefore, if this article were addressing the question, "must all Christians fast today?" the answer would have to be "No." The New Testament does not command it, and we should not either.

But as Christians, our attitudes towards this issue should go beyond "what must I do". We should be asking "what should I do." We must not settle for the bare minimum of what God requires of us. We should seek to please God in every way possible. Therefore we should not simply ask "must Christians fast?" but rather "Is fasting an appropriate practice for Christians today?", or "Should we fast?"

So should Christians fast today? YES!

Christians should fast because of the teachings of Jesus. Jesus assumed that His followers would fast. In

Matthew 6 Jesus taught his followers how they should fast. He introduced the point by saying "And when you fast..." He did not say "And if you fast." It was something he already expected his followers to do. Jesus said that his disciples would fast after He was gone (Matthew 9:14-15).

Christians should fast today because of the examples of the New Testament church. The church at Antioch fasted (Acts 13:1-3), the churches at Galatia fasted (Acts 14:21-23), and the apostle Paul fasted (2 Corinthians 11:27).

So while fasting is not a commandment for Christians today, we can at the very least know that fasting is not an inappropriate practice for Christians today. We also have multiple examples of fasting in the New Testament which should encourage us to do so.

But if we do choose to participate in fasting, we must be aware of how the Bible tells us we should fast. It is my hope to write one more article on the subject of fasting in which I will address when and how a Christian should fast.

Friday Friends Fellowship

We will be meeting at 6 pm at Wendy's to eat. We will then walk over to the movie theater to watch the new Ice Age movie. Parents need to send money for food and movie. Everyone needs to be picked up after the movie.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT BYBEE BRANCH

Adult Speakers:

Monday — "Moses"
Doris Hughes (Centertown)

Tuesday — "Elijah"
Derrick Coble (West Sparta)

Wednesday — "David"
Teddy Jones (Bluff Springs)



July 13-15, 2009 • 7:00-8:30 PM

"Great Characters of Old Testament"

Learning Centers for children