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#### Sunday Morning Worship

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Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
	Charles Gillies
Reading	Chuck Boles
	Acts 2:38
Lord's Table (N)	*Don Sullivan
(S)	*Ronnie Prince
(N)	Harold McGinness
(N)	David McColloch
(N)	Rodney Maynard
	Marc Martin
(S)	Tyler Judkins
(S)	Caleb Hughes
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bobby Ashford

#### Sunday Evening Worship

Wednesday Bible Study

Welcome Committee

Announcements	(668-2632) Steve Hillis
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Kurt Maynard
Reading	Sam Gillies
Scripture	Titus 2:11-12
Lord's Table	*Willie Newby
	*Dale Bennett
Sermon	Kevin Key
Dismiss	W.C. Chilton

Lead Singing.....Michael Andrews

First Prayer ......Kelly Thaxton

Reading.....Clent Kesey

Invitation ......Tim Fisher

Dismiss .....Rickey Hurst

A.M.....Kurt Maynard Family

P.M. .....Calvin & Nancy Rogers

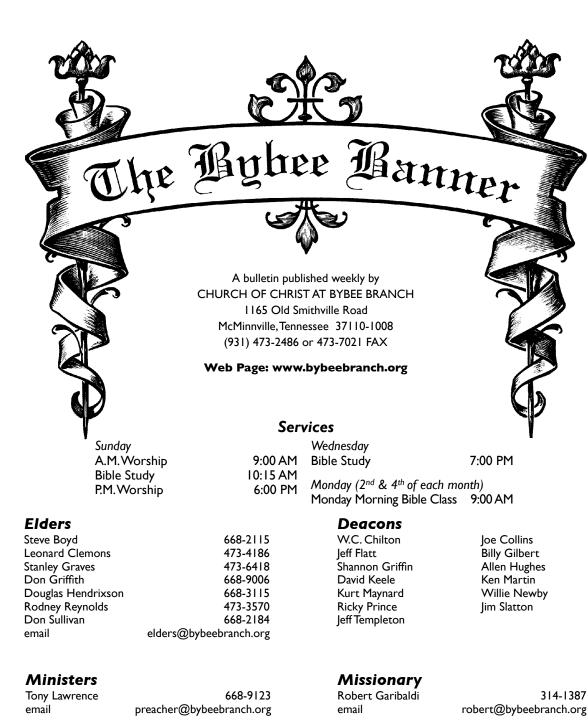
Bus Driver:.....Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

# Lawrence Pantry Item: .....Mustard Elder Closing Remarks: ......Don Griffith **Record For The Week...** A.M. Worship......297 Bible Study ......212 Wednesday Bible Study ...... 240 Contribution.....\$5.490 **CHURCH OF CH** 1165 Old Smithville I McMinnville, Tenness [RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED] Tennessee HRIS Roa 37110-1008 P **BYBEE BRANC** ۹cMinnville,TN Permit # 261 Organization U.S. Postage PAID

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Assist with Baptisms: ....Cynthia Duncan & Amy

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# Sick

#### At Home:

Wayne Jordan (Nancy Rogers' brother)-taking chemo treatments for lung cancer Don Crouch (Jane's husband)

#### In The Hospital:

none known

# **Sympathy**

We extend our sympathy to the family of Jack Slatton, brother of our Jim Slatton. His funeral was this past Wednesday.

### **Sermon Preview**

Sunday AM .....Bible Baptism Sunday PM ...Christianity Versus The New Morality

### **Ladies Recipe Book**

The ladies are putting together a recipe book to give away at the Autumn Street Fair in October. If you would like to share a favorite recipe or two for the book please give it to Stefanie McColloch by July 31.

### **Vacation Bible School**

At this writing VBS has gotten off to a great start with 305 on Monday evening. Look for a further update in next week's bulletin.

### **Summer Series**

Our Annual Summer Series will continue this Sunday evening with our guest speaker, Kevin Key. He is the minister for the East End church of Christ and the father of Trent Key (who we supported at East Tennessee School of Preaching.



### **Youth News**

The next **YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT** is this Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>. All should meet at the church building by 9:00 am. We will be doing "chores" around the building. Following our work, we will head to Cookeville for lunch and then Fast Lane Fun Park.

Approximately 12 of our youth (along with chaperones) will head to **SHORT MOUNTAIN BIBLE CAMP** this Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. Then, about that many will head up the next week. IF you still want to go or have questions, see me or go on line at www.shortmoutaincamp.org for more information.

### How to Handle Failure

Everyone knows that the greatest hitter in baseball history was Babe Ruth. But did you know that Babe Ruth struck out 1330 times, twice as often as he hit a home run! Suppose he had quit the first time he failed at the plate? He would never have had the great career he went on to have!

Sometimes we strike out in the game of life as well. We fail at something and we are tempted to just quit. The apostle Peter often failed in serving Christ. In fact, when Jesus was on trial, Peter denied he knew Him three times, the last time "cursing and swearing" (Matt. 26:74). But he didn't give up! Peter repented and went on to become a great leader and preacher in the early church.

John Mark quit on the apostle Paul during his first missionary journey and Paul refused to take him along on his second missionary journey. But Mark repented and also became a great minister, so that even Paul later said, "Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me for ministry" (2 Tim. 4:11). God used Mark to write the second book of the New Testament, the Gospel of Mark.

Friends, how do you handle failure and defeat? Do you let sin discourage you in God's service or do you repent of it and persevere in His service? Sometimes we will all strike out, but let us all be like Babe Ruth and step back up to life's plate determined to hit a home run next time!

~Travis L. Quertermous~

# God Needs You!

Technically, the title of this article is not a true statement. God is perfectly capable of being Himself without our help. Jesus said in John 5:26 that the Father has life in Himself. God is not dependent on any "outside" force or substance for His existence.

But God's work on earth is to be accomplished with the help of humans. The apostle Paul writes that we are God's fellow-workers, field and building (I Corinthians 3:9). In this way, God needs our help to carry out His will for humankind.

The preaching of the gospel to the lost will not be done by the angels or any world governmental organization. It is the task of the church to declare the manifold wisdom of God (Ephesians 3:10). As the old book title says, "Go ye means go me," we are to share in Jesus' mission of seeking and saving the lost (Luke 19:10) by taking the gospel to every creature (Mark 16:15).

God needs you to do the following ....

- I. Be the very best disciple you can be (Luke 9:23).
- 2. Be the very best husband, father, wife, mother, grandparent, uncle, aunt, child, grandchild, niece or nephew that you can be (Ephesians 6:1-4).
- 3. Be in attendance at every scheduled worship service and Bible study of the church (Hebrews 10:24, 25).
- 4. Be a participant in the various fellowship functions (Acts 2:42).
- 5. Be aware of and take your opportunities to share the gospel with the lost (Matthew 28:19, 20).
- 6. Be a good student and handler of God's word (2 Timothy 2:15).
- 7. Be aware of situations to help those physically in need (Galatians 6:10).
- 8. Be a person of prayer (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).
- 9. Be gracious in giving regularly to support the various ministries of the body of Christ (2 Corinthians 8:3-6).
- 10. Be faithful in living up to the talents and abilities that He has given each one for the building up the body of Christ (Romans 12:6-8; Ephesians 4:11-16).
- 11. Be faithful unto death; enduring suffering, hardship and persecution (1 Peter 2:21; Revelation 2:10).

God needs you! How are you going to respond?

#### ~Greg Swango~

# Lord, is it l?

When the church seems dead; The work is slow, When attendance is off The songs too low, When the prayers of the saints Lack fervor and power When the preacher's sermon Seems stale and sour; Do you think then; or Look with critical eye Why not ask yourself? Lord, is it !?

# Sentence Sermons

Efficiency means getting the job done right. Effectiveness means getting the right job done. Excellence means getting the right job done right.

What you do not start you will not have to stop.

If you don't strike the match, you won't have to put out the fire. If you don't commit the sin, you won't have to suffer the consequences.

One who practices what he preaches may have to put in some overtime.