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Ushers:Willie Newby & Jordan Thomas Un/Lock Building: Gordon Mayfield/Shannon Griffin Prepare Communion:Caleb & Rachel Graves

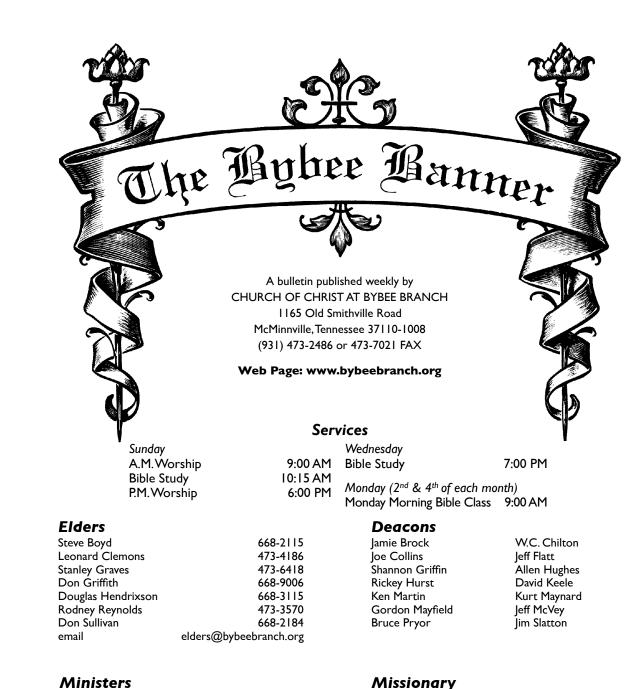
Assist Baptisms: Cindy Fisher & Sherry Graves

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday morning v	vorsnip
Announcements	(686-2117) Kurt Maynard
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Ronnie Prince
Reading	
Scripture	Hebrews 10:11-12
Lord's Table (N)	
(S)	*Norman Sain
(N)	
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(N)	Michael Andrews
(S)	Rickey Hurst
(S)	
(S)	Vernon Keith
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tim Fisher

Sunday Evening Worship

(S)	Elder Closing Remarks: Record For The Week A.M. Worship Bible Study P.M. Worship Wednesday Bible Study Contribution	
Sunday Evening Worship Young Men Will Conduct The Services		CHURCH OF CHRIST AT BYBEE 1165 Old Smithville Road McMinnville, Tennessee 37110-1008 [RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED]
Wednesday Bible Study Announcements Danny Duncan Lead Singing Herb Rowland First Prayer Dale Bennett Reading Justin Randolph Invitation Tony Lawrence Dismiss Ricky Prince		BEE BRANCH
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Sick

At Home:

Christine Cantrell - at her daughter's home (2924 Apache Moon Terrace, Murfreesboro, TN 37127-8300)

Brent Cantrell (son of Linda Cantrell) was in hospital and needs cards of encouragement, but no visits at this time. Cards may be sent to 697 Lawson Mill Rd, McMinnville, TN 37110

Shirley Bailey (aunt of Phyllis Bailey) sick in Dallas, TX but is improving.

In The Hospital:

Winfrey Hennessee - moved to Raintree #404 Isabella Pennington - Vanderbilt Children's Hospital, surgery on Tuesday

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the Garibaldi family on the loss of Isabel's father (Robert's grandfather). He passed away in Houston, Texas last Tuesday. He also received news that his grandmother is extremely ill and is expected to pass soon.

We also extend our sympathy to the family of Helen Freeze, niece of our June Crouch. She passed away on Sunday and her funeral will be Wednesday at I pm at Coffee County Funeral Home.

Sermons For Sunday

AM	Sacrifice
	Young Men Will Conduct Services

Communion Preparation List

Thanks to all who have volunteered to prepare the communion for 2014. Five months are still available.

Missing Bible

Following the morning services on December I, brother Tim Fisher's Bible was missing. Would you please check and be sure that you did not mistakenly pick it up with your Bibles? It has almost 20 years of notes and he would like to recover it.

Youth News

The annual **BBYG HOLIDAY PARTY** (*©* **THE HILLIS'** this Thursday, December 19th. Activities include "Holiday Trivia Challenge" and "Finish That Holiday Song." Also, if you plan on participating in Dirty Santa, please bring a wrapped \$10 "gift." ALL food and drink will be provided with dinner beginning around 6:00.

If interested in **EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY** the cut-off is January 3rd. Go to evangelismuniversity.net for complete information about the weekend.

Also, **CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFER-ENCE** is an event that we really enjoyed last February. See me if interested in going as a youth or family. The website is cyconline.com to see if this is something you may be interested in. I have set the cut-off for Sunday, December 29th.

Our next **PARENT'S MEETING** will be Sunday, December 29th, following evening services. We will discuss plans for January through May. Here are some immediate openings for your consideration: Home Devotionals for January to April, Bible Bowl Studies for January and February.

Due to some scheduling issues, the young men will lead the services this Sunday, December 22^{nd} . Please let me know if you would like to be a part of conducting worship.

Annual Holiday Fellowship

The annual holiday fellowship will be Sunday, December 22, following evening services. We ask that if your last name begins with A-L, please bring two dozen sandwiches or your favorite finger food. If your last name begins with M-Z please bring your favorite dessert. Drinks will be provided. If you have any questions please see Shannon Griffin or Kurt Maynard.

If God gives you a watch, are you honoring Him more by asking Him what time it is or by simply consulting the watch?

Hopeless? Not So Fast

Earlier this year, Harrison Okene unexpectedly found himself in a hopeless situation. He found himself on the bottom of the ocean, in a small air-pocket in his overturned tugboat. Harrison was in total darkness, disoriented, all alone, and dressed only in boxer shorts in freezing temperatures. For 60 hours, he fumbled in total darkness, trembled due to the cold, listened while fish were consuming the bodies of his fellow crewmen, and waited for his oxygen supply to run out.

Then when his oxygen supply was just about gone, an amazing thing happened. A rescue diver appeared. Harrison was given oxygen, led to a decompression chamber, and gradually raised to the surface. He was snatched from the jaws of death. What seemed like a hopeless situation only proved to be the setting for his salvation. Now Harrison lives to tell others of how he was saved.

Have you ever felt spiritually hopeless? Have you ever felt that you were beyond the reach of God's saving grace? Then let me remind you of this. If a drunken, incestuous father (Lot); a lying harlot (Rahab); a murderous adulterer (David); and a persecutor of the church (Saul/Paul) can be forgiven and held up as examples of great men and women of faith, then there's hope for you too!

Try and image the joy and relief Harrison Okene must have experienced when he reached out and touched his rescuers hand! Hope from hopelessness! Likewise, imagine the joy and relief that is experienced by the sinner who reaches out and takes hold of the Savior's hand! Hope from hopelessness!

To those of you who have been saved by God, and now have life; tell others about it! Tell how God rescued you from a hopeless situation and gave you hope! "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so!" (Psalm 107:2).

~ Steve Higginbotham ~

Just Suppose

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

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

Just suppose the Lord should make some people as poor as they say they are when asked to finance His program?

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

Just suppose the Lord should strike dead all who lie about their giving, as He did Ananias and Sapphira?

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

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