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## November 16, 2014

Sunday Morning Worship	
Announcements(668	8-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Kurt Maynard
Reading	David Roberts
Scripture	Habakkuk 2:1
Lord's Table (N)	*Ronnie Prince
(S)	*Kelly Thaxton
(N)	Farris Young
(N)	Joe Maynard
(N)	Ryan McColloch
(S)	
(S)	Aiden McVey
(S)	Willie Newby
Sermon	Tony Lawrence

### Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(668-2184) Don Sullivan
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Kane Maynard
Reading	Russ Chilcutt
Scripture	Matthew 19:3-9
Lord's Table	*Noel Pepper
	*Norman Sain
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	David Chilton

Dismiss ......W.C. Chilton

### Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Willie Newby
Lead Singing	Peyton Norris
First Prayer	Jeff McVey
Reading	Dale Bennett
Invitation	Leonard Clemons
Dismiss	Jeff Flatt

## **Welcome Committee**

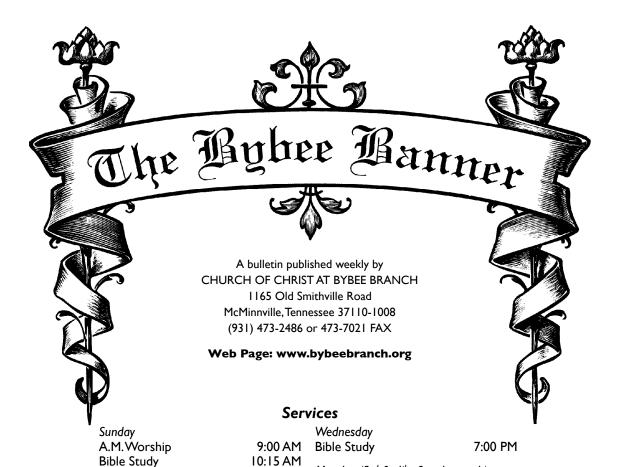
A.M	Allen Hughes Family
P.M	Russ Chilcutt Family

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

Ushers:Ricky Pr Attend Nursery: Un/Lock Building: Prepare Communion: Assist Baptisms:	Iona King Randy Griffith/David Keele Smiths & Hendrixsons
Pantry Item:	Cake Icing
Elder Closing Remarks:Don Sullivan	
Record For The Week	
A.M. Worship	316
Bible Study	254
P.M. Worship	377
Wednesday Bible Study	178
Contribution	\$6,987

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# Elders

Leonard Clemons	473-418
Stanley Graves	473-6418
Don Griffith	668-900
Don Sullivan	668-218
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P.M. Worship

### **Deacons**

Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> of each month) Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM

Jamie Brock	Joe Collins
Jeff Flatt	Shannon Griffin
Allen Hughes	Rickey Hurst
David Keele	Ken Martin
Kurt Maynard	Gordon Mayfield
Jeff McVey	Bruce Pryor
Jim Slatton	-

### **Ministers**

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### Sick

#### At Home:

Annaley Myers
Lennie Ruth Kesey (following a fall)
Dickie Kesey
David Roberts
Trena Hayes (Rita Prince's sister)
Winford Claiborne (placed on Hospice, please remember his family at this time)

### In The Hospital:

Mary Meeks (Angie Caldwell's mother) Adams Place Leonard Crouch - Adams Place Ray Tennpenny (June Crouch's brother-in-law) - St. Thomas West for surgery Marion Ward (Juanita Oliver's brother-in-law) -River Park ICU

## **Sermons for Sunday**

AM ......Habakkuk:Teachable PM .....False Teaching On Divorce & Remarriage

### **Creation-Evolution Seminar**

The **Earleyville church of Christ** will host a Creation vs Evolution Seminar on December 5-7 with Kyle Butt speaking. Friday services will be at 7 pm and will be held at Bybee Branch. Saturday sessions will begin at 6 pm and will also be held at Bybee Branch. Sunday services will be at Earleyville at 9 am for Bible Class and 10 am for Worship.

## **Something To Think About...**

"Words are leaves — deeds are fruit."

"Think like a man of action and act like a man of thought." Henri Bergson

"The actions of men are the best interpreters of their thoughts." John Locke

"Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Willing is not enough; we must do." Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

### **Youth News**

What an inspiring sight last Sunday night as several sister congregation's youth visited us for **TABS**. I hope that everyone, but especially the youth in attendance, came away understanding that our speech can build up or tear down, praise God or blaspheme His holy name. Tony's message left no room for interpretation that the Bible asks us to give honor and glory to our Father. A huge thanks to our elders for allowing us to host this event and to everyone who helped with food and activities.

The Keeles will host our **HOME DEVO- TIONAL** this Sunday evening. As usual, boys are to bring a drink and girls a dessert. We will use I Peter 4:1-2 as our devotional topic. I want to encourage our youth to use this as an evangelistic opportunity and invite friends/family to worship with us Sunday night then bring their guests to the devo. To God be the glory!

**BIRTHDAY WEDNESDAY** is next week, November 19<sup>th</sup>. A food sign-up sheet will be up soon.

A tried and true BBYG tradition is just around the corner! The annual **WEDNESDAY NITE YOUTH SOMETHING** will take place November 26<sup>th</sup>.

Don't forget the sign-ups on the Youth Bulletin Board for **EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY**, **EU2**, and **CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE**.

PARENTS: I will be handing-out a <u>BIBLE BOWL STUDY GUIDE</u> for I Peter chapter 4 this Wednesday night. Please let me know if you have any questions.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> Pew Packers Sun. 30<sup>th</sup> Young Men Led Services

# **Elders-Deacons Meeting**

The regularly scheduled Elder and Deacons Meeting will be a week from Sunday, November 23, at 5 PM

## Do You Complain or Greet?

Luke 15:1-3 are the opening lines of what is usually considered one of the greatest chapters of all the Bible. One parable, three stories to convey the message of value and joy when lost souls have been found!

Have you lost anything of value? When Tracie and I had been married for about a decade, one of the prongs broke on her engagement ring. It was a heart shape diamond that was very special to both of us. We were so disappointed. We retraced steps, felt of carpet with our fingers, sifted through grass near our sidewalks, inspected the car and the house, but finally had to accept that it was lost. When we considered another ring, she didn't want a heart shape this time. She felt that the original couldn't be replaced. Somewhat like a soul isn't it? Each soul in the sight of God has value. We can't fall into the mindset of seeing guests on Sunday and thinking, what if we reach out to 50% of them? We are friendly to most, is that wise? Don't the others have souls too? Why would some not reach out to all?

In this great chapter of Luke 15 we see some drawing near to the Lord who are lost. We see Pharisees and scribes (they would have deemed themselves righteous and saved) complaining because the lost are coming near! You would hope they would have greeted instead of complained.

Luke 14 is the beginning of the last Sabbath Day that we have recorded before the Sabbath that begins His final week in which He will be crucified. Throughout the 14th chapter of John, Jesus has placed the value of souls above their animals (1-6). This may sound easy, but most would look for their lost dog much more urgently than they would a lost soul. Then Jesus teaches on humility. With that backdrop He teaches us to exalt and serve all souls, even the poor and maimed (7-14). No excuses (15-24). Most excuses still fall under property, possessions, and relationships just as he taught nearly 2,000 years ago. Then in Jesus' authoritative way, He declared individuals cannot be disciples if they don't love the Lord more than all others including themselves (25-33). After these straightforward teachings Jesus offered to teach more if anyone wanted to stay longer (35). That is why chapter 15 begins with the word "Then." The sinners wanted to know more about discipleship with no excuses. They wanted to follow a leader who demands that all be treated well and served. But the Pharisees complained. (Insert tears). Doesn't this break your heart? Let us never complain to give up our seat, parking spot, or class for a guest to "draw near to Him." Let it be our prayer and intention to greet and love the lost the way Jesus does!

Luke 15:1 Then all the tax collectors and the sinners drew near to Him to hear Him. 2 And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying, "This Man receives sinners and eats with them."

~ David Shannon ~

### Can You Find The Bible Books?

I once made some remarks about hidden books of the Bible. It was a lulu; kept some people looking so hard for facts and studying for revelation, they were in a jam, especially since the books were not capitalized. But the truth finally struck numbers of our readers. To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some real easy to spot, others may require judges to determine. We must admit it usually takes a minute to find one, and there will be loud lamentations when you see how simple it is. One lady says she brews coffee while she puzzles her brain over it. There are 15 out of 66 books tucked in this story. See if you can find them. Circle them when you discover them.

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