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Sunday Morning Worship		
Announcements	.(235-3248) Brandon Fuston	
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst	
First Prayer	Russ Chilcutt	
Reading	David Keele	
Scripture	2Thessalonians 1:11-12	
Lord's Table (N)	*Dale Bennett	
	*Larry Flatt	
(N)	Caleb Hughes	
(N)	David Chilton	
(N)	Jack Keele	
(S)	John David Keele	
(S)	Clent Kesey	
(S)	Shannon Griffin	

Sermon ......Tony Lawrence

Dismiss .....lesse Nunley

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	(235-3248) Brandon Fuston
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Stanley Clendenon
Reading	David McColloch
Scripture	Luke 7:31-35
Lord's Table	*Danny Duncan
•••••	*Jeff Flatt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Willie Newby
Lead Singing	David Keele
First Prayer	Tim Gann
Reading	Farris Young
Invitation	Tim Fisher
Dismiss	Jeff McVey

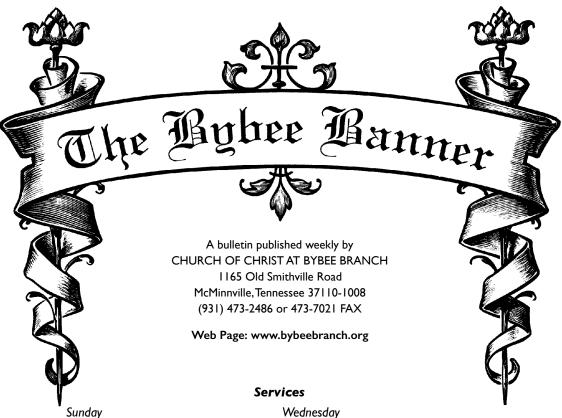
### **Welcome Committee**

A.M	Bruce & Susan Pryor
P.M	Jeff Templeton Family

Bus Driver:.....Ronnie Prince (808-2598)

Ushers:Ken Martin & Marc Martin Attend Nursery:Jeff Templeton/Don Griffith Prepare Communion:Andrews Family Assist Baptisms: Jean Clendenon & Kara Fuston
Pantry Item:Vienna Sausage
Elder Closing Remarks:Stanley Graves
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A.M. Worship	9:00 AM	В
Bible Study .	10:15 AM	

6:00 PM

Bible Study

7:00 PM Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> of each month)

Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM

**Elders** 

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P.M. Worship

### Deacons

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

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## Sick & Shut-in

#### At Home:

Flossie Warren
Marva Hughes (Allen's mother)
Dorothy Solomon (Zollie's sister)
Jean Kirby - receiving cancer treatments, requested prayers.
Zollie Settles
Brooke Kesey
Hayes Fuston

### In The Hospital:

Juanita Oliver - River Park #211 John Henson (preacher at Dibrell) - St.Thomas West ICU

Please help us keep the sick list up to date and correct. If someone in your family or friends is sick please call the office or the announcer.

## **Sermon Topics**

Sunday AM ......A Persecuted Church Sunday PM. .....This Generation



## **Youth News**

Is Christianity a hobby or is it your life? This is the one line, of many thought provoking, soul to search statements proclaimed this past weekend at EU.We who were privileged to be a part of EU indulged in a feast of 2 Corinthians 5. I'm so thankful to our elders for allowing me to escort high school Christians to this event and I hope "from now on" we will be the "ambassadors for Christ" He cherishes us to be. So, is Christianity a hobby or is it your life?

The youth group will be traveling to Jericho church of Christ to conduct the evening worship service this Sunday. The bus will leave at 5:15 pm.

If you haven't done so yet, please get your money turned in for **EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY 2** when possible.

Believe it or not, but the 16<sup>th</sup> edition of **SPRING YOUTH RETREAT** is just 2 months away! The theme for SYR will be "The Kingdom" with lessons pertaining to the foretelling and then coming of the church of God.

Parents please don't forget the "WORSHIP NOTES FOR KIDS" on the foyer table!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Wed. I/27 Birthday Wednesday Thur. I/28 NHC

# Young Men's Seminar

The East Main church of Christ in Murfreesboro will host their 5th Annual Young Men's Seminar on Saturday, February 6 from 8:45-12:00. Theme will be Standing Up for My Faith with Rob Whitacre.

# **Emergency Notification List**

The Emergency Notification list is now complete. Some time this week you will get test message via a phone call, a text, or an email. If you signed up and do not get notification, please give your name and contact info to Tony on Sunday.

### What About Faith?

There are many verses in the Bible that mention "faith". As these verses are examined we can learn about "faith". One of the great passages in the Bible dealing with "faith" is Hebrews II. From Hebrews chapter II. what about faith?

- Faith has **MEANING**. "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" Hebrews 11:1. Faith is not blind but is based upon evidence. If there is no proof or evidence there cannot be the producing of faith (Romans 10:17). Faith does not mean the absence of proof. We have faith in God, in Jesus being the Son of God, in the inspiration of the Bible, etc., because of the evidence presented. There is no Biblical faith without evidence.
- Faith is MANDATORY. Faith is necessary to pleasing God. Notice the words in Hebrews 11:6, "But without faith it is impossible to please him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him". Jesus himself stated in John 8:24, "If ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins."
- Faith is MANIFESTED. A genuine faith is always manifested in action. In Hebrews 11, example after example is given of how faith is manifested in the lives of people.
  - "By faith Abel OFFERED..." (verse 4)
  - "By faith Noah...PREPARED..." (verse 7)
  - "By faith Abraham...OBEYED..." (verse 8)
  - "By faith Abraham...OFFERED..." (verse 17)

Notice the words of action connected with faith. To have a faith that truly pleases God, means that one has an obedient faith. When one chooses not to obey, then that person's faith is not acceptable to God. May our faith lead us to become a child of God by repenting of sin (Luke 13; 3); confessing Christ (Matthew 10:32-33) and being baptized (Mark 16:16). As a child of God, as our faith grows in active and faithful service and we become spiritually stronger day by day, we demonstrate to God of our desire for that beautiful place called Heaven.

~ Jerry Joseph ~

# **Common People**

"And the common people heard Him gladly." Mark 12:37. Jesus was often accompanied by large crowds of folks wanting to hear Him. He also was followed by those seeking to catch Him in His words and His words did not resonate with them. Matthew records, "At that time Jesus answered and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes." Matthew 11:25.

In order to hear Jesus one must to not have an agenda. Perhaps one of the clearest passages is found in John 8. "As He spoke these words, many believed in Him. Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."" John 8:30–32. The American Standard Version captures it well, "I know that ye are Abraham's seed: yet ye seek to kill me, because my word hath not free course in you." John 8:37 ASV. Common people listen!

~ Tony Lawrence ~