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# July 14, 2019

## Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	(668-9727) Randall Gann
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	Robert Elam
_	James 5:16-17
	*Dale Bennett
	*Willie Newby
	Chris Snow
	Mike Mullins
	Kane Maynard
	Junah Bouldin
	Justin Randolph
	Derrick Pennington
• •	Tony Lawrence
_	Brandon Fuston

## Sunday Evening Worship

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Announcements	(668-9727) Randall Gann
Lead Singing	Paul Hurst
First Prayer	Bobby Ashford
Reading	Caleb Graves
Scripture	ТВА
Lord's Table	*Cory Prince
	*Ronnie Prince
Sermon	Sam Jones
Dismiss	Randy Griffith

# Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Rickey Hurst
	Michael Andrews
	Tim Fisher
Reading	Stanley Clendenon
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
	Mike Mullins

# **Welcome Committee**

A.M	Randy & Vickie Griffith
P.M	Rickey & Maggie Hurst

If you cannot serve, please contact David Keele (273-5566)

Ushers:Dwight Barrett, Rodney Maynard, Stan Hillis
Un/Lock Building:Gordon Mayfield/Caleb Graves
Prepare Communion:Clemons
Assist Baptisms: Cynthia Duncan & Amy Lawrence
Pantry Item:Canned Chicken
Elder Closing Remarks:Leonard Clemons
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Sunday		Wednesday	
A.M. Worship	9:00 AM	Bible Study	7:00 PM
Bible Study	10:15 AM	Monday (2nd & 4th of each mo	nth)
P.M. Worship	6:00 PM	Monday (2" & 4" of each the	niuij
1.1 1. 1 TOI 31 II P	0.00111	Monday Morning Bible Class	9:00 AM

# Radio Program

Each Wednesday at 12:45 on WBMC 960 AM and 97.7 FM.

Shepherds		Deacons	
Leonard Clemons	473-4186	Jamie Brock	Joe Collins
Stanley Graves	473-6418	Jeff Flatt	Randall Gann
Don Griffith	668-9006	Shannon Griffin	Rickey Hurst
Allen Hughes	668-8936	David Keele	Ken Martin
Don Sullivan	668-2184	Kurt Maynard	Gordon Mayfield
email	elders@bybeebranch.org	David McColloch	Jeff McVey
		Bruce Pryor	Herb Rowland

668-9123

## Preacher

Tony Lawrence preacher@bybeebranch.org email

# Hispanic Preacher

Robert Garibaldi robert@bybeebranch.org email

409-7328

## Sick

#### At Home:

Marsha Dunlap Jaxson Chalfont (cousin to Barbara Lorance) Ronnie Reynolds (Rodney's brother)

#### In The Hospital:

Ronnie Rogers - St Thomas West Don Blackwell (Director of GBN) - now an outpatient. Mailing address: WFRC #003; c/o Shepherd Center; 2020 Peachtree Rd NW;Atlanta GA 30309

## **Shut-in:**

#### **Raintree Manor**

(415 Pace St., McMinnville, TN 37110) Clayton Cook (Larry's brother) #200

#### NHC

(P.O Box 528, McMinnville, TN 37111)
Willene Kell #311
Wilma Chisam #309
Shirley Brock (Jamie's mother) #102

#### **Quality Center for Rehabilitation & Healing**

(932 E. Baddour Pky, Lebanon, TN 37087) Dennis Eller

## McMinnville Boarding Home

(345 Garfield St, McMinnville, TN 37110) Joan Hillis

#### Home:

Dennis Gann
Greg Grizzell
Daisy Maxwell
Kathy Neale (Chris's mother)
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)
Barbara Pryor (Bruce's mother)
Willus & Edith Roberts

# Vacation Bible Schools Mt Leo church of Christ, July 21-25, 6-8 PM Rockliff church of Christ, July 28-31, 7 PM Central church of Christ, July 28-31, 6-8 PM

## **Youth News**

- VBS Celebration—July 12
- SMBC Coffee County Week-July 14 19
- Kayaking —July 20
- Pew Packers—July 21
- Softball/Kickball Sunday—July 21
- Home Devo @ Brock's —July 28
- Birthday Wednesday—July 31

**VBS Celebration** is this Friday evening. This is like last year's electronic game night. Bring your console whether it be Xbox, PS4, or whatever. Before games are brought, they must be approved by Micah. Those attending can bring board or card games also if they wish. We will meet at 6:30 and stay until 10. Food and refreshments will be provided

**Short Mountain Bible Camp** – Begins next Sunday. Please make sure you are signed up on the youth bulletin board. Any questions please see Micah or Brandon.

**Kayaking** will be on Saturday, July 20. If you need to rent a kayak, please contact Smooth Rapids directly about renting a kayak. If you are bringing your own, please make arrangements for drop-off and pickup. We are planning to leave Pepper Branch Park at 10 and float to VFW ramp, which usually takes about 6 hours. Smooth Rapids rates are \$47 for a single kayak (1 person), \$70 for a tandem (2 person). If you wish to have Smooth Rapids transport your personal kayak, it is \$10 each.

# **Summer Series**

Our Summer Series continues this Sunday evening with brother Sam Jones. Brother Jones is a retired professor and Vice President of Freed-Hardeman University. Now he serves as one of the preachers for the East Jackson church of Christ in Jackson, TN.

## Are You Faithful?

A used car dealer said to a potential customer: "This one has very low mileage. The former owner drove it only when he could get it started." The church of Christ at First Century Sardis had some members who were like that. All cleaned up and looking good on the outside, but hard to get started. Saying all the right things at church. Showing up on Sunday and singing the songs and praying the prayers and eating the bread and drinking from the cup. Looking alive and well.

And not only that, but the congregation as a whole had a widespread and good reputation. Jesus referred to this in Revelation 3:1 where He said of the saints at Sardis: "I know thy works, thou that hast a name that thou livest, and art dead." This group of Christians had all the appearances of being a vigorous, flourishing church.

Brethren in other places had talked about how sound and faithful they were. Perhaps her elders and preachers were invited from time to time to speak at workshops or lectureships to tell about all the wonderful things that were going on. But it's hard to fake Jesus out. After all, He is the One with eyes like a flame of fire that see right through all the shallow pretenses and superficial put-on's and spiritual games people play (Revelation 1:14b; 2:18b).

Did you catch Jesus' divine diagnosis of this congregation: Actually, it is not a diagnosis but an announcement of death - YOU ARE DEAD, A dead church. Still going through the motions -but they were already dead. Like the old preacher who said of the man whose funeral he was performing: "The deceased has been a member of this church for thirty-five years." In Revelation 3:2-6, lesus seeks to perform a spiritual "CPR" on this congregation as He calls them to watch, hold fast, and repent. But wait a minute. Unlike some human critics of the church, lesus is not content simply to condemn and see the negative. Revelation 3:4 reveals there were some unnamed and unsung heroes in the church at Sardis: "Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments: nad they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.."

All my life as a Christian, I have listened to preachers and members of the church talk about "the faithful few." Some preachers and members of the church insist that 90% of the Lord's work is done and financed by 10% of the members while the other 10% is done and financed by the remaining 90%. I don't know about all that. But I know Someone who does. Whether there are many or few where you worship. Jesus is looking for the faithful, and He knows who they are; and He commends them. Whether there are many or few, are you one of the faithful?

~ Caleb J. Rutherford ~

# **Gospel Meetings**

**Hebron church of Christ**, July 14-18, services at 7 PM with Jim Dearman preaching.

**Smartt church of Christ**, July 14-18, services at 7 PM with Larry Acuff preaching.

**Ivy Bluff church of Christ**, July 21-25, services at 7 PM with John Deberry preaching.

**Bluff Springs church of Christ**, July 28-31, services at 7 PM with John Simmons preaching.

## Welcome

We are glad to welcome to the congregation the Daniel Boyd family.

Daniel, Laura, Caroline, Corlew, Malachi Boyd 136 Davenport Lane McMinnville, TN 37110 (931) 259 9976 (Daniel) (931) 259 0224 (Laura)

## **VBS**

At this writing VBS has been a resounding success. Dozens of concerned Christians have been working for days to prepare classes for the children. Monday evening we had 238. It is great to have so many people working together to accomplish so much good for the Lord's church.