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## September 20, 2020

#### Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements	Jason Adams	
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves	
First Prayer	Jeff Flatt	
Reading		
Scripture	Matthew 10:28	
Lord's Table (N)	*Leonard Clemons	
(S)	*Paul Hurst	
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Sermon		
Dismiss	Russ Chilcutt	

#### Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Jason Adams
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Ronnie Hoover
Reading	Eddie Palmer
Scripture	Matthew 6:14-15
Lord's Table	*Caleb Hughes
	*Ken Martin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Joe Collins

## Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Paul Hurst
Lead Singing	Tim Fisher
First Prayer	Tommy Turner
Reading	Norman Sain
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ray Weddington

## Welcome Committee

A.M	temporarily suspended
P.M	temporarily suspended
If you can not serve, please contact	
В	randon Fuston at (931) 235-3248

Ushers:Kurt Maynard, Mike Mullins, Bruce Pryor
Un/Lock Building:Dale Bennett/Willie Newby
Prepare Communion:TBD
Assist Baptisms:Nona Martin & Brenda Young
Pantry Item:Vegetable Soup
VideoRyan McColloch
Elder Closing RemarksAllen Hughes

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 A.M.Worship

 Bible Study

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# Sick

#### At Home:

Gordon Mayfield Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother) Judy Nussbaum (fell at home and recovering) Jimmy & Iva Cunningham T.D. Owens (Glenda Hughes' father) Larry Cook (recovering from knee surgery)

#### In The Hospital:

Wanda Carter (Sherry Graves' mother) - Willow Branch Dorris Hughes - Webb House (Smithville)

## **Celebration of Life**

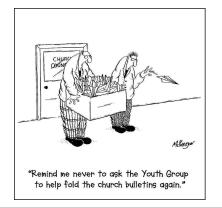
There will be a celebration of life for *Don Glenn* who regularly attended our Monday Morning Bible class on October 10, at 4 PM at Hwy 56 church of Christ.

## Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Winnie Stiles. Her husband Houston preached here at Bybee back in the 60's. Her services were held on Tuesday, September 15th.

# **Gospel Meeting**

The East Main congregation in Manchester is hosting a gospel meeting from Sunday, September 27th -Wednesday, September 30th The speaker for this will be Brother David Sproule of Palm Beach Gardens, FL. Monday through Wednesday will begin at 6:30 PM. Further information is posted on the bulletin board.



# Youth News and Updates

Please continue to be looking for updates and virtual activities via the Bybee Branch Youth Group Facebook page. We are making every effort to keep everyone engaged during these uncertain times.

# Upcoming Activities

**Pew Packers** 

Our next Pew Packers will be Sunday, September 20th at 5:00 PM. All youth are encouraged to attend to assist with singing and any of the younger young men who want to lead a song, prayer, etc, are encouraged to attend as well.

## **Birthday Wednesday**

Our next Birthday Wednesday will be Wednesday September 23rd following our services. We will be celebrating ALL birthdays from March - September!

## Erupt 2020

This years Erupt event will be done virtually. This will take place on Saturday, October 24th. We will be here at the church building to participate in this event. Jason is planning to have other activities to accompany that virtual event we will watch. Please block this date out on your calendar and plan to be here!

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

"And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." (Deuteronomy 6:4–9 NKJV)

## For Shame

Many of us are familiar with the discussions we have from time to time about the little word "for." Some people believe that "for" in Acts 2:38 means "because of" and that we are baptized *because* we are already saved. However, "for" can mean "in order to." We need to understand that the same word (in Greek and English) is found in Matthew 26:28. It is very clear in that passage that Jesus's blood was not shed *because* sins were already forgiven, but that His blood was shed *in order that* this might be the case.

Lost in this discussion is the fact that "for" can have another meaning. When somebody says that he or she is for a particular athletic team, politician, proposal, etc. they are speaking the language of support and allegiance. It is in that sense of the use of the word "for" that I am for shame.

I'm old enough to remember when there was such a thing as shame. Sometimes, back in those days, somebody would do something that was considered to be unacceptable behavior and they would be told, "You should be ashamed of yourself." Some shorter versions of that were, "Shame on you" or "For shame."

I was recently reminded of something that happened over a decade ago. A young celebrity died mysteriously. (I suppose that "celebrity" is an appropriate word for her. She was among what seems to be a growing number of people in our society who are not famous for any particular accomplishment. They are just famous for being famous.)

As the news of her death was made public, three different men claimed to be the father of her young baby. Of course, none of them was her widower. In fact, one was married to another "celebrity." Instead of slinking off into some corner because of their disgraceful lifestyles, these men and their lawyers boldly and proudly provided some of the details about their "relationships" with her.

Whatever happened to the day when people who lived like this were not celebrities and their lifestyles were not accepted as normal? Whatever happened to such things as decency, honesty, purity, and modesty?

Whatever happened to shame? Before we get the idea that shame (or a lack thereof) is no big deal, maybe we need to read Jeremiah 6:15: "Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? No! They were not at all ashamed; Nor did they know how to blush. Therefore they shall fall among those who fall; At the time I punish them, **They shall be cast down**, says the Lord. (emphasis added)

Along with informing us about what God thinks about those who have no shame, this verse also should make us do some serious self-examination. In a section of that verse which I did not highlight, we learn that the people of Jeremiah's day no longer knew how to blush.

It is not difficult to think of forms of entertainment, what passes for "fashion," language, jokes that are told, lifestyles and a host of other things that used to cause people to blush. Sadly, it is all too often the case now that these things are accepted. Not only are they accepted, they are promoted (some would even say flaunted). Those who disagree with this type of thinking are criticized, minimized, and ostracized.

Those who continue to hold to and promote God's standards of decency may be in the minority. That is often the case. At the same time, I believe that, in eternity, all of us will learn that it was important to be **for shame**.

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