

Sunday Morning Worship

AnnouncementsJason Adams
 Lead SingingJoe Collins
 First PrayerWillard Dunlap
 ReadingDavid McCulloch
 Scripture.....Isaiah 38:1-3
 Lord's Table (N).....*Norman Sain
 (S).....*Tommy Crouch
 (N)TBA
 (N)TBA
 (N)TBA
 (S)TBA
 (S)TBA
 (S)TBA
 SermonRay Weddington
 DismissBobby Ashford

Sunday Evening Worship

AnnouncementsJason Adams
 Lead SingingJoe Collins
 First Prayer.....Allen Hughes
 Reading.....Willie Newby
 ScriptureNehemiah 1:1-4
 Lord's Table*Stanley Graves
*Don Griffith
 SermonJason Adams
 Dismiss.....Tommy Turner

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements.....Paul Hurst
 Lead SingingRickey Hurst
 First PrayerMicah Lawrence
 Reading.....Rodney Reynolds
 Invitation.....Tony Lawrence
 DismissMike Mullins

Welcome Committee

A.M.....temporarily suspended
 P.M.temporarily suspended

Ushers:.....Dwight Barrett, Tim Gann, Stan Hillis
 Un/Lock Building:.....Dale Bennett/Willie Newby
 Prepare Communion:TBD
 Assist Baptisms:Nona Martin & Brenda Young
 Pantry Item:Corn
 VideoRyan McColloch

Elder Closing RemarksStanley Graves

Record for the Week...

A.M.Worship112
 Bible Study96
 P.M.Worship95
 Wednesday Bible StudyTBD
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Services

<i>Sunday</i>		<i>Wednesday</i>	
A.M.Worship	9:00 AM	Bible Study	7:00 PM
Bible Study	10:15 AM		
P.M.Worship	6:00 PM	<i>Monday (2nd & 4th of each month)</i>	
		Monday Morning Bible Class	9:00 AM

Radio Program

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

Shepherds

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Kurt Maynard	Gordon Mayfield
David McColloch	Jeff McVey
Bruce Pryor	Herb Rowland

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Sick

At Home:

Gordon Mayfield
Nelma Chilton
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother)
Judy Nussbaum (fell at home and recovering)
Iva Cunningham
T.D. Owens (Glenda Hughes' father)

In The Hospital:

Jimmy Cunningham - VA Hospital in Murfreesboro

Shut-in:

NHC - McMinnville

(P.O. Box 528, McMinnville, TN 37111)

Joan Hillis #114

NHC - Sparta

(34 Gracey St, Sparta TN 38583)

Terry Coppinger (Allen Hughes uncle) #115

Raintree Manor

(415 Pace Street | McMinnville, TN 37110)

Doris Hughes (Allen's father)
Wanda Carter (Sherry Graves' mother)

Claiborne-Hughes Health Center

(200 Strahl St, Franklin, TN 37064)

Dennis Eller

Home:

Marsha Dunlap
Janice Foster
Dennis Gann
Greg Grizzell
Lynder & Willie Holmes
Daisy Maxwell
Kathy Neale (Chris's mother)
Roberta Parmley
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)
Barbara Pryor (Bruce's mother)
Willus & Edith Roberts
Zollie Settles

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

Promotion Sunday

We will be having our Promotion Sunday on September 6th following our AM Services.

Pew Packers

Our next Pew Packers will be on 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, you 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 year's 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!

"For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly." (Psalm 84:11)

What Are You Losing While Trying To Find Yourself

A lot of trends seem to have begun with my generation. Sadly, not all of them are positive.

Many in my generation made fun of our parents and grandparents who basically accepted life as it was; had a job that might not have been "fulfilling," but which put food on the table; took their marriage vows seriously; and raised their children to be productive members of society. We were taught by many in the fields of entertainment and education that life had to be more than that. While all of us did not "tune in; turn on; and drop out," we were definitely encouraged to "find ourselves."

That quest that gained momentum during the sixties has produced a philosophy about life that increasingly looks inward instead of outward (and definitely not upward). It seems to me that each succeeding generation has become more and more narcissistic. Now we have people all the way from "the cradle to the grave" with a similar view of life. They believe that life is all about them. Their major concerns are how they can please themselves; how they can be happy; how they can feel fulfilled; etc. In short, more and more people are on a lifelong quest to "find themselves."

It is my observation that many of my friends, some of my family members, and even some brothers and sisters in Christ have lost something of great value in this quest to "find themselves." Sometimes, that which has been lost can never be regained.

That last paragraph could also be written in the present tense. I fear that many whom I know and whom I love are presently losing something of great value as they pursue a career, pleasure, education, sports, and a host of other things in an attempt to "find themselves."

If you are, or even think you could be, one who is trying to find yourself, may I please ask you to consider what you are in danger of losing in that pursuit? While the list below may not be complete, it is my prayer that it will serve as a "wake-up call."

Your spouse. He/she still loves you and really doesn't know what to do to keep you from destroying a relationship that could be a lot more fulfilling for both of you than it presently is. Do you remember when all you wanted to do was spend time together? Have you "sold" that so that you can find yourself? Is it really worth it?

Your children. They did not ask to be brought into this world. They do not need the things that you can buy them, nor do they need all the places you can take them or activities you encourage them to participate in. These can either be attempts to "buy them off" as you find yourself or they may be attempts to help them find themselves. Regardless of which they are, your children do not need them as much as they need **you**.

Your friends. I mean your *real* friends: those who used to be (and many still are) with you through the bad times as well as the good; those who would be there for you all through life if you would let them; those who may love you enough to try to tell you some things that you may not want to hear if you would slow down long enough to listen. If you could hear their prayers, you might realize what you are in danger of sacrificing.

Your reputation. There are those who remember the "old" you and liked him or her a lot better. He or she had time for others, was fun to be around, and cared about the really important things. Some who are trying to find themselves have ruined their reputation by getting involved in an illegal and/or immoral lifestyle. Others have not gone that far, but their reputation is surely not what it used to be.

Your health. Whether it is from overwork, ingesting dangerous substances, sexually transmitted diseases, or any number of other things, far too many have "found themselves" trying in vain to recover the good health they once enjoyed. In many cases, their life is much shorter than it could have been.

Your soul. Regardless of what philosophy of life may be adopted by a particular generation, the Bible will always teach that God, not self, must come first. There is not enough room on the throne of one's heart for two people. The occupant of that throne cannot be God and anybody or anything else. It must be only God. Our lives will have been a total and complete failure if they are spent in any other pursuit than the pursuit of a personal and obedient relationship with Him.

The ultimate quest in life does not have finding ourselves as its goal. The goal of the ultimate and most important quest in life is finding **God**. Is there a chance that you might be trying to find the wrong thing? What are you losing in the meantime?

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