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Announcements	Joe Collins
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Tim Fisher
Reading	Eddie Palmer
Scripture	Matthew 16:13-16
Lord's Table (N)	
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Sermon	
Dismiss	

Sunday Evening Worship

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Announcements	Joe Collins
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Don Sullivan
Reading	
Scripture	
Lord's Table	
	*Micah Lawrence
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Darron Dixon

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Matthew Woodside
Lead Singing	Tim Gann
First Prayer	Don Griffith
	Tucker Gann
	Paul Hurst
Dismiss	Caleb Graves

Welcome Committee

A.M	temporarily suspended
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	If you can not serve, please contact
	Mike Mullins at (931) 743-8093

Ushers:Ronnie Prince, L	Dwight Barrett, Herb Rowland
Un/Lock Building:	Herb Rowland/TBD
Prepare Communion:	TBD
Assist Baptisms:	Mary Flatt & Jane Flatt
Pantry Item:	Pork & Beans
Video	Ryan McColloch
Elder Closing Remarks	Jamie Brock
Record for the Week	•
A.M. Worship	189
Bible Study	158
P.M. Worship	123
Wednesday Bible Study	124
Contribution	\$5,306

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Radio Program

Each Wednesday at 10:00 AM on WBMC 960 AM and 97.7 FM.

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Josue Castorena (Hispanic) 580-2477

Sick

At Home:

Steve Nearing, Sandra Olivas, Noel Pepper, and Denise Rhea

In the Hospital:

Billy Welch - St Thomas West W.C. Chilton will be having a surgical procedure on November 12th at St.Thomas Rutherford

Shut-Ins at home

Iva Cunningham

Marsha Dunlap

Janice Foster Dennis Gann

Greg Grizzell

Lynder & Willie Holmes

Daisy Maxwell

Allen Owens (Glenda Hughes brother)

Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)

Edith Roberts

Zollie Settles

Doris Wilcher

Webb House

(3877 Manchester Hwy, McMinnville, TN 37110) Jean Henderson (Cindy Fisher's mother) #609

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(5010 Trotwood Ave, Columbia, TN 38401) Phyllis Brasher - #2405 (Mary Flatt's mother)

Wedded Bliss

We want to congratulate Ben & Jessi Boyd. They were united in holy matrimony on Saturday, October 30th.

We want to congratulate *Robert & Sami Elam*. They were united in holy matrimony on Saturday, October 30th.

New Arrival

Congratulations to Emily (Newby) Stephenson, on the birth of a little boy, Kade Aaron. Kade was born on 10-27-21 at 12:14pm weighing 7 lbs 10 oz and was 19 inches long. Willie & Donna Newby are the proud grandparents.

Ladies Day

The Hwy 56 church of Christ Ladies Day, will take place on November 6th with registration beginning at 9:00 AM.

The Findlay church of Christ Ladies Day, will take place on November 13th with registration beginning at 8:30 AM. Jane Washington will be their guest speaker.

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of James Ware (brother-in-law of Jean Ware). He passed away last week and there were no services. Please keep his family in your prayers at this time.

Wedding Shower

There will be a Wedding Shower honoring Kevin Flatt and Mahaley Keele on Sunday, November 7, from 1:00-3:00 PM at the home of Cindy Fisher. They are registered at Target, Amazon, and Bed, Bath & Beyond and Southern Traditions

Youth News and Updates

Bible Bowl Cram Session

We will be having a Bible Bowl cram session on Saturday, November 13th at Conner and Lauren's house. This will begin at 5:00 PM and end around 7:00 PM. If you need a ride, please sign the sheet that is on the youth board.

Bible Bowl

Our next Bible Bowl will take place on Sunday, November 14th, at the Morrison congregation. The church van will leave the building at 1:30 PM and return between 3:15 PM and 3:30 PM.

"I Can't Come To Church Because Of Covid"

(Tuesday Supplement. Note: I am well aware that there are those who are immunocompromised and cannot attend. This is not in any way meant to discourage or dishearten those in this condition. God knows and understands.)

Covid has touched nearly every family I know, including my own. It would be foolish to say that it is harmless. It has claimed nearly 5 million lives as of today. So, I have heard from many good, thoughtful people, this statement: "I can't come to church because of Covid." Please accept that with deep, genuine love, there are a few questions that need to be asked alongside of this.

Are we being consistent? Are we still going to the grocery store, the restaurants, the beauty shop, the office, the classroom, the gym, and the doctor? Chances are at least as great that we will contract Covid in one of those places as at church. People are not more clean or careful in those places.

Are we properly prioritizing? Perhaps we see the stores, the job, the school, and the medical as essential and necessary. Jesus puts our spiritual health and that of His body above all else (Mat. 6:33; 16:26). How could we conclude that any of these others are more important than His kingdom?

Are we considering others? Perhaps we console ourselves by saying that we're getting what we need by watching Facebook, Vimeo, YouTube, or wherever services are live-streamed. But, worship and Bible class is not simply about our being fed. We *must* consider one another to stimulate unto love and good deeds (Heb. 10:24). That is said in connection with assembling together (Heb. 10:25), and how is this done by one who stays away from the assembly?

Are we weakening our spiritual strength? Is it getting easier to stay away or opt to just catch it on the phone, computer, or TV when we don't feel like coming? Are we losing our desire to be with God's people? Isolation has many effects, some more subtle than others.

Are we assessing our fears? Those who are waiting for Covid to go away will be waiting years or longer. This is a virus. Scientists doubt that it can be eradicated. It spreads too quickly. Perhaps it will be like Polio or smallpox, but how long will that be? Will we stay home for years? Meanwhile, where will be, spiritually, years from now if we have disconnected from our spiritual family?

After 18 months, perhaps it is time to do some serious reevaluating? Instead of only allowing news outlets to be our guide, we need to balance that with careful study of God's Word. Instead of considering just this life on earth, we should balance that by considering this life is for preparing for eternity. We need to be back together—all of us, now more than ever.

By Neal Pollard