

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Danny Duncan
Scripture	Romans 1:14-17
Lord's Table	*Ken Martin
	*Billy Gilbert
	John Stembidge
	Harley Northcutt
	Sidney Groves
	Ed Griffin
	Joe Maynard
	Ralph Crouch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Dwaine Johnston
Reading	Darron Shuster
Scripture	II Peter 3:15-18
Lord's Table	*Clyde Christian
	Joe T. Cantrell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tully Franks

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Richard Bost
Reading	Ward Golden
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Doug Hendrixson

**Welcome Committee**

<b>A.M.</b>	Joe Collins Family
<b>P.M.</b>	Danny & Cynthia Duncan

**Bus Driver:** Jim Slatton

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*Communion Rest Homes:*  
Bill Biles & Tully Franks

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Dale Bennett & Greg Allen

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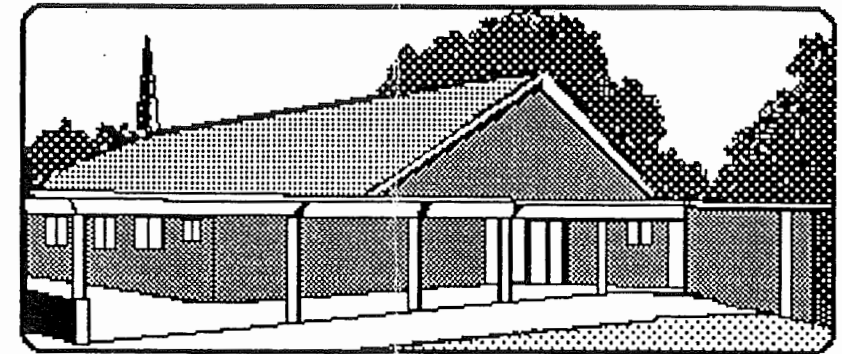
*Pantry Item:* Peanut Butter

**Record For The Week...**

<i>Week of...</i>	<i>12/27</i>	<i>1/3</i>
A.M. Worship	328	367
Bible Study	244	275
P.M. Worship	199	217
Wednesday Bible Study	204	193
Contribution	\$ 2,157	2,970

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Dennis Gann  
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Douglas Hendrixson  
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## Baptized

We all rejoice with Eddie Luna as he begins his new life in Christ. He was baptized at the morning service this past Sunday.

## Skating Party

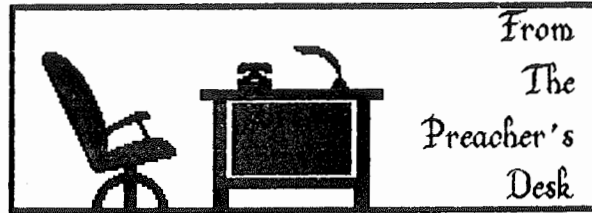
Those who plan to go on the ice skating party on January 16 need to sign the list in the foyer.

## Sympathy

We all want to express our sympathy to the family of Louvisa Perry whose funeral was this past week.

## Sick & Shut-ins

*Lester Phillips* was able to come home from the hospital and is improving at home. *Peanut Cantrell* hopes to come home this week from the St. Thomas hospital. At home sick were: *Nora Lee Griffith, Katherine Bennett, Emma Jean Hice, Nelma Chilton, and Bernice Fults*. We also want to remember from time to time our shut-ins in the nursing homes. At McMinnville Health Care we have: *Robert Cantrell, Lora Boyd, Nora Carter and Dora Elliott* (mother of Ruby Huntley).



### Personal Notes:

It sure was good to get to be back in the pulpit at Bybee Branch this past week. It was even more exciting to have the privilege to baptize one into Christ. I truly appreciate all of the kind words and nice things that have been done for our whole family over the past few weeks.

### A New Series Of Sermons:

Starting this next Sunday evening we will begin a series of sermons on the "Difficult Passages Of The Bible." We will start with passages from the New Testament first. I hope that you will plan to be here and study with us.

### The 1988 Budget:

On the facing page you will find a copy of the 1988 Budget presented by the Elders Sunday before last. The Elders wish for the congregation to stay informed as to how the money is spent. If you did not pick up a copy, or were unable to be here—look it over.

## 1988 Budget Church of Christ at Bybee Branch

### Local Work

Preaching (Tony Lawrence).....	\$410.00
Social Security (Preacher).....	\$63.90
Health Insurance (Preacher).....	\$29.12
Teaching Supplies.....	\$100.00
Office Supplies.....	\$75.00
New Classroom Equipment.....	\$10.00
Bus Maintenance.....	\$30.00
Communion Supplies.....	\$12.50
Religious Publications.....	\$22.00
Secretary (Melba Bonner).....	\$50.00
Social Security (Secretary & Janitor).....	\$24.00
Bus Payment.....	\$139.62
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$966.14</b>
<b>38.67% of Total Budget</b>	

### Benevolent Work

Sunny Acres.....	\$20.00
Ladies Bible Class.....	\$10.00
Local Benevolence.....	\$100.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$130.00</b>
<b>5.20% of Total Budget</b>	

### Building & Grounds

Plumb. & Elec. Maintenance.....	\$30.00
Utilities.....	\$200.00
Janitor.....	\$75.00
Cleaning Supplies.....	\$10.00
Gen. Maintenance & Lawns.....	\$85.00
Insurance.....	\$50.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$450.00</b>
<b>18.01% of Total Budget</b>	

### Mission Work

Bybee Branch Mission Point (Carrollton, KY).....	\$577.00
Campaign Fund.....	\$20.00
New Overseas Point*.....	\$40.00
Selkirk, Canada.....	\$36.92
Tarentum, PA.....	\$23.08
East TN School of Preaching.....	\$31.15
Memphis School of Preaching.....	\$31.15
Gospel Meeting.....	\$30.00
Advertising/Radio.....	\$75.00
Short Mtn. (Counselor).....	\$23.00
Miscellaneous.....	\$65.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$952.30</b>
<b>38.12% of Total Budget</b>	

**Total Budget.....\$2,498.44**

### Sunday Morning Worship

Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Jeff Bond
Scripture	Hebrews 11:6
Lord's Table	*Joe Collins
	*Everett Green
	Eugene Wilcher
	Dwayne Christian
	Scott Griffith
	Larry Powers
	Barry Hendrixson
	Chip Cantrell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

### Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Greg Allen
Reading	Bill Haston
Scripture	II Tim. 2:15
Lord's Table	*Tommy Crouch
	Terry Franks
Sermon	Steve Wilcher

### Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Jim Slatton
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Don Shuster
Reading	Tony Lawrence
Invitation	Rodney Reynolds
Dismiss	John R. Porter

### Welcome Committee

A.M.	Leonard Clemons Family
P.M.	Doug Hendrixson Family

**Bus Driver:** Kelly Thaxton

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**Communion Rest Homes:**  
Billy Gilbert & Greg Allen

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**Nursery Attendant:** Mildred Bumbalough

**Pantry Item:** Any Item—The need is great this time of year.

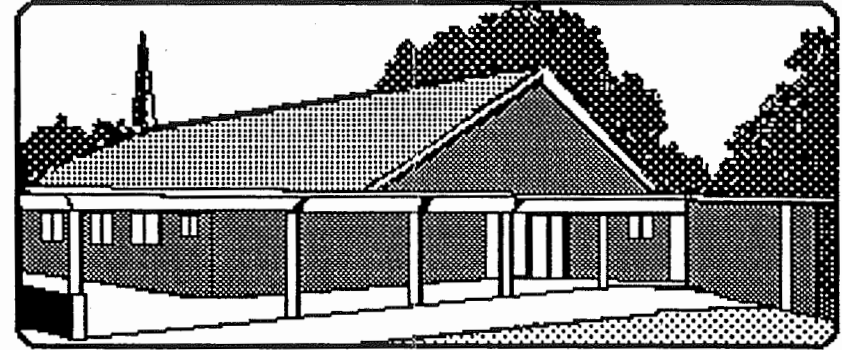
### Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	-----220
Bible Study	-----197
P.M. Worship	-----153
Wednesday Bible Study	-----156
Contribution	-----\$2,119

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Ken Lee  
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Larry Vinson



Our Sick



In the Hospital:

Peanut Cantrell-Riverpark #35
Josh Mayfield-Riverpark

At Home:

Katherine Bennett

We never intentionally overlook anyone who is sick. If you know of someone who is sick, especially those of your own family, please let us know and we will try to include them in on the announcements and in the bulletin.



Ice Skating Party

Those who are planning to go on the ice skating trip are to meet at the building at 1:00 p.m. Saturday. You will be back at home by 10:00 p.m.



Take Note



Our numbers were off last Sunday due to the snow and ice, however there was a good number who were able to get out. If you are able to come in the bad weather, please be extremely careful. We don't want any to fall on the ice and get hurt. If you see some of our older Christians trying to get in, why not help them?

Brother Daniel Ridinger and his family are now getting settled into their new work. Why not write them and let them know of your moral support.. His new address is: Daniel Ridinger, 215 9th Street, Carrollton, KY 41008. I am sure that he, along with Ann and the girls will appreciate it.

The Kings of Judah

EA L L K H M B M A N A S S E H
Q E Z H P L A A J O T H A M O F
Z C N A J P R I M H H A M L H F
E O A D R O I A Z A A I M S M M
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AZARIAH
DAVID
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JEHOAHAZ

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JEHOSHAPHAT
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From The Desk of
Tony Lawrence



The Value Of Church Attendance

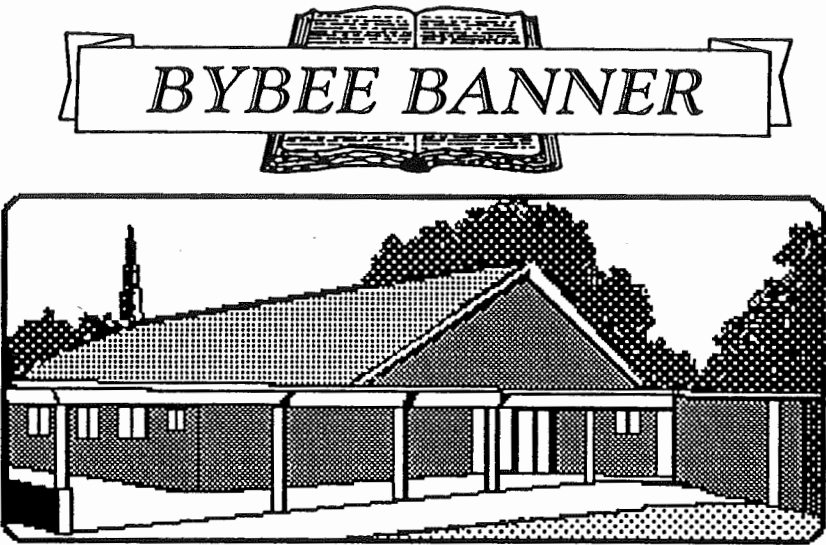
Quite often preachers and elders are pleading with the members to attend the services. Perhaps we have approached this the wrong way. We should realize the privilege which we have in attending the services! Certainly the Bible is clear about the need of trying to get those who have been forsaking the services to attend. The Hebrew writer said, "Not forsaking our own assembling together, as the custom of some is, but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day drawing nigh." (Heb. 10:25). And, Paul said, "Brethren, even if a man be overtaken in any trespass, ye who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; looking to thyself, lest thou also be tempted." (Gal. 6:1). We simply must try to help those who have dropped out of the Lord's service!

There is another way we might be able to help this problem. If it could be possible for people to see what the assembly does for them, that is, the value of attendance, then perhaps we would not have such an effort at trying to get them to come. Consider that when you assemble with the saints that you: (1) Associating with some of the wisest people on earth. They know where salvation is found! You too will learn from them "He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed." (Prov. 13:20 NKJV). (2) Receive exhortation and encouragement not to sin. "but exhort one another day by day, so long as it is called Today; lest anyone of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin." (Heb. 3:13). What a value it is to be encouraged to do what is right by our brethren who are pulling for us. (3) Most importantly we get to worship God with others of "like precious faith" (II Pet. 1:1). We should be most grateful for the privilege of worshipping the Almighty God. These are just some of the great values in attending. See you in church Sunday...

Quarterly Business Meeting
Sunday, January 24,
Following Evening
Services



<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b>		<i>Communion Rest Homes:</i> W.C. Chilton & Chip Cantrell		
Announcement	Stanley Graves	<i>Ushers:</i> Winfrey Hennessee & Robert Bumbalough	<i>Nursery Attendant:</i> Mildred Gambrell	
Lead Singing	Jason Smith			
First Prayer	Bob Bonner	<i>Pantry Item:</i> Tomato Soup	<b>Record For The Week...</b>	
Reading	Dwight Davis			
Scripture	Luke 13:3-5	<div>Non-profit Organization U.S. Postage PAID McMinnville, TN Permit #261</div> <div>Church of Christ at Bybee Branch P.O. Box 147 McMinnville, TN 37110 {Address Correction Requested}</div>		
Lord's Table	*Greg Allen			
	*Ken Lee			
	Robert Bumbalough			
	Bob Cantrell			
	Edgar Webb			
	J.B. Gribble	A.M. Worship -----	334	
	W.C. Chilton	Bible Study -----	263	
Sermon	Eugene Wilcher	P.M. Worship -----	250	
Dismiss	Tony Lawrence	Wednesday Bible Study -----	215	
	Bill Womack	Contribution -----	\$2,780	
<b>Sunday Evening Worship</b>				
Announcements	Stanley Graves			
Lead Singing	Joe Collins			
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds			
Reading	Ronnie Rogers			
Scripture	Matthew 7:28, 29			
Lord's Table	*J.C. Case			
	Buell Warren			
Sermon	Tony Lawrence			
Dismiss	Jeff Bond			
<b>Wednesday Bible Study</b>				
Announcements	Jim Slatton			
Lead Singing	Tully Franks			
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell			
Reading	Leonard Clemons			
Invitation	Tony Lawrence			
Dismiss	Joe T. Cantrell			
<b>Welcome Committee</b>				
A.M.	Billy Gilbert Family			
P.M.	Bill Haston Family			
<b>Bus Driver:</b> Dennis Gann				
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Bible Study	10:15 a.m.	Bill Biles	473-2343
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.	Lee Flatt	668-4690
<b>Wednesday</b>		Rodney Reynolds	473-3570
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.	<b>Evangelist</b>	
<b>Radio Program</b>		Tony Lawrence	473-8079
Sunday	WAKI 8:00 a.m.	<b>Deacons</b>	
<b>Church Phone</b>		Bob Bonner	Leonard Clemons
		Harold Cook	W.C. Chilton
		Dwight Davis	Dennis Gann
		Stanley Graves	Everett Green
		Don Griffith	Douglas Hendrixson
		Dwaine Johnston	Ken Lee
		Ken Martin	Don Shuster
		Jim Slatton	Larry Vinson
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*Our Sick*

**R<sub>x</sub>**

In the Hospital:


Peanut Cantrell-Riverpark  
Josh Mayfield-Riverpark


Ruth Newby-Parkview (?)

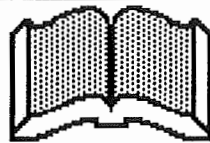
Fred Biles-to enter hospital in Houston, TX

At Home:

Katherine Bennett  
Mary Martin

 *General Business Meeting*  
*Sunday Evening After Services*

 *Elder- Deacons Meeting*  
*Monday Night at 7:00*



*Difficult Passages*  
*For This Week*

Those who want to study for the Sunday Evening lesson this week, the difficult passages we will be considering are: Matt. 12:1-8; Matt. 12:40; and Matt. 19:27,28. The questions we will be addressing are: Did Jesus teach "situation ethics"? Did Jesus stay in the grave "three days and three nights"? "Will the Apostles judge literal Israel?" Please try to come and let us reason together.



*Freed-Hardeman*  
*College Lectures*

*February 9-12*  
*Henderson, Tennessee*

*Family Devotional*  
*January 31*  
*Special Guest Speaker*



*From The Desk of*  
*Tony Lawrence*



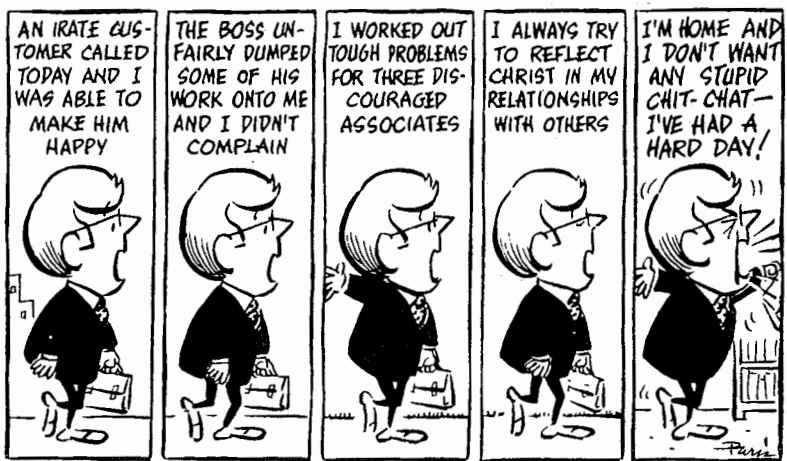
*Mormon Doctrine*  
*True or False?*

Of recent, I have been privileged to talk with a several young missionaries of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. These men have been very kind and considerate. They are especially well groomed and exhibit some of the finest manners of any young people I have had dealings with. They are in our area attempting to make "proselytes" to their religion. What I have to say is not about any of them personally, but about the doctrine which they teach. For, I sincerely believe that those with whom I have talked are fully convinced that they are serving the Lord correctly. We do not have a right to judge someone's motives but we certainly can discern if their doctrine is correct. The Bible says, "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but prove the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets are gone out into the world." (I Jn. 4:1). I have several reasons why I think that their doctrine is in error.

First, I question any religion which suggests that the Bible is an insufficient guide. The Book of Mormon says: "And because my words shall hiss forth—many Gentiles shall say: A Bible! A Bible! We have got a Bible, and there cannot be any more Bible. But thus saith the Lord God: O fools, they shall have a Bible and it shall proceed forth from the Jews, mine ancient covenant people... Wherefore, because that ye have a Bible ye need not suppose that it contains all my words; neither need ye suppose that I have not caused more to be written." (II Nephi 29:3,4,10). But, what about all of those Bible passages which say that the God's word is able to make a man perfect, "furnished completely unto every good work" (II Tim. 3:17), and give him "all things that pertain unto life and godliness" (II Pet. 1:3)? More importantly, what about Jude 3, where we learn that the faith was "once for all delivered unto the saints?" The Bible warns of those who will come and pervert the gospel of Christ (Gal. 1:6-9; Acts 20:28ff).

Second, I have full confidence in the teaching of Deut. 18:20-22. There, the Lord gives man the assurance that if a prophecy is made and the prophecy does not come true, then that man is a false prophet and there is no need to listen to him. Joseph Smith, the supposed Divinely appointed translator of the Book of Mormon and great Prophet of the Mormon church, either translated or recorded several errors in addition to his own false prophecies. The Book of Mormon says that Jesus was born in Jerusalem (Alma 7:10). The Bible clearly states that he was born in Bethlehem (Lk. 2:4) which was a city known to be the birth place of the Lord by prophecy (cf. Mic. 5:2; Matt. 2:4,5). The Bible teaches that disciples were called "Christians" at Antioch (Acts 11:26), while the Book of Mormon has it somewhere else (Alma 46:15). In addition to these things, the writing of Joseph Smith, recorded in Doctrine and Covenants (one of their holy books), says that when David had plural marriages that he did not sin (D&C 132:38) when the Jesus says that "from the beginning" God intended that there be ONE man and ONE woman and that their marriage be for life! (Matt. 19:3-6). Joseph Smith prophesied that the Temple for the "gathering of the saints" would be built at Independence, Missouri in that generation (cf. D&C 57:1-3; 101:20; 84:4,5,31). It did not happen. From all of the above I conclude that sincere as one may be, Mormon doctrine is false. If someone comes to your door and wishes to study the Bible with you, be sure that you "prove" his doctrine from the Bible (I Jn. 4:1; II Thess. 5:21).

*A Time To Laugh... (Ecc. 3:4)*



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Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Dwayne Christian
Scripture	I Timothy 6:12
Lord's Table	*Jim Slatton
	*Bill Haston
	Ralph Crouch
	Otis Morgan
	Ed Griffin
	Harley Northcutt
	Sidney Groves
	Eddie Hennessee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Darron Shuster
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Scott Griffith
Reading	Barry Hendrixson
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Chip Cantrell
	Larry Powers
Sermon	David Christian
Dismiss	Greg Pennington

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Dwaine Johnston
Reading	Ken Martin
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Clyde Christian

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.	Doug Hendrixson Family
P.M.	John & Cora Stembridge

**Bus Driver:** Bill Haston

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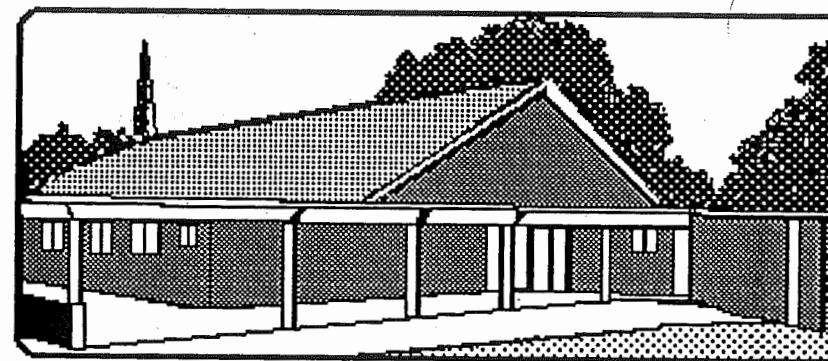
**Ushers:**  
W.C. Chilton & Jeff Bond

**Nursery Attendant:** Nan Cantrell**Pantry Item:** Flour**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship	-----339
Bible Study	-----280
P.M. Worship	-----229
Wednesday Bible Study	-----232
Contribution	-----\$2,677

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Jim Slatton	Larry Vinson



*Our Sick*

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In the Hospital:

Peanut Cantrell-Riverpark #24  
Judy Ramsey-Riverpark #50

Ruth Newby-St. Thomas #263

Fred Biles-Methodist Hospital  
6565 Fannin  
Houston, TX 77030

Cindy Dickson-Baptist Hospital in  
Nashville #4322

At Home:

Josh Mayfield  
Bobby Mayfield  
Mary Martin  
Rozelle Goodman  
Hallie Cantrell's son, Kurt, is at home in  
serious condition.

## *Young Men Conduct Services*

This coming Sunday Evening is the fifth Sunday and, as usual, the young men of the congregation will be conducting the worship services. Be sure to try to attend to encourage these young men. Who knows, by your encouragement, one of these young men may decide to preach the gospel.



*Freed-Hardeman*  
*College Lectures*  
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## *Smpathy*

We want to express sympathy to the family of *Larry Vinson*, whose grandmother passed away this past week. We also want to express sympathy to the family of *Leslie Wilcher* (brother of our *Hollie Wilcher*) who passed away this past week.



*From The Desk of  
Tony Lawrence*



Very often people give me articles or clippings from bulletins which have excellent lessons or thoughts in them. Very often these articles are not signed and I do not know where they come from, so no credit is given.

Below is one I was given recently which covers most of the attitudes I hear expressed about going to Bible school. If you are not coming, which one fits you?

## *Spiritual Attitudes Of The Seven Dwarfs*

Please imagine the following conversation in regard to the Bible School taking place in the home of the seven dwarfs on Sunday morning...

*Sleepy*: "Oh, I'm so tired! That party last night lasted too long. I didn't get enough rest. I might nod off in Bible class, so I think I'll stay home."

*Dopey*: "I don't know whether I'll go or not. I want to go, but I just don't know."

*Sneezy*: "I don't feel too good, and besides, I may give my hayfever to someone worse still, I may catch something from someone. I'll stay in today."

*Bashful*: "I might not know everybody in class. I hate to meet so many people. It's just too much to expect of anyone."

*Grumpy*: "I don't like the teacher, and besides, we're studying an uninteresting subject, and some of those people in class, well..."

*Doc*: "What a great day this is going to be! I can hardly wait to get to Bible class!"

*Happy*: "Smile, brethren, and be happy and thankful for the opportunity to go to Bible class to learn more about God and his will for us. Smile, and make someone else happier as you go to Bible class with a smile on your face."

*Which Reminds You of You??????*

Guest Speaker: Bill Baker

*Family Devotional*

*January 31, 1988*

*After Evening Services*

Topic:  
Becoming An Adult

Be sure to bring your favorite dessert!

<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b>	
Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Dennis Gann
Scripture	Acts 22:16
Lord's Table	*Danny Duncan
	*Ronnie Rogers
	J.B. Gribble
	Eugene Wilcher
	Joe Maynard
	Rodney Maynard
	Sidney Groves
	Robert Bumbalough
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bill Womack
<b>Communion Rest Homes:</b> Jeff Bond & Ronnie Rogers	
<b>Ushers:</b> Bob Cantrell & John Stembridge	
<b>Nursery Attendant:</b> Nelma Chilton	
<b>Pantry Item:</b> Snack Food	
<b>Record For The Week...</b>	
A.M. Worship	-----360
Bible Study	-----287
P.M. Worship	-----259
Wednesday Bible Study	-----216
Contribution	-----\$3,025

<b>Sunday Evening Worship</b>	
Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennseess
Reading	Tommy Crouch
Scripture	John 2:1-11
Lord's Table	*Terry Franks
	Buell Warren
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John R. Porter

<b>Wednesday Bible Study</b>	
Announcements	W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Clyde Christian
Reading	Doug Hendrixson
Invitation	Bob Bonner
Dismiss	Ward Golden

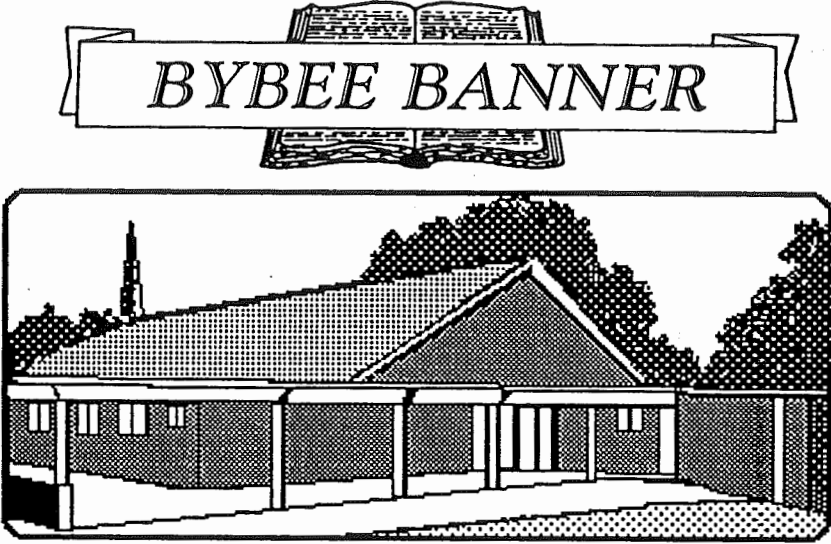
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		Rodney Reynolds	473-3570
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Bible Study	7:00 p.m.	Tony Lawrence	473-8079
<b>Radio Program</b>		<b>Deacons</b>	
Sunday	WAKI 8:00 a.m.	Bob Bonner	Leonard Clemons
Church Phone	473-2486	Harold Cook	W.C. Chilton
<b>A Warm Welcome Awaits You!</b>		Dwight Davis	Dennis Gann
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## Our Sick

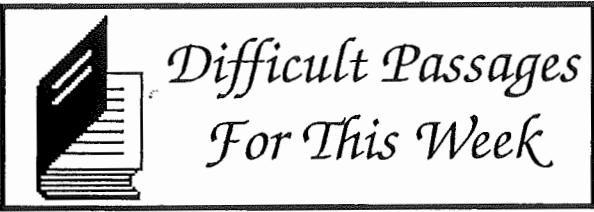


### In the Hospital:

*Peanut Cantrell*-(to be transfered to  
Barnes Rest Home this week)  
*Fred Biles*-Methodist Hospital  
6565 Fannin  
Houston, TX 77030  
*Curt Cantrell* (Hallie Cantrell's son)  
Baptist Hospital (ICU)  
*Lindsey Mason* (Drucilla Crouch's father)  
White Co. Hospital  
*Cindy Dickson* -Baptist/Nashville  
*Marie Cope* (Daughter of Hilda Jones)-  
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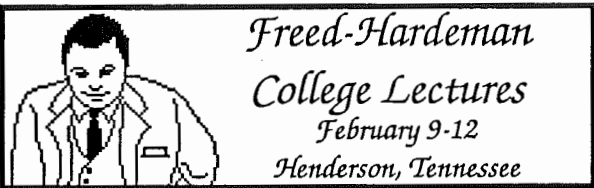
### At Home:

*Essie Medley*  
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*Ruth Newby*-in Cookeville, TN

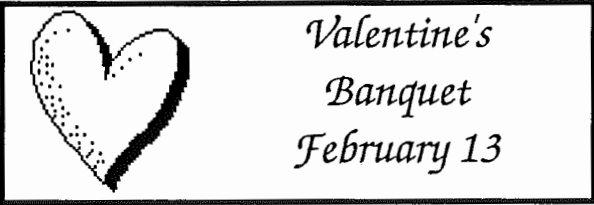


## Difficult Passages For This Week

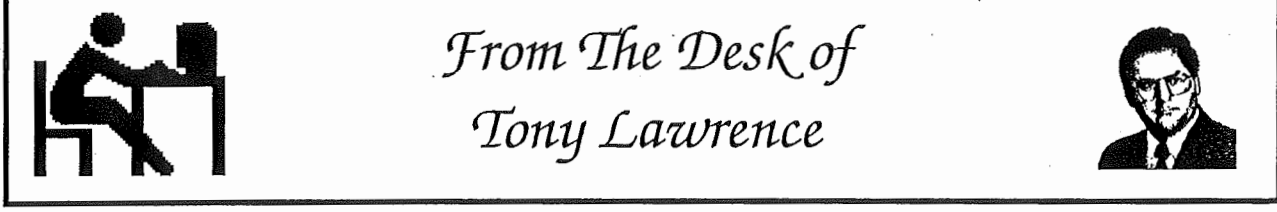
Those who want to study for the Sunday Evening lesson this week, the difficult passage we will be considering is: John 2:1-11. Did Jesus make intoxicating wine at the wedding feast at Cana of Galilee? At the same time we will also look at I Tim. 3:3,8 and 5:23.



## Freed-Hardeman College Lectures February 9-12 Henderson, Tennessee

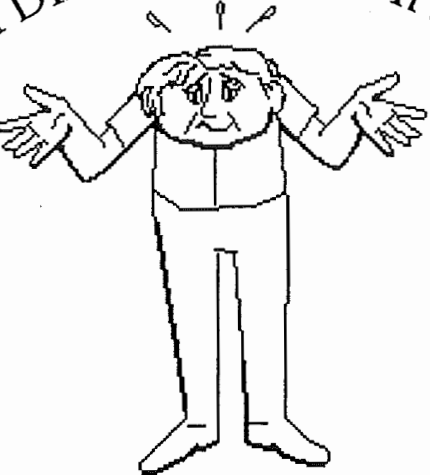


## Valentine's Banquet February 13



## From The Desk of Tony Lawrence

## Are You Discouraged? Don't Despair



Is it easy for you to get discouraged? Do you despair when you hear the local news? Perhaps you have been concentrating on the wrong things. If your problem is money, the Bible has the answer. If your problem is your marriage, the Bible has the answer. In fact, whatever gets you down, the Bible has the answer. Man's problem is that often he does not like the answer. However, if you will let the Bible speak, and will listen, then you can overcome

your discouragement. Let us consider a couple of likely problems which men are likely to face.

We often get discouraged when we have material losses. Have you ever considered that Job lost practically everything? Yet, his response was, "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord" (Job 1:21 NKJV). Job's attitude toward his material possessions was that they were always subject to being taken away and he was glad to have them while he did. Often, those who suffer materially have not considered that material wealth is worth is not what life consists of (Lk. 12:15).

We also find ourselves becoming discouraged when someone close to us turns on us (either as a parent or as a friend). We wonder why we are so mistreated by our friends and family and question why we deserve such treatment. However, we must realize that we too, have been less than as we should from time to time. Even in the face of this, we have one friend who we can always count on who will never disappoint us. Jesus Christ will be our friend if we do as he has said (Jn. 15:14).

Discouragement robs us of the happiness which should be characteristic of those who are Christians. Likewise, it causes others who we come in contact with to be effected. We can impede the progress of the Lord's work when we are always "down." When our health fails us, when our aspirations are not reached, when we lose those whom we love, when things generally go wrong. Let us resolve to have a good spiritual attitude, looking to God's word for the answers. As the Hebrew writer said, "Therefore strengthen the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be dislocated but rather be healed... lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble..." (Heb. 12:12,13, 15NKJV).

### Women Of The Bible

A J O C H E B E D P H O B E C E  
Y K E V E J U L I A D O R C A S  
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BILHAH LYDIA  
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DINAH MIRIAM  
DORCAS NAOMI  
DRUSILLA PHOBE  
ELIZABETH PRISCILLA  
ESTHER RACHEL  
EUNICE RAHAB  
EVE SAPHIRA  
HAGAR SARAH  
HANNAH TAMAR  
JOANNA VASHTI  
JOCHEBED

### Sunday Morning Worship

Announcement	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Jeff Bond
Scripture	Hebrews 6:1-3
Lord's Table	*Dwight Davis
	*Ken Martin
	Dwaine Johnston
	Dwayne Christian
	John Stenbridge
	Bill Womack
	Bob Cantrell
	Otis Morgan
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Lee Flatt

### Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Jim Statton
Scripture	Matt. 13:10-17
Lord's Table	*Don Shuster
	Darron Shuster
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Wilcher

### Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Billy Gilbert
Reading	Joe T. Cantrell
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	J.C. Case

### Welcome Committee

A.M.	J.B. & Christine Gribble
P.M.	Clyde Christian, Hallie Cantrell, & Hilda Jones

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*Pantry Item:* Soup

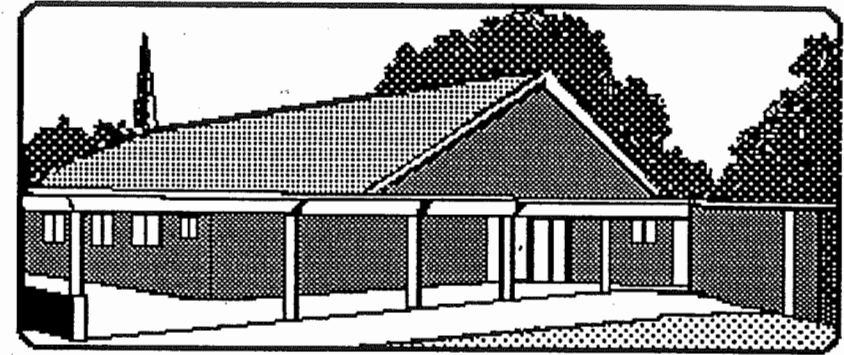
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Bible Study	-----	264
P.M. Worship	-----	221
Wednesday Bible Study	-----	208
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## An Important Article From The Preacher's Files



### Church Attendance—Love In Action

Guy N. Woods

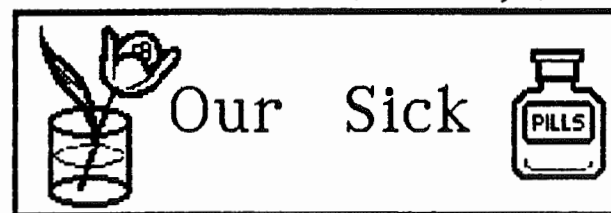
The view, that there is but one essential service of the church—the meeting in which the Lord's supper is served—is a persistent and widespread one. Many thousands of disciples in congregations throughout the world regularly attend services on the Lord's day at the morning hour, but are never present at the evening service, or any other. Proceeding on the assumption that this meeting alone is obligatory, they attend it and do not bother to concern themselves with other activities of the church, with the satisfying feeling that they have rendered a sufficient measure of devotion to the Lord in this one hour for all the week following. Content to do only what is required, and under the impression that this meeting exhausts such requirements, they attend no other. This attitude, and the resulting disastrous effect on the church, is limited to no one section of the brotherhood. It is a problem of far-reaching proportions, a major obstacle in the progress of the church.

Were those thus influenced correct in the conclusion that the Lord's day morning service is really the only one that cannot be ignored with impunity, the disposition shown must be greatly displeasing to the Lord whose presence they disregard at all the other meetings of the church (Matt. 18:20). It is based on the willingness to do, and be satisfied *with less than what one can do, for the Lord!* The fact that it is possible for one to plan a course in life that deliberately short changes the Creator reveals a worldly and hardened heart. In the parable of the Plowing Servant (Luke 17:7-10) the Lord taught us that when we have done what we ought to do we are still unprofitable servants. If, having rendered service in keeping with a designated obligation, we are still regarded as unprofitable servants, what may be said of the individual *who has not done as much as he could?*

This parable is a striking and impressive reminder of the fact that we are not our own; we have been bought with a price. Of the legality of the Lord's title to us there can be no doubt. This right of ownership extends to the Christian, to what he is, and to what he has, and what he can do. The Lord is entitled to all the service we are capable of rendering, and it is the ultimate in presumption for any creature of His to question the fact.

The faithful servant does not ask, "What do I have to do?" With him the only question is, "What may I do?" He who seeks to put the kingdom of God first in heart and life will not advance fallacious arguments by which to justify indifference and little faith in God. To seek the kingdom of God first (Matt. 6:33), is not to seek it last, or for that matter, second. It requires one to give it top priority in all the affairs of life. When one's personal interests conflict with duty to God the former must always yield to the latter. To fail to follow such a course is to be guilty of the sin of the rich man in Luke 15.

Those who attend church services irregularly evidence symptoms of lukewarmness, indifference, selfishness, and love of the world more than love of God. the practice is an exceedingly dangerous one because it leads to greater hardness of heart and further departures from the way of righteousness. He who resorts to fallacious and false reasoning to justify absence from the services of the church, or who attends out of an irksome sense of duty, and to still the voice of an accusing conscience, will soon have little difficulty in discovering (?) arguments which to him, at least, justify further neglect and unfaithfulness. "Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. But exhort one another daily, while it is called Today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin" (Heb. 3:12,13).



#### In the Hospital:

Peanut Cantrell-Riverpark  
Fred Biles-Methodist/Houston, TX  
Curt Cantrell-Baptist/Nashville  
Agnes Davis-Baptist/Nashville  
Helen Lawrence-Columbus, Miss.

#### At Home:

Essie Medley  
Nora Lee Griffith  
Ken Martin  
Teresa Rogers  
Beverly Davis  
Robert "Doc" Mullican  
Lindsey Mason-transferred back to  
the Nursing Home  
Ruth Newby-Master Health Care/  
Cookeville



## Difficult Passages For This Week

Those who want to study for the Sunday Evening lesson this week, the difficult passages we will be considering are: Matthew 7:6: 8:22: 15:14.

## New Christians

It was a great pleasure yesterday to baptize two young people into Christ. **Tara Cox** put on Christ in baptism at the morning service and **Matthew Lewis** was baptized at the evening service.



The Morrison Church of Christ will be having a singing on February 19. For more details, see the bulletin board in the foyer.

Valentine's  
Banquet  
February 13  
at  
Boyd  
Christian  
School

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcement	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Greg Allen
Reading	Dale Bennett
Scripture	Matthew 22:37-40
Lord's Table	*Bill Haston
	*Bill Biles
	Barry Hendrixson
	Chip Cantrell
	Larry Powers
	Shannon Griffin
	Scott Griffith
	Kurt Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John R. Porter

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Everett Green
Reading	Ronnie Prince
Scripture	Acts 2:16-21
Lord's Table	*Doug Hendrixson
	Edgar Webb
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Danny Duncan

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	W.C. Chilton
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Tony Lawrence
Reading	Bill Womack
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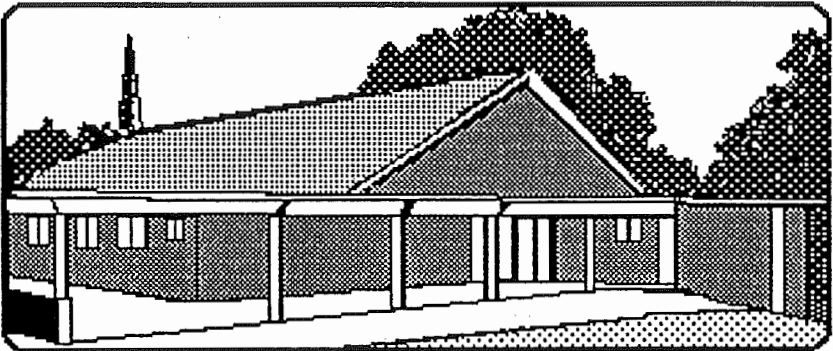
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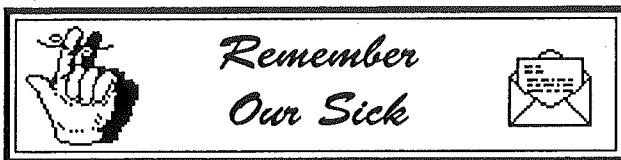
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Ken Martin	Don Shuster
Jim Statton	Larry Vinson



**In the Hospitals:**

*Mack Carter* (father of our Sherry Graves) is in Lincoln County Hospital ICU after a possible heart attack.

*Edna Shuster* (mother of our Don Shuster) is in serious condition in the Parkview/Nashville Hospital.

*Curt Cantrell* (son of our Hallie Cantrell) remains in the Baptist/Nashville Hospital.

**At Home:**

*Peanut Cantrell* has been transferred to Barnes Rest Home at 101 Margo Lane.

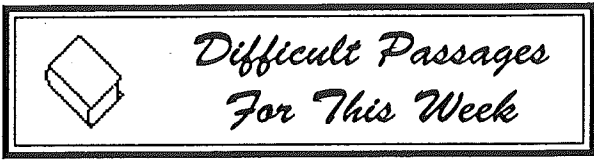
*Fred Biles* (father of our Bill Biles) has returned home from the Hospital in Houston.

Please help us keep an accurate list of our sick. If you know of someone who is sick, please let the announcer know on Sunday or Wednesday. Or, if you learn of something during the week, you may call the office. **We do not wish to overlook anyone!**

When you report on the sick, try to give as many details regarding where they are at as possible. Many like to send cards to cheer them up.

**Elder-Deacons Meeting**

The monthly Elders-Deacons Meeting will be next Monday evening at 7:00 p.m.



The texts for Sunday evening's lesson on difficult texts will be taken from Acts 2:16-21 and will address the question "What about verses 19, 20 and the symbols mentioned?" Then we will consider Acts 3:21 and the "restoration of all things." Why not try to come and study with us this Sunday evening.



Most of you already know that this past Tuesday Paula Bonner was baptized into Christ by her father Bob Bonner. Sunday Morning Corey Nunley was baptized into Christ. We rejoice with them and their families. Also, we thrilled to welcome Bobby and Ada Mayfield to our church family as they placed their membership with us.

*Words of Wisdom*

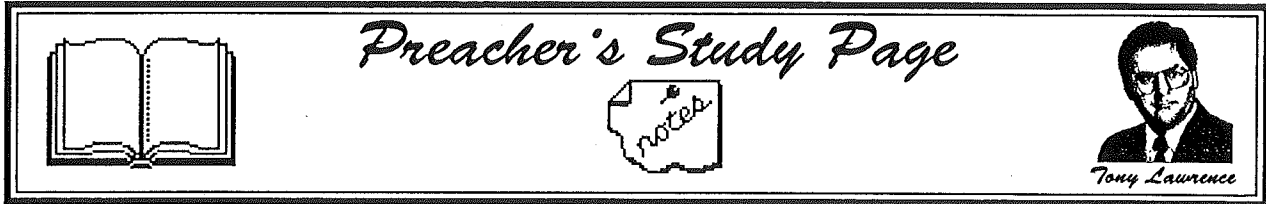
Opportunity knocks but once, but temptation leans on the doorbell...

There are plenty of rules for attaining success, but none of them work unless you do...

Today's mighty oak is merely yesterday's little nut that managed to hold its ground...

Blessed are those who can give without remembering, and take without forgetting...

Best rule I know for talking is the same one for carpentering: Measure twice and saw once.



# CHURCH GROWTH—GROWING GOD'S WAY

*(Observations from the Freed-Hardeman College Lectures)*

One of the topics of prominence at this year's FHC Lectures was the subject of church growth. I was very impressed with the lectures presented by the Scyamore church from Cookeville along with others given by various speakers. What I heard was a very, balanced approach to an often abused subject.

When one thinks about the message which is preached from the pulpit, brother Leroy Brownlow delivered an exceptional message on the subject of "Preach What You Practice." He noted that we believe in baptism, the Lord's Supper weekly, singing, other things and that we ought to unashamedly preach them. Too often today men are almost embarrassed to take a stand for that which they practice. More than one speaker dealt with the often made charge that the pulpit message often nothing more than a weekly "pep talk" or is at the other extreme and sees no good in anyone by a constant bombardment of "negative messages." People must be taught what is right and wrong and that explicitly, however, they must feel that they can accomplish it, or why try?

In several classes there was the strong concern shown for *teaching the Bible* to our neighbors. More often than not, in the past few years there has been the emphasis on "gimmicks," and I believe that more and more are recognizing that the power is in the gospel (Rom. 1:16). I heard a lot of *book, chapter, and verse*. Such was truly refreshing! The speakers talked about church growth, but they were concerned with doing it "God's Way!"

For those of you who might be interested, I brought back tapes of certain lectures and I would be glad to make you a copy if you wish one. I have: Church Growth by the Scyamore church (two tapes), Open Forum (mostly on the subject of church lawsuits—two days on one tape), and "Preach What You Practice" by Leroy Brownlow. The church also purchased the Video Tapes on this past Preacher's and Church Leader's Forum on Boston/Crossroads.

*A Big Thanks...*

Most of you know that this past week my family and I were privileged to attend the lectures at Freed-Hardeman College. The church has made this privilege for us for the past three years and we do not take it lightly. It is a time for us to learn and gather new ideas. It is also a time for excellent Christian associations with those of "like precious faith." We want all of the church to know that we appreciate you for giving us this opportunity!



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcement	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell
Reading	W.C. Chilton
Scripture	Prov. 4:25-27
Lord's Table	*Joe Collins
	*Stanley Graves
	Sidney Groves
	Harley Northcutt
	Ralph Crouch
	Ed Griffin
	John Sternbridge
	J. B. Gribble
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dennis Gann

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Terry Franks
Reading	Jeff Bond
Scripture	Galatian 5:1-4
Lord's Table	*Jim Statton
	Steve Wilcher
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John R. Porter

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Rodney Reynolds
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Billy Gilbert
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Buell Warren

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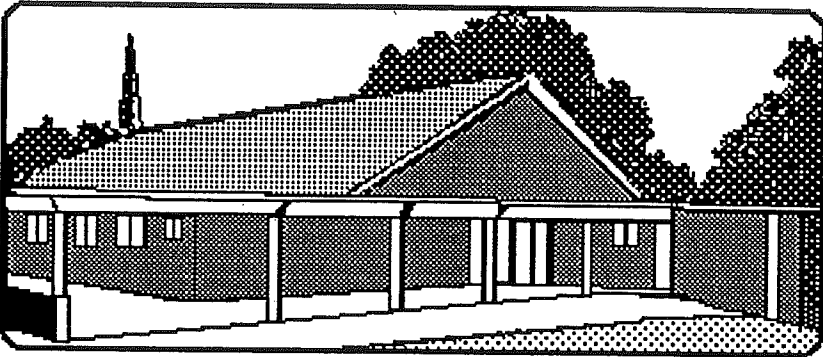
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P.M. Worship	-----241
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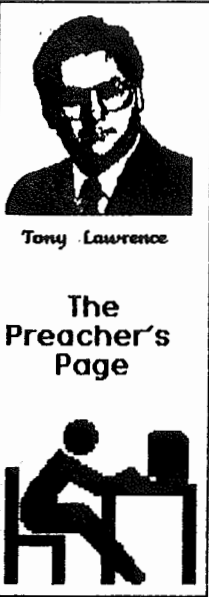
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## The Bybee Branch Youth Program

The youth program at Bybee Branch has a lot going for it. It has capable direction from Larry and Debbie Vinson who work closely with the Elders to see that the program goes as it should. It has the involvement of numerous "youth sponsors," who help plan the activities and also help in actual work of the program.

Some question the need for the church to be involved in a program such as this. Please consider: first, the church does not pay for any of the entertainment activities, the kids do! Second, not all of the activities of the youth group are "entertainment oriented." They also have service projects such as the leaf raking in the fall, or as recently, the Valentine cards to the older members. Each month there is a devotional for each of the three age groups where the young people participate themselves.

A few month's ago I read an article in Christian Bible Teacher, which I believe stresses the point I want to make. Please read it...

# Is A Youth Program Really Important?

Over an eight-year period I have kept up with the number of young people who have and have not actively participated in the Youth Program of the local church and then noted the degree of faithfulness to God they demonstrated after graduation. Please note the following: When young people are uninvolved in youth activities 38% of them grow up to be unfaithful to God, 44% end up spasmodic in attendance, and only 19% of them grow to be faithful. On the other hand when young people are actively involved in youth activities while growing up 93% of them end up as faithful adults.

Before anyone starts to raise some objections, let me make clear what I am *not* saying: I am not saying participation in youth activities makes it impossible to fall from grace. I am not saying that only young people who worship at congregations that have a Youth Ministry will grow to be faithful. I am not necessarily saying these statistics *prove* anything. (Statistics can be presented in a variety of ways to prove a variety of often conflicting things.)

What I am saying is this, too often people look at youth

activities as "fun 'n games" that are really not important to the development of our youth. What these people fail to realize is that these activities are *designed* to help our youth grow as Jesus grew—socially, mentally, physically, and spiritually. Too many times parents do not take an active interest in the youth work and do not encourage their children to take part. This is an unfortunate attitude. We encourage (and sometimes insist) our kids participate in sports, band, school functions or scouts but we treat the youth activities of the Church as unimportant, optional. Somewhere along the line our priorities have gone haywire.

One more thought. I will be the first to admit that it is quite possible that those 93% who were active and grew up to be faithful Christians might have been faithful even if they had not participated in the youth activities. There is one way to find out. Keep your children from participating and check the results, if you want to take that risk.

David Johnson is an associate minister and song leader for the McKenzie Church of Christ in McKenzie, Tennessee. He has experience in counseling young people and in public education.



## Let Us Remember Our Sick And Shut-ins In the Hospitals:

Edna Shuster --Parkview/Nashville,

Curt Cantrell-- Baptist/Nashville.

Fred Biles--McMinnville Health Care

Cynde Bourdon (daughter of Laurene Porter) had surgery this week in Chattanooga.

### At Home:

Essie Medley  
Lena Bratton

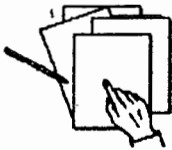
### One Returns To The Lord!

We rejoice that brother John O. Stiles was restored to the Lord's service Sunday Evening.



### We Express Our Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Robert Cantrell (he was the father our our Joe T. Cantrell) whose funeral was this past Thursday.



### Difficult Passages For This Week

For those who want to study for the Sunday Evening lesson this week, the difficult passage we will be considering is Acts 21:18-28. Did Paul sin in "keeping the Law?"

### Important Meeting...



Sunday Morning after the worship service we will have a short meeting to get as many involved as will in a *telephone call program* to invite people to our Gospel Meeting on April 17-22. The greater participation we have, the easier the job will be. Please plan to stay! More details will be given then...



### Sunday Morning Worship

Announcement	Don Griffith
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Dwayne Christian
Scripture	Matthew 16:13-19
Lord's Table	*Jim Slatton
	*Ken Lee
	Barry Hendrixson
	Chip Cantrell
	Larry Powers
	Shannon Griffin
	Scott Griffith
	Kurt Maynard
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Billy Gilbert

### Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Don Griffith
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Dwaine Johnston
Scripture	Romans 8:28-30
Lord's Table	*Joe T. Cantrell
	Eddie Hennessee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dale Bennett

### Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Rodney Reynolds
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Greg Allen
Invitation	Bill Biles
Dismiss	Cecil Cantrell

### Welcome Committee

A.M.	Greg & Julie Allen
P.M.	Richard Black Family

**Bus Driver:** Jim Slatton

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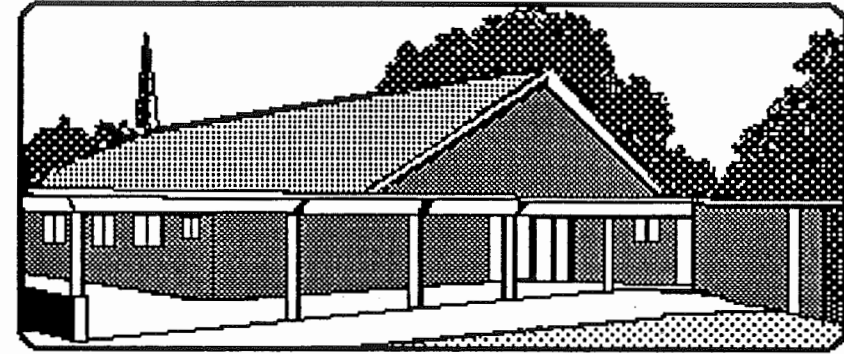
**Pantry Item:** Soup

### Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship	-----347
Bible Study	-----248
P.M. Worship	-----233
Wednesday Bible Study	-----208
Contribution	-----\$3,369

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### Sick and Shut-ins

#### In The Hospitals:

Katherine Bennett-Riverpark  
Lester Phillips-Riverpark  
Fred Biles-Warren Regional

#### At Home:

Curt Cantrell (son of Hallie Cantrell)

### Difficult Passages Series

The series on *Difficult Passages Of The Bible Explained* continues with good interest. You are to be commended for the excellent way in which you have prepared for our study of these lessons. If you wish to study for this next lesson, it will come from Rom. 8:28-30; Eph. 1:3-14; Acts 2:23; and 13:48. We will be considering these passages in light of the doctrine of predestination, foreordination and election.

### Our Sympathy To:

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Edna Shuster (mother of our Don Shuster) who passed away Sunday. We also want to extend our sympathy to the family of our Lena Bratton who departed this life early Monday morning.

### Restored And Placed Membership

Wayne & Judy Cox were restored and placed their membership with us Sunday Evening. Welcome to the Bybee Branch Family!

### Young People, Something To Think About... Gatlinburg 1988



### Bybee Branch To Air Services...

The Elders have decided that in an effort to advertise our Gospel Meeting that we will use the local cable channel again this year. Also, in an effort to let the community know who we are and what we do, we are planning on airing four weeks of our worship services.

## Baker-Swaggart Scandals

The recent news concerning the fall of T.V. Evangelist Jimmy Swaggart has left many people totally disheartened with the religious world. They reason that if those who claim to be so religious are such hypocrites, then why have anything to do with religion at all. How does all of this affect the church? It will likely cause many to "lump us all together," which is sad indeed. I recognize both of these men as *false teachers* who are to be marked and avoided. However, at the same time, I believe that there are some lessons which can be drawn from this sordid affair which can help us.

First, let us realize that God never intended that the man be worshipped or elevated as these men have. In Paul's second letter to the Corinthians he says: *"But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."* (II Cor. 4:7). God has never wanted the messenger to be elevated to the position that these men have attained in the eyes of many! The reaction of many to the recent scandal has just served to illustrate that some have forgotten their Bibles and started blindly following a man. As members of the church we must teach people to look to the Word and not to the man.

Second, as deplorable as the sins of these men are, they are still men and will sin, like all other people on this earth. Their sins were the type which destroy influence and respectability, but if we expect to find anyone who is without sin, then there will never be another preacher. This is not to say that a man who is a blatant sinner or one who has properly lost his influence should ever be allowed to occupy the pulpit, but it is to say that we must realize that *"it is impossible but that occasions of stumbling should come."* (Lk. 17:1) and that we must be careful not to expect perfect people.

Third, now that there are people who are disheartened with religious leaders, let us take the time to show them a better way. A way which does not involve "denominational" names, titles, creeds, boards, and etc. Let us show them that they can be simple New Testament Christians without following any man. The only one we ask them to put their faith and trust in is Jesus Christ who never said a bad word, thought a bad thought, or never committed an evil deed. One who *"was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."* (Heb. 4:15).

It is sad that all people who claim to be religious have to "answer" for the sins of some with whom they have no connection. However, if we are wise, we will take this bad thing and turn it into an occasion for good. Paul would say, *"See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil."* (Eph. 5:15,16). Certainly the days are evil, but we still have opportunities for good. Let us awake to these opportunities!



Tony Lawrence



Holy Bible

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcement Don Griffith  
 Lead Singing Jason Smith  
 First Prayer Danny Duncan  
 Reading Tommy Crouch  
 Scripture Ephesians 4:11  
 Lord's Table \*W.C. Chilton  
 \*Ken Martin  
 Bob Mayfield  
 Eugene Wilcher  
 J.B. Gribble  
 Robert Bumbalough  
 Ralph Crouch  
 Joe Maynard  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Richard Black

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Don Griffith  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Larry Vinson  
 Reading Steve Wilcher  
 Scripture Matthew 19:3-9  
 Lord's Table \*J. C. Case  
 Ward Golden  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Doug Hendrixson

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements Rodney Reynolds  
 Lead Singing Tully, Franks  
 First Prayer Winfrey Hennessee  
 Reading Dwight Davis  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss John R. Porter

**Welcome Committee**

A.M. Thurman Bennett Family  
 P.M. W.C. Chilton Family

**Bus Driver:** Kelly Thaxton

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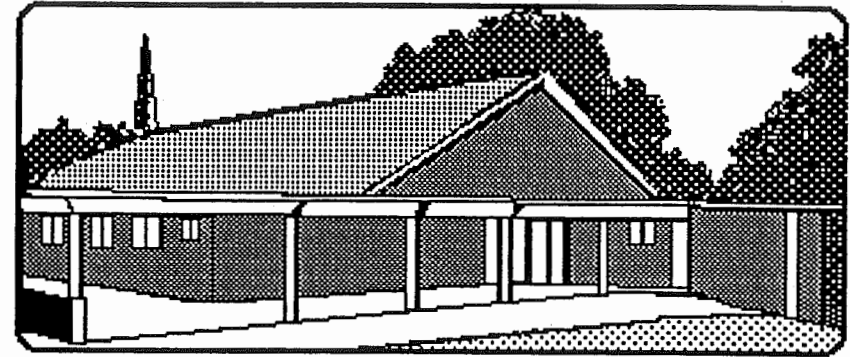
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**Record For The Week...**

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 Bible Study -----280  
 P.M. Worship -----210  
 Wednesday Bible Study -----230  
 Contribution -----\$3,525

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 Ken Lee  
 Don Shuster  
 Larry Vinson



## Sick and Shut-ins

In The Hospitals:  
Fred Biles-Warren Regional  
James Cantrell-Riverpark

At Home:  
Curt Cantrell (son of Hallie Cantrell), Lester Phillips, Dewey Gribble, Katherine Bennett, Bill Womack, Scott Griffith, Hollie Wilcher, Traci Franks, Ed Gann, & Nora Dillehay.

## Difficult Passages Solved

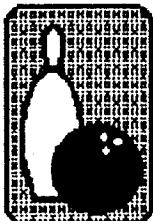
The next lesson in our series *Difficult Texts of the Bible Explained* will be taken from: Matt. 19:3-9; Rom. 2:12-16; and I Cor. 7:10-20. We will address the questions regarding Divorce and Remarriage which have been raised regarding these passages.



We have had several new books contributed to the Library: *Living For The Master* (in memory of Everett Roller) and *The Gospel Is For All*, *The Hebrew-Greek Study Bible*, and *Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon* (in memory of Robert Cantrell). Our library is growing-why not take time to read some of these good books?



The *WAY OF TRUTH* program has returned at 4:30 p.m. on weekdays on WBMC radio.



There will be a congregation bowling party on March 18/19 from 12 midnight until 6 a.m. Everyone in the congregation is invited to attend.



## LET'S TALK ABOUT ATTENDING ALL OF THE CHURCH'S SERVICES!

It often happens that someone will come and ask, "Do you think that it is important for one to attend all of the services of the church?" First of all, it does not matter *what* I think! We must get away from the idea of "what do you think?" We should be asking the more important question of "what does the Bible teach?"

Those who usually ask the question regarding the necessity of attending all of the church's assemblies are generally looking for some excuse to salve a condemning conscience. Why would any faithful Christian ever *want* to miss a service of the church except in situations of absolute necessity. If the question is prompted by a desire to see how little we can get by without being condemned, then we already have a heart problem. If the Lord is not #1 in our lives, then we are unacceptable! Read Rev. 2:4,5 and Matt. 6:33.

However, the questions are generally stated something like this: "Doesn't Heb. 10:25 refer to the assembly on the Lord's day? Isn't that the one we are not to miss? You know, the one where the Lord's Supper is served?" The answer is simply, "Yes." Yet, simply because we are not to forsake the Lord's Day worship assembly in no way gives credence to the idea that the others are somehow "optional." Then one asks, "how then do you arrive at the conclusion that one should be present if at all possible?" I'm glad you asked...

The Elders of the church have been charged by the Word of God to "*feed the church of the Lord which he purchased with his own blood.*" (Acts 20:28). It is their job to see that the congregation is fed and that none die of spiritual malnutrition. In their wisdom, they have deemed it necessary to have services on Sunday evening and Wednesday evening for this purpose. It is necessary that they be vigilant that this since they must give account for the souls in their care (Heb. 13:17). It then becomes our responsibility, as faithful followers to "come to the spiritual feeding table to be fed." If we blatantly refuse then we reject the authority of the Elders which God has given them. We may feel that it is not big issue since they are "only men just like us." However, let me remind you that such insurrection results in the condemnation of God! In reference to the civil authorities (another God designed/approved authority), Paul said, "*Let every soul be in subjection to the higher powers: for there is no power but of God; and the powers that be are ordained of God. Therefore he that resisteth the power, withstandeth the ordinance of God: and they that withstand shall receive to themselves judgement.*" (Rom. 13:1,2). To reject attendance is to reject the wisdom and authority of the Elders, which is to reject the ordinance of God! Yes, we must attend ALL OF THE SERVICES...



Tony  
Lawrence

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcement	Don Griffith
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Stanley Graves
Reading	Terry Franks
Scripture	John 4:24
Lord's Table	*Larry Flatt
	*Lee Flatt
	John Stembridge
	Bob Cantrell
	Edgar Webb
	Harley Northcutt
	Otis Morgan
	Ed Griffin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John Biddle

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Don Griffith
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Ronnie Rogers
Reading	Ronnie Prince
Scripture	Romans 4:1-8
Lord's Table	*Bill Womack
	Buell Warren
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Larry Vinson

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Rodney Reynolds
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Bill Haston
Reading	Kelly Thaxton
Invitation	Don Shuster
Dismiss	Clyde Christian

Welcome Committee	
A.M.	Bill Biles Family
P.M.	Dwayne Christian Family

Bus Driver: Dennis Gann

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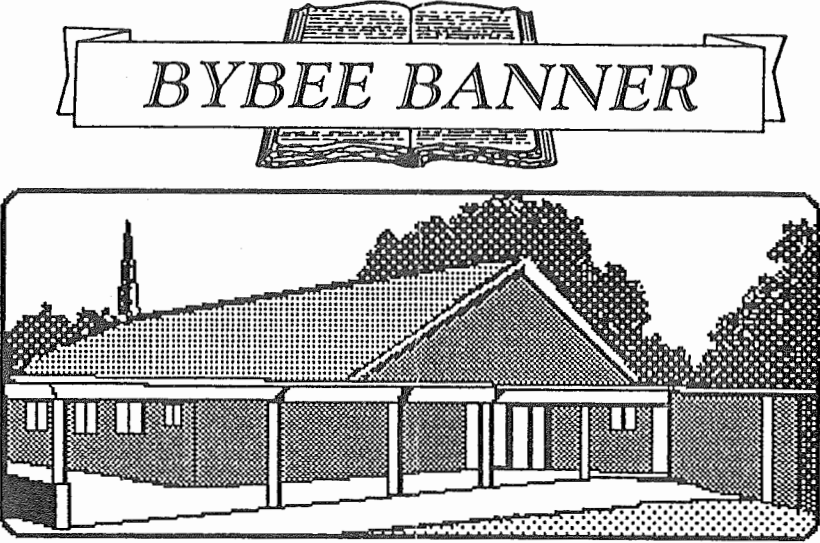
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Record For The Week...

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Bible Study	-----283
P.M. Worship	-----225
Wednesday Bible Study	-----214
Contribution	-----\$3,131

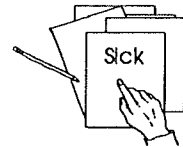
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### *Sick and Shut-ins*

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Joe Maxwell-V.A./Murfreesboro  
Levoy Duncan (father of Danny Duncan)-St. Thomas/Nashville  
Laura Boyd-Riverpark

#### At Home:

Katherine Bennett  
Pearl Mitchell  
Rozelle Goodman  
Essie Medley  
James Cantrell  
Kathy Hennessee  
Nora Lee Griffith

### *Difficult Passages Series*

The next lesson in our series *Difficult Texts of the Bible Explained* will be taken from: Romans 4:1-8 and 5:12-21. We will be looking into the doctrine of "imputed righteousness" and the influence of Adam's sin on mankind.

### NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF YOUR EXAMPLE!

A father sat in his easy chair reading his Sunday morning newspaper. Suddenly he turned to his little boy and said, "Now, son, put that funny paper down, and get ready for Sunday school."

The little fellow said, "Daddy, aren't you going with me?"

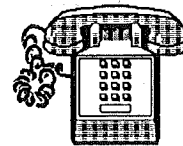
"No," he said, "I'm not going with you, but I want you to hurry up and get ready."

After a few minutes the little fellow said, "Daddy, did you go to Sunday school when you were a little boy like me?"

Certainly I did; I went every Sunday."

"Well," said the little fellow, "I bet it won't do me any good, either."

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## *Are you ready to be a part of the Telephone Call Campaign?*

In just a few days we will be assigning teams for our telephone call campaign to prepare to this year's Gospel Meeting with Joe Gray on April 17-22! Will you help us by being a part of it? Already over 80 people have agreed to work with the program, but the more we have, the smaller the load for all of us, and the greater effect of our work. After all, this is a work of the Bybee Branch church.

If you can call and say: "Hello, my name is ....., and I attend the Bybee Branch church of Christ and I would like to invite you to our meeting that is coming up on April 17-22. We want you to know that you have a special invitation to attend." we need you. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board.

More details will be given later...

### THE BIBLE MAN

by Carl H. Bates

He stands behind the sacred desk,  
A book held in his hand;  
And as he speaks his brethren know  
He is a Bible man.

Upon the Scriptures, right and truth,  
He ever takes his stand  
To make the gospel clear and plain—  
He is a Bible man.

He loves the grand old Book divine,  
He loves to preach the plan;  
He loves the lost its message saves—  
He is a Bible man.

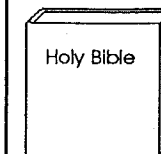
Let skeptics doubt and heathen rage,  
And build their hopes on sand;  
He loves, and lives, and teaches God's book—  
He is a Bible man.

When worlds shall end and stars shall fall,  
And at the throne we stand;  
How sweet to hear the King's command,  
Come home—you Bible man.



*Tony Lawrence*

*Teacher's Page*



Holy Bible

*News & Notes*



## Sunday Morning Worship

Announcement	Don Griffith
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Dennis Gann
Reading	Billy Gilbert
Scripture	I Kings 18:21
Lord's Table	*Dwayne Johnston
	*Rodney Reynolds
	Greg Allen
	Dwayne Christian
	Richard Black
	Joe Maynard
	Dwight Davis
	W.C. Chilton
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ken Lee

## Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Don Griffith
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Stanley Graves
Reading	Darron Shuster
Scripture	I Corinthians 6:1-8
Lord's Table	*Ken Martin
	Doug Hendrixson
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Everett Green

## Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Rodney Reynolds
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Jim Slatton
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Danny Duncan

## Welcome Committee

A.M.	Leonard Clemons Family
P.M.	Dwight Davis Family

**Bus Driver:** Tommy Crouch

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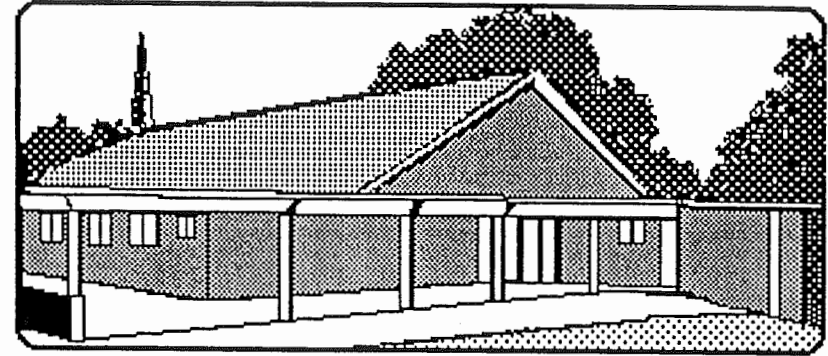
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## Record For The Week...

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Bible Study	-----	296
P.M. Worship	-----	235
Wednesday Bible Study	-----	200
Contribution	-----	\$3,482

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Ken Martin  
Jim Slatton



## Our Sick & Shut-ins

We continue to have several of our number who remain sick and in the hospitals.

In the Hospitals are: Fred Biles-Warren Regional, Curt Cantrell-Baptist/Nashville, Joe Maxwell-V.A./Murfreesboro, Mack Carter (Sherry Graves father)-Fayetteville, Larry Townsend (brother of Carolyn Hillis)-serious condition.

At Home are: Lavoy Duncan, Laura Boyd (Nursing Home), Essie Medley, Juanita Cantrell, Andrew Collins.

## Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Hazel Talley (aunt to our Becky Maynard) whose funeral was this past Wednesday. Also we want to express our sympathy to the family of Sarah Wilcher (sister-in-law to our Hollie Wilcher) whose funeral was this past Sunday.

## Gospel Meeting

The Church of Christ at Dibrell will be having a Gospel Meeting April 3-8, 1988. Services will be at 7:00 p.m. with John H. Renshaw speaking.

Do not forget that our Gospel Meeting will begin April 17-22, with Joe Gray speaking. Start watching for the commercials on ESPN, CNN, and USA channels on the Cable starting next Monday.

## Baby Shower

All of the ladies of the congregation are invited to a baby shower for Mrs. Ronnie Prince on Saturday, March 26, 1988 from 2-4 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Don Griffith.

*Please let us know before you move of your change of address so we will not have to pay for returned bulletins!*

## Difficult Passages Series

The next lesson in our series *Difficult Texts of The Bible Explained* will be from I Corinthians 6:1-8 and 15:29. We will look at lawsuits among Christians and also the idea of "baptism for the dead."

## IT IS A MATTER OF RESPECT

In the book of Numbers, chapter 12, Aaron and Miriam criticized Moses for marrying an Ethiopian woman. They began to reason among themselves and suggest that perhaps Moses wasn't that great after all. Had God not spoken with and through them also? The Lord heard their disrespectful speech and knew the attitude of their heart. And, as a result, the Lord called them out and let them know that no one had stood before Him like Moses and they should have been afraid to speak of him in such a fashion. Immediately thereafter, Miriam was smitten with leprosy. Both Aaron and Moses felt compassion for her and asked the Lord to heal her. But, the Lord commanded that she be put out of the camp for seven days and then they could be receive her back again.

One might wonder why the reaction of the Lord was so severe against Miriam and Aaron for simply criticizing their brother. The reason is quite clear. When they questioned Moses, position and authority, they were in reality questioning God. For, after all, it was God who had chosen Moses for the position. So often men do not realize the seriousness of questioning God. When they do so, they are speaking from a position of ignorance.

Both Peter and Jude characterize such people in a bad light: "Daring, self-willed, they tremble not to rail at dignities: whereas angels, though greater in might and power, bring not a railing judgment against them before the Lord." (II Pet. 2:10,11). "Yet in like manner these also in their dreamings defile the flesh, and set at nought dominion, and rail at dignities. But Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing judgment, but said, The Lord rebuke thee. But these rail at whatsoever things they know not: and what they understand naturally, like the creatures without reason, in these things are they destroyed." (Jude 8-10). These fail, due to ignorance, to fail to show proper respect.

Let us be careful that we always show the proper respect to those to whom it is due!

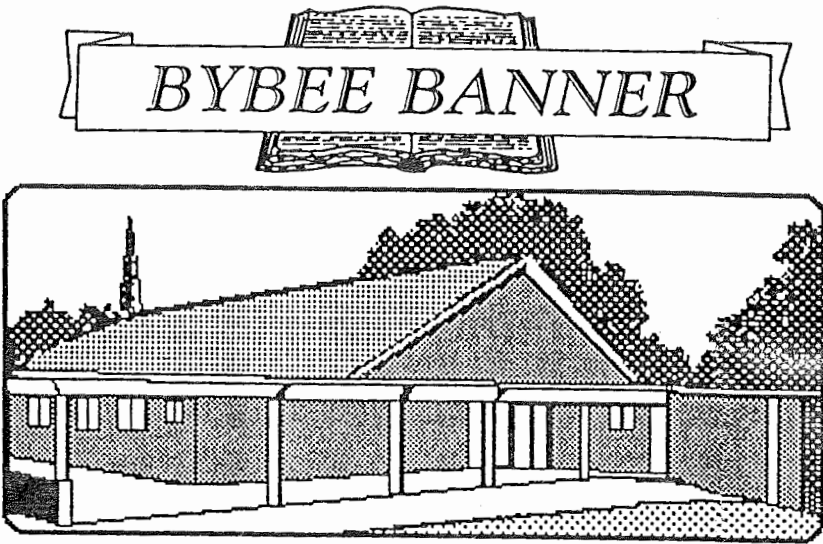


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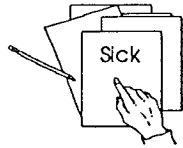
<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b>		<i>Communion Rest Homes:</i> Jeff Bond & Ronnie Rogers	
Announcement	Ken Martin	<i>Ushers:</i> Bob Cantrell & John Stembridge	
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons	<i>Nursery Attendant:</i> Judy Nussbaum	
First Prayer	Bob Bonner	<i>Pantry Item:</i> Dried Beans	
Reading	Terry Franks	<b>Record For The Week...</b>	
Scripture	I Peter 2:2-5	A.M. Worship -----333	
Lord's Table	*Tommy Crouch	Bible Study -----262	
	*Kelly Thaxton	P.M. Worship -----252	
	Bob Mayfield	Wednesday Bible Study -----218	
	Eugene Wilcher	Contribution -----\$3,038	
	Buell Warren		
	Sidney Groves		
	Ralph Crouch		
	Edgar Webb		
Sermon	Tony Lawrence		
Dismiss	Dale Bennett		
<b>Sunday Evening Worship</b>			
Announcements	Ken Martin	<div>Non-profit Organization U.S. Postage PAID McMinnville, TN Permit #261</div> <div>Church of Christ at Bybee Branch P.O. Box 147 McMinnville, TN 37110 (Address Correction Requested)</div>	
Lead Singing	Jason Smith		
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett		
Reading	Bill Haston		
Scripture	Colossians 1:23		
Lord's Table	*Greg Allen		
	Jim Case		
Sermon	Tony Lawrence		
Dismiss	Jeff Bond		
<b>Wednesday Bible Study</b>			
Announcements	Ronnie Rogers		
Lead Singing	Tully Franks		
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell		
Reading	Bill Womack		
Invitation	Greg Allen		
Dismiss	John R. Porter		
<b>Welcome Committee</b>			
A.M.	Jason Smith Family		
P.M.	Dwight Davis Family		
<b>Bus Driver:</b> Bill Haston			
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		Rodney Reynolds	473-3570
<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>Evangelist</b>	
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.	Tony Lawrence	473-8079
<b>Radio Program</b>		<b>Deacons</b>	
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Bob Bonner	Leonard Clemons
		Harold Cook	W.C. Chilton
		Dwight Davis	Dennis Gann
		Stanley Graves	Everett Green
		Don Griffith	Douglas Hendrixson
		Ken Lee	Ken Martin
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*Sick and Shut-ins*

In The Hospitals:

Curt Cantrell-Baptist/Nashville  
Joe Maxwell-V.A./Murfreesboro  
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Mack Carter (father of Sherry Graves)-Fayetteville hospital.

At Home:

Fred Biles (at home of Bill Biles)  
Catherine Flatt

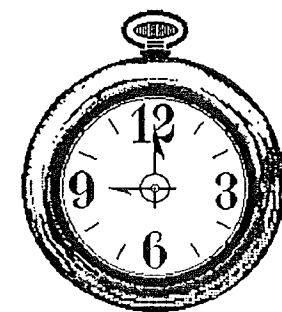
*Difficult Passages Series*

The next lesson in our series *Difficult Texts of the Bible Explained* will be taken from: Colossians 1:23 and Revelation 3:14. We want to study about the nature of Christ. Some say that these passages teach that Jesus was a created being.

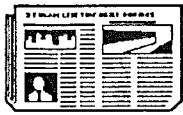
*Gospel Meetings*

Dibrell church of Christ, April 3-8, 7:00 p.m. nightly with John Renshaw  
Quebeck church of Christ, April 6-10, 7:00 p.m. nightly with Joe Gray  
Our own meeting will be April 17-22, 7:00 p.m. nightly with Joe Gray

NOTICE TODDLERS-4TH GRADE! There will be an egg hunt at the home of Jason & Sandi Smith Sunday afternoon from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Please bring a bag of individually wrapped candy and your baskets. Teachers will supply the refreshments. It will be cancelled if it rains.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS  
SUNDAY! TURN YOUR CLOCKS  
AHEAD ONE HOUR!



*News & Notes*

NOTICE: The Elders have invited brother Ted Prater from the Morrison congregation to be with us to present a program regarding Boyd Christian School this Sunday evening. We will be having our regularly planned service, but the sermon will be shortened in order to give brother Prater time to speak and for all to get out about the normal time.



*The Value Of A Christian Education*



I honestly believe that the members of the Lord's church in Warren County do not realize the enormous blessing they enjoy by having a Christian school here. Certainly there is the advantage of the children having a Christian education, which is the sole purpose of the school existing anyway. However, there are benefits for the Lord's church also.

Where a good Christian school exists, the Lord's church is always stronger. The next generation of church leaders are in the schools now. The children which receive a daily Bible instruction will be much more grounded in the faith, and as a result can do a better job of leading the church. Those who have been exposed to the daily training in the Word are much more aware of the need to get the Gospel message into all of the world. They will be more evangelistic! While Boyd has not been here long enough to see dramatic results in a second generation, the impact will be inevitable. Too, one must not overlook the fact that many children who have been raised in homes where the parents attend a denominational church are students at the school. One of the greatest difficulties in trying to convert people today is to get them to overcome a prejudice against the church. These children, rather than having a prejudice against the church will be already aware of its importance and teachings by virtue of the fact that they have been taught in the school.

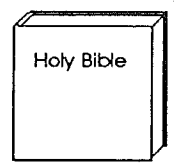
For my children, I believe that there is no better alternative than a Christian education. I went to public school through the 12th grade and attended both a Christian college and a state college. There were good and bad at both. There were good and bad teachers at both. However, in the public school and the state college, one had to tolerate sinful behavior on the part of both the students and teachers. In the Christian schools if such is known it will not be allowed. Children are given a positive example for good. The existence of a Christian school at McMinnville was part of the reason for my coming here. I want my children raised to respect the Bible and God's word! I believe that there is no better way to do this than in a good Christian school.

*I would encourage you to consider helping support the school regularly on an individual basis.*



*Tony Lawrence*

*Teacher's Page*



Holy Bible

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Jason Smith  
 First Prayer Dennis Gann  
 Reading Danny Duncan  
 Scripture Acts 17:24-28  
 Lord's Table \*Jim Slatton  
                   \*Billy Gilbert  
                   Harley Northcutt  
                   Ed Griffin  
                   John Stenbridge  
                   Bob Cantrell  
                   Robert Bumbalough  
                   J.B. Gribble  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Bill Biles

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements Ken Martin  
 Lead Singing Tully Franks  
 First Prayer Richard Black  
 Reading Ronnie Rogers  
 Scripture I Thessalonians 5:23  
 Lord's Table \*Clyde Christian  
                   Ward Golden  
 Sermon Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Dwight Davis

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements Ronnie Rogers  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Rodney Reynolds  
 Reading Doug Hendrixson  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Stanley Graves

**WELCOME COMMITTEE**

A.M. Jeff Bond, Larry Flatt,  
       Ronnie Rogers  
 P.M. Stella Duncan &  
       Bernice Fults

**BUS DRIVER:** Dwight Davis

If you cannot serve, call Doug Hendrixson  
 (668-3115) or Everett Green (668-8527).

*Communion Rest Homes:*  
 Bill Biles & Tully Franks

*Ushers:*  
 Dale Bennett & Greg Allen

*Nursery Attendant:* June  
 Slatton

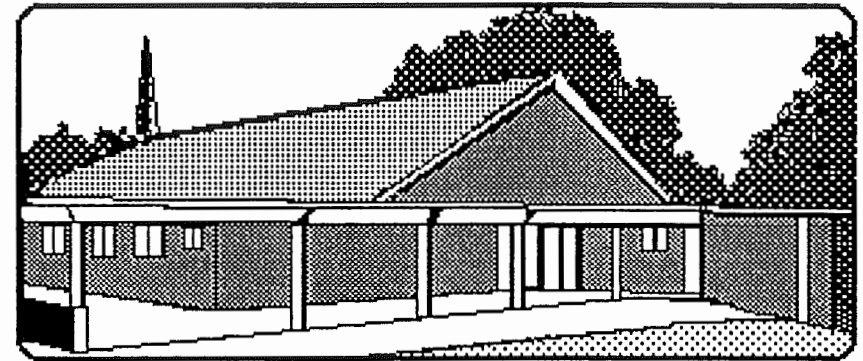
*Pantry Item:* Canned Spam

**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**

A.M. Worship -----430  
 Bible Study -----309  
 P.M. Worship -----239  
 Wednesday Bible Study ----219  
 Contribution -----\$3,710

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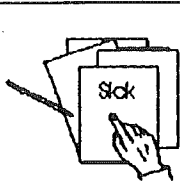
**Evangelist**

Tony Lawrence 473-8079

**Deacons**

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W.C. Chilton	Dwight Davis
Dennis Gann	Stanley Graves
Everett Green	Don Griffith
Douglas Hendrixson	Dwaine Johnston
Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	

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## Sick and Shut-ins

In The Hospitals:

Curt Cantrell-Baptist/Nashville

Joe Maxwell-V.A./Murfreesboro

Janice Foster-Riverpark

Elsie Fisher (in serious condition in Woodbury)

At Home:

Katherine Bennett

Grace Nunley (home after eye surgery)

## Congratulations On New Arrival

We want to extend congratulations to John and Pam Green on the birth of a new son April 1. The new child is named John Tyler. Joe T. and Mary Lois Cantrell are the proud new grandparents.

## Difficult Passages Series

The next lesson in our series *Difficult Texts of the Bible Explained* will be taken from: I Thessalonians 5:23 and I Timothy 1:8,9; 3:11

## Gospel Meetings

Rock Island church of Christ, April 10-13, 7:30 p.m. nightly with Charles Cobb

Jericho church of Christ, April 7-10, 7:30 p.m. nightly with Holger Neubauer

## Meals For Gospel Meeting

As usual, we will be having our fellowship meal on Sunday following our morning services. Remember last year that we had 507 for services. Try to bring plenty. Then, Monday through Thursday evenings, the visitation groups will provide the meals. Group 1 will be Monday, Group 2 on Tuesday, Group 3 on Wednesday, and Group 4 on Thursday.

## GOSPEL MEETING

*Church of Christ at Bybee Branch*

*April 17-22*

*Joe D'Gray, Preaching*

*Services at 7:00 p.m. each week night!*



## Is The Drinking Of Alcohol A Disease Or Is It Sin?



This past week on the national news of one of the networks there was a discussion which I think is significant. The news reporter was discussing with one of the "experts" in the field and he said that there was a dramatic change occurring within the medical community. Rather than believing that "alcoholism" is a disease, they now are coming to the conclusion that it is a learned and chosen behavior. To further confirm this point, the reporter went to Europe where the prevailing opinion is that one who is addicted to alcohol is no different than the person who is addicted to tobacco, marijuana, or any other drug. The reporter also interviewed people who did not want this new opinion to be spread any further. This person suggested that many of the alcoholic centers would have to close since they are primarily funded by insurance money. A final point which I thought was truly insightful was a comparison made between Alcoholics Anonymous and some of the newly formed groups like Gamblers Anonymous. The person interviewed asked the question, "Are we now going to view gambling as a disease?"

You might ask, "What does all of this have to do with a Christian?" There have been some in recent years who have tried to find a sort of cop-out by calling one who has chosen to drink only "sick" and truly "cannot help himself." The view which suggests that God has made man defective and that he cannot chose right is one which cannot be held consistently from the Bible. It was the Apostle Paul who said, *"There hath no temptation taken you but such as man can bear: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation make also the way of escape, that ye may be able to endure it."* (1 Cor. 10:13). Sin is a choice which man makes! Drunkenness is a sin (Gal. 5:19-21; Eph. 5:18; Rom. 13:13). Therefore, drunkenness is a choice which man makes. The Bible teaches that man may be tempted by alcohol, but if he so chooses, he can resist that temptation. Calling drunkenness a disease is an attempt to shift the blame for the weakness of man to someone or something else. The only kind of sickness that drunkenness is— is sin-sickness which needs the Great Physician to cure by means of his cleansing blood.

What I have tried to convey in this article is what the Bible has taught all along—alcoholism is a chosen behavior, not something which a person cannot help because his body makes him do it. We must let the world know that they are responsible for their own behavior! If I lie, gamble, smoke, drink alcohol, take drugs, over-eat, or get involved in illicit sex, I do so of my own free choosing. What may be a temptation to one person may not be to another, **but everyone has the ability to say NO!** As James puts it: "Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man: But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." (Jas. 1:13-15). Yes, sin is a chosen behavior!



Tony Lawrence

Preacher's Page



Holy Bible

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Tommy Crouch
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Winfrey Hennessee

\*Don Griffith  
Dwayne Christian  
Buell Warren  
Eugene Wilcher  
Ralph Crouch  
Bill Haston  
Dwaine Johnston

Sermon	Joe D. Gray
Dismiss	Bill Womack

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell
Reading	Greg Allen
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Terry Franks

Sermon	Tully Franks
Dismiss	Joe D. Gray
	Dwight Davis

**SONG LEADERS FOR THE MEETING**

Sunday	Larry Vinson
Monday	Leonard Clemons
Tuesday	Jason Smith
Wednesday	Tully Franks
Thursday	Stanley Graves
Friday	Leonard Clemons

**WELCOME COMMITTEE**

A.M.	Woodrow & Mildred Glenn
P.M.	Mary Davis & Agnes Fults

**BUS DRIVER:** Eddie Hennessee

If you cannot serve, call Doug Hendrixson (668-3115) or Everett Green (668-8527).

**Communion Rest Homes:**

Billy Gilbert & Greg Allen

**Nursery Attendant:** Hazel Bennett

**Pantry Item:** Cake Mix & Jelly

**Ushers For Meeting:**

Sunday—Billy Gilbert, Eddie Hennessee, Ronnie Rogers & Larry Flatt  
Monday—Ken Lee & Bob Cantrell  
Tuesday—Stanley Graves & Larry Vinson  
Wednesday—W.C. Chilton & Jason Smith  
Thursday—Don Griffith & Don Shuster  
Friday—Bob Bonner & Douglas Hendrixson

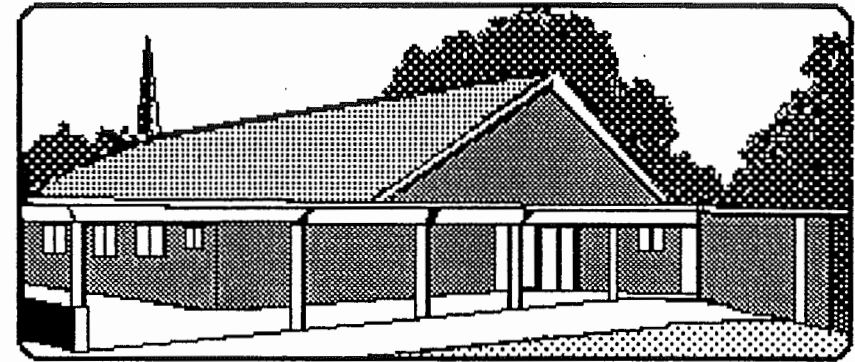
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A.M. Worship	-----	343
Bible Study	-----	275
P.M. Worship	-----	229
Wednesday Bible Study	-----	201
Contribution	-----	\$2,865

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**Sunday**

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Bible Study	10:15 a.m.
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**

Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
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**Radio Program**

Sunday	WAKI 8:00 a.m.
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Church Phone	473-2486
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**Evangelist**

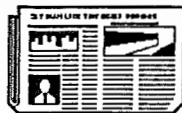
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**Deacons**

Bob Bonner	Leonard Clemons
W.C. Chilton	Dwight Davis
Dennis Gann	Stanley Graves
Everett Green	Don Griffith
Douglas Hendrixson	Dwaine Johnston
Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Statton
Larry Vinson	

*A Warm Welcome Awaits You!*





### *Sick and Shut-ins*

#### In The Hospitals:

Joe Maxwell-V.A./Murfreesboro  
Robert Mullican-(went to Nashville Tuesday for test on ears)  
Katherine Bennett-Riverpark (scheduled to go to St. Thomas Thursday)

#### At Home:

Janice Foster  
Elsie Fisher (in improved condition in Woodbury)

### *We Welcome...*

We are very happy to welcome Steve, Carol, Allison and Tyler Boyd to the family of God that meets at Bybee Branch. They have placed their membership with us this past Sunday. Some of you may know Steve's father. He is Jim Boyd, and preaches for the Rock Island church of Christ.

### *Sincere Sympathy*

We want to express our sympathy to the family of John Dedmon (the brother of our Irene Turner) who passed away this past week. His funeral was this past Sunday.

We also want to express our sympathy to the family of Curt Cantrell (the son of our Hallie Cantrell and brother to Judy Cook) who passed away Sunday evening after an extended illness. His funeral was Tuesday afternoon in Nashville.

### *Work Day For Gospel Meeting*

There will be a work day to clean up the building and grounds this Saturday starting at 8:00 a.m. The more who participate, the sooner we will all get the job completed.

### *Grades 3-6 To Visit Nursing Homes*

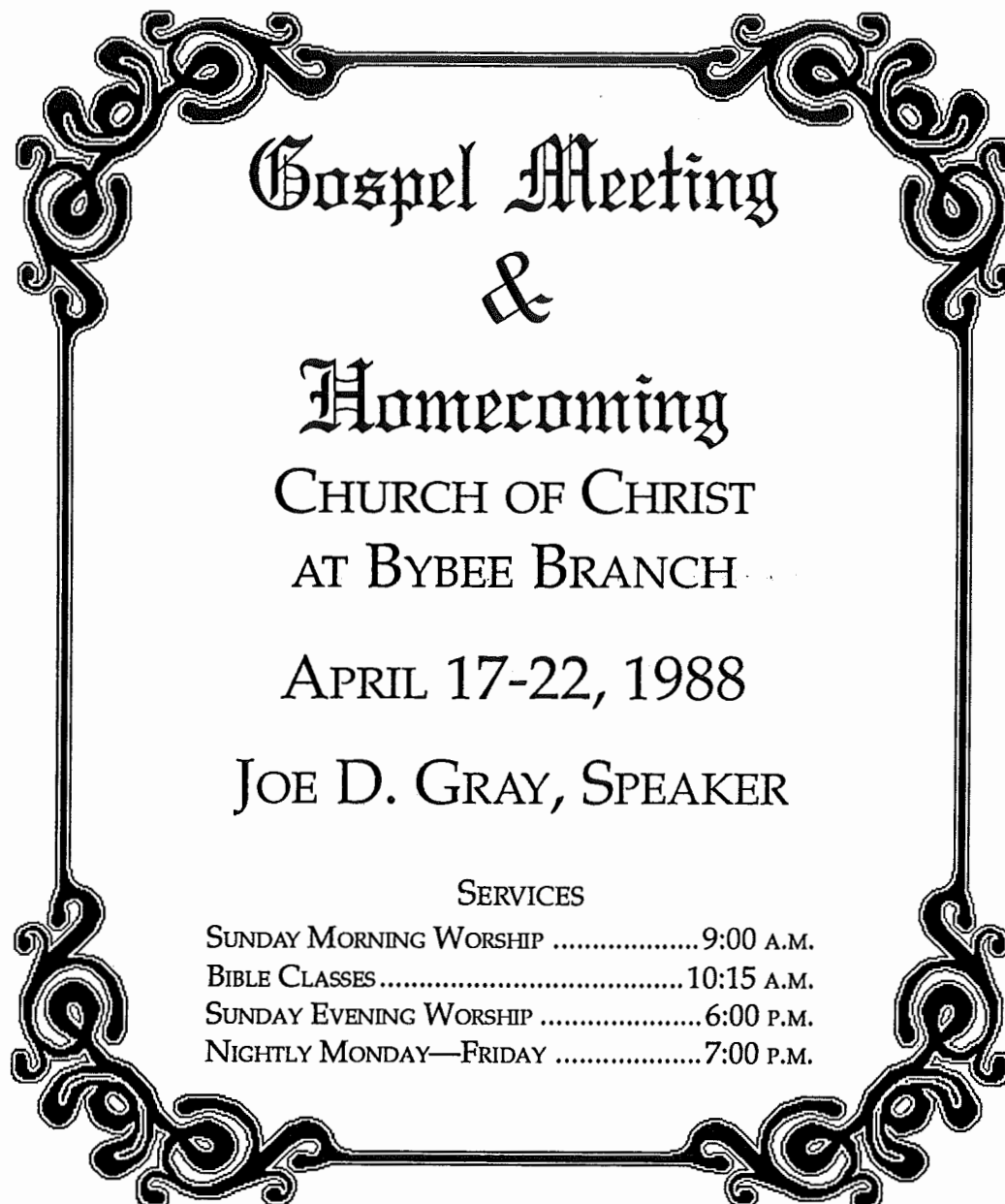
All those in grades 3-6 will meet at the building at 10:00 a.m. Saturday to visit the Barnes Rest Home. You will need to bring \$3.00 (for lunch) and a bag of fruit (for the nursing home). Lunch will be at Mr. Gatti's and the group will return to the building at approximately 12:15.

### *Meals For The Meeting...*

As usual, we will be having our fellowship meal on Sunday following our morning services. Monday through Thursday evenings, the visitation groups will provide the meals. Group 1 will be Monday, Group 2 on Tuesday, Group 3 on Wednesday, and Group 4 on Thursday.

**Berea church of Christ will have a Gospel Meeting April 14-17 with Newton Gribble. Services will be at 7:00 p.m.**

THE MOST IMPORTANT THING OF THIS COMING WEEK!



# Gospel Meeting

# &

# Homecoming

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

## AT BYBEE BRANCH

## APRIL 17-22, 1988

## JOE D. GRAY, SPEAKER

### SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP ..... 9:00 A.M.  
BIBLE CLASSES ..... 10:15 A.M.  
SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP ..... 6:00 P.M.  
NIGHTLY MONDAY—FRIDAY ..... 7:00 P.M.

*Let us be sure that we show our community where our priorities are! Be at every service of the meeting possible. More importantly, let us show the Lord that He is #1 in our lives by being present at every opportunity!*



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Kelly Thaxton
Scripture	Hebrews 4:15,16
Lord's Table	*Don Shuster
	*Stanley Graves
	Barry Hendrixson
	Larry Powers
	Greg Pennington
	Chip Cantrell
	Sidney Groves
	Scott Griffith
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Boyd

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Dwayne Johnston
Reading	Joe T. Cantrell
Scripture	Hebrews 6: 1-6
Lord's Table	*Ward Golden
	J.C. Case
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Clyde Christian

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements	Rodney Reynolds
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Larry Vinson
Reading	Darron Shuster
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John R. Porter

**WELCOME COMMITTEE**

A.M.	Ward & Jane Golden
P.M.	Everett & Dot Green

**Bus DRIVER:** Leonard Clemons

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**Communion Rest Homes:**  
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**Ushers:**  
Winfrey Hennessee & Robert Bumbalough

**Nursery Attendant:** Nona Martin

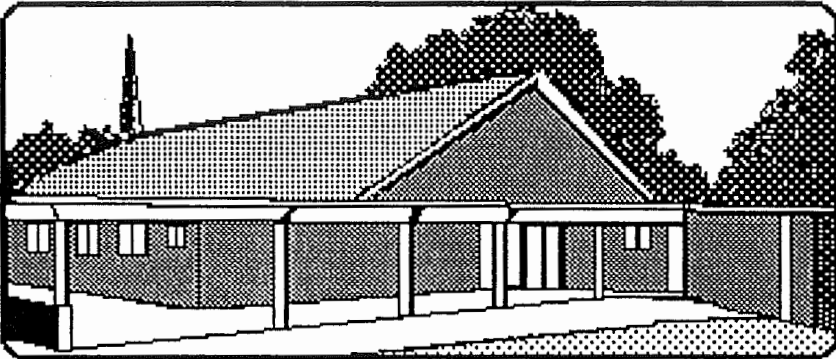
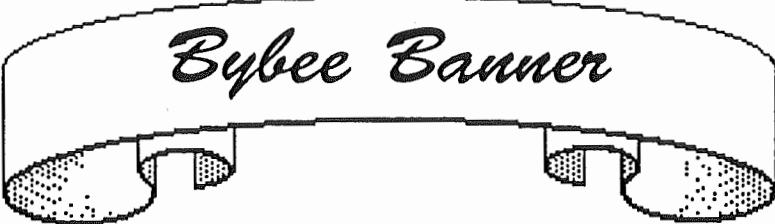
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**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**

A.M. Worship	402
Bible Study	275
P.M. Worship	318
Wednesday Bible Study	217
Contribution	\$3,777

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### *Sick and Shut-ins*

In The Hospitals:

Joe Maxwell-V.A./Murfreesboro

At Home:

Katherine Bennett

Lena Mai Gribble

Essie Medley

### *Sympathy*

We want to express our sympathy to the family of John H. Davenport (brother of our Hilda Jones who passed away week-before-last. We failed to acknowledge this in our announcements.

Also, we express our sympathy to the family of Dorothy Prince (mother of our Susie Griffith and Ronnie Prince). Her funeral was last Thursday.

In addition to the above, we want to express sympathy to the family of Dawayne McKnight (the son-in-law of our Clarine Dodson) who was killed in a motorcycle accident this past Sunday. His funeral was Tuesday.

### *Gospel Meetings & Other Important Events*

East Huntsville church of Christ, April 24-27 with Benny Bristow (Corretta's father)  
Main Street/Manchester church of Christ, April 24-29, 7:00 p.m. nightly with Ronald D. Laughery

Youth In Action day at Mt. Leo church of Christ, April 30, 9:00-12:00 with Joey Spann and Tim Lavender.

Ladies Day at Bonner church of Christ, April 30, 10:00 a.m. with Elsie Roney speaker.

### *General Business Meeting*

As usual, the quarterly general business meeting of the congregation will be held following the evening services. All of the men of the congregation are encouraged to attend. Monday night at 7:00 is the Elders-Deacons Meeting.

*Great Job!!!*

So many of you performed a great service for our Gospel Meeting this past week by calling and inviting people in our community. Thanks to all of the team leaders and those who went *above and beyond* the call of duty in making the calls. I have heard from several who are not members of the church that they were impressed with our diligence. When you let your light shine, people cannot help but notice!

## *Go Ye Into All The World...*



THAILAND

### *Missionary To Visit*

At our Sunday evening services we will have brother *Ted Lingren*, a missionary to Thailand to visit our services. He was with us a few weeks back and presented a program to the Elders. He will be back with us Sunday evening to present the program to the whole congregation. The work there has been very fruitful. In the past 11 years there have been 107 congregations established in the general region of Northeast Thailand. The method of work in the area is sound, biblical, and successful. We strongly encourage you to be here and listen to the program.

### *Difficult Texts Series*

We will be having a short lesson Sunday evening prior to the program. In this lesson we will discuss Hebrews 6:1-6; 10:26. When a Christian sins, knowing that he has sinned, can he receive forgiveness?



*Tony Lawrence*

*Teacher's Page*



Holy Bible



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell
Reading	Bill Haston
Scripture	II Timothy 2:1-4
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee
	*Tommy Crouch
	Harley Northcutt
	Eddie Hennessee
	Ed Griffin
	Joe Maynard
	Rodney Maynard
	Scott Griffith
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Doug Hendrixson

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Billy Gilbert
Reading	Steve Wilcher
Scripture	I Timothy 2:8-15
Lord's Table	*Jim Slatton
	Buell Warren
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dennis Gann

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements	Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Dwight Davis
Invitation	Rodney Reynolds
Dismiss	John Biddle

**WELCOME COMMITTEE**

A.M.	Don Griffith Family
P.M.	Ed Griffin Family

**BUS DRIVER:** Greg Allen

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(668-3115) or Everett Green (668-8527).

**Communion Rest Homes:**  
Jeff Bond & Ronnie Rogers

**Ushers:**  
Bob Cantrell & John Stembridge

**Nursery Attendant:** Beverly Davis

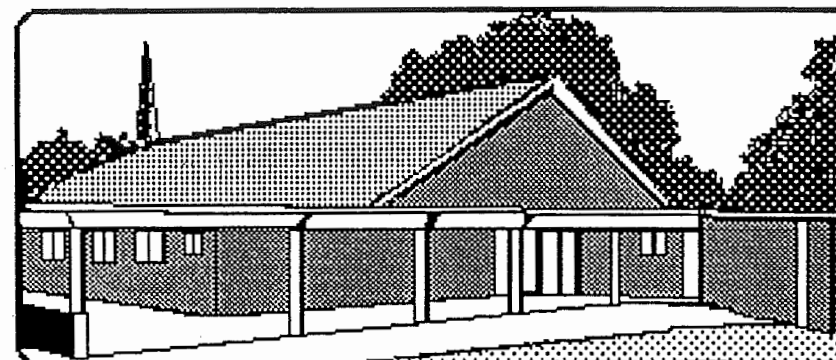
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**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**

A.M. Worship	342
Bible Study	275
P.M. Worship	240
Wednesday Bible Study	270
Contribution	\$3,150

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Bible Study	10:15 a.m.
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**

Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
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**Radio Program**  
Sunday

WAKI  
8:00 a.m.

**Church Phone** 473-2486

**Elders**

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Lee Flatt	668-4690
Rodney Reynolds	473-3570

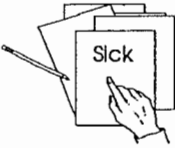
**Evangelist**

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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**Deacons**

Bob Bonner	Leonard Clemons
W.C. Chilton	Dwight Davis
Dennis Gann	Stanley Graves
Everett Green	Don Griffith
Douglas Hendrixson	Dwaine Johnston
Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	

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# Sick AND SHUT-INS

In The Hospitals:

- Joe Maxwell-V.A./Murfreesboro
- Jim "Peanut" Cantrell-Riverpark
- Velma Bennett-Riverpark
- Minnie Cooper (Marsha Collins mother)-Riverpark

At Home:

- Katherine Bennett
- Essie Medley

## Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Christine Ward Hale (the grandmother of our Steve Boyd) who passed away last Wednesday. Her funeral was in Nashville on Friday.

## A NEW BROTHER IN CHRIST

We rejoice to announce that Clay Hill was baptized into Christ last Wednesday evening. We welcome him into God's family!

At the Friday evening service, Rodney & Patsy Reynolds and Bill & Yuriko Biles responded confessing faults. Sunday evening, Terry Franks came forward to ask for the prayers of the congregation.

## GOSPEL MEETINGS & OTHER IMPORTANT EVENTS

**Tennessee Bible College Lectureship**, May 1-5 with various speakers. See the brochure on the bulletin board.

**Trousdale church of Christ**, May 1-6, services at 7:30 with Ron Martin.

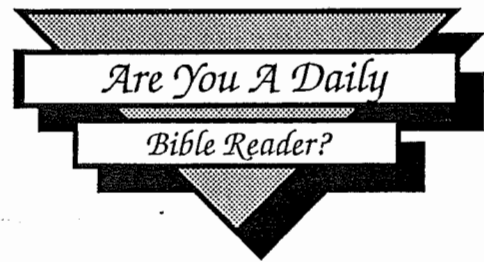
**Old Philadelphia church of Christ**, May 1-6, services at 7:30 with different speakers, see the bulletin board for details.

**Youth In Action** day at **Mt. Leo church of Christ**, April 30, 9:00-12:00 with Joey Spann and Tim Lavender.

**Ladies Day** at **Bonner church of Christ**, April 30, 10:00 a.m. with Elsie Roney speaker.

### GOSPEL MEETING FIGURES:

Monday .....	217
Tuesday .....	242
Wednesday .....	270
Thursday .....	214
Friday .....	237



News & Notes

FROM TIME TO TIME WE ALL NOTICE ARTICLES IN THE BULLETIN'S OF OTHERS WHICH STRIKE A RESPONSIVE NOTE WITH US. I CAME ACROSS THE FOLLOWING AND I THOUGHT HOW SAD IT IS THAT SO MANY HAVE TO CHANGE THE BIBLE TO FIT THEIR DOCTRINE RATHER THAN SIMPLY FOLLOWING THE COMMANDS OF GOD.

## Four Views:

- (1) He that is saved shall believe and be baptized. (Calvinism)
- (2) He that is baptized shall believe and be saved. (Infant baptism advocates)
- (3) He that believeth and is saved shall be baptized. (Faith alone advocates)
- (4) He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. (Jesus, Mark 16:16)

### WORD SEARCH (THE PROPHETS OF GOD)



- |         |          |           |
|---------|----------|-----------|
| AHIJAH  | HABAKKUK | MICAH     |
| AMOS    | HAGGAI   | MOSES     |
| AZARIAH | HOSEA    | NAHUM     |
| DANIEL  | IDDO     | NATHAN    |
| DAVID   | ISAIAH   | OBADIAH   |
| ELIJAH  | JEHU     | ODED      |
| ELISHA  | JEREMIAH | SAMUEL    |
| ENOCH   | JOEL     | SHEMAIAH  |
| EZEKIEL | JONAH    | ZADOK     |
| GAD     | MICAH    | ZEPHANIAH |



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Everett Green
Reading	Terry Franks
Scripture	Genesis 17:15,16
Lord's Table	*Greg Allen
	*Ronnie Rogers
	Bob Mayfield
	Robert Bumbalough
	John Stenbridge
	J.B. Gribble
	Edgar Webb
	Ralph Crouch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bill Womack

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Richard Black
Scripture	Hebrews 5:11
Lord's Table	*John R. Porter
	Sidney Groves
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jim Slatton

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements	Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	Leonard Clemons
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	J.C. Case

**WELCOME COMMITTEE**

A.M.	Lena Gribble & Linda Cantrell
P.M.	Nonie Grizzell & Earlene Ray

**BUS DRIVER:** Jim Slatton

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**Communion Rest Homes:**  
Bill Biles & Matthew Lewls

**Ushers:**  
Dale Bennett & Greg Allen

**Nursery Attendant:** Tamara Franks

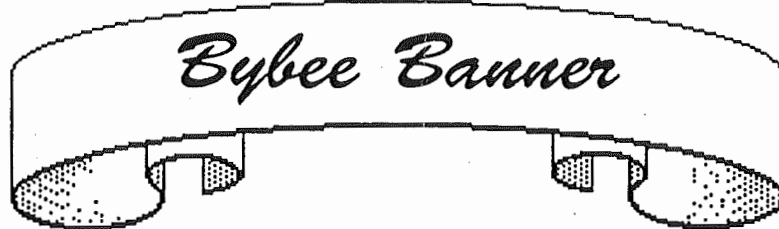
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**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**

A.M. Worship	-----	354
Bible Study	-----	280
P.M. Worship	-----	237
Wednesday Bible Study	-----	218
Contribution	-----	\$3,941

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P.M. Worship 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

**Radio Program** WAKI  
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Everett Green	Don Griffith
Douglas Hendrixson	Dwaine Johnston
Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	

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## Sick and Shut-ins

In The Hospitals:

Joe Maxwell-V.A./Murfreesboro

At Home:

Katherine Bennett

Mary Martin

Jim "Peanut" Cantrell (Moved to McMinnville Health Care)

Velma Bennett (McMinnville Health Care)

## Gospel Meetings

**Carrollton church of Christ**, May 14-18, services at 7:30 p.m. Tony Lawrence preaching.

## Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of **Pearl Caldwell** (sister of our Ruby Huntley) who passed away Sunday afternoon.

We also want to express sympathy to Clarine Dodson whose grandson died in an automobile accident this past Saturday night. He lived in Whitwell, TN.

## Youth To Gatlinburg...

This weekend our youth (along with the sponsors) will be in Gatlinburg. Please remember to pray for their safe travel.

## Elders Announce Possible Building Addition

The elders announced Sunday that a new addition to the building was being considered. It would be add two new bathrooms, provide a new vestibule, a large room to be used as a fellowship room/class room, and offices. The Elders are interested knowing the feelings of the congregation on this project. *Please let one of the Elders know how you feel.*

## True Words of Wisdom:

To keep your marriage brimming,  
With love in the loving cup  
Whenever you're wrong, admit it;  
Whenever you're right, shut up.

## Our Great Cloud Of Witnesses

*"Therefore let us also, seeing we are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and hath sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." (Heb. 12:1-2)*

In the above passage from the book of Hebrews we find great encouragement in our struggle in the Christian life. We all know that the struggle against sin and temptation is a difficult one. Often we are prone to want to *give up* because we think that the way is just too difficult. However, we have assurance from God's word that there are those who can testify to the fact that whatever your temptation might be, that have been those whose great faith in God helped them to overcome.

One might ask, *"Who are these witnesses?"* In the context, the writer has just given a description of the HALL OF FAME of the faithful in chapter 11. Men like Abraham and Moses are proof that one can overcome in spite of difficult circumstances. How many of us have been called upon to offer up a child of ours as a sacrifice? Or how many of us have been called upon to give up great wealth and power to suffer with our own people? Yet, there was nothing special about Abraham and Moses except their *great faith in God*. They knew that there was something better at the end!

The motivation mentioned by the Hebrew writer is that we should concentrate on the finish line. Jesus, because of the *"joy that was set before him"* was willing to undergo the most cruel of deaths. We too, following the pattern of our Master, can look at the finish line of heaven and take heart that the journey may seem tough now, there is a grand prize waiting upon us.

When we think about our striving in this life, it is as if these great ones of the Bible are on the side line cheering us on saying, *"I made it by faith in God, so can you!"* When we read about the strengths and weaknesses of the the Bible characters who served God well, they serve to remind us that we have a GREAT CLOUD OF WITNESSES who are telling us *"you can do it."*

It is just as easy to for a good habit as it is a bad one,  
and it is just as hard to break a good habit as a bad one.  
So get a good habit and keep it.



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible

News & Notes



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Bill Haston
Reading	Dwayne Christian
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*W.C. Chilton
	*Ken Martin
	Barry Hendrixson
	Chip Cantrell
	Greg Pennington
	Larry Powers
	Darron Shuster
	Tully Franks
Sermon	John Biddle
Dismiss	Cecil Cantrell

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Dwaine Johnston
Reading	Don Griffith
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Ward Golden
	Joe T. Cantrell
Sermon	John Biddle
Dismiss	Buell Warren

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements	Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Bill Biles
Reading	Doug Hendrixson
Invitation	Don Shuster
Dismiss	Dwight Davis

**WELCOME COMMITTEE**

A.M.	Eddie Hennessee Family
P.M.	Winfrey & Dot Hennessee

**Bus DRIVER:** Kelly Thaxton

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*Communion Rest Homes:*  
Billy Gilbert & Greg Allen

*Ushers:*  
Billy Gilbert & Eddie Hennessee

*Nursery Attendant:* Linda Griffin

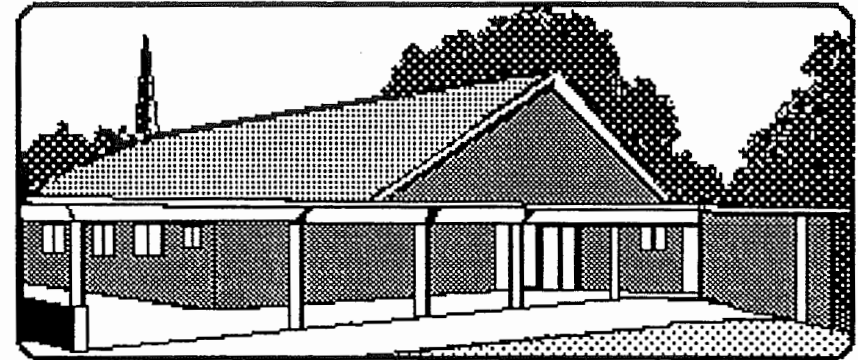
*Pantry Item:* Macaroni & Cheese

**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**

A.M. Worship	-----358
Bible Study	-----242
P.M. Worship	-----254
Wednesday Bible Study	-----204
Contribution	-----\$3,013

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Bible Study	10:15 a.m.
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.

*Wednesday*

Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
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Sunday

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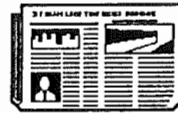
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Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Statton
Larry Vinson	

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## NEWS & NOTES



### Sick and Shut-ins

In The Hospitals:

Joe Maxwell-V.A./Murfreesboro  
Catherine Flatt-Riverpark

Kenneth "Little Peanut" Cantrell-  
Riverpark

At Home:

Laurene Porter

It was good to have Mary Martin and Katherine Bennett back with us Sunday for worship. Be sure to let us know when there are sick so we can include them in the bulletin.

### Gospel Meetings

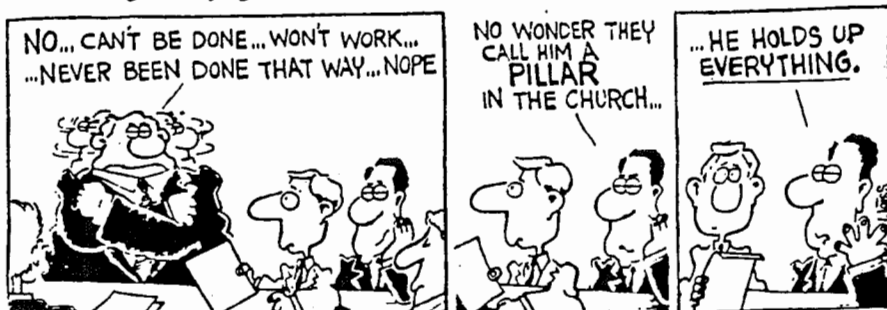
**Carrollton church of Christ**, May 14-18, services at 7:30 p.m., Tony Lawrence preaching.

**Oak Grove church of Christ**, May 15-20, services at 7:00 p.m., Jim Gammon preaching.

### Bible Study On Your Scanner...

Do you have a programmable scanner? If so, you have a special invitation to listen to the W4KKO Bible study net each Thursday at 7:30 CDT on 145.940 mhz. The net is conducted by Ham radio operators in the Middle Tennessee area for the purpose of studying the Bible as the Word of God. For those of you who might be interested, brother Guy N. Woods has often participated in this study.

### Does This Remind You Of You?



## LIST OF THOSE TO SERVE AT WORSHIP SERVICES THE WEEK OF MAY 22-28

### SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Larry Flatt
Reading	Tommy Crouch
Scripture	Psalms 8: 1-9
Lord's Table	*Bob Mayfield
	*Ronnie Rogers
	Ed Griffin
	Rodney Maynard
	Scott Griffith
	Kurt Maynard
	Eugene Wilcher
	Shannon Griffin
	Tony Lawrence
	Lee Flatt

Sermon  
Dismiss

### SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Jim Slatton
Scripture	James 1:5-8
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee
	Steve Wilcher
	Tony Lawrence
	John R. Porter

Sermon  
Dismiss

### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Announcements	Kelly Thaxton
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Larry Vinson
Reading	Bob Bonner
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Don Shuster

### WELCOME COMMITTEE

A.M.	Dwaine Johnston Family
P.M.	Frankie Hobbs & Hilda Jones

**BUS DRIVER:** Dennis Gann

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**Communion Rest Homes:**  
W.C. Chilton & Chip Cantrell

**Ushers:**  
Winfrey Hennessee & Robert Bumbalough

**Nursery Attendant:** Becky Maynard

**Pantry Item:** YOUR CHOICE

### Preacher's Column



Most of you will notice that this page is mostly taken up with the service roster for the next week. This is due to the fact that when we normally prepare the bulletin I will be in a meeting with the church at Carrollton, Kentucky. In the next bulletin I will give a report on that meeting and also print the attendance results for next week's services.

I hope that you are remembering the work in Carrollton in your prayers. It, along with the other mission works which Bybee Branch supports, is in need of our support in every way possible. One of the greatest powers which we as Christians have is the ability to approach the Almighty in prayer and ask the Father's blessings to be upon the work.

Also, it will not be long until many will be getting ready to take their summer vacations. If you and your family are going to be passing through that section of Kentucky, why not try to stop by and give Dan, Ann and the rest of the congregation a word of encouragement. I can assure you that it will be appreciated!

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**  
Announcement Stanley Graves  
Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer Steve Boyd  
Reading Jeff Bond  
Scripture TBA  
Lord's Table \*Danny Duncan  
\*Dwayne Johnston  
Edgar Webb  
John Stembridge  
Bob Cantrell  
J.B. Gribble  
Robert Bumbalough  
Otis Morgan  
TBA  
Sermon Bill Womack  
Dismiss

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**  
Announcements Tully Franks  
Lead Singing Matthew Lewis  
First Prayer Jeff Bond  
Reading Scott Griffith  
Scripture TBA  
Lord's Table \*Chip Cantrell  
Barry Hendrixson  
Sermon Greg Allen  
Dismiss Larry Powers

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**  
Announcements Bill Haston  
Lead Singing Larry Vinson  
First Prayer Billy Gilbert  
Reading Rodney Reynolds  
Invitation Bill Biles  
Dismiss Ken Martin

**WELCOME COMMITTEE**  
A.M. Gilbert & Willene Kell  
P.M. Lou Leatherwood & Doris Smith

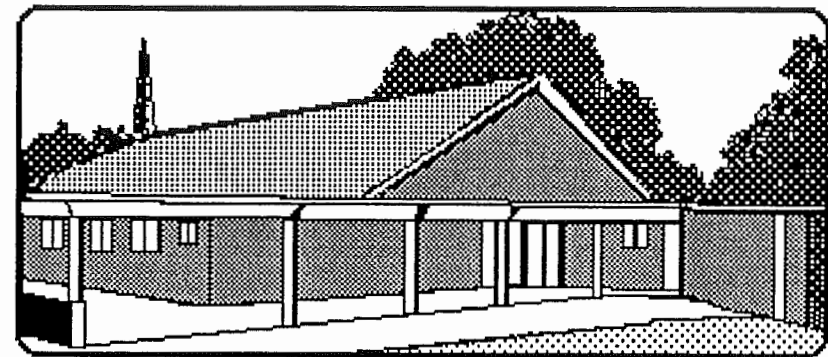
**BUS DRIVER:** Tommy Crouch  
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*Communion Rest Homes:*  
Bill Biles & Matthew Lewis  
  
*Ushers:*  
W.C. Chilton & Jeff Bond  
  
*Nursery Attendant:* Sherry Graves  
  
*Pantry Item:* Canned Sweet Potatoes  
**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**  

	5/15	5/22
A.M. Worship	-----313-----	-----351-----
Bible Study	-----237-----	-----247-----
P.M. Worship	-----194-----	-----222-----
Wednesday Bible Study	-----214-----	-----207-----
Contribution	-----\$3,511-----	-----\$2,908-----

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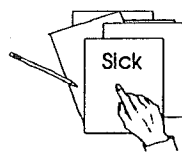
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<i>Wednesday</i> Bible Study                        7:00 p.m.		<i>Evangelist</i> Tony Lawrence                    473-8079	
<i>Radio Program</i> WAKI Sunday                              8:00 a.m.		<i>Deacons</i> Bob Bonner                        Leonard Clemons W.C. Chilton                        Dwight Davis Dennis Gann                        Stanley Graves Everett Green                        Don Griffith Douglas Hendrixson                Dwayne Johnston Ken Lee                                Ken Martin Don Shuster                        Jim Slatton Larry Vinson	
Church Phone                      473-2486			
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## Sick and Shut-ins

*In the Hospitals:* Helen Lawrence (Columbus, MS)

*At Home:* Katherine Bennett

## Congratulations Seniors

We want to congratulate our graduating seniors this year. They are an exceptionally good group: Barry Hendrixson, Chip Cantrell, Brian Cantrell, Larry Powers, Joe Roller, Missy Lee.

## Gospel Meeting

*Corinth church of Christ*, May 26-29, services at 7:30 with Glendon Cantrell speaking.

*Tracy City church of Christ*, June 5-8, services 7:30 with Norman Slate and Steve Flatt speaking.

*Arlington church of Christ*, May 29-June 2, services at 7:30 with W.J. Lemons speaking.

## Carrollton Meeting Report

As many of you will already know by the report given Sunday Morning, the meeting at Carrollton was a success. Success is not always measured by large numbers or visible results. While we would like to report several baptisms and large crowds each service, such was not expected. The work there is still very new and it will be some time before the church is known in the community. With time this will come.

The church had to compete with two large "happenings" in the community during the week. The *Scottish Festival* was going on the week-end the meeting began and there were thousands of people in town for that event. Some who might have otherwise thought about attending possibly had to be at work due to the large number of tourists there. Also, I know that many of you heard about one of the worst bus accidents in history which occurred Saturday night. The accident happened only a mile or two from where the church meets. The whole town was preoccupied with the tragedy and with news media from all over. On Tuesday night the church gave up many of its chairs for a counselling session which was being conducted at the Holiday Inn.

In spite of these things, the church there worshipped God with enthusiasm. They were encouraged with the support of sister congregations Steedly Drive, Shelbyville, Swallowfield, and West Port Road. One of the visitors said that he drove 60 miles "one way" just to support us in the meeting. There were several people who were not Christians who attending the meeting. These people were presently being studied with by members of the Carrollton congregation.

Personally speaking, the people at Carrollton know how to treat visitors! I was greeted in my motel room by a beautiful basket of fruit. Every evening I was treated to some of the most delicious meals I have ever tasted. But, the greatest thing that I can say about the brethren there is that they truly live like a family. They all encourage and support one another. I did not perceive any strife or jealousy. I wish that all congregations could capture their spirit of love for one another.

## The Christian And Tobacco

This past week while I was in the Gospel Meeting at Carrollton, I tried to listen in to the news programs regularly in an effort to learn more about the tragic bus accident just outside of the city. And, while I listened to the news I heard the report of the Surgeon General C. Everett Koop on the Tobacco and Addiction. His report drew the following conclusions: (1) Tobacco (in all forms, cigarette, chewing, and snuff) contains the narcotic drug nicotine. (2) Nicotine is an addictive substance (drug) just like cocaine and heroin. (3) Tobacco users should own up to the fact that they are addicted to this substance and seek help to get off of it. Dr. Koop went on to emphasize several other important points which I found astounding: (1) 300,000 people a year die from tobacco use. (2) 16% of all of the deaths in this country can be attributed to the use of tobacco. (3) 75-80% of all tobacco users wish they could quit, but can't.

What does all of this information have to do with the Christian. **We have a lot of Christians who use tobacco!**

This means that we have a lot of our people addicted to a narcotic the Lord's business of trying to call ourselves strongly connected to are not exercising the self-control teaches (I Cor. 9:25; Gal. 5:23; II seek to be in bondage to noth-



This means that we have a lot of people out of the world, we are one of its most *fatal* vices. We which the Bible so strongly Tim. 3:3; II Pet. 1:6). We should ing other than the Lord.

What should the Christian attempt to do about this serious problem? He should try to shed any habit which hurts his body and/or his influence. **The Bible clearly teaches this (I Cor. 6:19,20; I Pet. 2:11,12).** Dr. Koop made it clear that some will have to go to a physician to get help to get off of this addictive drug, but such can be done. If you are a Christian, now is the time for you to try to deliver yourself from this deadly evil. If you need help, see your doctor! We don't want to lose any one of you!

## A Week of Vacation

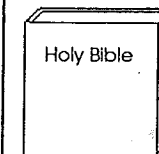
This coming week my family and I will be on vacation in Washington D.C. and the Northeast. We plan to leave this Saturday and return the following Friday. We hope that all of you will keep us in your prayers as we travel.

**Lord, when we are wrong, make us willing to change.  
And when we are right, make us easy to live with.**



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	David Christian
Reading	Dwight Davis
Scripture	Exodus 20:1-7
Lord's Table	*Greg Allen
	*Ronnie Rogers
	Joe Maynard
	Eddie Hennessee
	Harley Northcutt
	Ralph Crouch
	Steve Wilcher
	Eugene Wilcher
	Tony Lawrence
	Joe T. Cantrell

*Communion Rest Homes:*  
Jeff Bond & Ronnie Rogers

*Ushers:*  
Bob Cantrell & John Stenbridge

*Nursery Attendant:* Mary Davis

*Pantry Item:* Canned Dried Beans

**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**

A.M. Worship	357
Bible Study	246
P.M. Worship	200
Wednesday Bible Study	224
Contribution	\$ 2,945

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Joe T. Cantrell
Scripture	Exodus 20:8-17
Lord's Table	*J.C. Case
	Dale Bennett
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ronnie Prince

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements	Bill Haston
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell
Reading	Everett Green
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Terry Franks

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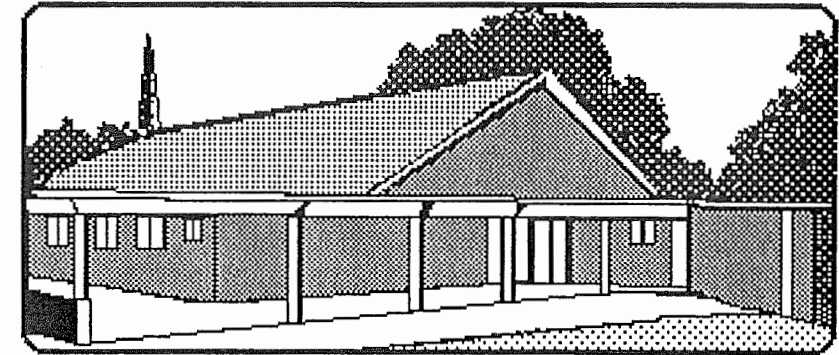
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Tony Lawrence



(Here is an article which I strongly encourage you to read!)

ACAPPELLA IN RETROSPECT

Thomas F. Eaves, Sr.

Six months ago, the singing group ACAPPELLA made their presentation in Cookeville, TN. This group advertises themselves as, "full-time ministers of music." Don Deffenbaugh, in his "News and Views" makes this report of their activities:

One news item that will be of interest to our readers is that Ozark Christian College of Joplin, MO, formerly known as Ozark Bible College (a Christian Church school) has been celebrating their 45th birthday this year. A part of that celebration was their annual preaching and teaching convention and homecoming which took place the week of February 22-28. Their preaching and teaching convention is equal to our college lectureships. Among the featured participants in the 1987 convention were the singing group, ACAPPELLA of Paris, TN, and Jeff Walling, Mission Viejo, CA. Jeff spoke four times: at chapel, at a dinner meeting, in a class, and at the general session on Tuesday, February 24.

In the June-August 1987 issue of Group, The Youth Ministry Magazine (an interdenominational youth ministry magazine), there is a section titled, "Christian Concert Talent Scout Booking Directory." In this section several individuals and groups are advertised. Included are: Brian Becker, Larry Bryant, D.O.X., The Cutting Edge, Dual Edge, and ACAPPELLA. The section makes it clear that these groups can be used in Revivals, Outreach, etc. The opening paragraph states:

Looking for someone to provide that extra zing for your special concert, retreat, or outreach event? How about using these Christian artists? They want to be partners in your ministry. (Emphasis mine, TFE). They'll help you bring new enthusiasm to your group. Use this handy directory to find just the right artist. Here's how.

A unique characteristic of these "full-time ministers of music" is that they record the sounds of instruments of music with their voices and use these as backup tapes for their vocal presentations. The objections this "ministry" are many.

- 1) Fellowshiping those who have apostasized from "the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints."
2) Bidding God's speed to those who do not hold the doctrine of the Lord Jesus Christ (II John 9) by being "partners in your ministry." While any faithful Gospel preacher would be willing to preach the Gospel to any group, none would be willing to participate in such as way as to support error.
3) Using the sounds of instrumental music in worship. Brother Bill Jackson writing in his bulletin, The Southwesterner (October 21, 1987) makes this comment concerning ACAPPELLA, the "vocal band."

Are we dumb enough to fall for it, brethren? Do we really think that, in keeping with the demands of the New Testament to sing (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16), the objection was to the wooden frame, or the metal envelopment that the instrumental music came from? Do we think that just any "noise" is acceptable, provided it doesn't come from a man-made instrument? The demand from God is to sing! Making a sound like a guitar isn't singing; humming isn't singing; whistling isn't singing; and the sustained Ah... during a chorus of a song isn't singing!

This practice is a clear violation of Ephesians 5:19; and Colossians 3:16 because it is an addition

to what God commanded, even if the sounds of the instruments are made with the vocal cords.

4) A part of the "worship service" in the Cookeville was applause by hand clapping. Webster's New Universal Unabridged Dictionary defines applause as, 1. The act of applauding; approval or praise, acclamation; approbation publicly expressed. 2. Demonstration of approval by hand clapping, cheering, shouting, etc.

The first question which comes to my mind is who or what was being approved? Was it the God of the universe, who is Spirit and whom we are to worship in Spirit and truth (John 4:24), and decently and in order (I Cor. 14:40)? Or was the approval for the singers, or their music which motivated some to sway in their seats, and one worshipper to boogie (sway and shuffle his feet to the music)? One Gospel preacher in Arkansas said that the performance of the ACAPPELLA group reminded him of a rock-and-roll concert. Who was the applause for? Some have defended the applause by saying that it is nothing more than saying, "Amen." The Greek term αμην is defined by Arndt and Gingrich's Greek-English Lexicon as, "so let it be, truly, amen." (2nd edition, p. 45), and approval is directed to God. Alvin Leach in his article "Applauding, Amen" Firm Foundation, July 28, 1987, makes this excellent statement,

Whereas, in the AMEN approval is pointed directly to what the speaker has said (GOD'S WORD)... For example, in I Chronicles 16:36, David ends his praise and thanksgiving with "blessed be the Lord God of Israel for ever and ever." Because he spoke truth and they agreed, they showed their agreement, "all the people said, Amen, and praised the Lord." AMEN was their way of agreeing with David's statement. Paul had the same understanding of AMEN in I Cor. 14:15,16 when he talks of worshipping God with the Spirit and understanding and says those who do not understand cannot say AMEN. In Deut. 28:14-26 "And all the people said, Amen," following the Levites reading of God's curses. Here AMEN showed they understood God's word and was willing to submit to it.

Faithful Gospel preachers will not oppose a good work nor will they destroy the influence of a faithful brother, but when men are in clear violation of God's word and are leading God's people astray—the faithful of God must speak out.

ACAPPELLA, "the full-time ministers of music" are violating the following passages in God's word:

- 1) They are not setting the proper example (Matt. 5:16) in that they are fellowshiping those who have been marked for they false practices in harmony with Romans 16:17.
2) They are bidding God's speed to those who teach denominationalism (II John 9).
3) They are in violation of Ephesians 5:19 and Colossians 3:16.
4) They are in disobedience of God's instruction in I Cor. 14:40.
5) They are leading some of God's people into error by they sinful activities.

Faithful brethren everywhere should know the truth, teach it, stand with it, defend it, and stop trying to defend the undefendable.

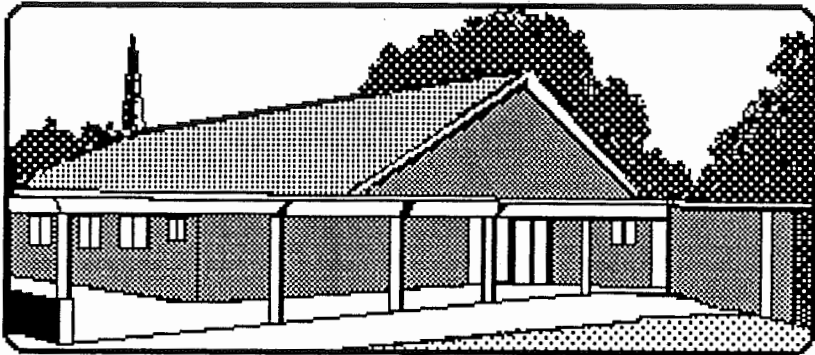
Sick and Shut-ins

It was good to see Katherine Bennett at church Sunday. Helen Lawrence is now at home. (Columbus, MS)



<b>SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP</b>		<b>Communion Rest Homes:</b> Bill Biles & Matthew Lewis
Announcement	Larry Vinson	
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons	
First Prayer	Steve Boyd	
Reading	W.C. Chilton	<b>Ushers:</b> Dale Bennett & Greg Allen
Scripture	Acts 23:1	
Lord's Table	*Bob Mayfield	
	*Don Griffith	
	Barry Hendrixson	<b>Nursery Attendant:</b> Glynna Lee
	Chip Cantrell	
	Larry Powers	
	Greg Pennington	
	Tully Franks	<b>Pantry Item:</b> Vegetable Shortning
	Sidney Groves	
Sermon	Tony Lawrence	
Dismiss	Buell Warren	
<b>SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP</b>		<b>RECORD FOR THE WEEK...</b>
Announcements	Larry Vinson	
Lead Singing	Jason Smith	
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett	
Reading	Tommy Crouch	A.M. Worship -----353
Scripture	I Pet. 4:6	Bible Study -----271
Lord's Table	*Douglas Hendrixson	P.M. Worship -----218
	Stanley Graves	Wednesday Bible Study -----209
Sermon	Tony Lawrence	Contribution -----\$3,382
Dismiss	John R. Porter	
<b>WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY</b>		<b>WELCOME COMMITTEE</b>
Announcements	Bill Haston	
Lead Singing	Tully Franks	
First Prayer	Dwaine Johnston	
Reading	Rodney Reynolds	A.M. Ken Martin Family
Invitation	Tony Lawrence	P.M. Janice Lewis Family
Dismiss	Clyde Christian	
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## Sick and Shut-ins

In the Hospital:

Dewey Gribble-ICU at Riverpark  
Rodney Jones-Riverpark

## Sympathy

We want to express sympathy to the family of Clark Cantrell (the brother of our Edith Cantrell, Jim Cantrell, and Fate Cantrell). He passed away this past Saturday in Indianapolis.

We also want to express sympathy to the family of L.E. Mason (the father of our Drucilla Crouch). His funeral was this past Monday at High's.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Lee and Catherine Flatt! They are the proud grandparents to a new baby girl born to their daughter Kathy in Nashville.

## Gospel Meetings & V.B.S.

Spencer church of Christ, June 5-10, services at 7:30 with B.J. Jones.  
West Riverside church of Christ, June 12-17, services at 7:30 with Thomas Eaves.

V.B.S. at East End church of Christ, June 6-10, 9:00-11:00 for kindergarten-Grade 6.  
V.B.S. at Central church of Christ, June 13-17, 9:00-11:00 for kindergarten-Grade 6.

Debate on Matthew 18:15-17, between Glenn Ramsey and Gordon Smith at the Cookeville Drama Center, Friday, June 10, 7:00 p.m.

## Bus Drivers Needed

For some time the same bus drivers have been carrying the load of driving the bus each week. Every one has participated have done an excellent job. Now is the time to give some of these a break. If you would be willing to drive the bus every few weeks, please let Kelly Thaxton

HERE IS A LITTLE ARTICLE WHICH I THINK MANY OF YOU MAY APPRECIATE...

## No Time

*I knelt to pray, but not for long;  
I had so much to do—  
Must hurry off and get to work,  
For bills will soon be due.*

*And so I said a hurried prayer,  
Jumped up from my knees;  
My Christian duty was done,  
My soul could be at ease.*

*All through the day I had no time  
To speak a word of cheer,  
No time to speak a word for God—  
They'd laugh at me, I feared.*

*And when before the Lord I came,  
I stood with downcast eyes,  
Within His hand He held a book—  
It was the Book of Life.*

*God looked into His book and said,  
"Your name I cannot find;  
I was going to write it down,  
But I never found the time."*

Stop and think! Will you not find time to be in Bible Study and worship Sunday? Will you not find time to teach the lost, visit the sick, encourage the troubled, help someone in need? Will you not find the time to pray, read, meditate upon God's word—find time to live daily for Christ?

*Milan Tennessee Bulletin*

## Difficult Texts Explained Series

This Sunday evening we will consider I Pet. 3:15-21 where Jesus preached to the "spirits in prison" and I Pet. 4:7 where the "end of all things" is mentioned.



*Tony Lawrence*

*Teacher's Page*



Holy Bible



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**  
Announcement  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Larry Vinson  
Jason Smith  
Greg Allen  
Dwayne Christian  
Ephesians 6:4  
\*Ken Martin  
\*Ken Lee  
Bob Cantrell  
John Stembridge  
Otis Morgan  
Edgar Webb  
Eddie Hennessee  
J.B. Gribble  
Tony Lawrence  
Bill Womack

Communion Rest Homes:  
Billy Gilbert & Greg Allen

Ushers:  
Billy Gilbert & Eddie Hennessee

Nursery Attendant: Cynthia Duncan

Pantry Item: Hominy

**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**  
A.M. Worship -----332  
Bible Study -----262  
P.M. Worship -----219  
Wednesday Bible Study -----191  
Contribution -----\$3,107

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**  
Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Larry Vinson  
Leonard Clemons  
Rodney Reynolds  
Richard Black  
I John 4:1  
\*Jim Slatton  
Ward Golden  
Tony Lawrence  
Steve Wilcher

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Sermon  
Dismiss

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**  
Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Invitation  
Dismiss

Bill Haston  
Tully Franks  
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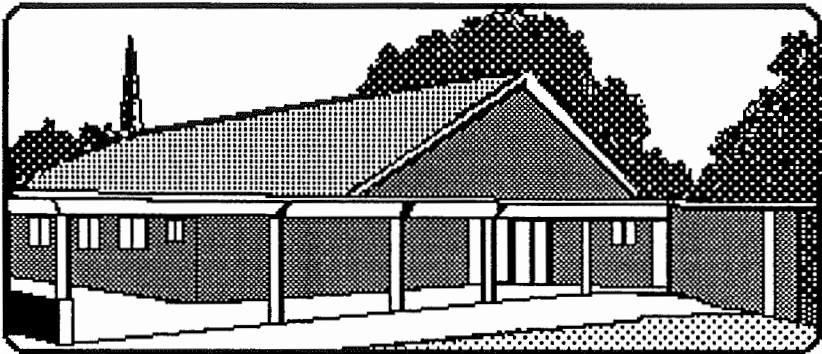
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## Sick and Shut-ins

### In the Hospital:

Joe Maxwell-V.A. Murfreesboro

Mary Locke (sister of Catherine Platt)-St. Thomas ICU

### At Home:

Christopher Johnston

Frank Hutchins

Elsie Fisher (returned to Woodbury Nursing Home)

Bertha Stewart

## Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Dewey Gribble (father of J.B. Gribble and Mildred Glenn) who passed away last Saturday.

## Bridal Shower

You are cordially invited to a shower honoring Stefanie Clemons, bride-elect of David McCulloch. It will be held Saturday, June 18th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Tony and Corretta Lawrence.

## Funeral Singers

Bybee Branch is well blessed by a large number of people who are willing to sing at funerals. Often you are not given credit for the excellent job which you do. This note is to say thanks for good job which you do and the way in which you turn out in number.

## Gospel Meetings

West Riverside church of Christ, June 12-17, services at 7:30 each evening with Thomas Eaves.

La Grange church of Christ, June 12-17, services at 7:00 each evening with James Boyd.

Pleasant Cove church of Christ, June 17-19, services at 7:30 with Charles Marshall.

Mt. Leo church of Christ, June 19-21, services at 7:30 with J.K. Gossett

## Senior Saints Activity

The senior members of our congregation who are interested in another outing like last year's trip to Opryland need to contact Mary Davis.

## Misusing The Corinthians

In the past few years and months there has arisen a favorite ploy by many. It reasons something like this:

*The Corinthians had many problems as is evidenced by Paul's letters to them. In these letters he refers to these people as his "brethren" and the "church of God." If Paul accepted these brethren in spite of their evident problems then we ought to accept one another upon the same basis.*

If such a teaching were not so popular and so serious, it would not be worthy of our consideration. Men have always expended every effort to find a teaching which will let them hold on to their pet sin and still keep some sort of "respectability" with regard to their religion. This is not new, and we should not be surprised that men twist the scriptures to make them fit their own sinful ways. The Pharisees of old did this in many ways (cf. Matt. 5:20-48). It is a shame, though, that the epistles of Paul to the Corinthians have been so abused to justify this.

The purpose for Paul's letters to the Corinthians was to *correct* the problems, not to *whitewash* them! Why did Paul write the first letter? Let him answer: *"For to this end also did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether ye are obedient in all things."* (II Cor. 2:9) They were called upon to correct their sinful ways. They did in many ways as he said in II Cor. 7:11, *"For behold, this self-same thing, that ye were made sorry after a godly sort, what earnest care it wrought in you, yea what clearing of yourselves, yea what indignation, yea what fear, yea what longing, yea what zeal, yea what avenging! In everything ye approved yourselves to be pure in the matter."* Paul wrote them to bring about repentance. Lest anyone get the wrong idea, listen to Paul: *"I have said beforehand, and I do say beforehand, as when I was present the second time, so now, being absent, to them that have sinned heretofore, and to all the rest, that, if I come again, I will not spare."* (II Cor. 13:2). I shudder to think of how great of a rebuke the apostle would give the ones of our day who are totally misapplying his letters.

Did Paul consider the people at Corinth his brethren? Certainly, but brethren who needed to repent. Did he consider them a "church" of the Lord? Of course, but one which had many things which needed and required correction. If one wants to keep following a sinful path, the books to the Corinthians are not the books to hide behind!

## Difficult Texts Explained Series

We will be discussing three passages from I John. Some have taken I Jn. 2:19 and 3:9 to teach that one can sin if he is truly a child of God. In 2:20-27 we will look at what the "unction from the Holy One" means.



Tony Lawrence



### SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Announcement	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Dale Bennett
Scripture	I John 2:8-10
Lord's Table	*Don Shuster
	*Bill Biles
	Eugene Wilcher
	Rodney Maynard
	Ed Griffin
	Kurt Maynard
	Scott Griffith
	Shannon Griffin
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jeff Bond

### SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Announcements	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Lee Flatt
Reading	Bill Haston
Scripture	II John 9-11
Lord's Table	*J.C. Case
	Joe T. Cantrell
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Everett Green

### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Announcements	Bill Haston
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	Doug Hendrixson
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dwight Davis

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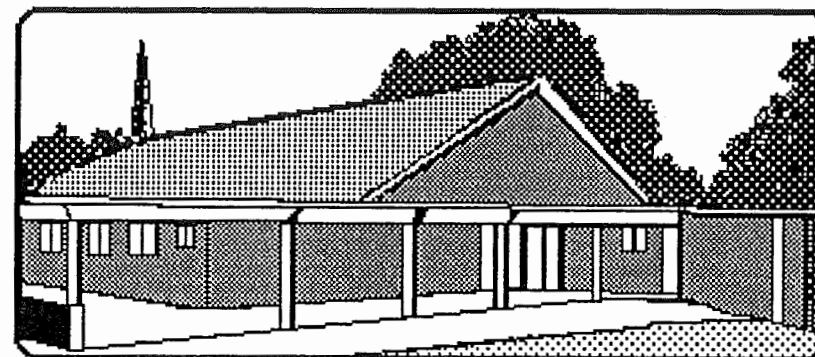
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Bible Study	-----	268
P.M. Worship	-----	236
Wednesday Bible Study	-----	213
Contribution	-----	\$3,142

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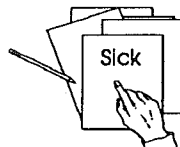
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*Bertha Stewart*

*Essie Medley*

## Gospel Meetings

*Mt. Leo church of Christ, June 19-21, services at 7:30 with J.K. Gossett*

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## Ice Cream Supper

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## House Lost To Fire

The Judy Smith family lost their home to fire this past week. They are in need of clothes (boys sizes 14-16 and ladies sizes 12-14) and if you can help, bring them by the building or contact W.C. Chilton.

# A BIG THANKS!

A very big THANKS goes to Stanley and Sherry Graves and the excellent job which they have done for the church for nearly the past three years. They have been in charge of the funds for the church here which is an enormous job (caring for almost \$150,000 per year). They have always done this job with the greatest amount of care and have carried out this task with excellent efficiency. So often people are not properly thanked for the extra effort which they put forth. Be sure to let Stanley and Sherry know how much you appreciate the excellent job which they have done. The baton now passes to Dwaine Johnston who is the new church treasurer.

Another big THANKS is due to one of our elders Bill Biles for doing an excellent clean up job on the church bus. Looks much better doesn't it!

## The Plague of Self-Pity

It is possible for one to be too hard on oneself, unnecessarily reproaching and condemning oneself. However, it is also possible to be too easy on oneself. This often takes the form of self-pity. People who are constantly dripping with self-sympathy are at the same time to be pitied and shunned. They not only ruin life for themselves, but they spoil it for others upon whom they descend with their tales of woe, if they are allowed to. Are you struggling under the plague of self-pity? If so, consider the following facts about it:

1. **IT IS A MARK OF IMMATURITY.** Babies are notoriously self-sympathetic. If they are hungry or uncomfortable, it matters not to them that it is 2:00A.M.! In their self-pity they holler until somebody comes. They don't give a thought to the fact that Mother and Daddy need their rest for the coming day. A person who is mature has learned to take some lumps, suffer some discomforts and walk through some valleys, without becoming an embittered, long-faced complainer.
2. **IT MAKES ONE INSENSITIVE TO OTHERS.** If one is constantly focusing only on his own trouble and problems, he can hardly be understanding and sympathetic toward others. Such a person is constantly seeking sympathy and murmuring about being neglected and having no one who loves him or cares for him. "I have more problems than anyone else," he wails; but how does he know? He doesn't know or care about the sufferings of others.
3. **IT MAKES ONE MISERABLE.** None are more unhappy on this earth than those who are completely wrapped up in themselves. The more they think only of themselves the worse it makes them feel, and the worse they feel the more they pity themselves!
4. **IT ROBS US OF FRIENDS.** The chronic self-pitier will always be a grouchy, pessimistic fussy who has forgotten how to talk without a certain whine in the voice. Who likes to be around that sort of person?
5. **IT CAN MAKE ONE PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY ILL.** The self-pitier needs to grow up: "Be not children in mind..., but in mind be men" (I Cor. 14:20). It is right to love oneself, but we are also taught to love our neighbors as ourselves (Matt. 22:39).

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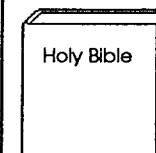
## Difficult Texts Explained Series

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*Tony Lawrence*

*Teacher's Page*



Holy Bible



Announcement	Don Griffith
Lead Singing	Stanley Graves
First Prayer	Lemmie Bratton
Reading	Billy Gilbert
Scripture	Matthew 22:1-4
Lord's Table	*Tommy Crouch
	*Ken Martin
	Buell Warren
	Ralph Crouch
	Otis Morgan
	Ed Griffin
	J.B. Gribble
	Eddie Hennessee
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Boyd

**Ushers:**  
Bob Cantrell & John Stenbridge

*Nursery Attendant:* Gail Crouch

*Pantry Item:* Sugar

### RECORD FOR THE WEEK...

A.M. Worship	333
Bible Study	260
P.M. Worship	232
Wednesday Bible Study	218
Contribution	\$3,033

Announcements	Don Griffith
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Bill Womack
Scripture	Revelation 13:16-18
Lord's Table	*Clyde Christian
	J.C. Case
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Ward Golden

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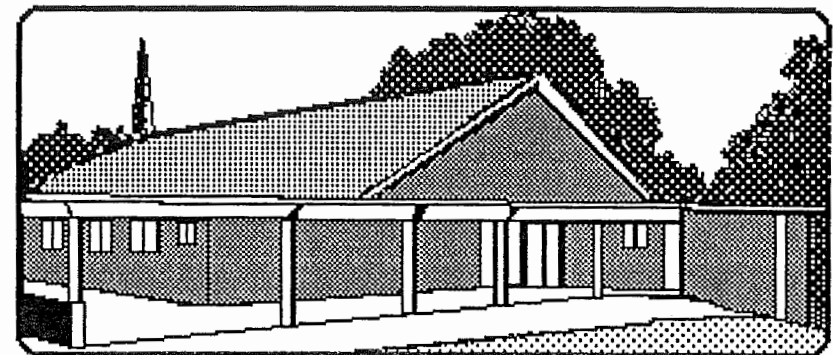
Announcements	Greg Allen
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	John R. Porter
Reading	Stanley Graves
Invitation	Rodney Reynolds
Dismiss	Terry Franks

A.M.	Betty Hill & Clara Roller
P.M.	Don Shuster Family

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## Vacation Bible School

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## Ice Cream Supper

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## Baptized

We rejoice that two were baptized this past week. Last Wednesday evening **Scott Griffith** was baptized into Christ and last Friday afternoon **Mark Lawrence** was also baptized.

## Wedding

Stefanie Clemons and David McColloch will be married this Saturday, July 2, at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Dr and Mrs. Jerry Puckett. In case of inclement weather, the wedding will be at the building.

## Welcome our visitors...

During the summer months we have an unusually large number of visitors. Let us be sure that we make them feel welcome at our services. Many need help in finding Bible classes. Remember the directory board at the back tells the teacher and class room for every age.

## Balance!

One of the greatest problems that men have is maintaining a proper balance. Too often men will place a great priority on one thing while almost ignoring another. This happens in life, and it happens in the church! This was the problem that many of the scribes and Pharisees had. Jesus said, *"Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye tithe mint and anise and cummin, and have let undone the weightier matters of the law, justice, and mercy and faith: but these ye ought to have done, and not to left the other undone."* (Matt. 23:23). The challenge for us all is to be sure that we strive for a proper balance in all that we do. Consider some of these areas.

**Zeal:** Paul wrote of some who had zeal but it was not balanced with knowledge (Rom. 10:1-3). But, how many have the knowledge and have no zeal at all?

**Compassion:** We all know today of those whose "compassion" and "love" for their fellow man cause them to tolerate almost anything they do. This is not real love at all. True love will cause one to try to correct and restore those who have gone astray. However, there certainly are those who, in their attempt to correct those who have gone astray, have needed to follow the biblical admonition *"restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; looking to thyself, lest thou also be tempted."* (Gal. 6:1).

The church has seemingly always had those given to extremes. That is the reason why we hear about "liberals" on the left and "antis" on the right. We need to follow the teaching of Solomon: *"Ponder the path of your feet, and let all your ways be established. Do not turn to the right or left; remove your feet from evil."* (Prov. 4:26,27 NKJV). Let us strive for a biblical balance in our lives.

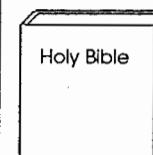
## Difficult Texts Explained Series

Those who wish to study for this Sunday evening's lesson can look at Revelation 13:16-18 and 14:3. We will look at the "mark of the beast" (666) and the 144,000 who have been purchased out of the earth.



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible

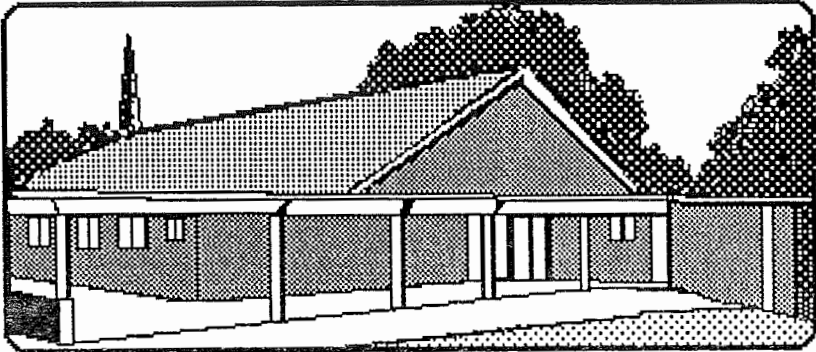
News & Notes



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Announcement	Don Griffith	
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons	
First Prayer	Larry Flatt	
Reading	W.C. Chilton	
Scripture	II Timothy 3:1-7	
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee	
	*Jim Slatton	
	Sidney Grove	
	Harley Northcutt	
	Danny Duncan	
	Dwaine Johnston	
	Dwayne Christian	
	David Christian	
	Tony Lawrence	
Sermon	Cecil Cantrell	
Dismiss		
<b>SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP</b>		
Announcements	Don Griffith	
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson	
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett	
Reading	Dwight Davis	
Scripture	Revelation 20:1-10	
Lord's Table	*Ronnie Rogers	
	Chip Cantrell	
Sermon	Tony Lawrence	
Dismiss	Don Shuster	
<b>WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY</b>		
Announcements	Greg Allen	
Lead Singing	Tully Franks	
First Prayer	Terry Franks	
Reading	Everett Green	
Invitation	Tony Lawrence	
Dismiss	Dale Bennett	
<b>WELCOME COMMITTEE</b>		
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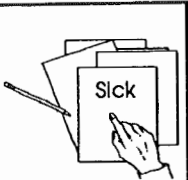
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<b>Nursery Attendant:</b> Susie Griffith	
<b>Pantry Item:</b> Canned Goods	
<b>RECORD FOR THE WEEK...</b>	
A.M. Worship -----	285
Bible Study -----	226
P.M. Worship -----	199
Wednesday Bible Study-----	210
Contribution-----	\$3,178

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Edna McClain-Riverpark  
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Mary Locke-St. Thomas/ICU

At Home:

Essie Medley

## Area Events:

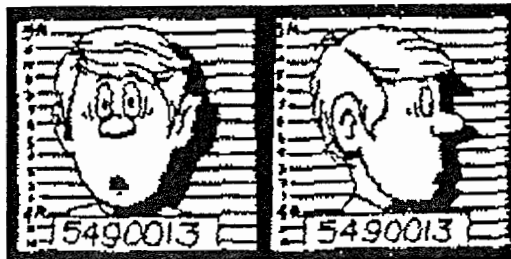
The **Mt. View church of Christ** will be having a Gospel Singing July 16, 6-9 p.m.

The **Bluff Springs church of Christ** will be having a Youth Rally on Monday, July 11, 1988 at 7:00 p.m. Mark McInteer will be the speaker.

## Vacation Bible School...

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# If you were arrested for being a **CHRISTIAN**



# ...would there be enough

# EVIDENCE to convict you?



## Admonish The Disorderly

In Paul's final admonitions to the church at Thessalonica, he wrote: *"And we exhort you, brethren, admonish the disorderly, encourage the fainthearted, support the weak, be longsuffering to all."* (I Thess. 5:14). The church there was excelling in the virtue of loving one another, yet, at the same time they needed to be reminded of the responsibility which they had toward one another. True love expresses itself in concern and action. There are numerous lessons which could come from this, but the passage can be better understood and applied when one considers how else the words "admonish" and "disorderly" are used.

Paul used the word "admonish" on several occasions with differing purposes in mind. But consider Romans 15:14, *"And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another."* It should be noted that for one to be able to (with value) to admonish another that two prerequisites exists: (1) goodness of heart, and (2) knowledge. Or consider Paul's statement to the Corinthians, *"I write not these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my beloved children."* (I Cor. 4:14). Admonishing is not scolding or condescending; admonishing is warning and encouragement. The Bible does teach that those who are in error must be rebuked, but it also teaches that certain ones, whose attitude otherwise is right, may be encouraged back to faithful service if such is done with a proper attitude and in a caring manner.

The "disorderly" of which Paul speaks must refer to a certain class of individuals. It is very important that these people be identified. Given the context of I Thessalonians, it is likely that these are people who have allowed themselves to get an inaccurate view of the Lord's return, and have ceased all productive work. These individuals are in error. Later on, Paul taught if they did not repent they were to be disfellowshipped (II Thess. 3:6,14). We learn from Paul that from their idleness came the sin of being a busybody (II Thess. 3:11). Herein is the wisdom of admonishing the disorderly: if one is encouraged to get back to doing what is right, then further sins can be averted.

Of what meaning is this for us today? We perhaps do not have the problem of people ceasing work due to belief that the Lord's coming is imminent, but we do have a problem with those who have fallen out of the Lord's service. These people need to be admonished to "get back to work," their soul depends upon it!

## Difficult Texts Explained Series

This week we will be looking at one of the most misused passages in the world today: Revelation 20:1-10. The doctrine of premillennialism is very popular. We will discuss the subject Sunday evening.



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**  
Announcement  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Don Griffith  
Larry Vinson  
Bob Bonner  
Dwayne Christian  
Psalms 103:1-4  
\*Ken Martin  
\*Leonard Clemons  
J.B. Gribble  
Ed Griffin  
Scott Griffith  
Rodney Maynard  
Kurt Maynard  
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Nursery Attendant: Julie Allen

Pantry Item: Canned Goods

**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**  
A.M. Worship -----336  
Bible Study -----266  
P.M. Worship-----236  
Wednesday Bible Study-----204  
Contribution -----\$3,163

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**  
Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Don Griffith  
Tully Franks  
Rodney Reynolds  
Dwaine Johnston  
John 9:31  
\*Joe T. Cantrell  
Terry Franks  
Tony Lawrence  
David Christian

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**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**  
Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Invitation  
Dismiss

Greg Allen  
Leonard Clemons  
Don Shuster  
Jason Smith  
Tony Lawrence  
Billy Gilbert

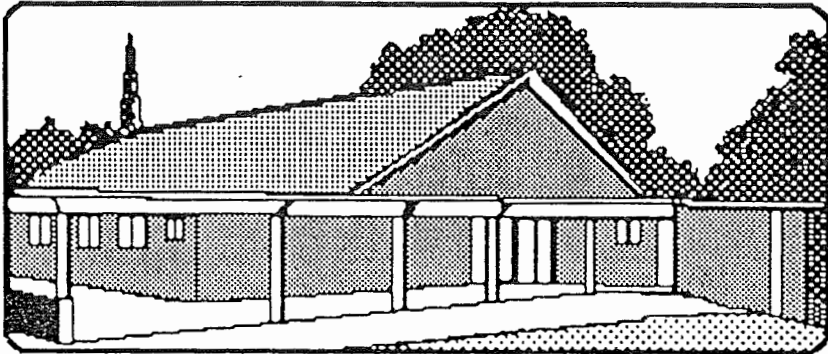
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Hollie & Dora Wilcher

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Mary Locke (sister of Catherine Flatt)-St Thomas  
Donnie Christian (Clyde Christian's grandson)-St. Thomas

## At Home:

Gracie Nunley  
Elsie Fisher (improving at the Woodbury Nursing Home)

# Area Events:

- The *Mt. View church of Christ* will be having a Gospel Singing July 16, 6-9 p.m.
- The *Hebron church of Christ* will be having a Gospel Meeting, July 10-14, 7:30 each evening with Johnny Fox preaching.
- The *Earleyville church of Christ* will be having a Gospel Meeting, July 17-22, 7:30 each evening with Malcolm Hill preaching.
- The *Ivy Bluff church of Christ* will be having a Gospel Meeting, July 17-22, 7:30 each evening with Billy R. Smith preaching.
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# Vacation Bible School...

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# Congratulations

Congratulations to Sam and Kathy Stubblefield on the birth of a baby boy (5 lbs. 7 ozs.) born June 30. His name is Justin Lee. The proud grandparents are Pauline and Loy Watson and Ruth and Edward Stubblefield.

# Standing Up and Speaking Out

I recently read an article which, in my opinion, left the impression that there was something unrespectable to be attached with *standing up for the truth*. It may be that the writer had some other intent, for I cannot judge motives. However, by what was said, I have difficulty drawing any other conclusion. I would like to look at this view from a biblical perspective, which after all is the only one that really counts.

I must ask the question, did the great men of the Bible consider standing up for what they knew to be true some worthy of disrespect? The answer is a resounding NO! They expected that the world would not respect them (cf. I Pet. 4:4), but that was only because they did not live like them. The disrespect for standing for the truth will only come from those who hate the light. Paul's treatise on light and darkness in Ephesians 5:7-14 reveals that not only did he expect them to refrain from participating in the darkness, he expected them to "reprove" or "expose" them (vs. 11). And, Paul practiced what he preached. In Philippians 1:16 he said that he was "set for the defence of the gospel." He said that he was "not ashamed of the gospel" (Rom. 1:16). Evidently many are. One must never be ashamed of being a Christian and standing up for what he believe (I Pet. 4:16; 3:15).

But some might argue, I am not as concerned with what one believes and says as what one does. Such is a foolish argument. Here's why: though one may verbally say differently (and is a hypocrite), we really do and practice what we believe. Doctrine and practice cannot be separated! It was Paul who told the young evangelist Timothy "*Take heed to thyself, and to thy teaching. Continue in these things; for in doing this thou shalt save both thyself and them that hear thee.*" (I Tim. 4:16). This is the very reason why in the Bible we have so much said about the Truth. This is the reason it must be contended for (Jude 3). Stand up and speak up for the truth, then practice it and others will also.

# Difficult Texts Explained Series

We will be concluding our look at difficult New Testament passages this Sunday evening. The passages which have been requested are: Jn. 9:31 regarding God hearing the prayers of sinners and I Cor. 11:1ff regarding the wearing of veils by women. Please come with an open Bible and an open mind!



Tony Lawrence





**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**  
Announcement Don Griffith  
Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer Bob Bonner  
Reading Steve Boyd  
Scripture Micah 6:8  
Lord's Table \*Kelly Thaxton  
\*Dwayne Johnston  
Eugene Wilcher  
Joe Maynard  
Larry Powers  
Chip Cantrell  
Barry Hendrixson  
Bob Cantrell  
Tony Lawrence  
Buell Warren  
Sermon  
Dismiss

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**  
Announcements Mike Bost  
Lead Singing Matthew Lewis  
First Prayer Chip Cantrell  
Reading Larry Powers  
Scripture TBA  
Lord's Table \*Barry Hendrixson  
Greg Pennington  
Sermon Tully Franks  
Dismiss Scott Griffith

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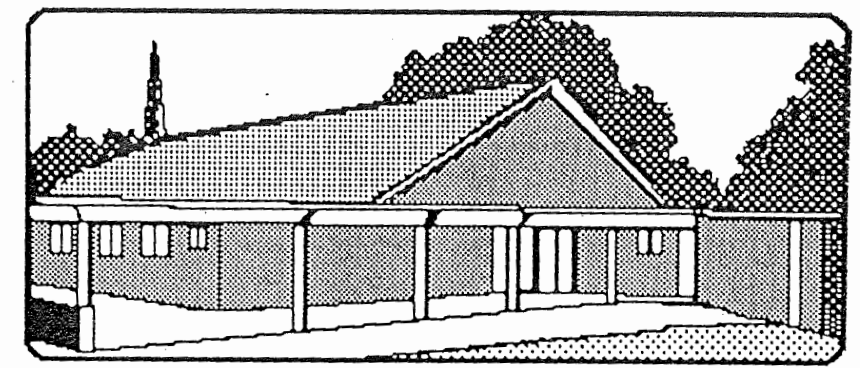
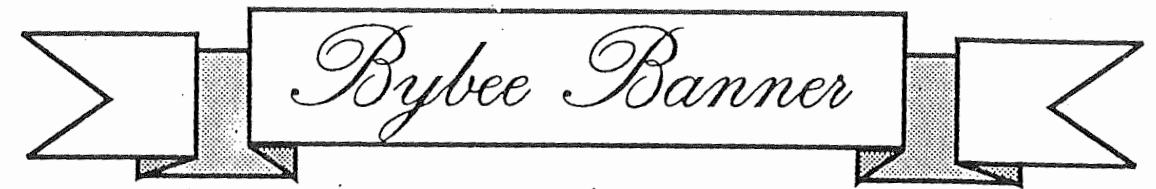
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**Pantry Item:** Canned Goods  
**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**  
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Bible Study ----- 275  
P.M. Worship ----- 232  
Wednesday Bible Study ----- 227  
Contribution ----- \$3,420

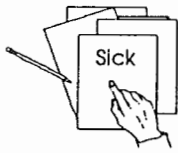
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<b>Wednesday</b>		Rodney Reynolds	473-3570
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## Sick and Shut-ins

In the Hospital:

Joe Maxwell-VA/Murfreesboro "Special Care"  
Mary Locke (sister of Catherine Flatt)-St Thomas

At Home:

Gracie Nunley  
Nelma Chilton

## Meals & Flowers For The Bereaved.

Most know that for some time the ladies have kept a money bag to prepare sandwiches for the members of our congregation who have lost loved ones. The keeping of the money bag has been discontinued in favor of preparing a whole meal. A list has been put on the bulletin board for all of those who would be willing to prepare a dish when a death occurs in our congregation. The more who participate will make it less of a burden on a few. Sister Nelma Chilton will oversee this worthy effort. This does not mean that individuals are discouraged from preparing dishes on their own, it just guarantees that the church will be there to assist whenever we have a death. Many thanks are extended to those wonderful ladies who have done such a good job of keeping the money bag over the past several years.

The Elders have changed the policy regarding the purchase of flowers of those who have passed away from our congregation and their immediate family. There will be an arrangement purchased by the church and if individuals wish make up one on their own they may do so, but it will not be announced from the pulpit.

## Vacation Bible School...

Our V.B.S. will start next Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. and will go all week. We will have our regular Wednesday evening service in the auditorium at 7:00. The only difference is that all who are not participating in V.B.S. will meet in the auditorium. (This includes the Jr. High and Sr. High classes).

## UpComing Events!!!

- Elders/Deacons Meeting, SPECIAL TIME, Sunday, July 24th at 5:00 p.m.
- General Business Meeting, Sunday, July 24th, following the evening service
- Daniel Ridinger to preach Sunday, July 31st. (SPECIAL NOTE: Those who would like to have the Ridingers in their home for a meal on Friday or Saturday (29th & 30th) are to contact Bill Biles.
- Fellowship meal following morning services on Sunday, July 31st to honor the new members and the Ridingers.



## Why So Many Warnings?

I can remember a few years ago wondering why certain preachers and elders were so "concerned" about trends among our brethren. I wondered why did they seemingly bombard us with warnings. I think I now understand why — they were men of the Book. They knew the nature of God. He is loving and kind, but is also a just and severe God (Rom. 11:22). They loved the souls of men and knew the danger. They knew that whenever man gets complacent, he is ripe for a fall. It was Paul who said that one who "thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall." (I Cor 10:12). We who are alive today, for the most part, have not been those who have had to "fight the battles" for the faith. We have, so to speak, inherited our faith.

Consider the book of Hebrews. The writer was dealing with a situation too foreign to ours. They were not "first generation" Christians (cf. Heb. 2:1-3; 13:7). They needed to be reminded of:

- (1) Do not neglect the Word-Heb. 2:1-3.
- (2) Do not allow yourself to become hardened by sin-Heb. 3:13.
- (3) Do not allow yourself to miss heaven by disbelief-Heb. 4:11.
- (4) Make sure you grow so you can teach-Heb. 5:12.
- (5) Do not fall away and crucify Christ all over again-Heb. 6:4-6.
- (6) Remember the faithfuls of history-Heb. 11:1-40.
- (7) Do not become discouraged when you are disciplined-Heb. 12:3-11.
- (8) Be obedient to those who have the rule (Elders)-Heb. 13:7,17.

Why so many warnings? Souls are precious and we do not want to lose even one!

## New Addition To Building

The Elders announced last Sunday that a contractor, Harold Laws, has been selected to build the new addition to our building. Construction will begin in the next few days.

## Placing Membership

It was great to welcome Donald and Jalesa Johnson into the congregation at Bybee Branch. They, along with all of the others who have come our way this past year, will add so much to our congregation.

## New Convert Training Class

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Tony Lawrence



Holy Bible

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement Don Griffith  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Thurman Bennett  
 Reading Dale Bennett  
 Scripture TBA  
 Lord's Table \*Bob Mayfield

\*Winfrey Hennessee

Ed Griffin

J.B. Gribble

Robert Bumbalough

Dwayne Christian

Edgar Webb

Harley Northcutt

Daniel Ridinger

Sermon

Dismiss Bill Biles

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Announcements Don Griffith  
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 Scripture TBA  
 Lord's Table \*Joe T. Cantrell

Sermon Jim Case

Dismiss Daniel Ridinger

Lee Flatt

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements Dwaine Johnston  
 Lead Singing Tully Franks  
 First Prayer Dwight Davis  
 Reading Stanley Graves  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss John R. Porter

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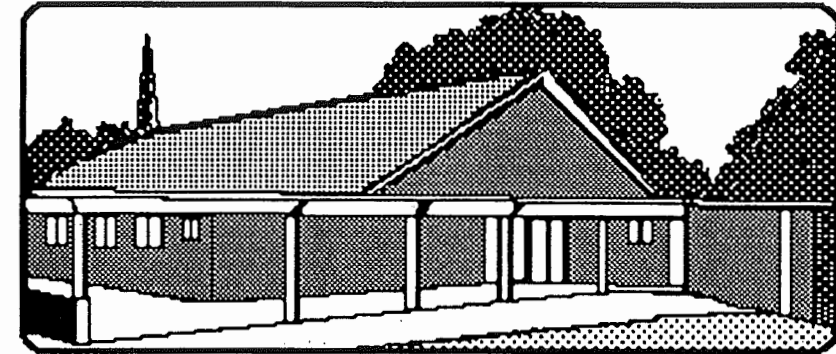
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A.M. Worship .....341  
 Bible Study .....274  
 P.M. Worship .....235  
 Wednesday Bible Study .....229  
 Contribution .....\$3,028

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Etheline Rollins

Mary Locke (at a family home in Nashville)

## New Convert Training Class

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## Vacation Bible School...

Our V.B.S. got off to a great start Monday night. There are many things which could be praised, but this year the participation has been great! So many people have put in so much time and effort into the V.B.S. THANKS!

## Sympathy

We want to extend our condolences to the family of *Addelene Reynolds* (mother of Frank Reynolds) who passed away this past week. Also, we express sympathy to the family of *Veta Mai Hardcastle*, who was a member of the congregation at Bybee Branch.

## Special Sunday!!!

•Daniel Ridinger to preach Sunday. Those who would like to have the Ridingers in their home for a meal on Friday or Saturday (29th & 30th) are to contact Bill Biles.

•Fellowship meal following morning services on Sunday to honor the new members and the Ridingers. The new members are the guests and are to eat at our treat.

•Contribution given Sunday will go toward paying for the new addition to the building. Please try to be a generous as possible. This will mean that we will have to borrow less.

*A miniskirt is a modern style that lends truth to a woman's constant complaint that she has nothing to wear.*



# Outstanding Bible Characters



Tony Lawrence

Our Sunday evening lessons have generally been those in a series so that we can keep some continuity with our lessons from week to week. We have studied lessons from the *Teachings of Christ* and from the *Difficult Texts Of The New Testament*, and the plan is for us to begin a series starting the first Sunday evening in August on Outstanding Bible Characters. We will begin with the Old Testament characters first. If there is a particular Bible character that you would like for me to make sure that I deal with, then please let me know.

Perhaps something should be said initially regarding the value of studying Bible characters. They were real people, just like you and me. In one area or another they excelled and that is the reason for their inclusion in the Bible, however, they each had their *besetting sin* which had to be overcome. We often do not think of ourselves as being able to accomplish the same feats and exemplify the same traits as the faithfuls of the Bible, yet, they were just like us.

Another value of studying Bible characters is the insight we are given into the nature of the God we serve. We learn from Bible characters that God means exactly what He has said. God does not lie (Heb. 6:18; Tit. 1:2). If God makes promises to me through His word they are every bit as sure as those He made to Moses.

Finally, while we get interested in the Bible characters and their lives, we learn more about the Bible and the saving message. The characters of the Bible can make the message "live" for us. Try to be present on Sunday evenings for this study.

### THEOPHILUS



Isn't it surprising how much one can learn from a cartoon?

Teacher's Page



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Greg Allen
Reading	Bill Haston
Scripture	Ephesians 6:10-18
Lord's Table	*Larry Flatt
	*W.C. Chilton
	Ralph Crouch
	Rodney Maynard
	Kurt Maynard
	Mike Bost
	Eugene Wilcher
	Sidney Grove
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Steve Boyd

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	John Biddle
Reading	Billy Gilbert
Scripture	Genesis 5:1-5
Lord's Table	*Ward Golden
	Richard Black
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements	Dwaine Johnston
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Tony Lawrence
Reading	Tully Franks
Invitation	Bill Biles
Dismiss	Everett Green

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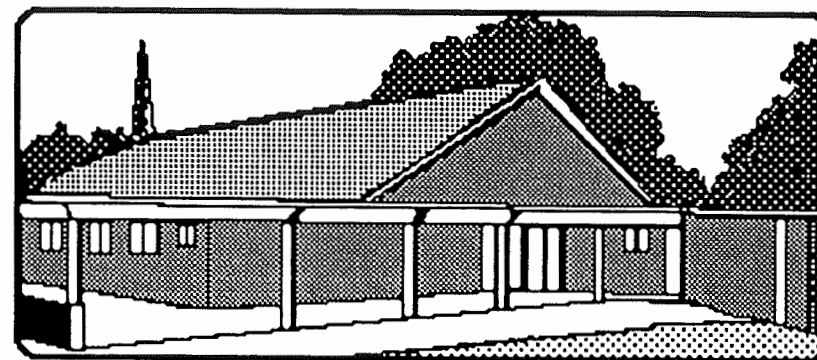
*Pantry Item:* Shortning

**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**

A.M. Worship	-----	307
Bible Study	-----	247
P.M. Worship	-----	233
Wednesday Bible Study	-----	196 VBS.
Contribution	-----	\$6,222

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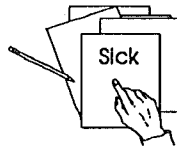
Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	

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## Sick and Shut-ins

In the Hospital:

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At Home:

Joe Maxwell (now home after a lengthy stay in VA Hospital.)

## New Convert Training Class

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## Fellowship For Teens

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## V.B.S. Bible Bee Winners

We want to extend our congratulations to Cassie Hennessee, Erica Vinson (K-1); Bryan Cathcart, Adam Black (2-3), Andrew Collins and Alan Collins (4-6) on being the Bible Bee winners for V.B.S. A Special Thanks To Larry & Debbie Vinson For Directing V.B.S.!



*A Record  
Contribution!*  
**\$6,222.00**

The old record for our contribution was last May 24th when we had \$5,820.00. The Elders have previously announced that this past Sunday's contribution will all go to help pay for the new addition to the building. It is wonderful when saints of the Lord are generous in their giving! You are to be highly commended for the extra effort which you put forth and the sacrifice which you made to give this amount.



## The Crisis of Bereavement

*Hardeman Nichols*

Since the pale horse, (Reve. 6:8), visits every home, pierces every mortal, it is necessary for all of us to learn how to handle bereavement. I have watched with great admiration and respect the courage that has borne many a saint through hours of sorrow. Here is some practical advice I have seen others use in dealing with grief:

1. EXPRESS YOUR EMOTIONS. Since Jesus wept, it should not be considered a Christian to be totally unmoved by the loss of a loved one. There is a difference in expressing one's emotions and in losing self-control. The Bible does not say "sorrow not," but it says, "sorrow not as others who have no hope." (I Thess. 4:13).

2. SEEK THE AID OF YOUR FRIENDS. The very presence of friends is an encouragement. When Paul neared Rome the brethren came to meet him, and he "thanked God and took courage." (Acts 28:15).

3. COMPEL YOURSELF TO BE WITH PEOPLE. Your inclination may be to retreat into the refuge of privacy, but there is greater need than one realizes to associate with others. David did (II Sam. 12:19-23).

4. EXPRESS YOUR FEELINGS IN WORDS. Talking about it will help you to accept it. If this is done at the outset of bereavement, one will sooner be able to stabilize his life.

5. AVAIL YOURSELF OF SPIRITUAL RESOURCES. Even though you may not have realized the importance of the Scriptures and their comfort, now these can help in building your faith. The power of prayer and peace of God are very precious possessions.

6. DON'T BROOD OVER WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN. Both Mary and Martha said, "IF thou hadst been here my brother had not died." (Jn. 11:21,32). Neither of them knew that something far more glorious was just ahead.

7. ACTIVELY PURSUE WORTHWHILE TASKS. Once the initial shock has been dealt with, get busy at other things. Resolve like Paul to "reach forth unto things that are before." (Phil. 3:13,14).

8. MAKE CAREFUL AND THOUGHTFUL DECISIONS. Many an individual jumps hastily into deciding the full scope of the future rather than waiting until he has regained a proper perspective of life. Don't get in a hurry. Make prayerful decisions.

9. INCREASE YOUR TRUST IN GOD. Those who have come through their sorrows with a deeper faith can verify that God, who rules over all, truly does make all things work together for good. (Rom. 8:28).

After the crisis of grief, you can serve more fully and sympathize more completely with men of like frailties. With Paul you too can thank God for the comfort received, knowing that it has now given you the ability to comfort others who are in trouble (II Cor. 1:4).

*Since the church has lost so many in the recent past, I thought this was a timely article. TL.*



*Tony Lawrence*

*Teacher's Page*



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Announcement  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Ken Martin  
Leonard Clemons  
Joe Collins  
Jeff Bond  
Acts 4:12  
\*Ronnie Rogers  
\*Dale Bennett  
Bob Cantrell  
John Stenbridge  
Kelly Thaxton  
Bill Womack  
Dwight Davis  
J.C. Case  
Tony Lawrence  
Clyde Christian

Sermon  
Dismiss

Communion Rest Homes:  
Bill Biles & Matthew Lewis

Ushers:  
Dale Bennett & Greg Allen

Nursery Attendant: Linda Griffin

Pantry Item: Corn Meal

RECORD FOR THE WEEK...

A.M. Worship	-----342
Bible Study	-----268
P.M. Worship	-----235
Wednesday Bible Study	-----218
Contribution	-----\$3,108

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Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Ken Martin  
Tully Franks  
Cecil Cantrell  
Everett Green  
Genesis 4:1-2  
\*John R. Porter  
David Christian  
Tony Lawrence  
Buell Warren

Sermon  
Dismiss

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Invitation  
Dismiss

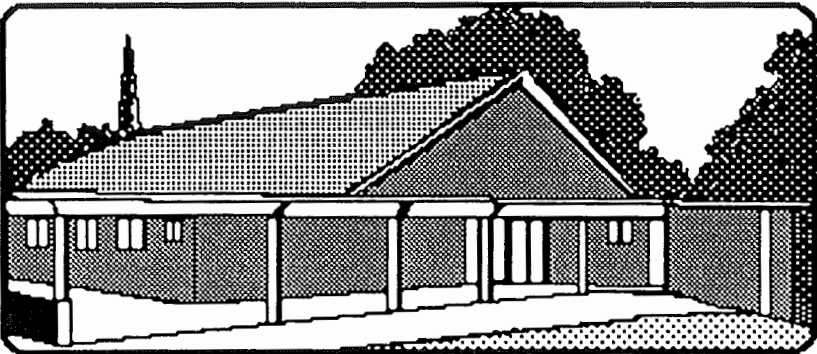
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Joe Maxwell  
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Mary Southern

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## A New Brother In Christ!

One of the most thrilling things that any Christian gets to do is to baptize another into Christ. This past Thursday evening, David McColloch was baptized into Christ.

## A Change In The Order Of Worship...

The Elders have determined that there will be a change in the order of the worship. Following the invitation song, if there are no responses, the men who serve that Sunday will come forward and serve the communion, with no song. After the communion, the collection will be taken. It is hoped that the change over will be smooth and orderly.

### Sentence Sermon



#### Getting the Job Done

It's amazing how much work is accomplished when no one worries about who gets the credit.

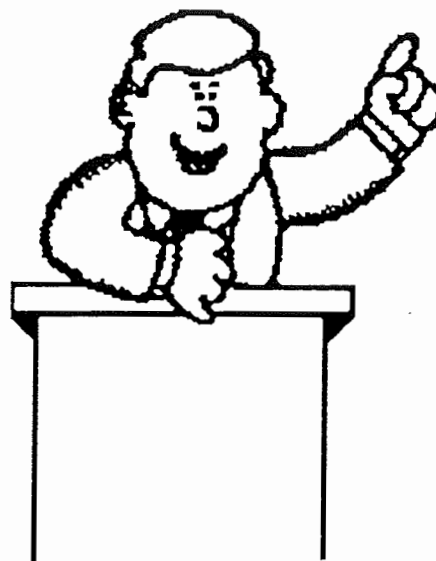


PERHAPS I'M KEEPING YOU A LITTLE LONG THIS MORNING...

## The Teen Commandments

1. Don't let your parents down, they brought you up.
2. Stop and think...and you'll never smoke and drink.
3. Be alert and smart...obey. You'll give the orders some day.
4. Ditch dirty thoughts fast, or they'll ditch you.
5. Show-off driving is juvenile, don't act your age.
6. Choose a date fit for a mate.
7. Pick the right friends. You' be one of them.
8. Don't go steady unless your ready.
9. Love God first, your neighbor second, and self third.
10. Live carefully, the soul you save may be your own.

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## I've Got One Point I'd Like To Add...

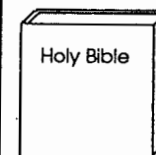
We have some of the greatest young people that I know of anywhere here at Bybee Branch. Sure, they are not perfect, but they are responsive. They support one another in times of sorrow. I have often wanted to note to the congregation that any time a close relative to one of our young people dies, the others are there to offer their support and concern. Let us be sure that we encourage those who are doing so well!

Tony--



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible



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First Prayer	Danny Duncan
Reading	Jim Slatton
Scripture	II Corinthians 6:14-18
Lord's Table	*Rodney Reynolds
	*Thurman Bennett
	Corey Nunley
	Houston Thaxton
	Britts Bost
	Mark Lawrence
	Chip Cantrell
	Greg Pennington
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bob Mayfield

<b>SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP</b>	
Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Larry Vinson
Reading	Scott Griffith
Scripture	Genesis 6:8-10
Lord's Table	*Steve Boyd
	Greg Allen
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Tommy Crouch

<b>WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY</b>	
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First Prayer	W.C. Chilton
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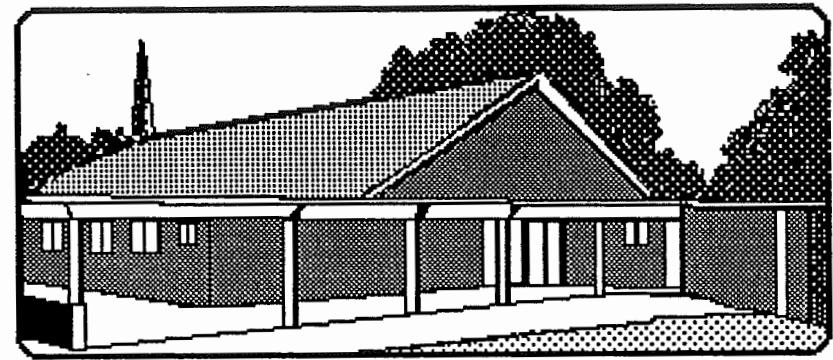
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<b>Nursery Attendant:</b> June Slatton	
<b>Pantry Item:</b> Canned Goods	
<b>RECORD FOR THE WEEK...</b>	
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Bible Study	278
P.M. Worship	253
Wednesday Bible Study	213
Contribution	\$3,186

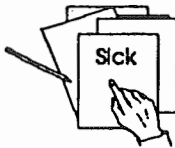
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George Fitts (husband of our Ruby Fitts)  
Mary Southern

## Boarding Home:

Mr. & Mrs. James G. Cantrell have been moved to the boarding home across from the church building.

# Gospel Meeting

The Central church of Christ will be having a Gospel Meeting on August 21-26 with Jack Gray. Services will be at 7:00 p.m. each evening.

# Sympathy

We want to express sympathy to the family of Billy Bursell (father of our Stella Duncan) who passed away last Saturday morning in Michigan.

# Bridal Tea

On Sunday afternoon, August 21st, from 2:00-3:30 there will be a bridal tea in honor of Rodney and Jennifer Maynard in the fellowship room at church. They were married July 16th.

## A Psalm Of Summer

"Now it came to pass that spring turned to summer again. God's people raised their voices and said: 'Recreation is my shepherd, I shall not stay at home; He maketh me to lie down in a sleeping bag; He leadeth me down the interstate each weekend. He restoreth my suntan; He leadeth me to state parks for comfort's sake. Even though I stray on the Lord's Day, I will fear no reprimand, for Thou art with me; my rod and reel they will comfort me. I anointest my skin with oil, my gas tank runneth dry; Surely my trailer shall follow me all the weekends this summer, and I shall return to the House of the Lord this fall.'

But then it is hunting season and that's another psalm."  
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# The Backslider's Calendar!

**JANUARY:** I hereby resolve to start attending worship regularly. I've gotta get over the holidays first, though.

**FEBRUARY:** Weather is terrible. I'll start when it gets a bit warmer. My blood is too thin this time of year.

**MARCH:** Lots of sickness just now. Got to stay in bed and keep away from those "bugs."

**APRIL:** Big crowds—Easter. They won't miss me.

**MAY:** I've been holed up all winter and now that the weathers is getting better it's time for us to have reunions.

**JUNE:** I'll wait until the baby is older. How on earth do some folks take their babies out when they are just a few weeks old and never miss a service?

**JULY:** Boy! That he is terrific! That air-conditioning in the church building always gives me a chill. Anyway, we've got the cabin and boat for Sundays.

**AUGUST:** Preacher is on vacation. He will never know I've missed. I've never liked guest preachers anyway. When the preacher gets back...

**SEPTEMBER:** School has started. Vacation threw me behind in my work. Got to make one last visit to relatives before the snow flies.

**OCTOBER:** Leaves are beautiful this time of year. I can worship God outdoors anyway. Kids will be cooped up all winter.

**NOVEMBER:** Getting colder. Can't stand the warm church building with so many people. I'll start back after Thanksgiving.

**DECEMBER:** Christmas! I don't have time for church now. Roads are dangerous. Anyway, next month is January, and I'll resolve to...

**Don't let this happen to you!!!**

--via The Exhorter from Alexandria, Louisiana



Tony Lawrence



Holy Bible



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Lemmie Bratten
Reading	Joe Collins
Scripture	John 4:24
Lord's Table	*Billy Gilbert
	*Don Shuster
	J.B. Gribble
	Joe Maynard
	Ed Griffin
	Eugene Wilcher
	Sidney Groves
	Harley Northcutt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Bill Haston

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Dale Bennett
Reading	Dwight Davis
Scripture	James 2:23
Lord's Table	*Dwaine Johnston
	Ward Golden
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	David Christian

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements	Dwaine Johnston
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Leonard Clemons
Reading	Darron Shuster
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	John R. Porter

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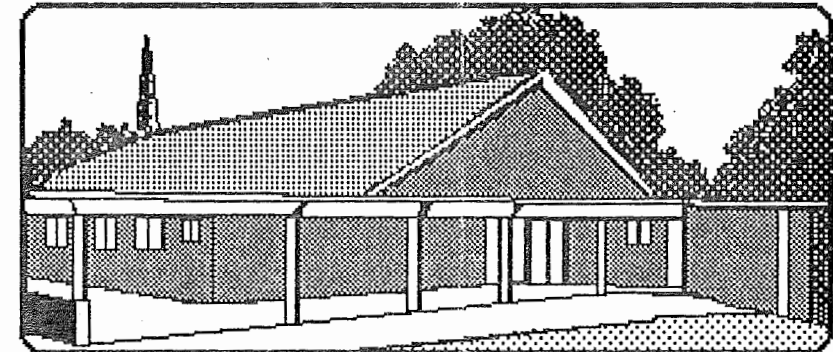
*Pantry Item:* Tuna Fish

**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**

A.M. Worship	-----334
Bible Study	-----284
P.M. Worship	-----245
Wednesday Bible Study	-----236
Contribution	-----\$3,408

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Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	



## Sick and Shut-ins

At Home:

Joe Maxwell  
Fred Biles  
Clarence Kirby  
George Fitts (husband of our Ruby Fitts)  
Mary Southern

At Riverpark: Elsie Fisher-she suffered a stroke.

## Baptized

We rejoice to announce that Bernice Fults was baptized into Christ on Monday morning.

## House Burnout

The home of sister Emma Jean Hice (daughter of our Clyde Christian and former member at Bybee Branch) burned last Friday night. She is in need of clothes and other items. If you can help, see Ken Martin or Clyde Christian.

## Class Promotion

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## Sympathy

We want to express sympathy to the family of Willie Slatton (mother of our Jim Slatton) whose funeral was this past Sunday. She was a member of the Dibrell church of Christ.



## What A Horrible Dream!

I dreamed that the Lord took my weekly contribution to the church, multiplied it by ten, and turned this amount into my weekly income. In no time I lost all my furniture, and had to give up my automobile. Why, I couldn't even make a house payment. What can a person do on \$10.00 a week? Suppose the Lord took your offering and multiplied it by ten and made that your weekly income. How much would you earn?



## Some More Thoughts On 'The Last Temptation of Christ'

There is no doubt but the sermon of August 14, "If Jesus Were Not Deity," touched a responsive chord of those within the congregation. Those who had already heard of the movie in the news media were appreciative that the subject was being dealt with. Those who were unaware of the sickening script of the movie were shocked by the level of blasphemy that the movie reached. The movie is nothing more than an attack on the divine nature of our Lord! And, it is a shame but its promoters will likely profit from its controversial nature.

After a second thought, however, I have decided that in effect the movie might be good for us. Do I approve of it, NO! Might it bring good, YES! How could this be? It has been a long time since I have seen so many Christians outraged enough to speak out on anything! The doctrinal whims of almost everything seems to be tolerated in these days. Yet, this movie has caused even some of the most passive of Christians to get upset. It has mobilized more people to action than a 1000 preachers ever could. For that I am thankful! It was a persecution of the church in Acts 8 which caused the church to spread the gospel throughout the world. *"And there arose on that day a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judeaea and Samaria, except the apostles...They therefore that were scattered abroad went about preaching the word."* (Acts 8:1,4). The church was moved by persecution. It is possible that it will require a persecution before we will get moving again.

Someone might say, well if you say that the movie might bring good, then you are somehow justifying them in their action. Not at all! Paul dealt with this very question in Romans 3:5,6 *"But if our unrighteousness commendeth the righteousness of God, what shall we say? Is God unrighteous who visiteth with wrath (I speak after the manner of men.) God forbid: for then how shall God judge the world?"* Paul was saying that even our wickedness sometimes brings about good results. Yet, we cannot plead that we are righteous, because we serve before a just God who will judge all of the world with righteousness.

How do I feel about the "Last Temptation Of Christ"? I am appalled by the slander of our Lord. I know that the producers and all involved will have to give an account for this in the day of judgement. However, I want to take advantage of the opportunity to get greater involvement by the saints. Will I go to see the movie? NO!!! Preview it, maybe? NO!!! I want the producers of this movie to lose so much money that they will never think about doing it again. And, after all, that is the only language they know.

Tony Lawrence



Tony Lawrence



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Larry Vinson
First Prayer	Thurman Bennett
Reading	Dwayne Christian
Scripture	I Peter 1:10-12
Lord's Table	*Dale Bennett
	*Greg Allen
	Eddie Hennessee
	Carlton Davis
	Rodney Maynard
	Edgar Webb
	Kurt Maynard
	Tommy Crouch
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Cecil Cantrell

**Communion Rest Homes:**  
Jeff Bond & Ronnie Rogers

**Ushers:**  
Bob Cantrell & John Stenbridge

**Nursery Attendant:** Julie Allen

**Pantry Item:** Canned Goods

**RECORD FOR THE WEEK...**

A.M. Worship	322
Bible Study	291
P.M. Worship	243
Wednesday Bible Study	225
Contribution	\$3,532

**SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP**

Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Everett Green
Scripture	Gens 25:19-26
Lord's Table	*Clyde Christian
	Buell Warren
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	J.C. Case

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Announcements	Dale Bennett
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Bob Bonner
Reading	Joe T. Cantrell
Invitation	Don Shuster
Dismiss	Jason Smith

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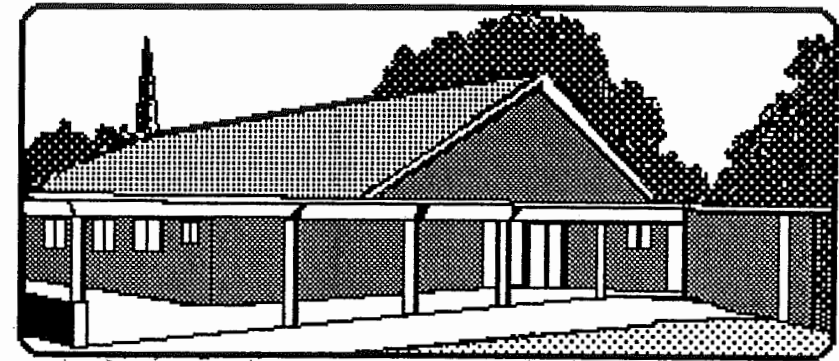
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Dwight Davis  
Stanley Graves  
Don Griffith  
Dwayne Johnston  
Ken Martin  
Jim Slatton



## Sick and Shut-ins

In The Hospital:

Elsie Fisher (Riverpark #10) She had a stroke last week.

At Home:

Essie Medley  
Clarence Kirby

We also want to remember the large number of our shut-ins who are not able to come out and worship with us. We will soon try to publish a list of those shut-ins.

## Class Promotion

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## Extension Class At West Riverside

Beginning September 15, there will be an extension class of Tennessee Bible College taught at the West Riverside church of Christ on the books of James and Philemon. The teacher for the class is Thomas Eaves. There are applications on the bulletin board. This would be a great opportunity for you to improve your knowledge of the Bible. It is asked that if you are interested that you send in your application as soon as possible.

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## Boston/Crossroads Type Churches Come To Middle Tennessee

For many of you the above title may mean very little. There may be a question in your mind, just what are "Boston/Crossroads" churches. They are congregations of the Lord's people who have gone astray. They use methods of evangelism which involve coercion and mind control. Places where they have been families have been split, and friendships broken. They have perverted the Lord's plan for church organization as well. The Boston church has placed itself as the "mother church" with certain other planted churches being referred to as "pillar churches." And, all of this ungodly heresy has come to middle Tennessee.

According to the Nashville Banner (August 29, 1988), on the front page, the church started with 576 worshipers and gave a contribution of \$58,678. They will be known as the Central Nashville Church of Christ and meet in the Tennessee Performing Arts Center. To some this may appear as a harmless, perverted group of people which will have little impact. I would like for you to consider some very important implications regarding this new group:

(1) Souls will be lost! The Bible clearly teaches that to teach a perverted gospel will condemn its messengers (Gal. 1:6-9), but those who obey a perverted gospel stand condemned as well (Matt. 23:15). These people are preaching a perverted doctrine!

(2) People will associate us with those who are using these unscriptural methods. In cities where these "Boston/Crossroad" type churches have flourished, people have picketed the church buildings as cults. We cannot help but be associated with them when they call themselves by the same name. When we go to people's homes and talk with them about the gospel, many will immediately be wary of us because of the association of us with the cult like group. This can only get worse as the group in Nashville makes headlines.

(3) People will be influenced by the "success rate" of the group and be attracted to their unscriptural methods. There is always the tendency to look at the success or others and say, "they must be doing something right, their growing." The pragmatic philosophy is not right! If we get where we follow anything just because it works, we will bow to the whims of every wind of doctrine. Seriously, no one who really thinks about it would ever want to suggest that we follow the methods of some **just because it "works."**

We must oppose this group and let others know that we have no fellowship with them. They may have went out from us, but they are not of us (I Jn. 2:19). They are different, and we must let it be known!

Tony



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible

News & Notes





*Sunday Morning Worship*

Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Bill Biles
Reading	Ken Martin
Scripture	Philippians 4:3
Lord's Table	*Larry Vinson
	*Ronnie Rogers
	John Stembridge
	Bob Cantrell
	Danny Duncan
	Robert Bumbalough
	Ralph Crouch
	Lemmie Bratten
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	W.C. Chilton

*Sunday Evening Worship*

Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Rodney Reynolds
Reading	Richard Black
Scripture	Genesis 37:1-4
Lord's Table	*Terry Franks
	Bill Haston
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Lee Flatt

*Wednesday Bible Study*

Announcements	Dale Bennett
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Winfrey Hennessee
Reading	Mark Lawrence
Invitation	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Corey Nunley

*Welcome Committee*

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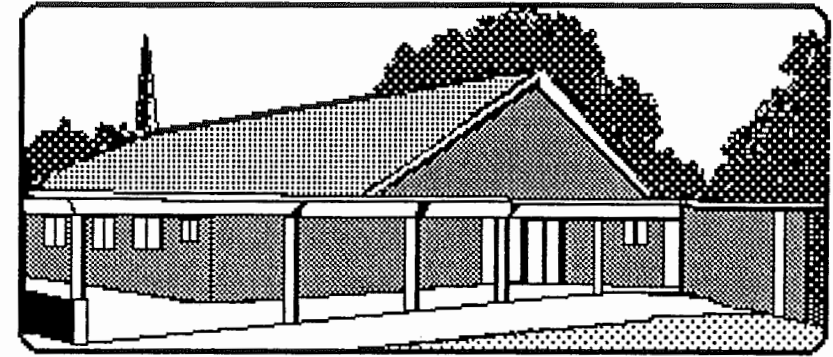
*Pantry Item:* Spam

*Record For The Week...*

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Bible Study .....	271
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Wednesday Bible Study .....	206
Contribution .....	\$3,620

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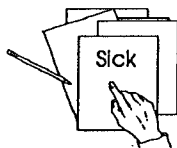
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Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	





## Sick AND SHUT-INS

In The Hospital:

Elsie Fisher (Riverpark #10) She is improving.  
Lucille Brock

At Home:

Bill Biles  
Catherine Flatt

## THANK YOU

Brother Robert "Doc" Mullican would like to express his thanks to all of the members of Bybee Branch for the things which they have done for him over the past few months.

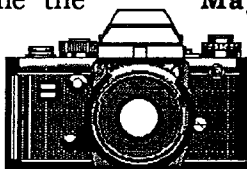
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News & Notes

## STARTING FOUR YEARS

It seems almost impossible that we have been here for three full years and are starting the fourth. However, as with many things, time flies. We have truly enjoyed the past three years and look forward to the coming ones.

Next Sunday's lesson will be on "*Congregational Cooperation*." It will be a practical lesson on how we all can better work to improve the congregation, and ourselves as we work to make this a better congregation. Those who work together in a congregation are much like a husband-wife team. After a while the spark fades, but if each will work hard to do his part, the marriage/work will grow stronger and fuller. We each have a role to play in the growth and strength of the congregation. Let us each resolve to do our part!

## RESPONSES:

We rejoice that two precious souls responded Sunday. Joe Collins confessed faults and Lucille Bilbrey was restored.

## A WORD ABOUT GAMBLING...

This next week the big news of the town and county will be the Warren County Fair. Many of us will go and enjoy the exhibits, entertainment, rides, and food. It is a good time for families to enjoy and outing together. However, like every year, there will be booths set up on the "midway" for the enticement of gambling. Webster defines gambling as: "*to play a game for money or other stakes... to bet on an uncertain outcome... to stake something on a doubtful event.*"

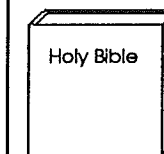
While there will be a temptation to go and try to "win an animal." It is wrong. God forbids us gambling whether it be on the "black jack" tables of Las Vegas, or the "midway" in McMinnville. The error is not in where or how much, but in the principles involved. Solomon was quite explicit about **how** a man should acquire his substance. He should get it by diligent **labor** and not by stealing, oppression, begging, or other unrighteous means. In fact, Solomon teaches that the wise man will work for what he gets, then he will carefully guard and protect that which he has gotten. (cf. Prov. 13:7; 12:10-12; 15:27; et. al.). Gambling involves illicit desire for which we want to get. If we need (or even want) what they have to offer, then why gamble for it? Just go buy it.

Next week, when you pass by some of the hustlers who want you to gamble your money with them, why not just say, "I don't gamble, its wrong." If enough said so, maybe they would get the message!



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcement	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Bob Mayfield
Reading	Chip Cantrell
Scripture	I Peter 5:8-11
Lord's Table	*Jim Slatton
	*Richard Black
	Barry Hendrixson
	Larry Powers
	Britts Bost
	Don Johnson
	Matthew Lewis
	Darron Shuster
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Kelly Thaxton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Stanley Graves
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Larry Vinson
Reading	Bill Womack
Scripture	Numbers 12:3
Lord's Table	*Ken Lee
	Carlton Davis
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Dwight Davis

Wednesday Bible Study

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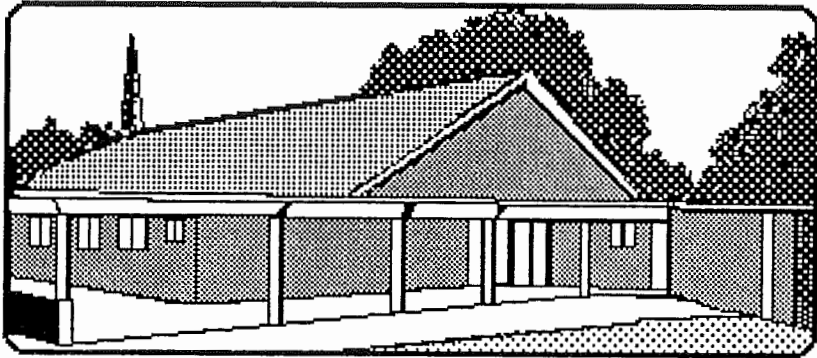
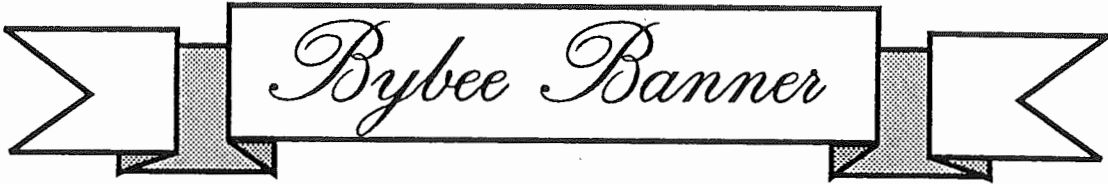
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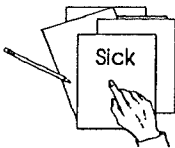
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Bill Biles  
Elsie Fisher (returned to Woodbury Nursing Home)

## RESPONSES

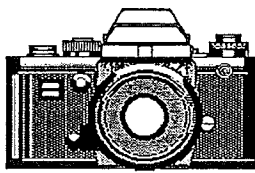
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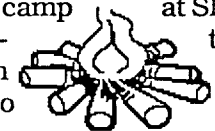
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## SHORT MOUNTAIN FAMILY RETREAT

Each year we take a Friday and Saturday in September and enjoy a week at the beautiful mountain top camp at Short Mountain. This year we have the retreat scheduled for September 30-October 1. It is always a joy to get to enjoy the fun and fellowship of fellow Christians there. Why not try to plan to be with us this year?



## LADIES DAY AT CENTRAL

The Central church of Christ will be having their Twelfth Annual Ladies Day this coming Saturday at 10:30 a.m. LaRue Moss of Nashville will be the speaker for the program and a basket lunch will follow.

## FIRM FOUNDATION LECTURESHIP

We are privileged to have the Firm Foundation Lectureship held here in Middle Tennessee this year. It will be September 21-25 at the Bellwood church of Christ in Murfreesboro. A detailed schedule is on the bulletin board.



News & Notes

# Our Gospel Meeting Is Only Four Weeks Away

This year we are looking forward to have brother Glann Lee from Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. He just happens to be the brother of our Ken Lee. Brother Lee is a sound Gospel preacher who has been preaching since 1950. He has written for several of the brotherhood papers and has spoken on several lectureships, in addition to holding several meetings. He is presently serving as the preacher of the Gardens church of Christ in Palm Beach where he also serves as one of the Elders.

The Elders have asked that brother Lee speak on the home Sunday through Tuesday evening, and on "Baptism" on Wednesday evening. We all need to make a concerted effort to get as many as possible to be present at this meeting. More details will be given in the coming weeks.

## Off To COLLEGE...

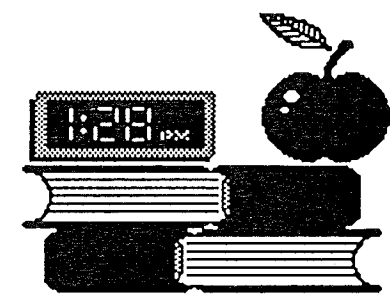


We have several of our young people who will be leaving us for college (or have already left):

To Tennessee Tech:  
Brian Cantrell  
Missy Lee  
Larry Powers

To Motlow:  
Chip Cantrell  
Barry Hendrixson

To Freed-Hardeman:  
Sharla Chilton



Mission News...

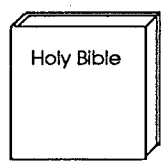
## Short Mountain Bible Camp

Most of you know that Bybee Branch helps each year to provide a counselor at Short Mountain Bible Camp. Darron Shuster has filled this role for the past few years marvelously. You might be interested to know that this past summer, the average was 95 campers per week. Thirty precious souls were baptized into Christ at Short Mountain. This is certainly one of the most productive works we have been involved in.



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcement

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Stanley Graves

Larry Vinson

Bill Biles

Harold Cook

Job 21:7

\*Joe Collins

\*Leonard Clemons

Buell Warren

Cecil Cantrell

Dwayne Christian

Edgar Webb

Eugene Wilcher

Jeff Bond

Tony Lawrence

Jim Slatton

Sermon

Dismiss

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Stanley Graves

Tully Franks

Dale Bennett

Terry Franks

Joshua 1:6-8

\*Joe T. Cantrell

Ward Golden

Tony Lawrence

David Christian

Sermon

Dismiss

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Invitation

Dismiss

Dale Bennett

Jason Smith

Greg Allen

Larry Vinson

Tony Lawrence

W.C. Chilton

Welcome Committee

A.M. Dwight Davis Family

P.M. Jim Slatton Family

Bus Driver: Dennis Gann

Communion Rest Homes:

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Ushers:

Winfrey Hennessee & Robert Bumbalough

Nursery Attendant: Hazel Bennett

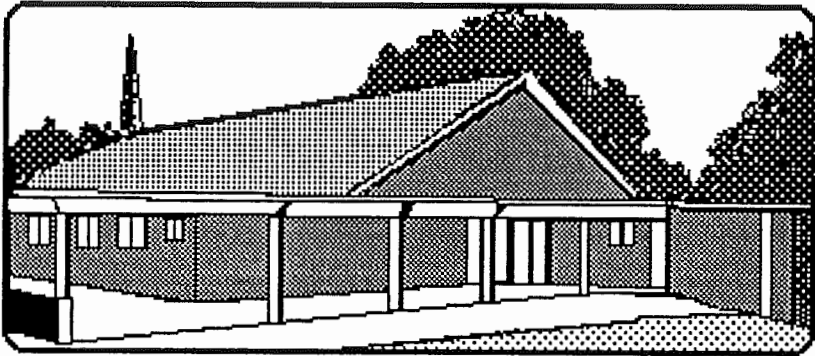
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Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship .....	329
Bible Study .....	265
P.M. Worship .....	231
Wednesday Bible Study .....	219
Contribution .....	\$3,276

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Radio Program

Sunday	WAKI 8:00 a.m.
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Everett Green	Don Griffith
Douglas Hendrixson	Dwaine Johnston
Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	

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## Sick AND SHUT-INS

At Home:

Mary Southern  
Beatrice Rigby

In the Hospital:

Bob Bonner (the father of our Bob Bonner) in Niles, Michigan.

## UPCOMING EVENTS...

Firm Foundation Lectureship, September 21-25, conducted at the Bellwood church of Christ in Murfreesboro.

Gospel Meeting at Centertown church of Christ, September 25-30, with A.L. Altizer preaching, services at 7:00 p.m.

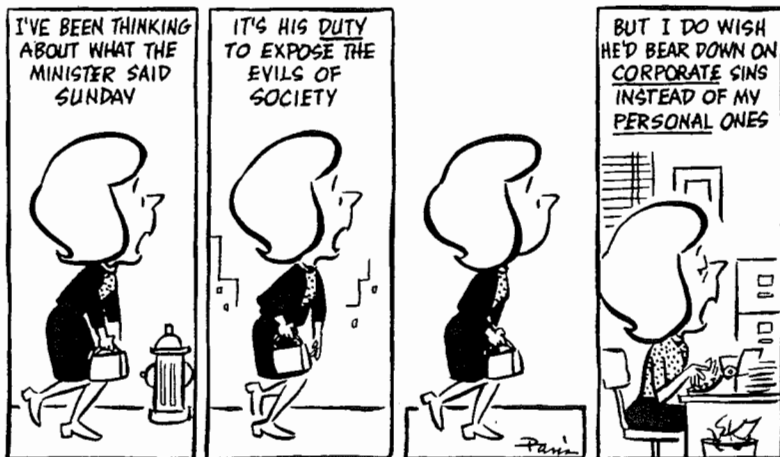
Gospel Meeting at Jericho church of Christ, September 23-25, with Freddie Clayton preaching, services at 7:30 p.m.

"Facing The Issues" Lectureship at Hartsville Pike church of Christ, October 7-9.

Short Mountain Retreat, for all ages, September 30-October 1.

Church Directory Pictures, October 6-10, here at the church building. See Mary Davis for details.

Gospel Meeting at Bybee Branch, October 16-19, Glann Lee preaching.



## What Is More Important, Truth Or Attitude?

Attitudes are very important, they will ultimately manifest themselves in our behavior. The wise Solomon said long ago, "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he." (Prov. 23:7). It was our Lord who said that "out of the heart come forth evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witnesses, railings." (Matt. 15:9). Whatever attitude we have, it will soon come out in the way we act. If we hate someone we will, sooner or later, mistreat that person in some way. For this and other reasons there are many people today who feel that the greatest sins are those of attitude. And, often these people teach that if they had to make a choice, they would rather have the "right attitude" than to be "correct" in everything they teach. In other words, to them attitude is more important than truth.

It would be interesting and even enlightening to see if the Bible addresses this subject. When Paul was imprisoned in Rome, he faced numerous trials. One of the trials was that there were people who were jealous of Paul. As a result of their jealousy, they preached Christ of "envy and strife." (Phil. 1:15). They want to cause problems for Paul. No one can doubt that their attitude was wrong. They sinned! However, it is surprising to note what he said about it: "What then? only that in every way, whether in pretence or in truth, Christ is proclaimed; and therein I rejoice, yea, and will rejoice." (Phil. 1:18). To the Apostle, even though the attitude was wrong, he was glad that the truth was being preached. On the other hand, Paul had no tolerance for those who preached error. Read what he said about Hymenaeus and Alexander (I Tim. 1:20), then about Hymenaeus and Philetus (II Tim. 2:17,18). Timothy was to "Hold the pattern of sound words." (II Tim. 1:13). Or, to put it in simple words, Paul placed greater emphasis on Truth, rather than attitude.

The question must be asked, "Why?" The Truth saves (Jas. 1:21), attitudes don't! What does this mean for us? Though the preacher and/or teacher exhibits an attitude which appears bad or is bad, we must do what is true and right regardless. And, all of the "love" in the world, if not properly directed, will not save a soul.

Is it the intent of this article to defend those who do things through a bad attitude? Not at all. If they do not repent of it, they will be lost. And it certainly is possible for one to be lost after preaching to others (cf. I Cor. 9:27). What we are saying is essentially what Jesus said in Matthew 23:3 "all things therefore whatsoever they bid you, these do and observe: but do not ye after their works; for they say, and do not."



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible



News & Notes



Sunday Morning Worship

Announcement	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Billy Gilbert
Reading	Tommy Crouch
Scripture	Titus 2:1,15
Lord's Table	*Lemmie Bratten
	*Don Griffith
	Don Johnson
	Harley Northcutt
	Carlton Davis
	Eddie Hennessee
	Ed Griffin
	Otis Morgan
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Clyde Christian

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Dwaine Johnston
Reading	Ken Martin
Scripture	Judges 6:12-14
Lord's Table	*Doug Hendrixson
	Terry Franks
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Everett Green

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements	Richard Black
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Steve Boyd
Reading	Dwight Davis
Invitation	Bob Bonner
Dismiss	Ronnie Rogers

Welcome Committee

A.M.	Lee Flatt Family
P.M.	Stella Duncan, Hilda Jones, & Ruth Foster

Bus Driver: Bill Haston

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Ushers:

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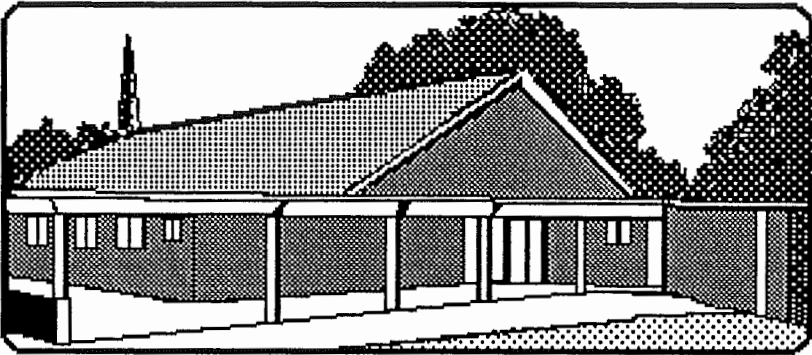
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Record For The Week...

A.M. Worship .....	345
Bible Study .....	272
P.M. Worship .....	235
Wednesday Bible Study .....	215
Contribution .....	\$3,023

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Radio Program

Sunday	WAKI 8:00 a.m.
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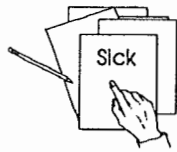
Evangelist

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	

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## Sick AND SHUT-INS

At Home:

Eugene Jones  
Mary Martin  
Essie Medley  
Gracie Nunley

## Upcoming Events...

**Short Mountain Retreat**, for all ages, September 30-October 1.  
Bring your favorite dessert along...

"Facing The Issues" Lectureship at Hartsville Pike church of Christ, October 7-9.

Church Directory Pictures, October 6-10, here at the church building. See Mary Davis for details.

October 16-19

Services at

9:00, 10:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m. Sunday

7:00 p.m. Monday-Wednesday



Glenn M. Lee

CHURCH OF CHRIST AT BYBEE BRANCH

# Gospel Meeting

# Steadfast In Times Of Difficulty

William Woodson

There is always significance in the careful study of Bible verses, but some take on added power in view of the circumstances present at a certain time and place. The words of Paul, "*Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable...*" (I Corinthians 15:58), seem particularly to be of such power and relevance today.

There are circumstances which tend to disturb even frighten brethren as the swirling events around us are observed. The rising tide of drug abuse, the dramatic increase in violent crimes, the erosion of moral values, etc., stir our concern. Within the body of Christ, in this country, there is a disturbing trend toward compromise on instrumental music and fellowship with those who have divided the church with additions to the teaching of God; there is a strong evangelistic movement centered in a northeastern city which would install evangelistic oversight, pillar churches, and authoritative rule by a newborn hierarchy. These trends and others, which not of immediate threat, are still present and troubling. What is to be done by the workers of God in a given locale? Some insights may be drawn from this verse which is so well known:

1. There must be steadfast loyalty to the Bible as God's word, known and applied as the only standard of guidance for the church. This may seem trite, but it is ever needed and relevant.
2. There must be a willingness to stand for purity in the life, doctrine and practice of God's people. There is no doubt of the presence of denominational doctrine, of teaching which is less than or more than the truth in Scripture; those who love truth must renew their determination to speak the truth in love.
3. There must be a resolve to worship and serve in the church as the Lord has directed. Elders, deacons, members, teachers and preachers need to conscientiously reaffirm this determination; the church should resolve that this will be uppermost in its life.
4. There must be a dedication to the conversion of the lost to the way of Christ. This means evangelism, support, and related activities will be a part of each Christian life.
5. There must be an unshakeable allegiance to and trust in God and His Son. The destiny of God's people is in His hand; our task is to be steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in His work.



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible



News & Notes

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Larry Vinson  
Leonard Clemons  
Danny Duncan  
Larry Flatt  
I Samuel 17:32-37  
\*Rodney Reynolds  
\*Ken Lee  
J.B.Gribble  
Dwight Davis  
John Stembridge  
Ward Golden  
Joe Maynard  
Ralph Crouch  
Tony Lawrence  
J.C. Case

Sermon  
Dismiss

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Larry Vinson  
Tully Franks  
Ronnie Rogers  
Bill Womack  
I Samuel 1:19-22  
\*Stanley Graves  
Kelly Thaxton  
Tony Lawrence  
John R. Porter

Sermon  
Dismiss

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Invitation  
Dismiss

Richard Black  
Jason Smith  
Greg Allen  
Barry Hendrixson  
Tony Lawrence  
Chip Cantrell

Welcome Committee

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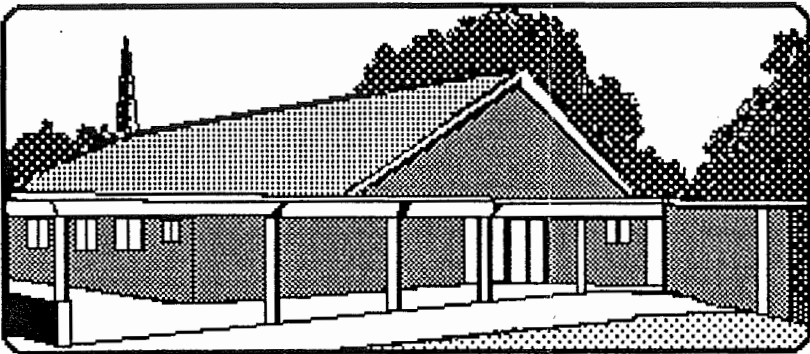
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Record For The Week...

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Bible Study .....	287
P.M. Worship .....	243
Wednesday Bible Study .....	224
Contribution .....	\$3,752

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Radio Program

Sunday	WAKI 8:00 a.m.
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Douglas Hendrixson	Dwaine Johnston
Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	

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## SICK AND SHUT-INS

At Home:

Essie Medley

In the Hospital:

Beatrice Rigsby-St. Thomas/Nashville  
Aggie Belle Miller-Riverpark

## UPCOMING EVENTS...

"Facing The Issues" Lectureship at Hartsville Pike church of Christ, October 7-9.

Church Directory Pictures, October 6-12, here at the church building. See Mary Davis if you do not have an appointment yet.

Gospel Meeting, Mt. Leo church of Christ, October 9-11, with Thomas Eaves preaching, with services at 7:00. At 2:00 p.m. on Sunday there will be a Drug Awareness program.

## WELCOME, WELCOME, WELCOME!

It was wonderful last Sunday to welcome several to membership at Bybee Branch. The Frank Reynolds family (Frank, Sharon, Joey & Beth), the Lee Cantrell family (Lee, Ann, Matt, & Alan), and Janet Smithson.

## BIRTHDAY HONOR...

J.R. "Peanut" Cantrell will be 91 this month! His family will be giving him a reception in honor of his 91st birthday on Sunday, October 9, at 2-4 p.m. here at the Bybee Branch church building. All are invited to come. The family has requested no gifts, please.

## L.A.C.E. NEW MEMBERS DAY...

The Ladies Association for Christian Education will be hosting their new member reception next Sunday, October 9, at 2-4 p.m. at Boyd Christian School. Margie Smith from Huntsville, Alabama will be the guest speaker.

## GOSPEL MEETING AT BYBEE BRANCH...

*It is very important that we keep in mind our Gospel Meeting which begins Sunday, October 16-19. Brother Glann Lee from Palm Beach Gardens, Florida will be preaching. Lessons on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday will all be on the Home. Services will be at 7:00 p.m. Monday thru Wednesday and at our regular times on Sunday. Invite your family and friends!*



## Can You Recommend Your Religion?

Many times we talk with our friends and neighbors regarding specific products which we are "sold" on. We prefer this kind of shampoo, that kind of automobile, and we want others to make the same choice we have because we feel that the product is superior than others in the same category. I personally have found myself wanting to recommend my type of computer because of the benefits which I believe that it has over its competitors. Along these lines, I would like to ask, "Can you recommend your religion?" Do you feel that you have the best, yea the "only." If not, then perhaps a closer look would help.

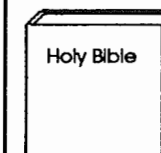
When Paul argued his case before King Agrippa he said, "I would to God, that whether with little or with much, not thou only, but also all that hear me this day, might become such as I am, except these bonds." (Acts 26:29) He wanted Festus, King Agrippa, and anyone else who heard his message to be obedient to the Lord, just like he had been. He felt that he could recommend his religion! He had no doubt but that his investment into the Lord's service was a worthy one and would pay off. He told Timothy, "For which cause I suffer also these things: yet I am not ashamed; for I know him whom I have believed, and I am persuaded that he is able to guard that which I have committed unto him against that day." (II Tim. 1:12). He "trusted the product," "knew its value" to himself and others, and was ready to recommend it to others.

Why would a person not recommend their religion? Perhaps they feel that they are not doctrinally correct. They may feel that their faith is unfounded. It just may be that they feel that they do not have the "best" of the options. In material matters, though one automobile may actually be better than another, to choose an inferior car will not be earth-shaking. If one has a preference for one type of computer over another, to choose another is not a catastrophe. However, in religion we either have it right or we don't. Choosing a religion is not in the same category as choosing a brand of shirt. We must be certain that we have the "right" one. We must look at the matter from the perspective of who offers the product (God or some man), who has the best product support (eternal or temporal), and does it live up to its advertisement? Then, when we become convinced that we have the right product/religion, then we will be glad to recommend it to our friends and neighbors.

Why not start now to speak with your friends and neighbors and invite them to "come and see." Ask them to come and see Christians worshipping God together each Lord's day. Tell them of the values and promises of being just a Christian. Can you recommend your religion? If not, why not? T.L.



Tony Lawrence



Holy Bible

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Larry Vinson

Leonard Clemons

Lemmie Bratten

W.C. Chilton

Proverbs 18:22

\*Thurman Bennett

\*Dale Bennett

Lee Flatt

Larry Flatt

Don Shuster

Darron Shuster

Terry Franks

Tully Franks

Glann Lee

Harold Cook

Sermon

Dismiss

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Larry Vinson

Leonard Clemons

Bob Bonner

Ronnie Rogers

Matthew 19:3-9

\*Joe T. Cantrell

Chip Cantrell

Glann Lee

Jason Smith

Sermon

Dismiss

Wednesday Bible Study

GOSPEL MEETING

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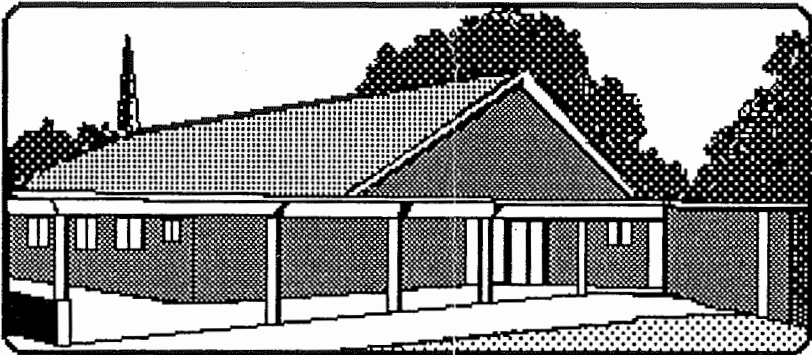
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P.M. Worship .....	243
Wednesday Bible Study .....	212
Contribution .....	\$2,881

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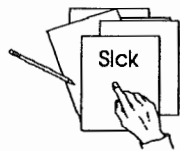
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Bible Study	10:15 a.m.	Lee Flatt	668-4690
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.	Rodney Reynolds	473-3570
<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>Evangelist</b>	
Ladies Bible Class	10:00 a.m.	Tony Lawrence	473-8079
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.	<b>Deacons</b>	
<b>Radio Program</b>		Bob Bonner	Leonard Clemons
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	W.C. Chilton	Dwight Davis
Church Phone		Dennis Gann	Stanley Graves
		Everett Green	Don Griffith
		Douglas Hendrixson	Dwaine Johnston
		Ken Lee	Ken Martin
		Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
		Larry Vinson	
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## SICK AND SHUT-INS

At Home:

Essie Medley  
Beatrice Rigsby  
Aggie Belle Miller  
Veta Campbell (daughter of Wyona Neal)  
David McColloch

In the Hospital:

Ruth Foster-St. Thomas (after a light stroke).

## UPCOMING EVENTS...

Fall Festival, October 29, details will follow.

## RESPONSES...

Last Wednesday evening Greg Pennington came forward to confess faults. Sunday evening, Andrew Collins was baptized into Christ. It is wonderful to have so many good young people at our congregation!

## WE WELCOME MORE...

The Jeff Flatt family (Jeff, Mary, and Jennifer) placed their membership with us this past Sunday evening. We welcome them into the family of God which meets that Bybee Branch.

## THANK YOU

The family of brother "Peanut" Cantrell want to thank everyone who came out last Sunday afternoon to help him celebrate his 91st birthday.

### USHERS FOR MEETING

Sunday:	Billy Gilbert Eddie Hennessee	Tuesday:	Bob Cantrell Bill Womack
Monday:	Winfrey Hennessee John Stembridge	Wednesday:	Ken Lee Bill Biles

## A Message From Glann M. Lee To Each Member At Bybee Branch

My wife and I are really looking forward to being with the Bybee Branch church for the special series of lessons Sunday through Wednesday (October 16-19). With the exception of one lesson, all lessons will be on some aspect of the home.

America is in trouble! Congregations are in trouble! Homes are in trouble!

### AMERICA IS IN TROUBLE

No accountable person denies that America is in trouble. Moral decadence is everywhere observable. Dishonesty, lying, stealing, killing, drugs (of which alcoholic beverage is the most abused), sexual promiscuity, etc., are everywhere about us.

### CONGREGATIONS ARE IN TROUBLE

Congregations are troubled by unsound doctrinal preaching, divisive philosophies, destructive practices, and damnable precepts.

The verbal inspiration of the Scriptures and the verities of truth are being questioned. Strange things (to the Bible) are being taught, believed, and followed. Jesus taught that only the truth makes free (John 8:32).

### HOMES ARE IN TROUBLE

Homes are being divided and destroyed by domestic conflict, deprivation (by one or both partners), desertion, deviation, and divorce.

### "RIGHTEOUSNESS EXALTETH A NATION"

The Bible declares that "righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." (Prov. 14:34).

The lessons presented on the home during this special series of lessons are intended to help have stronger homes and stronger hearts. Stronger homes produce stronger congregations. Stronger congregations produce a stronger America.

Plan to hear everyone of these lessons. Invite and encourage your friends to attend. Pray for this successful spiritual effort. Together we can build a stronger America through stronger congregations and stronger homes.

A home as God would have it is the closest thing on earth to heaven.



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Joe Collins
First Prayer	Bill Haston
Reading	Richard Black
Scripture	Matthew 28:18-20
Lord's Table	*Tommy Crouch
	*Jim Slatton
	David McColloch
	Don Johnson
	Rodney Maynard
	Eugene Wilcher
	Bob Cantrell
	Harley Northcutt
Sermon	Tony Lawrence
Dismiss	Jeff Bond

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Larry Vinson
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Don Griffith
Reading	Steve Wilcher
Scripture	I Samuel 9:1-2
Lord's Table	*Clyde Christian
	Carlton Davis
	Tony Lawrence
	Buell Warren
Sermon	
Dismiss	

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Richard Black
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Steve Boyd
Reading	Everett Green
Invitation	Thurman Bennett
Dismiss	John Biddle

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.	Everett & Mildred Green
P.M.	J.B. & Christine Gribble

**Bus Driver:** Leonard Clemons

**Communion Rest Homes:**

W.C. Chilton & Lemmie Bratten

**Ushers:**

Winfrey Hennessee & Robert Bumbalough

**Nursery Attendant:** Nona Martin

**Pantry Item:** Canned Goods

**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship .....	387
Bible Study .....	290
P.M. Worship .....	274
Wednesday Bible Study .....	232
Contribution .....	\$3,723

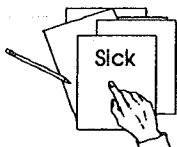
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**CHURCH OF CHRIST AT BYBEE BRANCH**

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Bible Study	10:15 a.m.	Lee Flatt	668-4690
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.	Rodney Reynolds	473-3570
<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>Evangelist</b>	
Ladies Bible Class	10:00 a.m.	Tony Lawrence	473-8079
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.		
<b>Radio Program</b>		<b>Deacons</b>	
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Bob Bonner	Leonard Clemons
		W.C. Chilton	Dwight Davis
		Dennis Gann	Stanley Graves
		Everett Green	Don Griffith
		Douglas Hendrixson	Dwaine Johnston
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## Sick and Shut-ins

At Home:

Essie Medley  
Beatrice Riggsby  
Mary Martin  
Ruth Foster

In the Hospital:

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## Upcoming Events...

The bowling party for Friday midnight to Saturday 6:00 a.m. has been postponed.

Work day to plant trees and sod this Saturday, October 22, at 8:00 a.m.!

Fall Festival, October 29, details will follow.

### ANNIVERSARIES IN CAPITALS

October 1988

### Birthday's in little letters

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
		Maisy Lee Mickey Whiteaker	Stephen Boyd Craig Allen	Georgia Womack Emma Finkley Bernice Rube Jim "Peanut" Cantrell		Larry Platt Donna Newby
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Carol Foley		W.C. & NELMA CHILTON	Wilene Kell Bill Biles	Nelma Chilton Richard Black	JACK & ANNA JEAN BOND Heath Griffith	RODNEY & SANDRA JONES
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Jim Cline	Rodney Jones Twana Martin Jennifer Maynard Joe T. Cantrell			Mikred Glenn Jim Statton		Mikred Bumbalough Hazel Bennett
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Bruce Vinson Jalie Statton		Kelly Thaxton	BRUCE & SHIRLEY NUNLEY Mary Platt			FRED & STELLA DUNCAN
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
BOBBY & CAROLYN CANTRELL Harold Mitchell						
30	31					

## Who, Me?

I asked, "Why doesn't somebody do something?" Then I realized that I was somebody. --  
Pulpit Helps

It is strange but was all seem to know what the problem is and we all know the proper and needed solutions to these problems but we fail to see that we ourselves are the key to getting them done. The Lord's church is not made up of a select set of workers who must be "asked" to get a job done. It is made up of a group where all Christians are "priests." (I Pet. 2:9). It is where everyone has a part and a place in the work (Eph. 4:16). And yet, we always think that the job belongs to someone else. Perhaps that is the problem that the priest and Levite had, they wait for someone like the Samaritan to take care of the man that was beaten and robbed.

Do you know someone who might come to church and learn the Gospel? Why not invite them? Do you know someone who has fallen away from faithful service to the Lord? Why not admonish them to come back to their "first love?" Oh well, that's the preacher's job. Or, the Elders should take care of that. Paul did not place that kind of limitation on it. "Brethren, even if a man be overtaken in any trespass, ye who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; looking to thyself, lest thou also be tempted." (Gal. 6:1). We must learn to see that we all have a responsibility toward the lost. It is somebody's job and I am somebody. We all have talent for the Lord's Kingdom, let's use it. TL

## What Are The Priorities At Your House?

What priorities will be established in our children when the following happen?

1. We are early for the game but late to the worship.
2. We see to it that our children do their homework but never check to see if Bible lessons are completed.
3. They are not allowed to stay up late on school nights lest it infringe upon their school work but are allowed to stay up and watch the "late show" on Saturday night, though they will be attending Bible Class the next morning.
4. We will not let them miss school even though they do not want to attend, but we cater to their whims and let them miss Bible Class.
5. We know the names of their school teachers, but cannot call the names of the Bible Class teachers at church.
6. We will serve as room mother or president of PTA at school, but what about helping with a function in the Bible Class.
7. We will attend their school open house but not their open house on the last day of VBS.
8. We will not schedule vacations so as to make them miss school, but what about VBS and Gospel Meetings?
9. They see us go to work even though we do not feel well but stay at home from church under the same circumstances.
10. They see us look at and study their school work but never pay any attention at all to their handwork brought home from Bible Class.

Yes, with such situations prevailing, what priorities are being established in the hearts of our children?

Wendell Winkler



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible



News & Notes

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Larry Vinson

Leonard Clemons

Joe Collins

Bob Mayfield

Matthew 5:1-12

\*Dennis Gann

\*Ken Martin

Ken Lee

Ed Griffin

Dwayne Christian

Dwight Davis

Joe Maynard

Eddie Hennessee

Tony Lawrence

Kelly Thaxton

Sermon

Dismiss

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements

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First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

David Christian

Matthew Lewis

Britts Bost

Andrew Collins

TBA

\*Corey Nunley

Mark Lawrence

Steve Boyd

Derrick Pennington

Sermon

Dismiss

Wednesday Bible Study

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First Prayer

Reading

Invitation

Dismiss

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Jason Smith

Clyde Christian

Bill Biles

Bob Bonner

Frank Reynolds

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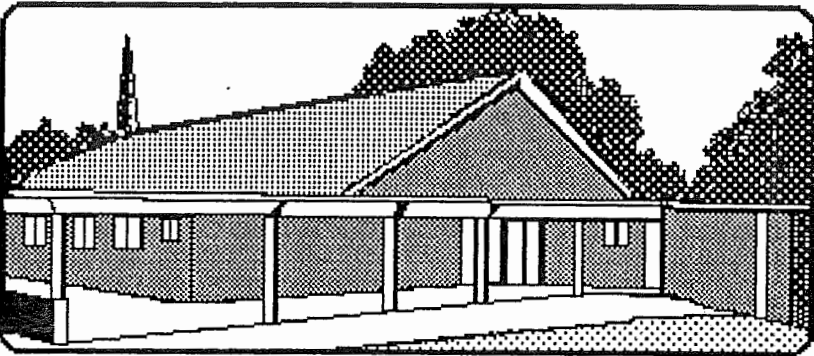
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P.M. Worship .....	231
Wednesday Bible Study .....	214
Contribution .....	\$3,088

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Ruth Foster

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## Upcoming Events...

A Party for Preschool-3rd grade will be Friday evening from 7:00-8:30 p.m. will be at the church.

Fall Festival, October 29, starting at 5:00 with a mule hayride and 5:30 with costume judging. The meal will start at approximately 6:00 with hayride following. As always, no money is taken from the treasury for fellowship activities, if you would like to help pay for the food and expenses, please see *Leonard Clemons, Bob Mayfield, or Rodney Reynolds*. Also, ladies are asked to bring their favorite dessert.

The members of the Carrollton church of Christ will be with us Saturday evening and will worship with us next Sunday. Let them know that they are welcome!

## New Christians...

We rejoice that Josh Mayfield was baptized into Christ last Wednesday evening and Trista Caldwell was baptized Sunday evening.

## Fifth Sunday

Remember that this coming Sunday is the fifth Sunday and the Elders have planned to designate that the contribution on this day will go to help pay for the new addition to the building.

## Thanks For The Help...

Last Saturday there were about 40 who showed up to help plant the sod and the trees. Also there have been numerous ones who have helped on the building. Thanks for all your help!



*Remember that Daylight Savings  
Time ends this Sunday morning!*

*Turn your clocks back one hour.*



Popular 6:9 — "Go ahead, everyone else is doing it."

Cowardly 1:10 — "The best thing to do when the church and its members are criticized is to keep silent. The critic might get angry with you if you tried to defend the church."

Indifference 3:4 — "I'm tired after working all day and cannot attend the services."

Excuses 1:1 — "I'm afraid to discuss the Bible with others lest I offend them. Anyway, they won't listen."

Foolishness 19:7 — "I'll try anything once."

Deceit 8:15 — "It makes not difference what one believes as long as he is sincere."

Pride 4:7 — "If someone offends you and hard feelings result, let him come and ask your forgiveness; after all, it was his fault."

Apostasy 2:5 — "What difference does it make whether we follow the New Testament order or not?"

Hypocrisy 6:5 — "When we go home from college on weekends, we always go to church so the home folks will think we are faithful while away at school."

II Opinion 2:4 — "One church is as good as another, therefore attend the church of your choice."

*Via-Summertown Informer*



*Tony Lawrence*

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*News & Notes*



Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Sermon

Dismiss

Don Griffith

Jason Smith

Cecil Cantrell

Leonard Clemons

II Corinthians 6:14-18

\*Billy Gilbert

\*Lemmie Bratten

Edgar Webb

J.B. Gribble

Robert Bumbalough

Ralph Crouch

Sidney Groves

Ward Golden

Tony Lawrence

Darron Shuster

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Sermon

Dismiss

Don Griffith

Joe Collins

W.C. Chilton

Winfrey Hennessee

Acts 13:22,23

\*J.C. Case

Bill Womack

Tony Lawrence

Ronnie Prince

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Invitation

Dismiss

Thurman Bennett

Leonard Clemons

Don Shuster

Stanley Graves

Tony Lawrence

Joe T. Cantrell

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Bus Driver: Greg Allen

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Ushers:

Bob Cantrell & John Stembridge

Nursery Attendant: Yuriko Biles

Pantry Item: Canned Goods

Record For The Week...

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Bible Study .....290

P.M. Worship .....239

Wednesday Bible Study .....210

Contribution .....\$3,377

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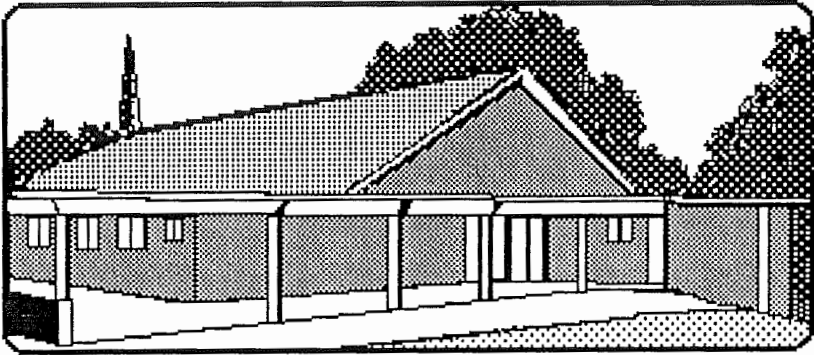
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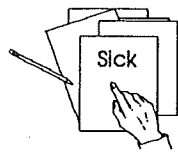
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## Sick and Shut-ins

### At Home:

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Ruth Foster  
Ruby Huntley  
Mary Martin

### In Hospital:

Fred Biles-Warren Regional

## Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Nena Davis Lamberson (mother of our Carlon Davis) who passed away this past week.

## Baptism

We rejoice with yet another baptism! Sunday evening Alan Collins put on the Lord in baptism.

[What Would You Think If... continued]

Dear ones, Jesus is the way, the only way, that leads to eternal life (Jn. 14:6). We MUST do the will of the Father in heaven to be saved (Matt. 7:21). We MUST be a part of the church that is found in the Bible, not a man-made organization (Matt. 15:7ff; Gal. 1:6-9). If we change the gospel (pervert it) (Gal. 1:6-9; Rev. 22:18,19; Deut. 4:2; Prov. 30:6)—then the condemnation of our Lord shall be upon us. We must be willing to accept the truth, the perfect law of liberty (Jas. 1:25), the precious doctrine of Christ.

According to the divine Word of God, it is not pleasing to God for the many doctrines, faiths, and religious groups! Jesus prayed for unity (Jn. 17). The apostle Paul condemned division (I Cor. 1:10). Christians are to endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Eph. 4:3-4). It is good for brethren to dwell together in harmony (Ps. 133:1). But let it be stated that such UNITY (not just union) is to be founded upon THE AUTHORITY, the WORD OF GOD. And if a religious group is teaching something contrary to the doctrine of Christ, they are not of God, but rather of man. If a sect today follows their "creed, manual, discipline, catechism, etc." then they follow MAN, not God! If it contains more than the Bible, it contains too much. If it contains less than the Bible, it contains too little. If it is the same as the Bible, why do we need it?

Let us be willing to ACCEPT the TRUTH of God's Inspired Word. With open minds, open Bibles let us examine the will of God for mankind today. If we have been teaching and following a way that is not founded upon the truth contained in the Bible—let us be willing to change. Truly, our eternal destiny depend upon such action!

*Copied with no author's name listed*

## What Would You Think If...

If a PREACHER, motivated by love for the souls of those to whom he is speaking, points out the way that an individual is following is not according to the will of the Father, as found in the Bible — he is often charged with being judgmental, harsh, abusive, and even unloving. Is that as it should be? Consider the following thoughts:

### LAWYER—

If your lawyer became aware of a major flaw in the deed to your property—but for fear that you might become upset, maybe at him, chose to keep it a secret, would you appreciate him for putting you in a position (or keeping you there) that potentially could cause you to lose your property? Would you want to keep using his services? Would he be fulfilling his duties by such action?

### PHYSICIAN—

Or consider the medical doctor that, after examining you (or a member of your family) realized that you had a terminal condition (maybe with a few days at most left to live). But he made the decision to tell no one. As the two of you talked before you left, you spoke of sports, the weather, etc.—and he allowed you to leave thinking that you were in good health. What would you think of a doctor like that? Would he command your respect, when you found out the truth—but too late to even discuss with your family, final plans and thoughts. He would have failed miserably to fulfill his responsibilities and that which he has pledged to do as a physician.

### MECHANIC—

Or think about the automobile mechanic, while possibly just changing the oil in your car noticed that the main front end parts (ball joints, idler arms, etc.) were severely worn, to the point that it would be extremely dangerous to drive the car even to your house, for fear the front tire(s) would literally fall off. Would he do you a favor to merely just keep it to himself, and decide that since it would maybe upset you, plus cost you considerably, that he would just be quiet. Would he be your friend? Has he done you a favor? Would you keep going back for additional service work on your car? Surely not! we can easily and quickly see that he surely did not care about us at all.

### WEATHERMAN—

Or dwell for a few moments on the newsperson or weather forecaster that is aware of an extremely dangerous condition (maybe a tornado) that has already touched down just a short distance away and is headed in your direction—but does not feel that it is worth mentioning, that it might alarm some unnecessarily—so no report or bulletin was given. Would you not be reacting reasonably to cry out asking WHY? Especially if you lost a loved one or friend in death—whose life might have been spared had you been warned.

### PREACHER—

The point is quite obvious. The Preacher that warns others (Ezk. 3:14f) is merely fulfilling the requirement that Jehovah placed upon them. While it is not the preacher's desire to upset, to alarm and certainly not to make angry—still the truth is the truth and it is the truth that will make us free. Paul asked (as recorded in the Galatian letter) "Am I become your enemy because I tell you the truth?"



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements Don Griffith  
 Lead Singing Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer Dwaine Johnston  
 Reading Dwayne Christian  
 Scripture Acts 1:9-11  
 Lord's Table \*Ronnie Rogers  
 \*Steve Boyd  
 Derrick Pennington  
 Matthew Lewis  
 Corey Nunley  
 Houston Thaxton  
 Britts Bost  
 Mark Lawrence  
 Tony Lawrence  
 Everett Green  
 Sermon  
 Dismiss

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements Don Griffith  
 Lead Singing Joe Collins  
 First Prayer Greg Allen  
 Reading Jason Smith  
 Scripture I Kings 4:29-34  
 Lord's Table \*John R. Porter  
 Dwight Davis  
 Tony Lawrence  
 Terry Franks  
 Sermon  
 Dismiss

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements Thurman Bennett  
 Lead Singing Tully Franks  
 First Prayer Larry Vinson  
 Reading Danny Duncan  
 Invitation Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss Lee Flatt

**Welcome Committee**

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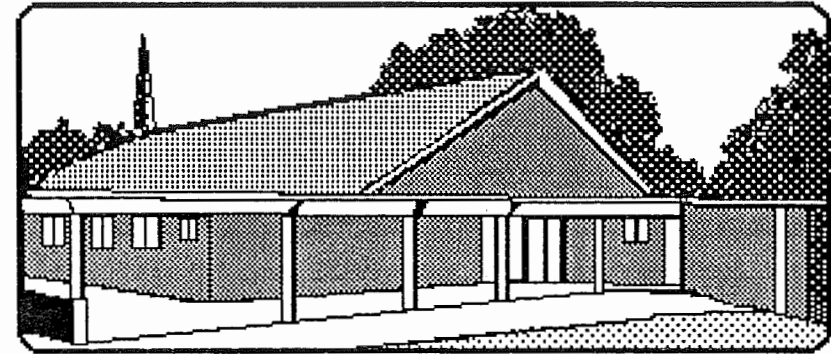
Dale Bennett &amp; Greg Allen

**Nursery Attendant:** Beverly Davis**Pantry Item:** Syrup**Record For The Week...**

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 Bible Study .....290  
 P.M. Worship .....229  
 Wednesday Bible Study .....230  
 Contribution .....\$4,011

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## *Sick and Shut-ins*

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Jim Case

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## *Responses*

Last Wednesday evening Chip Cantrell & Corey Nunley came forward to confess faults and ask for the prayers of the congregation. On Sunday morning, Tully Franks confessed faults.

## *Gospel Meetings*

Morrison church of Christ, November 13-16, services at 7:00 p.m. with Tom Holland speaking.

Lectureship at Leoni church of Christ November 18-20, more details are on the table in the foyer.

## *Youth Service Project*

Grades 3-6 will meet Saturday, November 12, at 9:00 a.m. at the church building to go and rake leaves. Following the raking of leaves there will be a devotional and then pizza at Mr. Gatti's. The group will be back at the building at approximately 12:30. You will need to bring: \$2.50 for lunch, rake, and a roll of large plastic garbage bags for leaves. NOTICE: If it rains, the project will be postponed until November 19.

## *Church Directory Proofs*

Mayfield Studios will be at the building November 16-18 to show proofs for those wishing to purchase packages and to pick out the picture to appear in the directory. Those who desire to purchase pictures will need to bring money for deposit for pictures ordered. Also, those who were not able to get their pictures made need to bring a picture in an envelope with their names on it to the church office so that it can be included in the back of our new directory.



## *See How Many You Can Find*

- A was a traitor found hung by his hair.  
B was a folly built in the air.  
C was a mountain overlooking the sea.  
D was a nurse buried under a tree.  
E was a firstborn, bad from his youth.  
F was a ruler who trembled at the truth.  
G was a messenger sent with good word.  
H was a mother who loaned to the Lord.  
I was a name received at the ford.  
J was a shepherd in Arabian land.  
K was a place near the desert sand.  
L was a pauper begging for his bread.  
M was an idol, object of dread.  
N was an architect ages ago.  
O was made king of Israel, you know.  
P was an isle, whence a saint looked above.  
Q was a Christian, saluted in love.  
R was obscure, yet a mother of kings.  
S was a Danite who did wondrous things.  
T was a city that had a strong hold.  
U was a country productive of gold.  
V was a queen who had a king set aside  
Z was by Moses received as his bride.

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*Tony Lawrence*



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Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Don Griffith  
Tully Franks  
Rodney Reynolds  
Ken Lee  
Luke 5:1-11  
\*Dale Bennett  
\*Willie Newby  
Barry Hendrixson  
Chip Cantrell  
Clay Hill  
Larry Powers  
Greg Pennington  
Rodney Maynard  
Tony Lawrence  
Tommy Crouch

Sermon  
Dismiss

Sunday Evening Worship

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Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Don Griffith  
Jason Smith  
Richard Black  
Jim Slatton  
James 5:17, 18  
\*Bill Haston  
David Christian  
Tony Lawrence  
Doug Hendrixson

Sermon  
Dismiss

Wednesday Bible Study

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Invitation  
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David McColloch  
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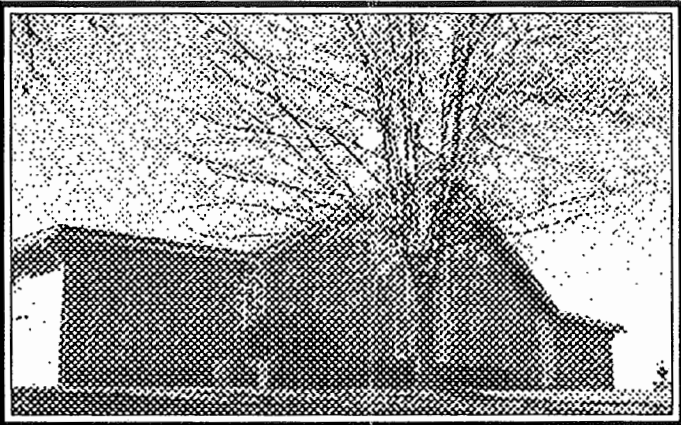
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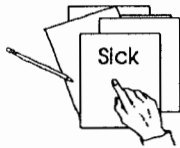
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## Sick and Shut-ins

At Home:

Essie Medley  
Ruth Foster  
Grace Nunley  
Etheline Rollins

In Hospital:

Fred Biles-Warren Regional  
Ruby Huntley-Parkview (Special Care Room #2130)

## Teacher's Meeting Sunday Evening After Services

November 1988

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Birthdays in small letters	Anniversaries in CAPITALS		Woodrow Glenn Lori Wilcher	GEORGE & RUBY FITTIS Teresa Oann	Mary Beth Atmip Adam Black	
Sandra Jones			Everett Green Chad Graves	WOODROW & MILDRED GLENN	Chad Graves Kelly Whiteaker	Rodney Maynard Helen Morgan
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Clara Deweese Bruce Nunley	Stacey Bonner Adina Rowland		Kathy Hennecoee	LEONARD & AVIE CLEMONS	Steve Atmip
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Georgia Brooks Alan Collins Josh Mayfield	WALTER & DAISY MAXWELL Lucille Brock Christy Caldwell		Judy Cook	BROWN & EUNICE SIMPSON	Anna Jean Bood	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Willie Newby	Corretta Lawrence	Pearl Mitchell	Brown Simpson Bernice Warren Stefanie McCulloch			
27	28	29	30			

## The Great Mystery Of God

In the New Testament the word *mystery* is quiet common. Paul said to the Corinthians, "let a man so account of us, as ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God." (I Cor. 4:1). It was the job of the New Testament writers to reveal what had been concealed. The mystery was not meant to have some sort of mystical concept which man could wish to know, but could never find out. Rather, it refers to the plan of God, revealed partially through the prophets, but fully revealed by the New Testament writers.

This thesis is well demonstrated in the writings of the Apostles. Paul told the Ephesians, "how that by revelation was made know unto me the mystery, as I wrote before in a few words, whereby, when ye read, ye can perceive my understanding in the mystery of Christ; which in other generations was not made known unto the sons of men, as it hath now been revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit." (Eph. 3:3-5). John writes further, "He said, but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, then is finished the mystery of God, according to the good tidings which he declared to his servants the prophets." (Rev. 10:7). Therefore, we conclude that the mystery is the revelation of God's divine plan to man.

Even more enlightening is the fact that this mystery relates to the kingdom or church. As mentioned above, the seventh angel was about to sound and to complete the "mystery of God." The record states "And the seventh angel sounded; and there followed great voices in heaven, and they said, The kingdom of the world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and his Christ: and he shall reign forever and ever." (Rev. 11:15). This is evidently exactly what Daniel was referring to in the Old Testament when he made the prophecy that during the days of the Roman kings that God would establish a kingdom which would "break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever." (Dan. 2:44). Thus, the revelation of the mystery relates to salvation, the church, and all things related to it. In fact, Paul explicitly states, "this mystery is great: but I speak in regard of Christ and of the church." (Eph. 5:32).

Many people today take great pleasure in reading a good mystery novel. They love to get entangled in the plot, see the mystery unfold, and finally see the outcome. Why not consider God's great book, the Bible? Why not begin in the Old Testament and see the mystery presented, then move to the New Testament and see the mystery unfold and find fulfillment in Jesus and his church.

Tony Lawrence



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page



Holy Bible

News & Notes



Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Don Griffith

Leonard Clemons

Dennis Gann

Ronnie Prince

Acts 4:1-4

\*Stanley Graves

\*Bill Biles

Don Johnson

Ralph Crouch

Steve Wilcher

Eugene Wilcher

J.B. Gribble

Otis Morgan

Tony Lawrence

Bob Mayfield

Sermon

Dismiss

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Don Griffith

Jason Smith

Jeff Flatt

Bill Womack

I Kings 19:19-21

\*Ward Golden

Buell Warren

Tony Lawrence

W.C. Chilton

Sermon

Dismiss

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Invitation

Dismiss

Thurman Bennett

Tully Franks

Cecil Cantrell

Don Shuster

Tony Lawrence

Billy Gilbert

Welcome Committee

A.M.

P.M.

Ken Lee Family

Lou Leatherwood & Mary Davis

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Robert Bumbalough & Winfrey Hennessee

Nursery Attendant: Avie Clemons

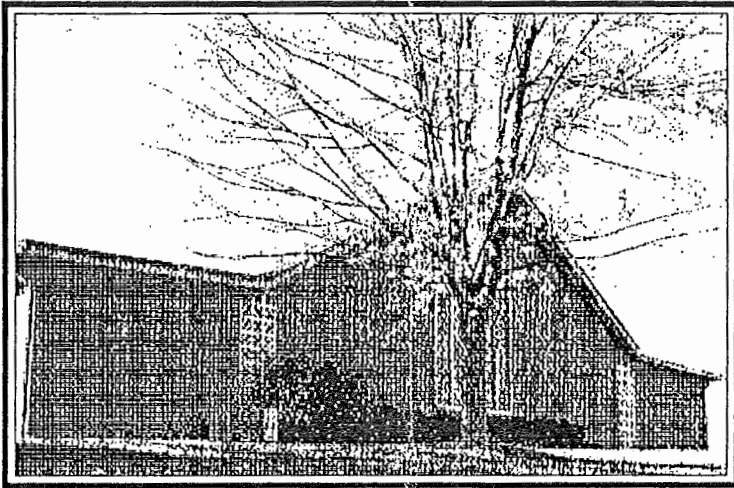
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Record For The Week...

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Bible Study .....	290
P.M. Worship .....	236
Wednesday Bible Study .....	215
Contribution .....	\$3,577

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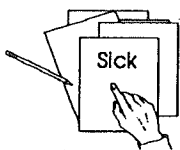
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Evangelist

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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Fred Biles  
Etheline Rollins

In Hospital:

Grace Nunley-Riverpark

## Elders-Deacons Meeting

The monthly Elders-Deacons Meeting will be Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. All deacons are encouraged to be there.

## Youth Activities

There will be a *Scavenger Hunt* on December 10, the cost will be approximately \$2-\$3. If you would like to participate, please sign the board in the foyer. This is for grades 3-College.

## Thailand Trip

In a very few days, *Thurman Bennett* and *Bob Mayfield* will be leaving for Thailand to check on the work we are supporting there, and to speak at the Asian Bible Lectureship. They will be leaving on December 1, and will be returning on December 21. Please pray for their safe travel, and that the work that they do there will be successful.

## How To Observe Thanksgiving

Count your blessings instead of your crosses;  
Count your gains instead of your losses.  
Count your joys instead of your woes;  
Count your friends instead of your foes.  
Count your smiles instead of your tears;  
Count your courage instead of your fears.  
Count your full years instead of your lean;  
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.  
Count your health instead of your wealth;  
Count on God instead of yourself.

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## Sheep Don't Wallow

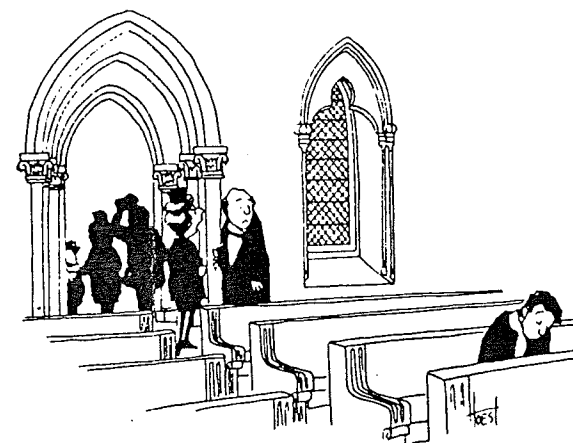
The story is told of a lamb and its mother. It seems the lamb passed a pig pen each morning on the way to pasture with its mother. Watching the pigs wallow in the mud seemed like fun and on an especially hot day the lamb asked his mother if he could jump the fence and wallow in the cool mud. She replied, "No." Then the lamb asked the usual question, "Why?" The mother just said, "Sheep don't wallow."

This did not satisfy the lamb. He felt she had "put him down," exercised force she shouldn't have, etc. So, as soon as the mother was out of sight the lamb ran to the pig pen and jumped the fence. He was soon feeling the cool mud on his feet, his legs, and soon his stomach. After a few moments he decided he had better go back to his mother, but he couldn't! He was stuck. Mud and wool don't mix. His pleasure had become his prison. He was hopelessly bound by his own folly. He cried out and was rescued by the kindly farmer. When cleaned and returned to the fold, his mother said, "Remember, sheep don't wallow." Sin is like that. It looks so nice, so easy to escape when we wish, but it is not so. Pleasure becomes prison.

Christians don't wallow!



"Today's sermon is one I've wanted to preach for some time now..."



"You put him to sleep, you wake him up."



Tony Lawrence



Holy Bible

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Sermon

Dismiss

Ken Martin

Jason Smith

Bill Haston

Kelly Thaxton

Romans 1:26,27

\*Steve Boyd

\*Danny Duncan

Joe Maynard

Sidney Groves

Ed Griffin

Eddie Hennessee

Edgar Webb

Joe T. Cantrell

Tony Lawrence

Jeff Flatt

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Sermon

Dismiss

Ken Martin

Tully Franks

Don Shuster

Tommy Crouch

II Kings 18:1-8

\*John R. Porter

J.C. Case

Tony Lawrence

Lee Flatt

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Invitation

Dismiss

Joe Collins

Leonard Clemons

Winfrey Hennessee

Dwaine Johnston

Larry Vinson

Everett Green

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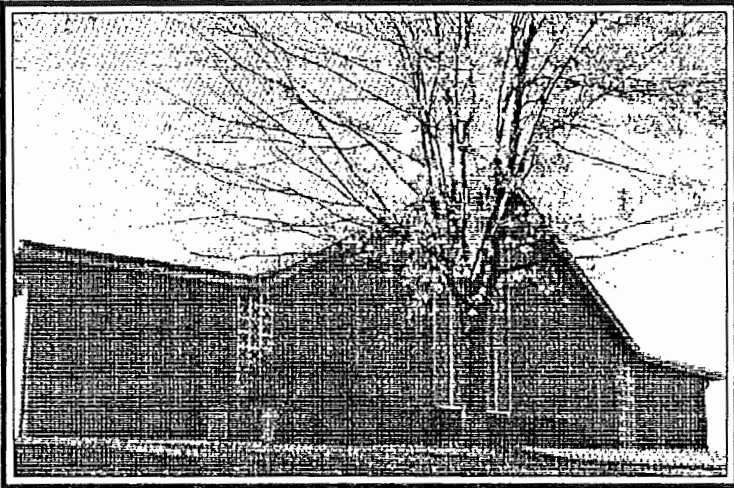
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Record For The Week...

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Bible Study .....	285
P.M. Worship .....	213
Wednesday Bible Study .....	221
Contribution .....	\$3,271

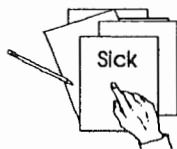
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		Larry Vinson	
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## Sick and Shut-ins

At Home:

Essie Medley

In Hospital:

Grace Nunley-Riverpark

Lucille Bailey (mother of Doug Hendrixson)-Riverpark

Agnes Cook (mother of Harold Cook)-Warren Regional (ICU)

## Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the family and friends of sister Etheline Rollins, who passed away this past Sunday. She was a member here at Bybee Branch.

## Responses

On Sunday evening Rachel Bennett, Larry Powers, and Regina Reynolds responded to the invitation, requesting prayers.

## Youth Activities

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## Teacher's Newsletter

If you are a teacher, you should pick up a copy of this quarter's teachers newsletter in the next few days. It is due out this week.

## Holiday Fellowship

The annual holiday fellowship is to be this coming December 18, following the evening services. As many as can are invited to stay and enjoy the fellowship together.

## What Is Wrong With Being Late?

Our congregation is presently grappling with a widespread brotherhood problem—tardiness. A brother who serves as an usher in a church of a thousand members in another state recently made the comment, "*If we were to lock the doors at the hour of worship, one-third would be inside and two-thirds outside.*" Inasmuch as it appears to be such a prevalent problem, let's ask the question, "What's wrong with being tardy?"

(1) It's Disruptive. One teacher stated that when the bell rang, one student was in the classroom. It was not until twenty minutes later that the last of the students finally arrived. How can effective teaching take place in such a setting???

(2) It Indicates Wrong Priorities. How many of us would be late responding to a dinner invitation to the White House? How often do we allow children to be tardy at school? Or at ballgames in which they are playing? How would it have gone over with your husband or wife for you to have been late to your wedding? Are you late to work (in which case, you may be docked)? The point is: we are on time to the events or occasions which are important to us. Since corporate worship should be the most important time in our week, shouldn't we be on time???

(3) It is Just Plain Sloppy. Being tardy falls in the same category with the unprepared Bible class lesson or the unfulfilled assignment. It is demoralizing to those who are on time. Being tardy is just not consistent with the urgency of discipleship under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

Being on time costs something. In the long ago it was David who said, "*I will not offer burnt offerings to the Lord my God which cost me nothing.*" (II Sam. 24:24). It takes time to be punctual. It was the Preacher of Ecclesiastes who admonished, "*Whatsoever your hand finds to do, do it with your might.*" (Ecc. 9:10). As a hymn puts it, "Give of your best to the Master." Let's all make the commitment and put forth the effort to be on time for every occasion of the work and worship of the church.

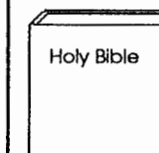
Jim Howard  
Memphis, Tennessee

*There is much in this article which deserves our attention here at Bybee Branch. While everyone understands an occasional delay beyond one's control, a consistent pattern of tardiness indicates that one already knows that he is going to be late and doesn't care. If you plan to serve the church on the program, you should be here no later than 15 minutes before the services begin.*



Tony Lawrence

Teacher's Page





Sunday Morning Worship

- Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table
- Ken Martin

Leonard Clemons

Bob Bonner

W.C. Chilton

Ephesians 2:8-10

\*Don Griffith

\*Larry Flatt

Buell Warren

Jeff Bond

Steve Wilcher

Don Johnson

Frank Reynolds

Harley Northcutt

Tony Lawrence

Jim Slatton
- Sermon

Dismiss

Sunday Evening Worship

- Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table
- Ken Martin

Joe Collins

Dennis Gann

Darron Shuster

Jeremiah 20:7-9

\*Ward Golden

Terry Franks

Tony Lawrence

Bill Womack
- Sermon

Dismiss

Wednesday Bible Study

- Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Invitation

Dismiss
- Joe Collins

Tully Franks

Clyde Christian

Dwight Davis

Tony Lawrence

Jason Smith

Welcome Committee

- A.M.

P.M.
- Otis & Helen Morgan

Linda & Larry Powers

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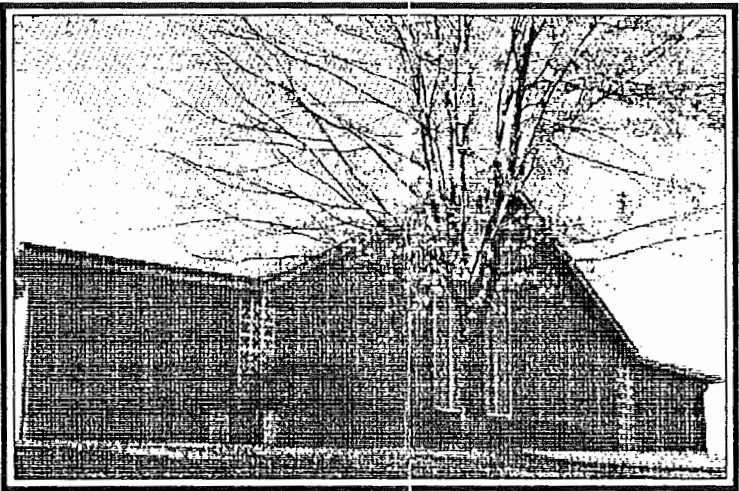
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Bible Study .....	260
P.M. Worship .....	240
Wednesday Bible Study .....	238
Contribution .....	\$3,378

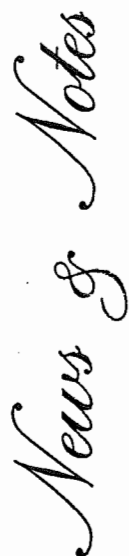
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At Home:

Bertha Stewart (following eye surgery)  
Laurene Porter (with a broken shoulder and stitches after a fall)

**In Hospital:**

Grace Nunley-Riverpark  
Lucille Bailey (mother of Doug Hendrixson)-Riverpark

December 1988						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div> <div>DECEMBER</div> <div>ANNIVERSARY and</div> <div>Birthday Calendar</div> </div>				1 Carlton Davis	2 Candace Hennessee	3 Elaine Goodman
4 Brandi Wilcher J.B. Gribble	5 Claudia Hunley  RAY & DORIS SMITH Shane Nunley Debbie Vinson Angela Black	6 DENNIS & JANICE FOSTER Terry Franks	7 Ruby Pitts  Jane Wilcher	8 LOY & PAULINE WATSON  Dwight Davis Jeff Bond	9 John Biddle Thelma Glenn	10 Joshua Foster  EDGAR & VIOLET WEBB
11 Don Shuster	12 Shirely Nunley	13 BOB & MELBA BONNER Christine Gribble	14 Allison Boyd Sella Duncan	15 BILL & FRED A WOMACK FRANK & SHARON REYNOLDS		
18 EVERETT & MILDRED GREEN Rachel Bennett Benji Locke Wayne Cox	19 JOE & MARSHA COLLINS	20 STEVE & JANE WILCHER Dale Beunet	21 22 23 24			
25 26 27 28 29 30 31						

## Can A Child Of God Sin?

There are some religious groups which teach that a person who is a child of God cannot sin. They draw this from a misunderstanding of I John 3:9. John writes: *"Whosoever is begotten of God doeth no sin, because his seed abideth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is begotten of God."* Upon first reading, and without any further consideration, one might could draw such a conclusion. However, such an interpretation is not what the passage conveys, and is out of harmony with what the rest of the Bible teaches.

When one looks at the passage itself, the phrases, "doeth no sin" and "cannot sin," are both in the present tense. The present tense in the Greek language means more than it does in our English. It carries with it the idea of continual action. Hence, a better translation would say "does not practice sin" and "cannot keep on sinning." The emphasis of the passage is to stress the nature of the child of God versus the nature of the child of the devil.

The rest of the Bible is equally clear that the child of God can sin. A vast array of passages could be listed, but just consider some of the passages in the book of Hebrews that stress careful vigilance (Heb. 2:1; 3:12-14; 4:1; 6:4-6; 10:26; 10:36-39; et. al.). Even in I John we have a John writing: *"My little children, these things write I unto you that ye may not sin. And if any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous."* Can a child of God sin? Yes! The faithful child, however, will resist as much as possible.

*Tony Lawrence*

## Response

We rejoice that sister Lisa Bennett came forward to be restored this past Wednesday evening.

## Holiday Fellowship

Every year at this time we have a fellowship following our Sunday evening services. This year it will be on December 18. Sister Nelma Chilton is in charge again this year and she has asked that you please bring the following: *If your last name begins with...*

- |     |               |
|-----|---------------|
| A-F | Desserts      |
| G-P | Sandwiches    |
| Q-Z | Chips and dip |

If you have any questions, contact Nelma Chilton

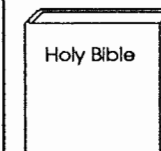
## Sympathy

We want to extend sympathy to the family of Agnes Cook (the mother of our Harold Cook) whose funeral was this past Sunday. Also, we want to extend sympathy to the family of Mary Jane Green(a former member at Bybee Branch). Her funeral was also this past Sunday.



Tony Lawrence

*Teacher's Page*



Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Sermon

Dismiss

Ken Martin

Tully Franks

Ronnie Prince

Willie Newby

II Corinthians 13:5

\*Richard Black

\*Ken Lee

David McColloch

Greg Pennington

Derrick Pennington

Larry Powers

Barry Hendrixson

Chip Cantrell

Tony Lawrence

Tommy Crouch

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Scripture

Lord's Table

Sermon

Dismiss

Ken Martin

Jason Smith

David Christian

Lemmie Bratten

Daniel 1:8

\*Doug Hendrixson

Corey Nunley

Tony Lawrence

John Biddle

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements

Lead Singing

First Prayer

Reading

Invitation

Dismiss

Joe Collins

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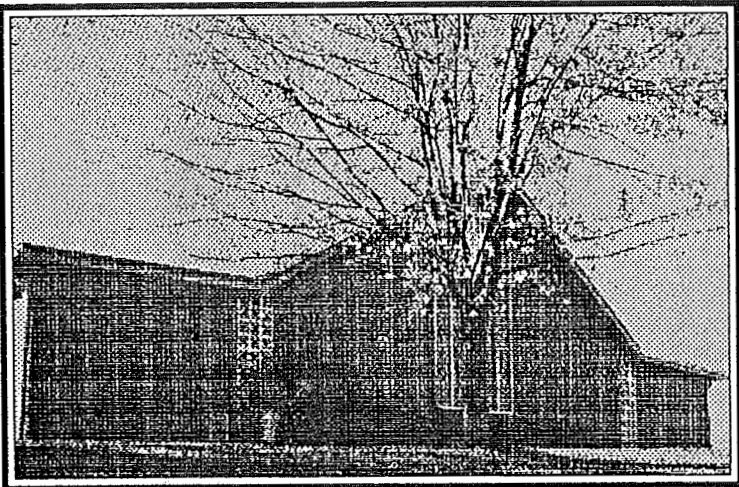
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		Larry Vinson	



## Sick and Shut-ins

### At Home:

Bertha Stewart  
Laurene Porter  
Grace Nunley  
Lucille Bailey (mother of Doug Hendrixson)  
Don & Jalesia Johnson  
Essie Medley  
Doug Hendrixson

### In Hospital:

Aggie Belle Miller-Riverpark  
Bobby Cantrell (to enter Hospital in Nashville for surgery)

## Holiday Fellowship

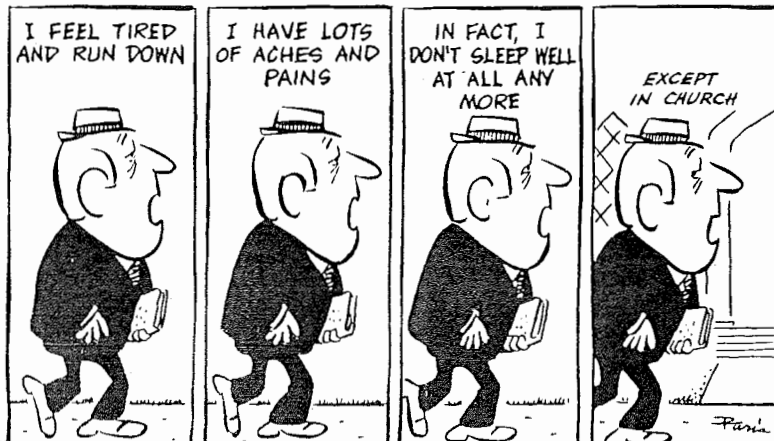
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## Furnishing The New Fellowship Room

The Elders have approved a project among the ladies to purchase a new refrigerator for the new Fellowship Room. If you would like to contribute to this, you may put what ever you would like to give in the purple box in the vestibule. The cost will be approximately \$600.



## Sunday's Sermon

### "Accomplishments and Failures for 1988"

Every year I like to take the last Sunday morning sermon of the year (which I will preach) for a sort of annual appraisal of what we have or have not done for the Lord. I attempt to look at several things, the statistics of growth in attendance, contribution, and baptisms. Also, I try to look at the special events like the meetings and V.B.S. I believe that this is necessary if we plan to make improvements. There are things which we should be proud of. There are some things which we should be ashamed of too.

I encourage you to be present and listen with open ears. If you have suggestions of how to improve the lesson I will be more than glad listen to them. I am particularly interested in what items to include which I have left out.

### Word Search (People who had two different names)

KDNABRAHAMDORCASRLAA  
PETERBPAULDIJGDANDNF  
JFQMSELMBKPKNAZFMAQB  
SFHAE EJOMOGSNZMMIANK  
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AIRPHYSJHEEMFOHQOFOI  
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QOJIMAKLFHSMJCWGD BAD  
BDDOBHECCSAULNUEDMKF  
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PLFHA EJLEVIOEHGKSMKP  
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NQDQTABI THALOIQOGEJB  
KOENNBHSABANRABGKCDG

Abram ..... Abraham  
Sarai ..... Sarah  
Esau ..... Edom  
Levi ..... Matthew  
Didymus ..... Thomas  
Barnabas ..... Joses  
Peter ..... Cephas  
Saul ..... Paul  
Daniel ... Belteshazzar  
Dorcas ..... Tabitha  
Jacob ..... Israel  
Elymus ..... Barjesus



Teacher's Page



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Jason Smith
First Prayer	Cecil Cantrell
Reading	Danny Duncan
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*Billy Gilbert
	*Winfrey Hennessee
	Sidney Groves
	Eddie Hennessee
	Edgar Webb
	Ed Griffin
	Joe Maynard
	Buell Warren
Sermon	Stanley McNery
Dismiss	Jeff Flatt

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements	Ken Martin
Lead Singing	Tully Franks
First Prayer	Steve Boyd
Reading	Bill Biles
Scripture	TBA
Lord's Table	*John R. Porter
	Bill Haston
Sermon	Don Shuster
Dismiss	*Lee Flatt

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements	Joe Collins
Lead Singing	Leonard Clemons
First Prayer	Don Shuster
Reading	Rodney Reynolds
Invitation	Greg Allen
Dismiss	Everett Green

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.	Don Shuster Family
P.M.	Jim Slatton Family

**Bus Driver:** Leonard Clemons**Communion Rest Homes:**

W.C. Chilton &amp; Lemmie Bratten

**Ushers:**

Winfrey Hennessee &amp; Robert Bumbalough

**Nursery Attendant:** Judy Nussbaum**Pantry Item:** Vegetable Soup**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship .....	324
Bible Study .....	274
P.M. Worship .....	258
Wednesday Bible Study .....	227
Contribution .....	\$3,415

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*Church of Christ at Bybee Branch***Sunday**

A.M. Worship	9:00 a.m.
Bible Study	10:15 a.m.
P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**

Ladies Bible Class	10:00 a.m.
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

**Radio Program**

Sunday	WAKI 8:00 a.m.
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*A Warm Welcome Awaits You!***Elders**

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Lee Flatt	668-4690
Rodney Reynolds	473-3570

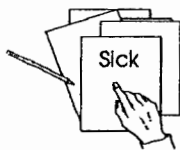
**Evangelist**

Tony Lawrence	473-8079
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**Deacons**

Bob Bonner	Leonard Clemons
W.C. Chilton	Dwight Davis
Dennis Gann	Stanley Graves
Everett Green	Don Griffith
Douglas Hendrixson	Dwaine Johnston
Ken Lee	Ken Martin
Don Shuster	Jim Slatton
Larry Vinson	





## Sick and Shut-ins

At Home:

Laurene Porter  
Grace Nunley  
Essie Medley  
Bobby Cantrell  
Aggie Belle Miller (South Oaks Room #122)

In Hospital:

Hilda Jones-Riverpark

## Campbellite Or Christian?

There are several people who struggle with the query of others if we are "Campbellites." To the informed mind this should be no problem at all. Many who make this charge do not know what they are speaking about, nor do they understand the nature of the church of the Lord.

First, it was a long time after I became a Christian that I even learned of Thomas and Alexander Campbell. If one were converted to a man, you would think that you would hear his name often. When I obeyed the Gospel, it was in the name of Jesus Christ. The only name under which a person can be saved (Acts 4:12). When one obeys the Gospel, he becomes a Christian, nothing more and nothing less. The Bible alone will make only a Christian.

Second, the church was in existence a long time before Thomas and Alexander Campbell were ever born. There were churches of Christ in the New Testament (Rom. 16:16). In fact, the Bible only knows of ONE TRUE CHURCH, and it belonged to Christ because he built it (Matt. 16:18) and he purchased it with his own blood (Acts 20:28). And, there were even churches of Christ in Warren County before Thomas and Alexander Campbell came to America and left their denominational ties. Thomas Campbell came to America in 1807, Alexander in 1809, and did not leave all of their denominational ties until 1927, yet the church at Old Philadelphia was known to be in existence in 1810.

To my knowledge, I have never known a member of the Lord's church who worshipped Thomas or Alexander Campbell, nor even placed their writings on par with the Bible. They were men who were honest in character and who willingly left their denominational ties to be "just Christians," and they were successful in getting others to see that this was biblical teaching. It was not their intention to make a new church, but to call people back to being the true church of Christ.

T.L.

Servants For The Week Of January 1, 1989

No Bulletin Next Week!

## Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Ronnie Rogers  
Leonard Clemons  
Larry Vinson  
Kelly Thaxton  
I Corinthians 16:1,2  
\*Stanley Graves  
\*Harold Cook  
Frank Reynolds  
Joe Maynard  
Rodney Maynard  
Kurt Maynard  
Ralph Crouch  
J.B. Gribble  
Tony Lawrence  
Buell Warren

Sermon  
Dismiss

## Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Scripture  
Lord's Table

Ronnie Rogers  
Joe Collins  
Don Griffith  
Tommy Crouch  
TBA  
\*Terry Franks  
Tully Franks  
The Elders  
J.C. Case

Sermon  
Dismiss

## Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements  
Lead Singing  
First Prayer  
Reading  
Invitation  
Dismiss

Larry Flatt  
Tully Franks  
Dwayne Johnston  
Bob Mayfield  
Tony Lawrence  
Thurman Bennett

## Welcome Committee

A.M. Frank Reynolds Family  
P.M. Lee Cantrell Family

Bus Driver: Tommy Crouch

## Communion Rest Homes:

Jeff Bond & Ronnie Rogers

## Ushers:

Bill Biles & Ed Griffin

Nursery Attendant: Beverly Davis

Pantry Item: Canned Goods

## The Preacher's Corner

This coming week my family and I will be spending the holidays with our families in Louisiana and Alabama. As a result, brother Stanley McNery will be preaching on Sunday morning and Don Shuster on Sunday evening, in my absence.

Corretta, Mark, Micah, and I want to wish all of you a happy and safe holiday season and to thank everyone for the nice gift which we received! Please pray for us while we are gone.



Happy  
Holidays

From The Lawrences

News & Notes

