

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Joe Collins  
First Prayer .....Kurt Maynard  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....Lamentations 2:22-25  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Tim Gann  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Bruce Pryor

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Joe Collins  
First Prayer .....Tim Fisher  
Reading .....Tucker Gann  
Scripture .....Matthew 19:9  
Lord's Table .....\*Dale Bennett  
.....\*Jason Adams  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Mike Mullins

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Paul Hurst  
Lead Singing .....Jared Mullican  
First Prayer .....Don Griffith  
Reading.....Matthew Woodside  
Invitation .....Rickey Hurst  
Dismiss.....Ryan McColloch

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship .....165  
Bible Study.....131  
P.M. Worship .....95  
Wednesday Bible Study.....96  
Contribution .....\$5,896

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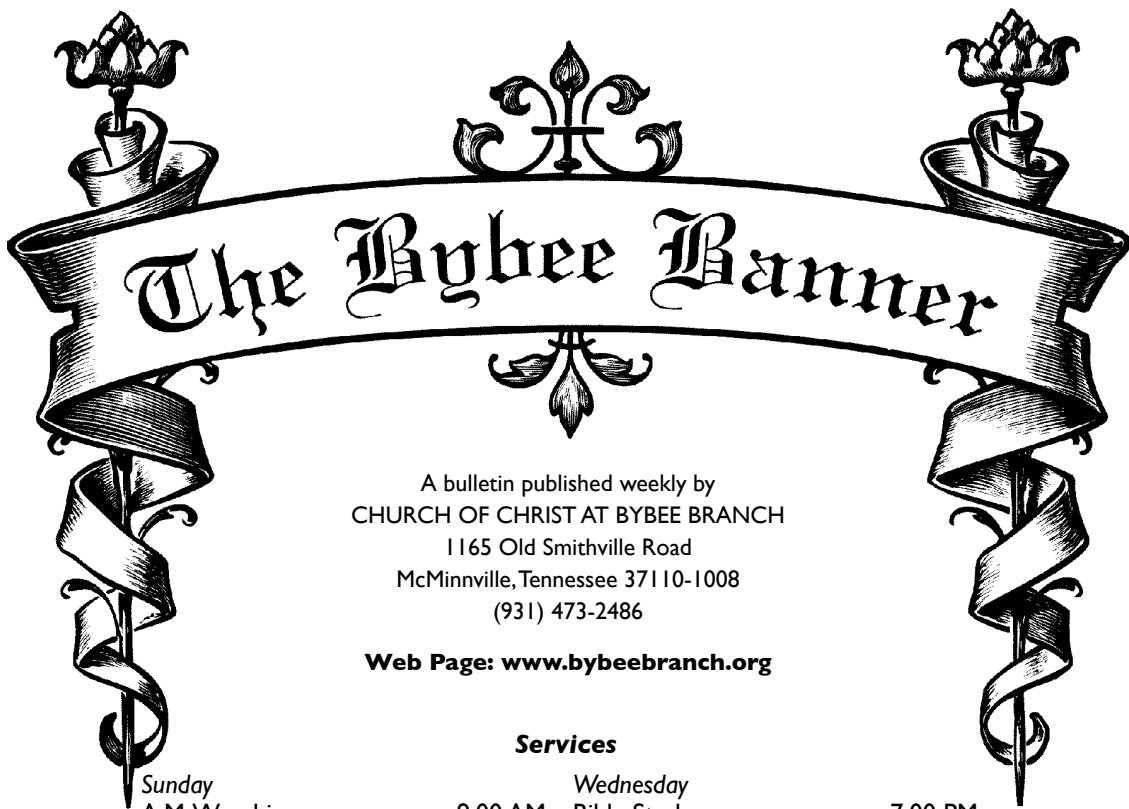
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Eugene Womack

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Monday Morning Bible Class

Our next Monday Morning Bible Class will meet on Monday, January 8th at 9:00AM.

Special Gospel Meeting

The Trousdale congregation will be having a special gospel meeting from Friday December 30th - Sunday January 1st. In 1972 the Trousdale congregation dedicated their building. To celebrate this 50th anniversary they are bringing back some ministers who got their start in the Trousdale pulpit. Ministers speaking at this meeting will be Wayne Cantrell Jr. (Friday), Greg Rains (Saturday) and Alan Northcutt (Sunday).

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Challenge Youth Conference

CYC will be here before we know it. If you have signed up to go, your Release form are due no later than Wednesday, January 25th. Please remember that the form needs to be notarized. See Jason for your form.

January Youth Activities

- January 8th (Sunday) Bible Bowl at Mt. Leo
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- January 22nd (Sunday) Home Devo at TBD
- January 25th (Wednesday) Birthday Wednesday
- January 25th (Wednesday) CYC Release forms due
- January 29th (Sunday) Youth Lead Worship Service

January 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jan 1 Jason Vandagriff TOMMY & GAIL CROUCH	2	3 JASON & JESSICA ADAMS Kelly Peoples	4 Danny Duncan Leonard Clemons	5 Donald Cathey	6 Gail Smoot	7
Jan 8	9  Bible Bowl Mt. Leo 2PM  Youth/Parent Meeting after PM services	10	11	12 Willard Dunlap	13 Stephanie Maynard	14 DAVID & IONA KING
Jan 15	16 GARY & BARBARA LORANCE	17	18	19 Skylan Patton	20 Chris Snow	21 Donna Goolsby TONY & CORRETTA LAWRENCE
Jan 22   Home Devo at TBD	23 Brenda Young Susie Griffith  Monday Morning Bible Class 9AM	24	25   CYC Release form Due Date  Birthday Wednesday	26 Charlotte Weddington Ray Weddington	27 Jared Mullican MARTY & SHARON BOLES	28 David Chilton RICKEY & MAGGIE HURST
Jan 29 Billy Pinegar   Youth Lead Worship Service	30 Jason Adams	31 Ronnie Prince				

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Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Allen Hughes  
Reading.....Chris Snow  
Scripture .....1 John 1:1  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Willie Newby  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Bobby Ashford

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer .....Herb Rowland  
Reading.....Lincoln Sain  
Scripture.....Romans 12:2  
Lord's Table .....\*Dale Bennett  
.....\*Clent Kesey  
Sermon .....Jason Adams  
Dismiss .....Kelly Thaxton

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Paul Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Eddie Palmer  
First Prayer .....Micah Lawrence  
Reading.....David McColloch  
Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Larry Flatt

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Bible Study.....142  
P.M. Worship.....111  
Wednesday Bible Study .....104  
Contribution .....\$6,956

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Wilma Rogers (Lily Rutledge’s sister) Willow Branch

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Sympathy

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January 25th (Wednesday) Birthday Wednesday  
January 29th (Sunday) Youth Lead Worship Service

Shut-Ins

Home

Janice Foster  
Morris Griffith (Don’s brother)  
Greg Grizzell  
Lynder & Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Doris Wilcher

AHC Bethesda

(444 I 11 Pl, Cookeville, TN 38506)  
Deven Grove

Webb House

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

NHC

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock - #406  
Noel Pepper - #127

Standifer Place

(2626 Walker Rd, Chattanooga, TN 37421)  
Cathy Hennessee

Please remember our shut-ins,  
not just at this time but always.

Regardless of anyone's situation,  
we always can benefit from  
words of encouragement

Chasing After “New” Things

Every year something “new” comes out. The past year had its share of new things and 2023 will also. We look at the rising crime rates and the lowering of morals and we know there has to be a better way. We look at the skyrocketing rate of divorce and the worldly concepts of marriage and we say: “There has to be a better way.” We view many other “ills” of the modern world and are forced to see that everything modern is not good. We long for the time again when we didn’t have to lock our doors and a man’s word was his bond.

Some “old-fashioned” things can still be good. Jeremiah 6:16. states: “Ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk in it”. Luke records, “For all the Athenians and the foreigners who were there spent their time in nothing else but either to tell or to hear some new thing.” (Ac. 17:21) Let us look at some old things that are really “new” in a society that chases after new things. (look up each scripture)

Old Fashioned Faith - Romans 10:17

Old Fashioned Obedience - Matthew 7:21

Old Fashioned Righteousness - Ecclesiastes 12:13

Old Fashioned Church - Acts 20:7, Ephesians 5:19, I Peter 4:11

Old Fashioned Standard of Authority - Matthew 28:18

Old Fashioned Salvation - Mark 16:16

The church of Christ has nothing new to offer except what is old. That which is old is actually new in our world.

(anonymous)



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Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer .....Don Sullivan  
Reading .....Jared Mullican  
Scripture.....I John 1:6, 7  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Rickey Hurst  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Travis Adams

**Sunday Evening Worship**

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First Prayer .....Joe Collins  
Reading .....Ken Martin  
Scripture.....Genesis 27:41  
Lord's Table .....\*Kurt Maynard  
.....\*Barry Mayes  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Tim Gann

**Wednesday Bible Study**

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Lead Singing.....Lincoln Sain  
First Prayer .....Stanley Graves  
Reading.....Dale Zuna  
Invitation .....Ray Weddington  
Dismiss.....Talan Mullican

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A.M. Worship .....206  
Bible Study.....160  
P.M. Worship.....135  
Wednesday Bible Study .....120  
Contribution .....\$5,653

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P.M. ....Clent Kesey & Family

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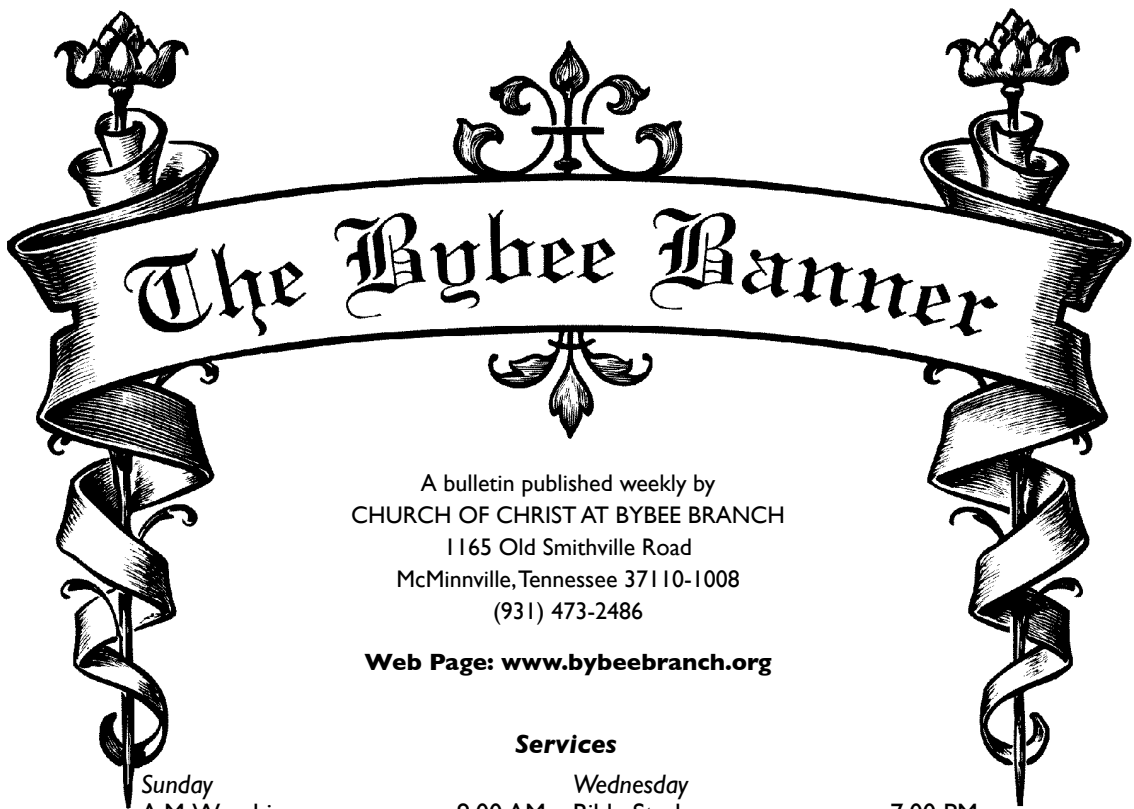
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June Crouch  
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Willard Dunlap  
Stanley Graves  
Allen Hughes  
Kelly Peoples  
Jimmy Ramsey (*Maggie Hurst's brother-in-law*)  
Francis Woodlee (*Nelma & Nona's sister*)

### Hospital

Cathy Hennessee (*Darron's sister*) NHC #408A  
Wilma Rogers (*Lily Rutledge's sister*) Willow Branch

## Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Elaine Hoover. Her services were on Tuesday. Please keep Ronnie and the rest of her family in your prayers.

## Special Prayer Request

Gabrielle Buford, daughter of Kimberly (David) Buford, Rachel Mayes' cousin, is a 12-year-old girl with brain cancer. She is suffering a number of effects of the cancer and treatments. Please keep her in your prayers. Her address is posted on the bulletin board.

## Exciting News

Mechele Hardy (*Willie Newby's niece*) is now cancer free! Thanks to everyone who has sent cards, made calls and especially those who have prayed for Mechele during this time.

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## Visitation Team #3

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### Youth News and Updates

## January Home Devo

Our next home devo will be on January 22nd at the home of Barbara Lance. Boys bring drinks and girls bring desserts.

## Home Devo 2023

All months have been assigned. Details of who is hosting, leading singing and speaking at each home devo is posted on the bulletin board.

## Sunday Lunch with Jason

This month's Sunday Night Eats will be a lunch outing. This is for those in the high school class. We will be going to Spinelli's in Tullahoma. Please sign up if you are attending. (*January 15th, leave at 11:15 AM*)

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## YOLO

A couple decades before Christ was born, Horace penned "Carpe Diem," which in English means, "Seize the Day." More recently, some have said, "Life is short. Live it up." Even more recently, we've developed the acronym Y.O.L.O.—"You Only Live Once". There is a true principle in each of these. Unfortunately, they are often used with reference to worldly endeavors and sinful practices. Rather, we need to use the fact that we only live once to motivate us to live for God.

Paul wrote to the church at Corinth, "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal." (2 Corinthians 4:17, 18).

If only everyone would think this way. Even Christians are tempted to focus on things seen, and not the eternal things invisible (not seen).

Paul continued, "For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked. For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life." (2 Corinthians 5:1–4)

Remember, Paul is writing to Christians, not just anyone. Not everyone has reserved their home in heaven. Unfortunately, many will be found spiritually naked when the Lord returns.

"Now He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord. For we walk by faith, not by sight. We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord." (2 Corinthians 5:5–8)

What a mindset! What an encouragement for Christians! What a challenge for us to think on things eternal, and not things temporary!

Finally, we will consider these words of Paul, "Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad." (2 Corinthians 5:9, 10).

By Clifton Angel

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Dismiss .....Norman Sain

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## Sick

### At Home:

Gabrielle Buford (*Rachel Mayes' cousin*)  
David Chilton  
June Crouch  
Tony Lawrence  
Kelly Peoples  
Jimmy Ramsey (*Maggie Hurst's brother-in-law*)  
Howard Witty  
Francis Woodlee (*Nelma & Nona's sister*)

### Hospital

Martha Cathy (*surgery*)  
Cathy Hennessee (*Darron's sister*) NHC #408A  
Wilma Rogers (*Lily Rutledge's sister*) Willow Branch

## Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Stephaine Ann Martin (*Gail Crouch and Joe Maynard's niece*). Her services were on Monday Please keep her family in your prayers.

## Neighborhood Bible Study

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## Ladies Day

(further information is on the bulletin board)

The Morrison congregation will be having a ladies day on January 28th beginning 9:30 AM.

## Singing

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The Findley congregation (in Sparta) is hosting a singing on Friday, February 10th. Drinks and desserts will be provided at this event. Activities will begin at 7:00 PM.

## Visitation Team #4

Visitation team #4 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

## Youth News and Updates

### Bible Bowl Combined Class

Just a reminder that there is a combined class for grades 5th - high school, on Sundays. Micah and Jason are teaching this class in room #10/11.

### January Home Devo

Our next home devo will be on January 22nd at the home of Carol LaTurno and Barbara Lance. Boys bring drinks and girls bring desserts.

### Home Devo 2023

All months have been assigned. Details of who is hosting, leading singing and speaking at each home devo is posted on the bulletin board.

### Birthday Wednesday

Our next birthday Wednesday will be on Wednesday, January 25th.

### Challenge Youth Conference

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### Xtreme Paintball

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### White Water Rafting

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### January Youth Activities

January 22nd (*Sunday*) Home Devo  
January 25th (*Wednesday*) Birthday Wednesday  
January 29th (*Sunday*) Youth Led Worship Service

## Are You A Minister

In the church today, we have come to think of only one man in a congregation as being the minister, instead of realizing that every Christian is in reality a minister. The ministry is not something done TO the church, but something DONE by the church.

Those who seek to follow in the steps of Jesus, would do well to heed his statement, “*the son of man came not to be ministered to, but to minister*”. Too many of the sons of God today, come to be ministered too rather than minister.

The result is that the saints are no longer participants in the arena, but spectators in the grandstand. Because of this attitude, we are delivering babies who never intended to graduate, enlisting soldiers, who never intend to fight, registering racers, who never intend to run.

Our motto has become “*here he is, Lord send him.*”

The ship of Zion is no longer manned by a volunteer crew, working for the sheer love of the captain, but is steered by a pilot and an assistant pilot, while the remainder of paying passengers who are going along for the ride.

It is astounding, how much deadweight and dead timber there is in the average congregation. Dead timber produces no fruit and deadweight must be dragged along. Somewhere along the way, we have missed the very essence of the Christian concept and the result is that we have the greatest accumulation of unused talent and the richest deposit of untouched ability of any group of people on earth.

If we are going to be honest in our plea for restoration, it is time that we begin to revolutionize our thinking so that every soldier will don the armor, and every child of God will be active and ministering.

Let's quit being spectators and get where the action is.



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer .....Don Griffith  
Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture .....I John 2:1, 2  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Caleb Graves  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Danny Duncan

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Talan Mullican  
First Prayer .....Jacob Graves  
Reading .....Tucker Gann  
Scripture .....I John 4:7, 8  
Lord's Table .....\*Nate Turner  
.....\*Travis Adams  
Sermon.....Cory Prince  
Dismiss .....Jason Adams

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Bruce Pryor  
Lead Singing.....Jason Adams  
First Prayer.....Barry Mayes  
Reading.....Travis Adams  
Invitation.....Joe Collins  
Dismiss.....Tim Gann

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship .....194  
Bible Study.....157  
P.M. Worship.....102  
Wednesday Bible Study .....110  
Contribution .....\$6,775

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.....Ronnie & Denise Prince  
P.M. ....Youth Group

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Check Pantry: .....Kara Fuston  
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Video .....Tommy Turner  
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Bible Study	10:15 AM		
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Young Men’s Seminar

The East Main congregation in Murfreesboro is hosting a seminar for young men on February 4th. This seminar is to help with the spiritual growth of our young men in the church. If you would like to attend please see Jason.

“My son, if you receive my words, And treasure my commands within you, So that you incline your ear to wisdom, And apply your heart to understanding; Yes, if you cry out for discernment, And lift up your voice for understanding, If you seek her as silver, And search for her as for hidden treasures; Then you will understand the fear of the Lord, And find the knowledge of God.” (Proverbs 2:1–5)

Youth News and Updates

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Upcoming Youth Activities

January 29th (Sunday) Youth Led Worship Service  
February 4th (Saturday) Young Men’s Seminar  
February 5th (Sunday) Bible Bowl at Bybee  
February 5th (Sunday) Sunday Night Eats

February

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Feb 1	2	3	4 Young Men's Seminar (East Main Murfreesboro 8AM)
Feb 5 FHU Lectureship Bible Bowl at Bybee (hosted by Earleyville 2PM) Sunday Night Eats	6 HAROLD & TERE-SA MCGINNESS	7 Elsie Newby Parker Smith Stanley Graves	8 Ashley Newby Tim Fisher Zella Cook	9 Cory Prince	10 Singing at Findley 7PM	11 HERB & THELMA ROWLAND
Feb 12 Youth Emphasis Night 6PM	13 Monday Morning Bible Class 9AM	14 Joe Maynard Linda Fults STAN & SANDRA HILLIS	15 Ronnie Hamilton	16	17 Daisy Maxwell DARRON & KIRSTIE DIXON	18 Nona Martin
Feb 19 Brandon Fuston H.E.Y. at Central 5PM	20	21 Avie Clemons	22 Isabella Pennington Birthday Wednesday	23 Jayla Hudson	24 Challenge Youth Conference	25
Feb 26 Challenge...	27 Monday Morning Bible Class 9AM	28				

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Chris Snow  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture .....I John 2:3-5  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Leonard Clemons  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Ronnie Hoover

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer .....Jason Adams  
Reading .....Nathan Turner  
Scripture .....I Corinthians 11:19  
Lord's Table .....\*Allen Hughes  
.....\*Travis Adams  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Larry Flatt

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Bruce Pryor  
Lead Singing.....Dale Zuna  
First Prayer .....Eddie Palmer  
Reading.....Paul Hurst  
Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Darren Dixon

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship .....201  
Bible Study.....143  
P.M. Worship.....139  
Wednesday Bible Study.....97  
Contribution .....\$5,577

**Welcome Committee**

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P.M.....Caleb Graves & Family  
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Betty McPherson (NHC Rehab)  
Jimmy Ramsey - Tennova (Knoxville)

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Robin Lynne Crouch Emigh (June Crouch’s grand-daughter). Graveside service and interment will be held at 3:00 p.m.Wednesday, February 1st, 2023 at Mt.View Cemetery.

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Sunday Night Eats

Our next Sunday Night Eats will be on Sunday, February 5th following our evening services

Challenge Youth Conference

There are a few people who still need to get their release forms turned in. Please see Jason for your form.

Time Sensitive Activities

Our paintball and white water rafting excursions are time sensitive. Jason needs to know who is going ASAP. He needs to reserve a slot for both of these activities. Please sigh-up ASAP.

February Youth Activities

February 5th (Sunday) Bible Bowl at Bybee  
February 5th (Sunday) Sunday Night Eats  
February 16th (Sunday) H.E.Y. at Central  
February 22nd (Wednesday) Birthday Wednesday  
February 24th - 26th (Friday - Sunday) CYC

Shut In’s

At Home:

Janice Foster  
Morris Griffith (Don’s brother)  
Greg Grizzell  
Lynder & Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford’s sister)  
Doris Wilcher

AHC Bethesda

(444 1 11 Pl, Cookeville, TN 38506)  
Deven Grove

Webb House

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

NHC

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock - #406  
Cathy Hennessee - #408A  
Noel Pepper - #127

“Anxiety in the heart of man causes depression, But a good word makes it glad.”  
(Proverbs 12:25)

Let us do our part to encourage our brothers and sisters in Christ.

If you have any questions regarding addresses, please see your visitation team leader.

Jonah and the Love of God

Before you criticize Jonah too severely, put yourself in his place. God commanded him to preach to Nineveh, the capital of the Assyrian empire. Assyria was a fierce and dreaded enemy of Israel. I could make you nauseous with details of the Assyrians’ cruelty to their enemies. The worse the pain they could inflict and the longer they could make it last, the better they liked it. No doubt Jonah would have been happy for God to wipe them from the face of the earth. Good riddance!

How would you react if God told you to go preach to Pyongyang (North Korea, ruled by Kim Jong-un)? Or to Kabul (Afghanistan, ruled by the Taliban)? Or to ISIS in parts of Syria? Jonah’s assignment had much in common with those.

Jonah was wrong to disobey God. Let there be no doubt about that! Jonah’s nationalism kept him from understanding God’s love for even the worst of sinners. God’s nature doesn’t change. Today He isn’t willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9); that was true in Jonah’s day too. The sheer ignorance of the Assyrians didn’t excuse their hideous abuses, but it did result in the Lord being longsuffering with them even as He was with Israel and still is with us.

Can you love people who hate you and would be all too happy to kill you if they could? Jesus prayed for the very people who were mocking and murdering Him. A few weeks later His blood cleansed some of them from their sins!

God loves the good and the evil, the just and the unjust, His love is perfect (complete, mature, Matthew 5:43-48). It’s nothing special to love those who love you (v. 46). But loving your enemies makes you like God.

By Joe Slater



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer.....Barry Mayes  
Reading.....Dale Bennett  
Scripture.....I John 2:15-17  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Herb Rowland  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Ken Martin

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer.....Micah Lawrence  
Reading.....Jacob Graves  
Scripture.....John 21:20-22  
Lord's Table.....\*Talan Mullican  
.....\*Lincoln Sain  
Sermon.....Jason Adams  
Dismiss.....Kane Maynard

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Bruce Pryor  
Lead Singing.....Tim Gann  
First Prayer.....Kurt Maynard  
Reading.....Brandon Fuston  
Invitation.....Willie Newby  
Dismiss.....Tucker Gann

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship.....220  
Bible Study.....165  
P.M. Worship.....150  
Wednesday Bible Study.....91  
Contribution.....\$6,592

**Welcome Committee**

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P.M. ....Willie & Donna Newby

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Betty McPherson  
Kelly Peoples (*after eye procedure*)  
Hunter Sain  
Alex Watson

Hospital

Cathy Hennessee (*NHC #408A*)  
Jimmy Ramsey - *Tennova (Knoxville hospice care)*

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of James Philip Caldwell (*Ruby Huntley’s nephew*). His services were on Friday, February 10th. Please keep his family in your prayers..

Ladies Day (further information is on the bulletin board)

The Rockliff congregation is having a Ladies Day on Saturday, March 4th beginning at 9:00 AM. The speaker for the day will be Laura Jenkins.

Monday Morning Bible Class

Tony’s next Monday Morning Bible Class will be on Monday, February 12th beginning at 9:00 AM.

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Youth News and Updates

Bible Bowl Combined Class

Update: our combined class for grades 5th - high school, on Sundays will meet in the youth room upstairs. Even if you do not attend the Bible Bowl you are more than welcome to join us for class.

Bible Bowl

The next Bible Bowl will be over Romans 15 & 16.

Youth Emphasis Night

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Challenge Youth Conference

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Spring Youth Retreat

If you are going to attend SYR this year, please sign up no later than Wednesday, March 1st. This years theme is “*Refocus: set your mind on things above*”. When you sign up on the iPad, please indicate what shirt size you need.

Paintball Deadline

If you are going to join the paintball excursion, you need to sign up no later than Wednesday, February 22nd. We need a minimum of 10 people for this event to happen.

February Youth Activities

February 16th (*Sunday*) H.E.Y. at Central

February 22nd (*Wednesday*) Birthday Wednesday

**February 22nd Paintball Deadline**

February 24th - 26th (*Friday - Sunday*) CYC

Look Up!

Recently, my wife and I set up a bird feeder in a different part of the yard from the section we had used previously. A cold front was on its way and we set the feeder up before its arrival. Following the placement of the feeder, we watched to see if the birds would find it in time to take advantage of it during the frigid temperatures. As I watched some of the birds gathering in the vicinity of the feeder, I kept saying to myself (because the birds could not hear or understand me), “Look up!” I knew the source of their nourishment and strength was within their reach, and that they needed to see it and fly up to it.

It seems to me that there is a similar situation when it comes to people and their spiritual strength. The Psalmist confidently affirmed, “*God is my refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble*” (Psalms 46:1). However, not everyone feels the same way, and not everyone takes advantage of the strength available, even if they know about it.

Followers of God would do well to remember the main point of one of the most famous incidents/stories in the Bible. As young David arrived at the scene of an impending battle, he was surprised and dismayed to know that the army of Israel, and in turn, the God of Israel were being defied by their enemy. It is interesting to notice that the English word “defy” or a form of it is used at least four times in the seventeenth chapter of I Samuel, (English Standard Version) and is in reference to the actions of the giant Goliath. When David heard of the taunts of the enemy, he was quick to defend the LORD and assert that a victory over Goliath could and would come through God Almighty. Before he killed Goliath, David made it clear where his faith was placed and delivered a detailed summary of what he was sure would happen to the Philistine, when he concluded, “*For the battle is the LORD’s, and he will give you into our hand*” (I Samuel 17:47).

When we are tempted to be discouraged and sure of defeat, we must remember to look up—to the same God who delivered David and others from physical and spiritual peril. The Lord has promised, “*I will never leave you nor forsake you*” (Hebrews 13:5). In a masterfully worded rhetorical question, the divinely inspired apostle Paul asked, “*If God be for us, who can be against us*” (Romans 8:31). Who, indeed?

Our obstacles are real: discouragement, lust, anger, jealousy, unbelief, to name a few. They can be overcome—but we must look up!

“*I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth*” (Psalms 121:1, 2).

By Lance Cordle

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer.....Paul Hurst  
Reading.....Norman Sain  
Scripture.....1 John 2:18, 19  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Don Sullivan  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Bobby Ashford

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer.....Tommy Turner  
Reading.....Jeff Flatt  
Scripture.....Genesis 37:4, 5  
Lord's Table.....\*Ronnie Prince  
.....\*Eddie Palmer  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....David McColloch

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Bruce Pryor  
Lead Singing.....Travis Adams  
First Prayer.....Ray Weddington  
Reading.....Jared Mullican  
Invitation.....Jason Adams  
Dismiss.....Mike Mullins

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship.....209  
Bible Study.....180  
P.M. Worship.....122  
Wednesday Bible Study.....104  
Contribution.....\$12,152

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David Chilton  
W.C. & Nelma Chilton  
June Crouch  
Greg Grizzell (under hospice care)  
Josh King (after car accident)  
Betty McPherson  
Noel Pepper  
Kelly Peoples (after eye procedure)  
Hunter Sain  
Alex Watson

Hospital

Cathy Hennessee (NHC #408A)  
Jimmy Ramsey - Tennova (Knoxville hospice care)

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Gospel Meeting

The Arlington congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from March 12th - March 14th with brother Chris Whitaker.

Community Gatherings

The following activities are available during the week here in Warren County.

Monday: School of Biblical Emphasis on the 2nd and 4th Monday's at 7:00 PM at Mt. Leo

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class at Central at 10:00 AM

Tuesday: Bible Class at East End at 1:30 PM

Thursday: Middle Tennessee School of Preaching and Biblical Studies at 6:00 PM and at 7:00 PM at West Riverside

Youth News and Updates

Bible Bowl Combined Class

Update: our combined class for grades 5th - high school, on Sundays will meet in the youth room upstairs. Even if you do not attend the Bible Bowl you are more than welcome to join us for class.

Bible Bowl

The next Bible Bowl will be over Romans 15 & 16.

Spring Youth Retreat

If you are going to attend SYR this year, please sign up no later than Wednesday, March 1st. This years theme is “Refocus: set your mind on things above”. When you sign up on the iPad, please indicate what shirt size you need. Because spring break is a time when many families go on vacation, we have opted to move this years retreat to the last full weekend in March (24th - 26). Hopefully this will allow more people to be able to attend.

Paintball Deadline

If you are going to join the paintball excursion, you need to sign up no later than Wednesday, February 22nd. We need a minimum of 10 people for this event to happen.

Congregational Activity

Jason is planning a trip to take a group white water rafting. Due to sports and other activities happening between now and August, he is looking at a Saturday in August. If you want to attend, please sign the iPad so he can see if there is enough interest to plan this adventure.

February Youth Activities

February 15th (Wednesday) CYC info meeting  
February 19th (Sunday) H.E.Y. at Central  
February 22nd (Wednesday) Birthday Wednesday  
February 22nd Paintball Deadline  
February 24th - 26th (Friday - Sunday) CYC

Why A Church Bulletin

What is the purpose of a local church bulletin? It has two primary purposes. First, it is an additional avenue of teaching. While the articles within are short, there can be much within the article, or anecdotal remarks, that have a powerful teaching capability. Just as the articles can teach, sometimes they are encouraging and give reassurance to some. We don't always know what goes on in the heart of a person, so an article, quaint saying, anecdote may have an impact on one, but not another.

A second reason for a local church bulletin is information pertaining to the local congregation and events in the area. The prayer list is a very important list. There are people who are in a struggle with health or some other matter, and very much desire the prayers of the saints. This is why it is important to keep the list updated. The announcements section gives updates with regard to the local congregation, especially news from the elders as required. It's always good to promote area events if we can; that way we can support the works of sister congregations, as we ask them to support us. You know the old saying, what goes around, comes around.

By Ron Thomas

Burdens Are Lifted At Calvary

The song is right – burdens really are lifted at Calvary! Our Savior Himself invited, “Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest” (Matthew 11:28). Jesus didn't shed His blood and die on the cross so you could carry your sin around like a ball and chain for the rest of your life. He offers rest!

Jesus made a point of saying “heavy laden.” He extends His grace to those who have committed “big” sins as well as transgressors in less extreme ways. Even as life was draining from Him, Jesus lifted the burden of a violent criminal who, only a short time before, had mocked Him. Jesus told him, “Today you will be with Me in paradise” (Luke 23:43).

Sometime later Jesus lifted the burden of Saul of Tarsus, a man who absolutely hated Him and was doing everything in his power to destroy the church. Innumerable disciples of Jesus had suffered arrest, torture, imprisonment, and even death at this man's behest. So awful were his crimes that he later referred to himself as the chief of sinners (1 Timothy 1:15). Yet Jesus lifted even Saul's enormous burden of sin! “For this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life” (1 Timothy 1:16). If I may paraphrase, “If Jesus can save me (and He did) then He can save anyone!”

Even before the cross, God's people found relief from sin because Christ's blood reached back to them just as it reaches forward to us. David's burden made him feel lifeless and crushed until “I acknowledged my sin to You . . . and You forgave the iniquity of my sin” (Psalm 32:3-5).

So often we react to our sin with self-loathing and beating ourselves up. While such responses are understandable, they can never “fix” the problem! Only Jesus can do that.

By Joe Slater



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer .....Tim Fisher  
Reading.....Danny Duncan  
Scripture.....I John 3:1, 2  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Matthew Woodside  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Kelly Thaxton

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Gravers  
First Prayer .....Dale Zuna  
Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture .....Numbers 12:1-3  
Lord's Table .....\*Rickey Hurst  
.....\*Micah Lawrence  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Ryan McColloch

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Bruce Pryor  
Lead Singing.....Herb Rowland  
First Prayer .....Don Griffith  
Reading.....Caleb Graves  
Invitation.....Brandon Fuston  
Dismiss .....Seth Graves

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship .....220  
Bible Study.....166  
P.M. Worship.....112  
Wednesday Bible Study .....103  
Contribution .....\$8,066

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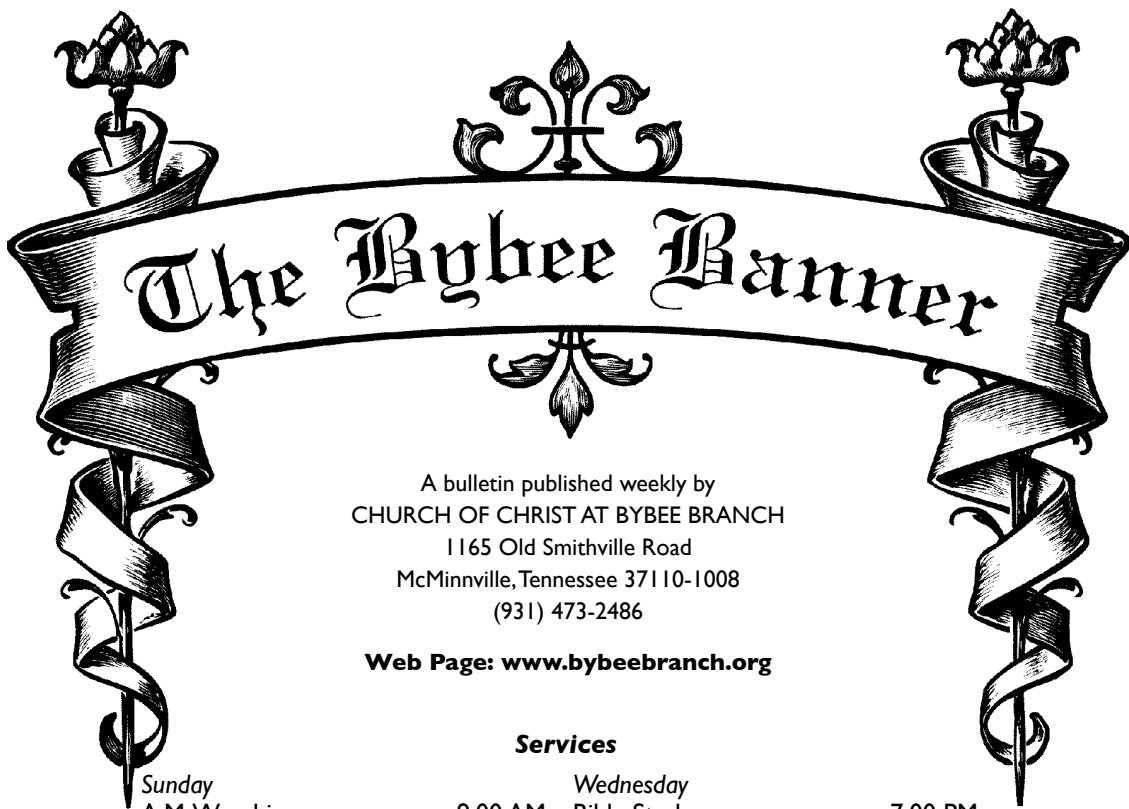
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Josh King (leg surgery on February 23rd)  
Betty McPherson  
Kelly Peoples (after eye procedure)  
Hunter Sain (leg surgery on February 27th)  
Alex Watson (back surgery in March)  
Vickie Woodlee

**Hospital**  
Cathy Hennessee (NHC #408A)

**Sympathy**  
We want to extend our sympathy to two families.

Jimmy Ramsey, the brother-in-law of Maggie Hurst, passed away last week. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Morris Young, the brother of Farris Young, passed away last week. Please keep his family in your prayers.

**Ladies Planning Meeting**  
On Sunday, February 26th at 5:00 PM there will be a planning meeting regarding the Ladies Day that will take place here at Bybee. All ladies are encouraged to be a part of this effort.

**Ladies Day** (further information is on the bulletin board)  
The Rockliff congregation is having a Ladies Day on Saturday, March 4th beginning at 9:00 AM. The speaker for the day will be Laura Jenkins.

**Guest Speaker**  
Brother Jeff Archey will be speaking here at Bybee during our adult Bible class hour, February 26th.

**Amerindian Missions Guyana**  
If you would like to make a donations towards the purchase of a truck for this work, please give your donation one of the elders

**Visitation Group #4**  
Visitation group #4 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

**Youth News and Updates**

**Bible Bowl**  
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March						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Mar 1 Eddie Palmer Kirstie Dixon	2	3	4
Mar 5 Darron Dixon Mitchell Ferrell Tommy Crouch Bible Bowl at Arlington 2PM Sunday Night Eats	6	7 David McColloch Malcolm Peoples	8 Vivian Adams	9 MALCOLM & KELLY PEOPLES	10	11 Tim Gann
Mar 12 Rickey Hurst	13 Adry Snow Aryn Snow NO Monday Morning Bible Class	14	15 Farris Young	16	17 Lynder Holmes	18 KEN & NONA MARTIN
Mar 19 H.E.Y at Morrison 5 PM	20	21	22 Becky Maynard JOE & BECKY MAY- NARD Birthday Wednesday	23 Ashlynn Graves Doris Smith	24 Spring Youth Retreat Chancy Woodside	25 Aimee Hillis Melinda Martin
Mar 26 Spring Youth Retreat Clara Scott Dale Zuna Ella Faith Kesey Lola Barrett	27 Shelby Nearing Monday Morning Bible Class 9 AM	28 JOHN & JUDY NUSS- BAUM	29	30	31 Bo Gentry Ayers Delanie Sullivan	

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer.....Allen Hughes  
Reading .....Ken Martin  
Scripture .....I John 4:1-3  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Tim Fisher  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Barry Mayes

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer .....Ray Weddington  
Reading .....Nathan Turner  
Scripture .....2 Thess 2:9-11  
Lord's Table .....\*Jacob Graves  
.....\*Caleb Graves  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Jeff Flatt

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements .....Matthew Woodside  
Lead Singing .....Mike Mullins  
First Prayer .....Tim Gann  
Reading .....Tucker Gann  
Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Bruce Pryor

Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship .....167  
Bible Study.....132  
P.M. Worship.....121  
Wednesday Bible Study.....98  
Contribution .....\$7,721

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Josh King (after leg surgery)  
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Kelly Peoples (after eye procedure)  
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Vickie Woodlee

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Jim McColloch (River Park #223)

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Gospel Meeting

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Save the Date (Ladies Day)

(further information is on the bulletin board)  
The East Main congregation in Murfreesboro is having a Ladies Day on Saturday, April 15th with breakfast and registration beginning at 8:15 AM. The event starts at 9AM. The speaker for the day will be Traci Sproule.

The Central congregation in McMinnville is having a Ladies Day on Saturday, April 15th. The speaker of the day will be Teddy Copeland at Central

Visitation Group #1

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Camp Announcement

Warren/White week at SMBC will be from Sunday, May 28th - Friday June 2nd.

Coffee week at SMBC will be from Sunday, June 25th - Friday June 30th.

Congregational Activity

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- March 5th (Sunday) Bible Bowl at Arlington
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- March 24th - 26th (Friday - Sunday) SYR

Shut-ins

At Home:  
Janice Foster  
Morris Griffith (Don’s brother)  
Greg Grizzell  
Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Noel Pepper  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Doris Wilcher

AHC Bethesda

(444 1 1 1 Pl, Cookeville, TN 38506)  
Deven Grove

Webb House

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

NHC McMinnville

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock (406)  
Cathy Hennessee (408 A)

Brookdale Retirement Center

910 Murfreesboro Rd  
Franklin, TN 37064  
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt’s mother)

Please remember our shut-ins,  
not just at this time but always.

Regardless of anyones situation,  
we always can benefit from  
words of encouragement.

What Do They Really Need?

Last weekend there was a group of 19 from the church here that went to Challenge Youth Conference in Pigeon Forge, TN. It is a time of fun, bonding as brother and sister in Christ and being encouraged to deepen your relationship with God.

This years theme was 'Are You Listening'. There were several good messages delivered through the weekend, however there was one lesson that stood out amongst the rest.

On Friday night brother TJ Kirk (VP of student Services Freed Hardeman University) delivered a powerful message on Listening for God.

In his lesson he pointed out several suggestion to help us listen FOR not TO God I.e., get beyond the distractions, know WHAT you are listing for, etc.

Of all the things he said that evening, there was one that stood out more to me than the others. He told of his childhood and how he had a bad father. He said his father was so bad that he would pray that God would kill him.

Several years later, when in college, he received a phone call from his mom about his dad (I can’t tell it like he did) and his dad died; he died to Christ and became a child of God.

I keep replaying that moment he spoke of in my head. I wonder how many times we have been hurt and we pray for he worst to happen to people, when in reality what those people really need is Jesus.

The next time you are hurt, please don’t wish evil on that person, but rather pray they find Jesus before it is everlastingly too late.

Jason



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Joe Collins  
First Prayer.....Tommy Turner  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....1 John 4:7, 8  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Larry Flatt  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Bobby Ashford

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Joe Collins  
First Prayer.....Willie Newby  
Reading.....Dale Bennett  
Scripture.....Matthew 4:21, 22  
Lord's Table .....\*Clent Kesey  
.....\*Eddie Palmer  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Ronnie Hoover

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Matthew Woodside  
Lead Singing .....Lincoln Sain  
First Prayer .....Rickey Hurst  
Reading.....Norman Sain  
Invitation .....Leonard Clemons  
Dismiss.....Micah Lawrence

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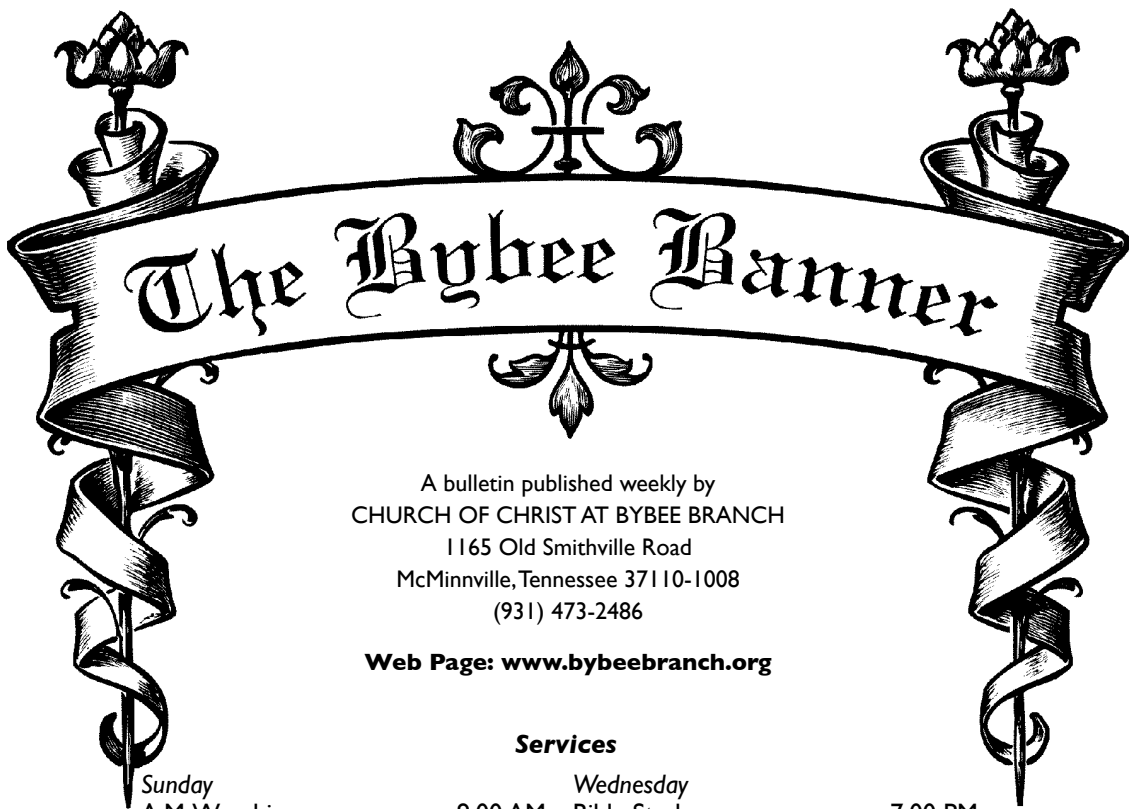
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- Jodi Zuna (St.Thomas Rutherford)

Bybee Gospel Meeting

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Gospel Meeting

The Arlington congregating will be hosting a gospel meeting from March 12th - March 14th with brother Chris Whitaker.

Save the Date (Ladies Day)

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Visitation Group #2

Visitation group #2 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

Daylight Savings (don’t be late for services)

Don’t forget to set your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday, March 4th.

Youth News and Updates

Bible Bowl Reward

All youth who participated in Bible Bowl this year will be treated to Dairy Queen on Sunday, March 12th after our evening services.

H.E.Y.

Our next H.E.Y. meeting will be on Sunday, March 19th at the Morrison congregation. The van will leave at 4:20 PM and return between 8:00 PM and 8:15 PM. Please sign up if you are attending.

Spring Youth Retreat

If you are going to attend SYR this year, please sign up no later than Wednesday, March 8th. This years theme is “Refocus: set your mind on things above”. When you sign up on the iPad, please indicate what shirt size you need. This years retreat will be the last full weekend in March (24th - 26th).

Camp Announcement

Warren/White week at SMBC will be from Sunday, May 28th - Friday June 2nd.

Coffee week at SMBC will be from Sunday, June 25th - Friday June 30th.

Congregational Activity

Jason is planning a white water rafting trip. This is for ANYONE who wants to go. He is looking at a Saturday in August. If you want to attend, please sign the iPad so he can see if there is enough interest to plan this adventure.

March Youth Activities

- March 19th (Sunday) H.E.Y. at Morrison
- March 22nd (Wednesday) Birthday Wednesday
- March 24th - 26th (Friday - Sunday) SYR

Why Wait Until Then?

I recently posted some information about a college football coach who passed away unexpectedly. After his passing, there were a lot of stories about him. As stated in my earlier post, Mike Leach was a unique individual. That made for a lot of interesting stories.

All of that prompted me to think about the fact that each of us is unique. No two people are exactly alike – even “identical” twins. That means that there are stories to be told and memories to be shared about each of us. It also means that there are stories we can tell and memories we can share with our families and friends. Most of those stories and memories typically indicate our love and/or appreciation for somebody.

I’m wondering why we sometimes tend to wait until after somebody has passed from this life before we share with others how much we loved/appreciated/respected them. More importantly, I wonder why we often fail to tell the person himself/herself.

There’s an old joke about a wife complaining to her husband about the fact that he never tells her that he loves her. His response, according to the joke, was, “I told you that I loved you when we got married. If I ever change my mind, I’ll let you know.”

Sadly, that “joke” may not be funny to a lot of people. Far too many people may pass into eternity having never known about the positive impact they had on others.

This post may be a little shorter than most of the ones I usually publish. There are at least a couple of reasons for that. First, there is no reason to belabor the point.

The second reason for this post being somewhat brief is that I’m thinking that all of us might make good use of a little extra time. Maybe that time could be used to make a phone call, write a note, send a text, or even make a visit. It could very well be the case that each of us has people in our lives who would like to know how much they are appreciated. It could even be that some of those people might think that they are making little or no difference in the life of anybody. The short time it would take to let them know that they are wrong in thinking that could be an investment of time and effort that pays huge dividends.

So – is there somebody like that in your life? Is there somebody about whom you could tell great stories after they are gone? Are there great things you could say about them after they are gone? Would you like for them to know how much they mean to you? Do you think that you might regret not having taken advantage of the time you now have with them after they are gone?

If so — why wait until then?

by J. Faughn

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Joe Collins  
First Prayer .....Chris Snow  
Reading .....David McColloch  
Scripture .....Luke 9:23-25  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Brandon Fuston  
Sermon .....Jason Adams  
Dismiss .....Kelly Thaxton

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Joe Collins  
First Prayer .....Don Sullivan  
Reading .....Ryan McColloch  
Scripture .....Luke 4:9-11  
Lord's Table .....\*Ronnie Prince  
.....\*Cory Prince  
Sermon .....Landon Averitte  
Dismiss .....Dale Zuna

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements .....Matthew Woodside  
Lead Singing .....Talan Mullican  
First Prayer .....Stanley Graves  
Reading .....Nathan Turner  
Invitation .....Jason Adams  
Dismiss .....Jared Mullican

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David Chilton  
W.C. & Nelma Chilton  
June Crouch  
Greg Grizzell (under hospice care)  
Josh King  
Paula Lynn (Eunice Haley’s daughter)  
Betty McPherson  
Kelly Peoples  
Hunter Sain

Hospital

Cathy Hennessee (NHC #408A)  
Jean Martin (Angie Caldwell’s aunt)  
Jim McColloch (NHC #106)  
Alex Watson (surgery the 14th & 15th of March)

Special Prayer Request

Gabrielle Buford (Rachel Mayes’ cousin) has had to discontinue the clinical trial she was a part of. She will begin a new medication once her body has done some healing. This is the last option of treatment they have for her at this time.

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Gospel Meeting

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Visitation Group #3

Visitation group #3 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

Youth News and Updates

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This is a new class, on Sundays, for grades 5th - 12th. Any in this age group are welcome to join us. There is an additional class for grades 9th - 12th, available in room #1 (the library).

Spring Youth Retreat

Today, Sunday March 19th, is the last day to sign up for SYR! We currently have 25 attending but we want a full house that weekend! There are lots of activities planned, so please join us by signing up today! Our theme for the weekend comes from Colossians 3:2 - “Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.” The classes are as follows: Remember Your First Love, Value Spiritual Growth, Know the Word on a Deeper Level and Invest in Your Spiritual Gifts. Come join us for a weekend of FUN, FELLOWSHIP and SPIRITUAL GROWTH!!!

Questions & Answers

On Wednesday evenings there is a Q&A class for grades 7th - 12th. This class is in the teen room upstairs. We are attempting to answering questions that the teens have asked.

March Youth Activities

March 22nd (Wednesday) Birthday Wednesday  
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Everyone

People who saw the animated feature film “Beauty and the Beast” will undoubtedly remember the song with the same title as the movie, performed by Peabo Bryson and Celine Dion. Since that time, the name of Celine Dion has been related to great music and her voice has been admired by many people. She has performed concerts throughout the world and sold millions of records. It has not been unusual to hear her name in the news over the past few years as well. In December of 2022, Celine announced she had been diagnosed with the rare disorder known as Stiff-Person Syndrome. It is a painful neurological disorder and there is no cure for it. Celine is fifty-eight years old and her career is in jeopardy because of this condition. In fact, numerous concerts she had planned for the coming months have had to be cancelled.

What is interesting to observe is the fact that most people would easily describe Celine Dion as a privileged and successful person, and have been shocked to learn that she is dealing with such a serious disorder. However, what this situation reveals is that everyone, including celebrities, deals with some sort of serious personal issue on a daily basis. As you greet the first person in your list of encounters of the day, it would not be unheard for that person to have a serious illness, a death in the family, or an emotional or physical handicap. Many other possibilities could be given and various ones with whom you come into contact daily would be dealing with them.

Job is of course correct in his assessment of the human condition “Man who is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble” (Job 14:1). No doubt, we are aware of our own issues and troubles, and want people to be kind to us in their interactions with us. Why not return the favor and assume that everyone you meet is in the process of dealing with emotional or physical trauma and treat them with kindness?

If you knew the cashier at the grocery store had just experienced the death of a loved one, would you not treat them with courtesy and consideration? If you knew that your supervisor or employer had just been diagnosed with cancer, would you be as quick to criticize them? If you knew your coworker was in a troubled marriage, would you be cruel in your treatment of them?

Long ago, Jesus gave us the perfect way to deal with people who are facing personal crises. It is “built” for the possibility of encountering someone who is hurting. Here is the formula: “So, whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them ...” (Matthew 7:12)

We call it the Golden Rule and it still works ... for everyone.

By Lance Cordle



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer .....Rickey Hurst  
Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture.....I John 5:4, 5  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Joe Collins  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Herb Rowland

**Sunday Evening Worship**

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Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer .....Kurt Maynard  
Reading.....Lincoln Sain  
Scripture.....Matthew 4:21, 22  
Lord's Table .....\*Tommy Turner  
.....\*Nathan Turner  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Micah Lawrence

**Wednesday Bible Study**

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race B2  
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Welcome to the Family

We want to welcome JoJuan Cortez Gonzales to the family of God! He was baptized on Sunday, March 19th, 2023. Please encourage him as he be-  
gins his new journey with God.

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Gospel Meetings

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The Taft congregation (in White County) will be hosting a gospel meeting from April 2nd - April 5th with brother Tyler Alverson.

The Shady Grove congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from April 14th - April 16th with brother David Lipe

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There is a large group of youth and adults that will be at the Latimer Boy Scout Reservation (in Spencer) this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel. Also pray that they have a successful weekend as they learn more about get-  
ting closer to God and bonding as a church family.

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A Case for the Paper Bible

First things first: I am not anti-electronic Bible. In fact, I know people who basically must use one if they are going to be able to read the text. A lot of older people with failing eyesight have been blessed by being able to blow up the font size on a tablet to very large sizes so they can continue to read God’s wonderful Word. I use an electronic Bible from time-to-time in special situations. So this is not an article meant to say “don’t ever use one of those techy things.” However...

I do want to encourage the vast majority of us—especially parents—to use old-fashioned paper Bibles far more often and also encourage our children to do so. Why? Here are just a few reasons to consider.

**My Children (and Others) Know What I’m Doing.** If I am reading from my phone and my kids walk through the room, what will they think I am doing? (Answer: staring at my phone!) But If I am hold-  
ing that special book, that makes a great impression. Dad is taking this moment to look into God’s Word.

**You Remember More.** It has been shown in study after study that reading from a paper book leads to far more retention of the information than reading from a screen (even when reading the exact same material). There is just something about reading from paper that triggers our brains to grab more of the information and hold onto it. If there is anything that we should want to remember, it should be God’s Word.

**There’s Something to be Said for a One-Purpose “Thing.”** When I pick up my phone, tablet, or computer, I can do any number of things. But when I pick up my Bible, my mind immediately knows what I am doing. I am going to read and study so that I can do my best to be drawn closer to my God.

**It Isn’t All about Ease.** The main reason I hear people give for using a screen for their Bible is “it’s just easier.” Often, they are talking about the ease of finding a text. Maybe...but maybe not. It may be easier at first (and for awhile) to find a text using the phone, but if you will stick with a paper Bible, you will find, over time, that you can flip from John to Jonah or from Luke to Lamentations without even really thinking about it. It becomes almost second nature because you have so familiarized yourself with the book.

**What Will I Leave Behind.** As I get older, this has started becoming precious to me. I bought a new Bible a few months ago. My hope is that it is the last “main” Bible I ever buy. If I have lived a godly life, there is no *thing* I could leave to my wife or my children that would be of more value than the book that helped me be close to God. If I use a screen all the time...what will I leave to them? Again, I am not saying that no one should ever use a screen. There can be a place for them. But I do deeply believe we lose something when we exclusively use a screen to read the Bible. These are just some reasons to consider.

No matter what you choose, though, being in the Word is what matters. Let’s never lose sight of that!

By Adam Faughn

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First Prayer .....Tim Fisher  
Reading.....Danny Duncan  
Scripture.....Esther 9:26-28  
Lord's Table .....\*Micah Lawrence  
.....\*Clent Kesey  
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Dismiss .....Dale Zuna

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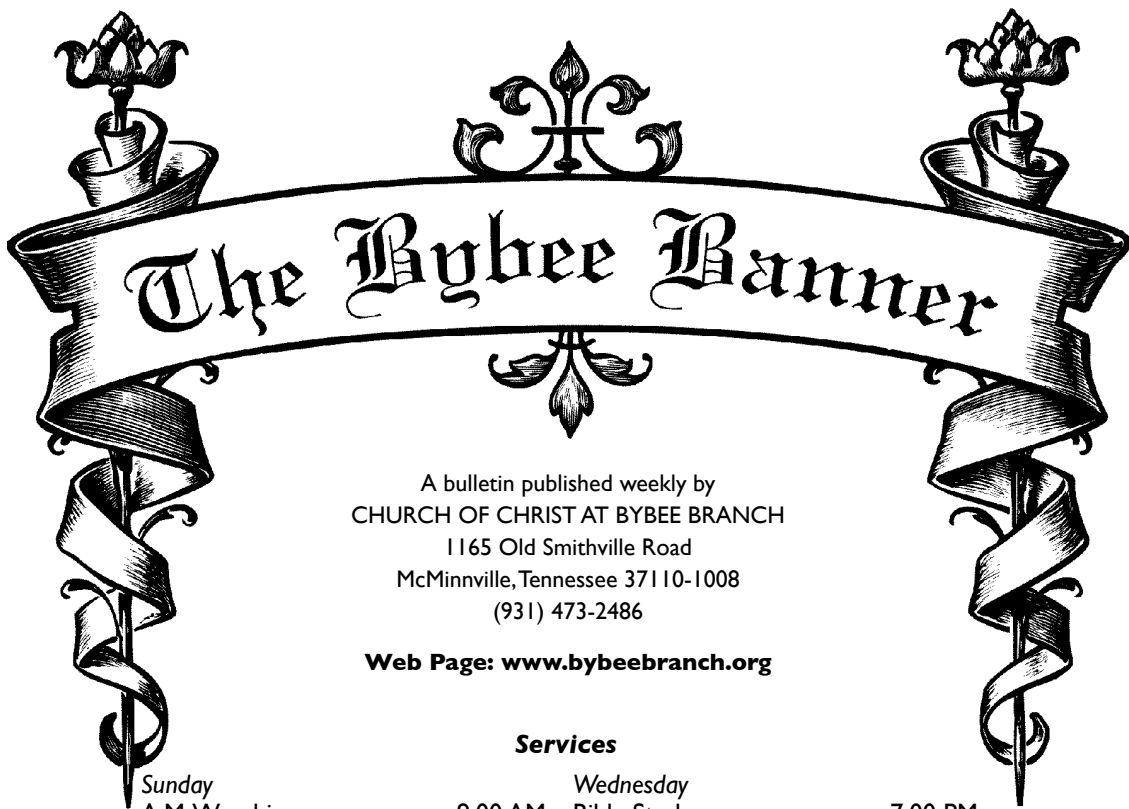
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Hunter Sain

Alex Watson (recovering from back surgery)

**Hospital**

Zella Cook (in Illinois after leg surgery)

Cathy Hennessee (NHC #408A)

Jean Martin (Angie Caldwell’s aunt) Riverside Terrace B2

Denice Prince (following knee surgery)

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Cookeville Regional Hospital

**Gospel Meetings**

The Taft congregation (in White County) will be hosting a gospel meeting from April 2nd - April 5th with brother Tyler Alverson.

The Shady Grove congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from April 14th - April 16th with brother David Lipe

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**Visitation Group #1**

Visitation group #1 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

**Bybee Ladies Day**

Remember: May 6th at 9:30 with Becky Honeycutt

**Sympathy**

Please remember Avie Clemons and her family. Her twin sister Evie passed away last week.

**Youth News and Updates**

**Prom Alt Trip**

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**Sunday Night Eats**

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**H.E.Y.**

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**Youth Led Worship Service**

Our next youth led worship service will be on Sunday, April 30th.Any young man who wishes to help out during this service needs to see Jason.

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Apr 9	10 Monday Morning Bible Class	11	12	13 Dwight Barrett	14 Marty York	15
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**Sunday Morning Worship**

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Reading.....Seth Graves  
Scripture .....TBA  
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Sermon .....BJ Clarke  
Dismiss .....Kelly Thaxton

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First Prayer.....Barry Mayes  
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Scripture .....TBA  
Lord's Table .....\*Ronnie Prince  
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Sermon .....BJ Clarke  
Dismiss .....Norman Sain

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Caleb Graves  
Lead Singing.....Lincoln Sain  
First Prayer .....Matthew Woodside  
Reading.....Joe Collins  
Invitation .....BJ Clarke  
Dismiss .....Mike Mullins

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship .....182  
Bible Study.....131  
P.M. Worship.....131  
Wednesday Bible Study .....113  
Contribution .....\$5,909

**Welcome Committee**

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P.M. ....Ronnie & Denise Prince

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Bybee Meeting Meals

Each evening (Monday - Wednesday) we will have a fellowship meal prior to our gospel meeting (meals are at 5:30 PM). Below is the list of days and those who are asked to help out. Thanks in Advance! (last name beginning with).

Monday	M - Z
Tuesday	G - L
Wednesday	A - F

Bybee Ladies Day

Reminder: May 6th at 9:30 with Becky Honeycutt

Visitation Group #2

Visitation group #2 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

Youth News and Updates

Plugged In For Christ

We will be meeting on Sunday, April 9th at 4:30 PM here at the building. We will “test” over the material we’ve been studying. We will meet in the youth room.

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Prom Alt Trip Chaperones

Jason is looking for some chaperones to help with the P.A.T. trip this year. If you are willing to help out, please see Jason.

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Shut-In’s

At Home

- Janice Foster
- Morris Griffith (Don’s brother)
- Greg Grizzell
- Willie Holmes
- Daisy Maxwell
- Noel Pepper
- Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)
- Doris Wilcher
- Deven Grove
- (248 Spring Meadow Ln., Morrison, TN 37357)

Webb House

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

NHC

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock (406)  
Cathy Hennessee (408 A)

Brookdale Retirement Center

(910 Murfreesboro Rd Franklin, TN 37064)  
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt’s mother)

“Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.” (James 1:27)

Gospel Meetings

What is the purpose of a gospel meeting?

If you were to ask this question 50 years ago, you might get a response of “*To provide an opportunity for a church to evangelize their community, seeking out the lost and bring them the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ*”.

Ask someone in the church today the same question and you will most likely get a different response. They might say something like “*Gospel meetings are out dated, they do not work and are a waste of time in our busy society*”.

Fifty years ago or in modern society, gospel meetings serve several purposes;

1. They are there to spread the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ.
2. They are an opportunity for Christians to fellowship with one another, outside of regular schedule services.
3. It is an opportunity for a fresh, new voice to bring a gospel message to both the saved and lost.

Regardless of how one views a gospel meeting, there are always going to be positive affects they will have.

Yes, 50 years ago you would see dozens of people obey the gospel, verses maybe one person in todays society. However, that one soul is just as important as the dozens of souls.

“12 “What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them goes astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine and go to the mountains to seek the one that is straying? 13 And if he should find it, assuredly, I say to you, he rejoices more over that sheep than over the ninety-nine that did not go astray.” (Matthew 18:12–13)

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer.....Bruce Pryor  
Reading.....Dale Bennett  
Scripture .....2 John 7, 8  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Paul Hurst  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Micah Lawrence

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer .....Leonard Clemons  
Reading .....Ken Martin  
Scripture .....Luke 10:38-42  
Lord's Table .....\*Brandon Fuston  
.....\*Kelly Thaxton  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Chris Snow

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements.....Caleb Graves  
Lead Singing.....Tim Gann  
First Prayer .....Nathan Turner  
Reading .....Tucker Gann  
Invitation .....Jason Adams  
Dismiss .....Jacob Graves

Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship .....258  
Bible Study.....186  
P.M. Worship.....167  
Wednesday Bible Study .....102  
Contribution .....\$10,132

Welcome Committee

A.M.....Willie & Donna Newby  
P.M. ....Clent Kesey & Family  
  
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Prayer Update

Gabrielle Buford has started a new medication and is improving. She requests pryer for strength that she may independently be mobile again.

Gospel Meeting in the Area

- (further information is on the bulletin board)
- 1.April 16-19 Cody Boston at Keltonburg
  - 2.April 16-19 Dan Jenkins at Bethlehem (Murfrees-boro)
  - 3.April 16-19 Hugh Fulford at Smyrna (Cookeville)
  - 4.April 16-19 Justin Turney at Corinth (Sparta)
  - 5.April 16-19 Robert Jefferies at Morrison

Our Gospel Meeting

We want to thank everyone who helped in making our gospel meeting the success that it was. Brother Clarke delivered some powerful messages and all who attended were blessed. Thank you to all who sent out invites, provided food, positive comments and encouragement to everyone during the week.

Readyville Outreach

The church has sent \$8,102 to the brethren at New Hope to assist with the disaster relief effort.

Bybee Ladies Day

The Ladies here at Bybee will be hosting a Ladies Day on Saturday, May 6th beginning at 9:30 with sister Becky Honeycutt. The theme will be “A Christian Woman’s Influence”. Lunch will be provided.

Visitation Group #3

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Birthday Wednesday

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Home Devo

Our next home devo will be at the home of Jeff & Mary Flatt. The church van will leave after services and return between 8:30 PM and 8:45 PM.

April Youth Activities

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|-----------------------|---------------------------|
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| Fri - Sun 28th - 30th | Prom Alt Trip             |
| Sunday the 30th       | Youth Led Worship         |

Unimaginable Culture Shock

It is a blessing to participate in Bible classes that are both doctrinally sound and practical. I’ve recently had that privilege. To me, it is always an added bonus when the teacher gets me to think of something I had not really previously considered and/or helps me to consider something from a new perspective.

That was the case recently when the teacher was discussing what was actually a minor part of the lesson for that day. While that may have been the case, this point that he made almost in passing has occupied a major part of my thinking since hearing it. I may never “get over it.” In fact, I really hope that I don’t.

The teacher was discussing how incomprehensible the beauty and grandeur of heaven must be. He did not attempt to describe the indescribable. He just asked the class to try to imagine the unimaginable.

After doing this, the teacher made the statement that is still swirling around in my mind. I may not remember it verbatim, but I do remember the gist of it and the impact it made on me. The statement was somewhere along the lines of:

Can you imagine the culture shock that Jesus must have experienced when He came to earth? For some people, “culture shock” may be only the subject of a discussion. There are others who have actually experienced it.

It has been over thirty years since I stepped off of a commercial jet and was confronted with (it would not be too much of a stretch to say *assaulted by*) sights, sounds, and *smells* that were very foreign to me. The climate in this nation was totally different from what I was used to. The people didn’t look like me. I had never heard the language they spoke. In fact, during the time I spent in this nation, I heard more than one language. I had never heard – or even *heard of* – most of those languages.

During the time that I spent in this country, I experienced living conditions, foods, customs, and so many other things that were very different to me to say the least. Even the season of the year was different than it was “back home.”

While I longed to be in a familiar environment, I realized that I had volunteered to spend some time in an environment that was totally foreign to me. I also realized that my reason for being there was to bring a message to the people there that was foreign to a great many of them. I was there to tell them about the One who left an environment with which He was familiar to bring to all people the hope of living with Him and His Father in that place with which He was/is so familiar.

We sing a song sometimes which contains these words: He left the splendor of heaven, Knowing His destiny, Was the lonely hill of Golgotha, There to lay down His life for me.

I know that there is absolutely no comparison between my experience and that of the Lord when He left heaven and came to earth, but I am eternally grateful that He did. There are so many reasons to be thankful for that. The culture shock He experienced is just one of them.

An almost offhand comment by a Bible class teacher helped me to increase my appreciation for Jesus. Maybe it will do the same for you.

By Jim Faughn



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Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer .....Stanley Graves  
Reading .....David McColloch  
Scripture .....I Thessalonians 5:21  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Don Sullivan  
Sermon .....Shane Fisher  
Dismiss .....Tommy Turner

Sunday Evening Worship

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First Prayer .....Kurt Maynard  
Reading .....Mike Mullins  
Scripture .....Jonah 1:1-3  
Lord's Table .....\*Matthew Woodside  
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Wednesday Bible Study

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**Prayer Request**  
Daniel Schillinger began a new therapy treatment this past week and has asked for our prayers.

**Gospel Meeting & Other Events**  
(further information is on the bulletin board)

April 23rd - 26th at Trousdale with Jon Simmons

April 28th - 30th at West Riverside with Eric Bonner

**Fellowship at Old Philadelphia**  
There will be a one day meeting/fellowship at Old Philadelphia on May 7th. This event is being hosted by the brethren from the Hiawassee congregation. All are welcomed and encouraged to take part in this time of worship and fellowship. There is further information posted on the bulletin board.

**Quarterly Meetings**  
The Elders & Deacons meeting will be on Sunday, April 30th at 5:00 PM.

The General Business Meeting will be on Sunday, April 30th after our evening services. All men of the congregation are invited to attend.

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**Visitation Group #4**  
Visitation group #4 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

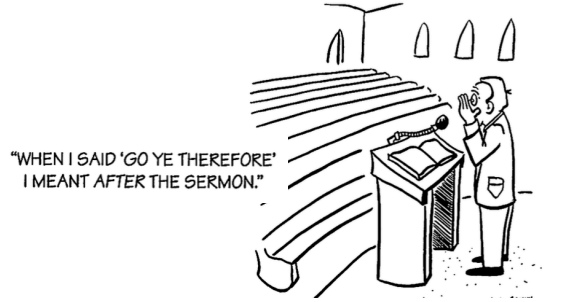
Youth News and Updates

**Plugged In For Christ**  
We will be meeting on Sunday, April 23rd at 4:30 PM here at the building. We will “test” over the material we’ve been studying. We will meet in the youth room.

**Home Devo**  
Our next home devo will be at the home of Jeff & Mary Flatt. The church van will leave after services and return between 8:30 PM and 8:45 PM.

**Birthday Wednesday**  
Our next Birthday Wednesday will be on Wednesday, April 26th. Join us as we celebrate our April babies!

**April Youth Activities**  
Sunday the 23rd Home Devo at Jeff Flatt’s  
Wednesday the 26th Birthday Wednesday  
Fri - Sun 28th - 30th Prom Alt Trip  
Sunday the 30th Youth Led Worship



What Would You Give?

Suppose someone were to tell you that if you cut off your little finger, you could have everything you could possibly want or need? If you need a new car, you could have it. If you need a new house, pick one, there is no price limit. Whatever you want in this world could be yours, if you just cut off your right finger. Would you do it? Suppose the offer was extended to include your right arm, your eyes and your ears, would you still do it? Many would say “no” at some point, yet there are many people that are giving up something more valuable for a whole lot less. Jesus poses this question: “For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?” (Matthew 16:26).

Our soul is the most valuable item we possess. There is no price tag attached to it. It is valuable because it goes on beyond the grave. We cannot take our material possessions with us. (1 Timothy 6:7) We will take our souls with us. So, the value of it is far greater than anything this world has to offer. To lose our soul would be worse than losing our material possessions in a fire, earthquake, or storm.

Our soul is valuable because of its source. Man has given us many things; God has given us our soul. Ezekiel, acting as a spokesman for God stated, “Behold all souls are mine.” (Ezekiel 18:4) Our material possessions belong to us. Our souls belong to God. Paul adds to this by stating, “Glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God’s. (1 Corinthians 6:20) God breathed life into man, and man became a living soul. (Genesis 1:27) Since that time every soul belongs to God.

Our soul is valuable because each of us are of the same value. Material possessions differ with the individual, but each of us has a soul. The value of each soul is the same. The value is not determined by gender, education, or ethnicity. Where we live makes no difference. In Christ, the soul of each person has the same value. (Galatians 3:26-29)

Let us consider how valuable we are to God, not man. Man’s value is based on looks, money, prestige, and class status. God’s value is placed on our soul’s relationship with Him. Let us make sure we have the right relationship with God, and the soul’s value will be clearly seen when Heaven is our home.

By Bill Brandstatter

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer.....Brandon Fuston  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture .....2 John 9-11  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Larry Flatt  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Joe Collins

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing .....Talan Mullican  
First Prayer .....Travis Adams  
Reading.....Nate Turner  
Scripture.....Mark 7:5-7  
Lord's Table .....\*Travis Adams  
.....\*Nate Turner  
Sermon .....Lincoln, Tucker, Jacob & Jason  
Dismiss.....Jared Mullican

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements .....Eddie Palmer  
Lead Singing .....Herb Rowland  
First Prayer .....Don Griffith  
Reading.....Dale Bennett  
Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Jason Adams

Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship .....202  
Bible Study.....157  
P.M. Worship.....126  
Wednesday Bible Study .....119  
Contribution .....\$5,257

Welcome Committee

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P.M. ....Youth Group  
  
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Ushers:.....Eddie Palmer, David McColloch, Herb Rowland  
Un/Lock Building:.....Allen Hughes/Eddie Palmer  
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Pantry Item: .....Corn  
Check Pantry: .....Cynthia Duncan  
Check Kitchen: .....Becky Maynard  
Check Workroom: .....Jessica Adams  
Video .....Micah Lawrence  
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Cookeville Regional Hospital ICU

**Sympathy**

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Jim McColloch (David’s father). His services were this past Monday. Please keep his family in your prayers.

**Gospel Meeting**

The Findley congregation will be having a gospel meeting with brother David Powell from Sunday, April 30th - Thursday, May 4th.

**Fellowship at Old Philadelphia**

There will be a one day meeting/fellowship at Old Philadelphia on May 7th. This event is being hosted by the brethren from the Hiawassee congregation. All are welcomed and encouraged to take part in this time of worship and fellowship. There is further information posted on the bulletin board.

**Quarterly Meetings**

The Elders & Deacons meeting will be on Sunday, April 30th at 5:00 PM.

The General Business Meeting will be on Sunday, April 30th after our evening services. All men of the congregation are invited to attend.

**Bybee Ladies Day**

The Ladies here at Bybee will be hosting a Ladies Day on Saturday, May 6th beginning at 9:30 with sister Becky Honeycutt. The theme will be “A Christian Woman’s Influence”. Lunch will be provided.

**Youth News and Updates**

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**Summer Adventure**

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May 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	May 1	2	3	4	5 Jean Ware	6
May 7 H.E.Y. T.A.B.S. AT SMBC	8 Monday Morning Bible Class	9	10 Ryan McColloch	11	12	13
May 14 Sunday Night Eats	15 Kara Fuston MICAH & AMY LAWRENCE	16	17 Maggie Hurst	18	19 PAUL & KARA HURST	20
May 21 BOBBY & CAROLYN LANCE	22 Monday Morning Bible Class	23	24 Birthday Wednesday	25	26 FRANKLIN & LINDA BROOKS MIKE & TINA MULLINS	27
May 28 Warren/White Week at SMBC Home Devo at Micah's	29	30	31	Jun 1	2	
		Harold McGinness				



Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Chris Snow  
Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture.....3 John 5-8  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Jason Adams  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Tim Fisher

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer .....Danny Duncan  
Reading.....Kelly Thaxton  
Scripture .....Luke 12:47-48  
Lord's Table .....\*Jacob Graves  
.....\*Stanley Graves  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Lincoln Sain

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements .....Eddie Palmer  
Lead Singing.....Travis Adams  
First Prayer .....Don Sullivan  
Reading .....Tucker Gann  
Invitation.....Joe Collins  
Dismiss .....Darren Dixon

Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship .....188  
Bible Study.....152  
P.M. Worship.....150  
Wednesday Bible Study .....108  
Contribution .....\$15,882

Welcome Committee

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P.M. ....Mike Mullins & Family  
  
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Ushers:.....Dwight Barrett, Ronnie Prince, Stan Hillis  
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Assist Baptisms: .....Cindy Fisher & Vivian Adams  
Pantry Item: .....Chili  
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Cookeville Regional Hospital ICU

Prayer Request

Anna Jean Bond had some difficulties with her previous surgery and will have a second surgery (on Wednesday, May 3rd). Please keep her in your prayers. Lord willing, this second surgery will be successful.

Gospel Meeting

The New Union congregation (in Manchester) is hosting a Gospel Meeting from Sunday, May 7th - Wednesday, May 10th. Brother Aaron Cozort will be doing the speaking.

Fellowship at Old Philadelphia

There will be a one day meeting/fellowship at Old Philadelphia on May 7th. Services are at 11 AM, 2: PM and 7:30 PM. This event is being hosted by the brethren from the Hiawassee congregation on Sunday morning and New Union on Sunday evening. All are welcomed and encouraged to take part in this time of worship and fellowship. There is further information posted on the bulletin board.

Summer Series

Just a reminder that our summer series will begin next month. The theme is "Focus on the Family". Please make plans to attend each Sunday evening.

Monday Morning Bible Class

Our next Monday Morning Bible Class will be on Monday, May 14th beginning at 9:00 AM.

Visitation Group #1

Visitation group #1 will meet in room #1 after services this evening.

Youth News and Updates

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# Ladies Day



May 6, 2023

9:30 with lunch following

Becky Honeycutt  
Each Step I Take - A Christian Woman's Influence

Shut-In's

At Home:  
Janice Foster  
Morris Griffith (Don's brother)  
Greg Grizzell  
Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Noel Pepper  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Doris Wilcher

Webb House

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

NHC

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110) - Serese Brock (406) - Cathy Hennessee (408A)

Brookdale Retirement Center

910 Murfreesboro Rd, Franklin, TN 37064 - Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother)

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer.....Ronnie Hoover  
Reading.....Ken Martin  
Scripture.....3 John 9-11  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Dale Bennett  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Caleb Graves

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer.....Herb Rowland  
Reading.....Norman Sain  
Scripture.....John 7:2-5  
Lord's Table .....\*Travis Adams  
.....\*Rickey Hurst  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Bruce Pryor

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Eddie Palmer  
Lead Singing.....Jared Mullican  
First Prayer.....Dale Zuna  
Reading.....Brandon Fuston  
Invitation.....Rickey Hurst  
Dismiss.....Micah Lawrence

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship .....209  
Bible Study.....140  
P.M. Worship.....105  
Wednesday Bible Study .....111  
Contribution .....\$6,088

**Welcome Committee**

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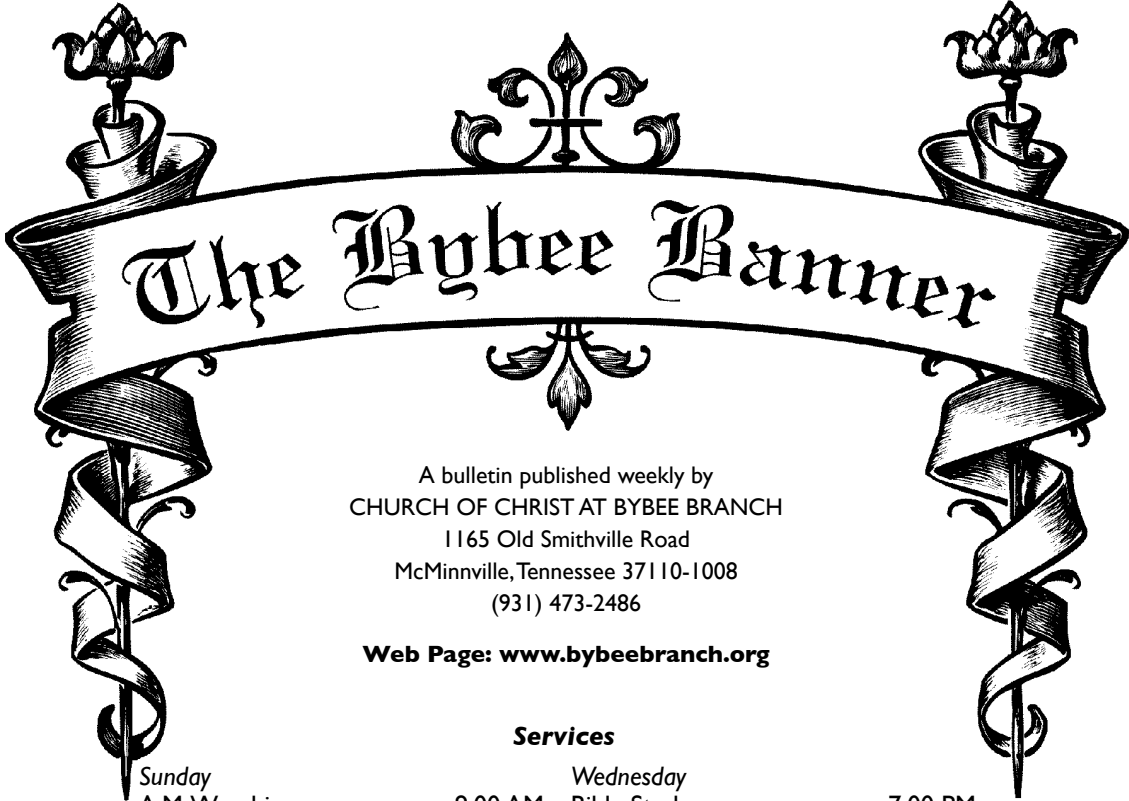
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Pantry Item: .....Spaghetti Sauce  
Check Pantry: .....Kara Hurst  
Check Kitchen: .....Amy Lawrence  
Check Workroom:.....Judy Sullivan  
Video .....Clent Kesey  
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**Sympathy**  
We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Anna Marie Puckett (*Mitchell Ferrel’s mother*) Please keep her family in your prayers at this time.

**Prayer Request**  
Thelma Rowland is scheduled for surgery on Friday, May 12th. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Gospel Meetings**  
The Oak Grove congregation will be having a gospel meeting from May 21st - May 23 with brother Justin Reed.

The Midway congregation will be having a gospel meeting from May 21st - May 24th with brother Kee Ford

**Smartt VBS**  
The Smartt congregation will be having there one day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, May 20th.

**Bybee VBS**  
There will be a short planning meeting on Sunday, May 28th following our evening services. If you are able to assist in any way, please make plans to attend this meeting.

**Visitation Group #2**  
Visitation group #2 will meet in room #1 after services this evening.

Youth News and Updates

**Sunday Night Eats**  
Our next outing for Sunday Night Eats will be on Sunday, May 14th.

**Home Devo**  
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Major Announcement About Bybee Banner

Beginning the first of June the Bybee Banner will no longer be mailed out. The bulletin will continue to be published and can be obtained in several ways:

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3. You can pick up a paper copy on the table in the lobby.
4. For the very few members of the congregation that are unable to attend, and do not have internet access they can receive one mailed to them each week. Please call the office and give us your name and you can continue to receive the bulletin via first class mail.

Some might ask why the change? There are two reasons:

1. Due to the drop in the number receiving the bulletin by bulk mail our list was going to no longer qualify for the reduced bulk mail rate. In fact, we had been operating under grace for a few months now.
2. In addition to pending increase cost for postage we need to replace some aging equipment. Presently we are spending several thousand dollars each year to print, process and mail the bulletin and the elders felt it would be a better use of the Lord’s money to redirect to other areas.

2023 Summer Series

<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Speaker</i>
June 4	God Designed The Family (Gen. 2:18-25)	John Deberry
June 11	Purity of Body and Mind (2Cor 7:1)	Ben Bailey
June 18	Rearing Children To Be Faithful Christians	Jack Honeycutt
June 25	Challenges to the Family – Disaster of Divorce	Don Blackwell
July 2	The Ideal Wife	Sam Jones
July 9	The Ideal Husband	Jim Dearman
July 16	Dating, Choosing A Spouse	Michael Clarke
July 23	Challenges to the Family – Perversions of Marriage	Ralph Richardson
July 30	God’s Family, The Church	Stan Stevenson



Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer .....Joe Collins  
Reading.....Matthew Woodside  
Scripture .....Isaiah 43:7  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Barry Mayes  
Sermon .....Joey Ferrell  
Dismiss.....Willie Newby

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer .....Seth Graves  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....James 1:13, 14  
Lord's Table .....\*Tommy Turner  
.....\*Nate Turner  
Sermon .....Jason Adams  
Dismiss .....Jeff Flatt

Wednesday Bible Study

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First Prayer .....Don Griffith  
Reading.....Paul Hurst  
Invitation .....Rickey Hurst  
Dismiss .....Seth Graves

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P.M. Worship.....131  
Wednesday Bible Study .....103  
Contribution .....\$5,257

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Gospel Meetings

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Visitation Group #3

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Baby Announcement

To honor Corey and Kelsey Prince, who are expecting a baby boy in June, and gift bag has been placed on the bench in the foyer. Gift cards are suggested. Also, a basket for children's books has been placed on the bench. The gift bag and book basket will be available through Sunday, May 28th. If you have any questions, please see Cynthia Duncan or Jane Flatt.

Youth News and Updates

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Sunday Night Eats

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Home Devo

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Summer Adventure

Jason is planning a trip this summer for anyone who would like to go white water rafting. When he registers our group he will need to make a payment in full. Please only sign up if you are able to attend.

May Youth Activities

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Columbia State College  
Radiology



McKenzie Hillis  
WCHS  
  
Motlow/Chattanooga State  
Dental Hygienist



Lachlan McVey  
Homeschool  
  
Lipscomb Biology



Ashley Newby  
Tennessee Tech University  
  
Masters in School Counseling



Leah Vandagriff  
WCHS  
  
Undecided

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Reading .....Don Sullivan  
Scripture .....James 1:26, 27  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Ronnie Prince  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Allen Hughes

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer .....Ray Weddington  
Reading .....Kane Maynard  
Scripture .....Ephesians 4:17-19  
Lord's Table .....\*David McColloch  
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Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Talan Mullican

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements .....Eddie Palmer  
Lead Singing .....Rickey Hurst  
First Prayer .....Mike Mullins  
Reading .....Jared Mullican  
Invitation .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Herb Rowland

Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship .....195  
Bible Study .....144  
P.M. Worship .....131  
Wednesday Bible Study .....123  
Contribution .....\$9,384

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P.M. ....N/A

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Anna Jean Bond - NHC Rehab  
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Mildred Simmons (Sabrina Jennings grandmother)  
(Select Specialty Extended Care in Nashville)  
Vickie Wetmore (Mary Flatt's sister)

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Visitation Group #4

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Diana Singing

The Diana Singing will take place on Friday, June 9th and Saturday June 10th. Further details can be found on their website: [www.dianasinging.com](http://www.dianasinging.com)

Duties for June

There is a list of the duties of the men, for the month of June, posted on the bulletin board. Please look over this list and if you are unable to serve, contact Jared Mullican. (his number is posted on the duty list as well).

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Short Mountain Bible Camp

Please keep all of the campers and staff in your prayers as camp begins today (Sunday, May 28th).

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I Like Quitters

Because of some travels, I have seen it a number of times in recent months. The first time I saw it, it just made me angry. In the times since, it has continued to do so, but has also made me sad. Now, it is just a billboard, but it is infuriating to me. Frankly, it is offensive to me. Before I tell you what the billboard is for, let me share the tagline, or motto. It states, “No one likes a quitter.” You might think that would be a decent tagline for something like a stay in school campaign. Or, maybe it would be something humorous (but possibly ill-received) even from a church. So, why does that tagline bother me so much? Because the billboard is for a liquor store. No one likes a quitter...drinking? I can think of a pretty significant number of people who not only like quitters, but who wish and pray that someone they know would quit (or, maybe even more tragically, would have quit). What about the wife who has to wear long sleeves because her drunk husband hits her in his anger? Do you think she likes quitters? What about the kids who see their mom throwing dishes across the room out of frustration when she is drunk? Don't you think they would like her quit? What about the family burying their little child because someone couldn't “hold their drink” after the ballgame and crashed into them on the highway? Don't you think they wish he'd have quit? What about the man who has tried to stop his addiction to alcohol, but just keeps falling back into it? He wants to quit, but his “friends” just draw him back in. What about the college student who has had to talk her roommate out of taking her own life after a drunken sorority party? Don't you think she wishes that sweet girl would quit? I know of very, very few lives that have not been impacted negatively by alcohol. And, yet, we see it as just part of being an adult. We see it as a way to unwind. We see it as being an adult. We need to quit. Lives are destroyed. Relationships are ruined. Souls are lost. Quit. Please, quit.

By Adam Faughn



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Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture .....1 Thessalonians 1:2-4  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Bruce Pryor  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Tim Fisher

**Sunday Evening Worship**

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Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer.....Danny Duncan  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....Genesis 2:18-25  
Lord's Table .....\*Eddie Palmer  
.....\*Travis Adams  
Sermon .....John Deberry  
Dismiss .....Kelly Thaxton

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Don Sullivan  
Lead Singing .....Lincoln Sain  
First Prayer .....Dale Zuna  
Reading.....Jacob Graves  
Invitation.....Brandon Fuston  
Dismiss.....Nate Turner

**Record for the Week...**

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Bible Study.....156  
P.M. Worship.....125  
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Contribution .....\$5,670.00

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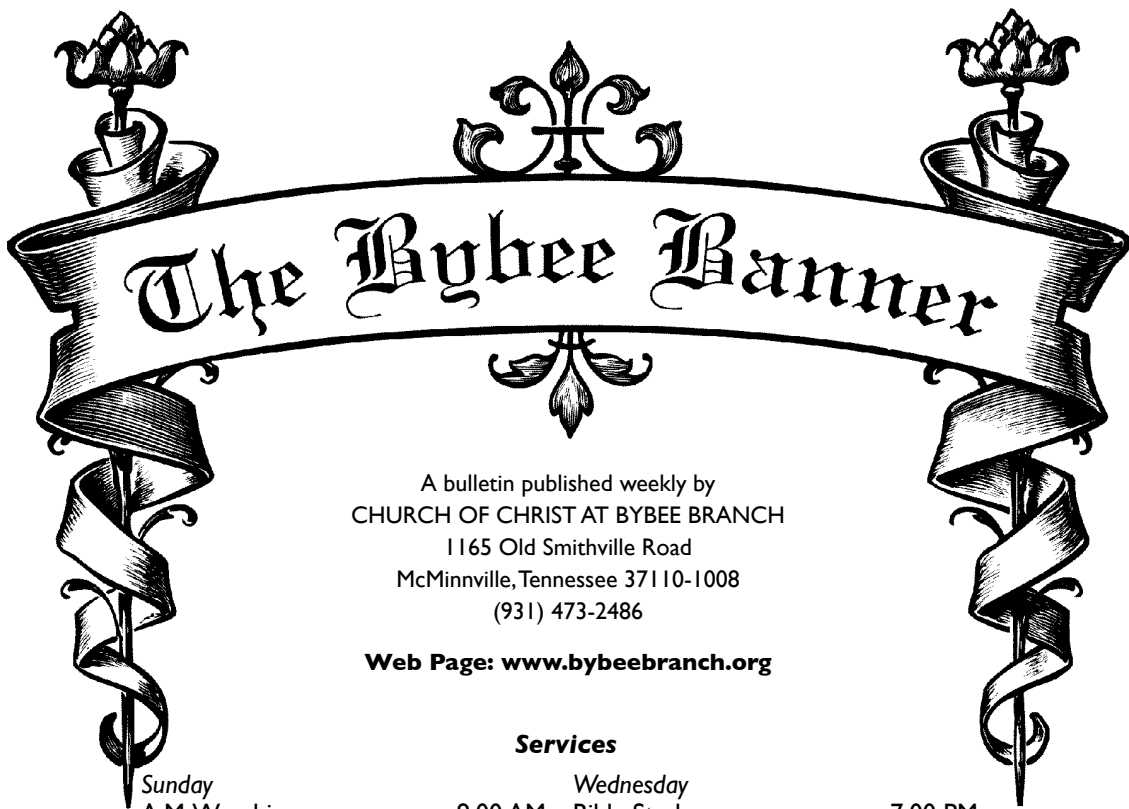
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Summer Series - Focus on Family

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June 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 28	29	30 Harold McGinness	31	Jun 1 Haley McColloch MARC & MELINDA MARTIN	2 Jaylen Pinegar KURT & STEPHANIE MAYNARD	3 Glenda Hughes Wanda Nunley
VBS Planning Meeting						
Jun 4 OSBURN & RUBY HUNTLEY	5 DON & SUSIE GRIFFITH Herb Rowland June Crouch STANLEY & JEAN CLEDENON	6 DANIEL & MARGARET SCHILLINGER	7 RONNIE & LINDA HAMILTON	8	9 Conner Nunley	10 Barbara Bouldin
YOUTH Sunday Night Eats Summer Series: John Deberry						
Jun 11 Bobby Lance DANNY & CYNTHIA DUNCAN	12	13 Kayla Maynard	14 JARED & REBECCA MULLICAN	15 Harper Fuston	16 RAY & CHARLOTTE WEDDINGTON	17
Summer Series: Ben Bailey	Monday Morning Bible Class 9 AM				YOUTH Family Game Night	
Jun 18 Nathanael Turner	19	20 STANLEY & SHERRY GRAVES	21 NOEL & MARTHA PEP- PER W.C. Chilton WILLIE & DONNA NEW- BY	22 Alyssa Lawrence Linda Brooks	23 JEFF & DENICE RHEA Pat Gauger	24 Cynthia Duncan Penelope Jennings
Summer Series: Jack Honeycutt			YOUTH Birthday Wednesday			
Jun 25 Ruby Huntley	26 Noel Pepper	27 Jane Flatt	28 Lincoln Sain	29 DALE & JODI ZUNA John Nussbaum	30	Jul 1
Coffee/Rutherford Week at Short Mountain Bible Camp						
YOUTH - Home Deco at Graves Summer Series: Don Blackwell	Monday Morning Bible Class 9 AM					

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Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Ronnie Hoover  
Reading.....Ken Martin  
Scripture.....1 Thessalonians 1:8  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Larry Flatt  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Norman Sain

**Sunday Evening Worship**

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First Prayer.....Leonard Clemons  
Reading.....Dale Bennett  
Scripture.....2 Corinthians 7:1  
Lord's Table.....\*Tim Gann  
.....\*Clent Kesey  
Sermon.....Ben Bailey  
Dismiss.....Barry Mayes

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Don Sullivan  
Lead Singing.....Talan Mullican  
First Prayer.....Matthew Woodside  
Reading.....Tucker Gann  
Invitation.....Jason Adams  
Dismiss.....Caleb Graves

**Record for the Week...**

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Bible Study.....150  
P.M. Worship.....153  
Wednesday Bible Study.....93  
Contribution.....\$4,979.00

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Coffee/Rutherford week at Short Mountain Bible Camp is coming up quickly. This year it will be from Sunday, June 25th - Friday, June 30th. Make sure you get on the camp website and register in time (the deadline to register is June 11th). If you have any questions, please see Jason.

**June Youth Activities**  
Friday the 16th                      Family Game Night  
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**Shut-In's**  
At Home:  
Janice Foster  
Greg Grizzell  
Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Noel Pepper  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan's mother)  
Doris Wilcher

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

**NHC**  
(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock (#406)  
Morris Griffith (#301)  
Cathy Hennessee (#408A)  
Margaret Schillinger (#130)  
Marty York (#120)

**Brookdale Retirement Center**  
910 Murfreesboro Rd  
Franklin, TN 37064  
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother)

**Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world."**  
(James 1:27)

**Are We Too Busy**  
School is out and the summer months of fun and family time are upon us. There will be vacations to the beach, amusement parks, trips to visit family and so on.  
Summer also brings a long tradition of youth sports! This is a time where many young people engage in all sorts of physical activities like baseball, softball, tennis, swimming, etc. These activities help kids to rejuvenate themselves from the rigors of the school year.  
Summer also bring us a plethora of opportunities to deepen our knowledge of God's word and strengthen our relationship with our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.  
Many congregations of the Lord's church chose summer as an opportunity to host either a Vacation Bible School or a Gospel Meeting. These are opportunities that we can seize to grow in our faith and knowledge.  
Sadly, because of the excitement of being free from school and work, Satan has made the fun of summer (vacation and physical activities) more enticing than those that are Spiritually driven.  
Our encouragement to you is to make sure that as the summer weeks press on and you are planning vacations, trips, ball practices/games, etc. that you do not forget to seize the opportunities to grow in the Lord.  
Make sure that you check your local church bulletins and website for opportunities to make a family trip to a sister congregation to participate in their VBS or attend their gospel meeting.  
  
"Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer.....Ray Weddington  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....1 Thessalonians 2:13  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Mike Mullins  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Don Griffith

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer.....Herb Rowland  
Reading.....Nate Turner  
Scripture.....Ephesian 6:4  
Lord's Table.....\*Ronnie Prince  
.....\*Jared Mullican  
Sermon.....Jack Honeycutt  
Dismiss.....Jeff Flatt

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Don Sullivan  
Lead Singing.....Herb Rowland  
First Prayer.....Brandon Fuston  
Reading.....Ronnie Hoover  
Invitation.....Paul Hurst  
Dismiss.....Micah Lawrence

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship.....176  
Bible Study.....133  
P.M. Worship.....177  
Wednesday Bible Study.....107  
Contribution.....\$10,759

**Welcome Committee**

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P.M.....N/A

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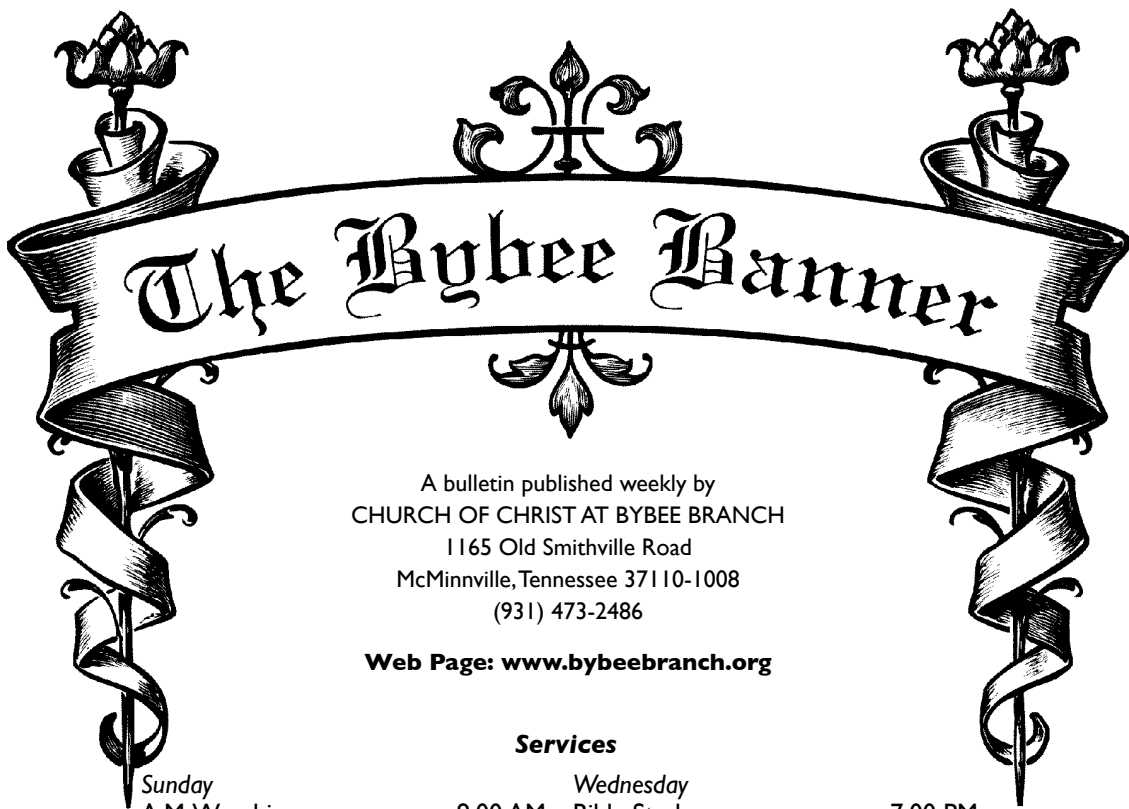
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WC & Nelma Chilton  
Greg Grizzell (under hospice care)  
Willie Holmes  
Nancy Mayfield  
Vickie Wetmore (Mary Flatt’s sister)

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Prayer Request

Nancy Mayfield has been having some major back issues. She had a procedure last week to try and fix this. Please continue to pray for her.

Pat Gauger is in need of continued prayers at this time. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

Bybee VBS

Our vacation Bible school is less than a month away! If you need any assistance with preparing your center or any other task, please do not hesitate to ask for help. Our youth are more than willing to assist.

Summer Series - Focus on Family

The Summer Series continues this Sunday evening with brother Jack Honeycutt. Jack is presently the preacher for the Willette church of Christ in Red Boiling Spring, TN. He has done mission work in India as well as conduct debates.



Ladies Day

The McClellan congregation (Cookeville) is hosting ladies day on Saturday June 24th with sister Dionne McCulloch speaking. Further information is on the bulletin board

Gospel Meetings

Grange Hall church of Christ, June 16-18, with brother Charles Williams.

Local VBS’s

Sunday, June 18 - Wednesday, June 21  
• Campaign (Rock Island)

Saturday, June 24  
• Red Hill (Manchester)

Sunday, June 25 - Wednesday, June 28  
• Leoni

Youth News and Updates

Birthday Wednesday

Our next birthday Wednesday will be on June 21st.

Home Devo

Our next home devo will be next Sunday, June 25th at the home of Caleb and Rachel Graves. The van will leave after services and return between 8:30 PM and 8:45 PM.

Coffee/Rutherford Week at SMBC

Next Sunday there will be some of our youth at church camp. Please keep everyone in your prayers, they are predicted to have some very hot weather.

June Youth Activities

Wednesday the 21st                      Birthday Wednesday  
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Worship or Just Hanging Out?

I was doing a little research recently about various religious groups. To be totally honest, it was not an in-depth or scholarly process, but I did learn a few things that were of interest to me. Maybe one of those things will be of interest to you.

When I was looking at some information about one particular religious group, I learned that one of the expectations for their members is that they are not to cross their legs during a worship service. That practice is seen as a sign of disrespect.

As I continued to read about this, I learned that, like many things in today’s world, that rule is not enforced as stringently as it once was. I also learned one rationale for the rule. One person who supports the rule was quoted as saying, “We’re here to worship, not to hang out.”

That comment made me think of some of the messages that some of us may send as we assemble for worship. We may never verbalize any of these things, but our body language may be sending a very clear message. Some of what I am about to type is based on what I’ve seen while I was attempting to preach the gospel. Some of it is based on what I see as my fellow elders and I stand in the front of our auditorium during the invitation song.

Some of the negative messages that can be seen include:

- “This would be a good time to get a nap.”
- “I can get caught up now with my email, social media, etc.”
- “Nobody will notice if I play the game I love to play (or to which I may be addicted).”
- “I don’t care if it might be distracting and disrespectful, but this is a good time to have a conversation with the person sitting next to me – or maybe even two or three people away from me or in the next row.”
- “I cannot imagine being more bored than I am right now.”
- “Doesn’t he realize that there is not much difference between a long sermon and a hostage situation?”
- “Maybe it won’t seem quite as long if I make a trip or two to get a drink of water, go to the restroom, or whatever.
- “When are we going to get out of here?”

Thankfully, these “messages” and many more that I can’t think of at this time are not all that can be observed. There are those whose “body language” says something like:

*“I am eternally grateful to live in a nation that allows me to worship without any interference, to address the Creator of the universe as my Father as we pray together, sing praises to Him, be fed from His Word, remember the greatest sacrifice ever made, and assist financially in the greatest work in the world.”*

It is my prayer that all of us, including me, are doing more than merely “hanging out” when we assemble on the Lord’s day. All of us need to remember our identity and the purpose of the assembly.

by J. Faughn

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer.....Allen Hughes  
Reading.....David McColloch  
Scripture.....I Thessalonians 3:9, 10  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Rickey Hurst  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Jared Mullican

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer.....Kurt Maynard  
Reading.....Danny Duncan  
Scripture.....Matthew 19:9  
Lord's Table.....\*Caleb Graves  
.....\*Jacob Graves  
Sermon.....Don Blackwell  
Dismiss.....Kane Maynard

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Don Sullivan  
Lead Singing.....Eddie Palmer  
First Prayer.....Jason Adams  
Reading.....Lincoln Sain  
Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Talan Mullican

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship.....197  
Bible Study.....153  
P.M. Worship.....145  
Wednesday Bible Study.....102  
Contribution.....\$5,292

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P.M.....N/A

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Sympathy

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of Andy Stevenson (oldest son of Stan & Julie Stevenson, former preacher at Mt. Leo and speaker on our Summer Series). He passed away last week. Please keep his family in your prayers at this time.

Bybee VBS

There will be a short meeting after our evening services on Sunday, June 25th regarding our upcoming Vacation Bible School.

Monday Morning Bible Class

This Monday, June 26, at 9 AM. Everyone is invited.

Summer Series - Focus on Family

The Summer Series continues this Sunday evening with brother Don Blackwell. He is currently the executive director of the Gospel Broadcasting Network. He has done local work at several congregations. He is currently serving as an elder at the Cookeville church of Christ. His topic will be "Challenges to the Family – Disaster of Divorce."



Annual Ice Cream Fellowship

Our annual homemade ice cream fellowship will be Sunday, July 2nd, following evening services. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board (please indicate what you are bringing). We will have some seating, so please bring a chair if you are able. Everyone is encouraged to join us for this time of fellowship.

Visitation Team #4

Visitation team #4 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

Gospel Meeting

Sunday, July 2  
• Hiawassee

Local VBS's

Saturday, June 24  
• Red Hill (Manchester)

Sunday, June 25 - Wednesday, June 28  
• Leoni

Youth News and Updates

Home Devo

Our next home devo will be this Sunday, June 25th at the home of Caleb and Rachel Graves. The van will leave after services and return between 8:30 PM and 8:45 PM.

White Water Rafting

Date: Saturday, August 5th  
Time: 8:30 AM - 7:00 PM  
Place: Ocoee River  
Cost: \$50 per person (plus supper)  
RSVP: No later than Sunday, July 9th

June Youth Activities

Sunday the 25th Home Devo at Caleb Graves  
Sun. 25th - Fri. June 30th Coffee/Rutherford SMBC

Can You Recommend Your Religion?

Quite often we find ourselves confronted with a question like this: "I'm thinking about buying a car, can you recommend your car?" There are any number of similar questions which could be posed. I am frequently asked if I liked my type of computer and would I recommend it to them. The important question is. "Can you recommend your religion?"

What makes something worth of recommendation? Generally, it is how well it serves us. If a car has given us a good service with very little upkeep, then we are usually happy with it, and can recommend it to others. If we have unusual good service, or perhaps other fringe benefits, such as good gas, mileage, then we often will give it an enthusiastic recommendation. On the other hand, if we get a lemon of a car, we find ourselves constantly carrying it to the shop, then we often will say to those asking "No, I cannot recommend it, and furthermore, I will not purchase another myself."

Paul knew what kind of product he was dealing with "... so 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." (2 Timothy 1:12). This confidence led Paul to recommend his religion to everyone. To Agrippa, Paul 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, except these bonds." Paul knew the value of his religion. He knew what he had and what it would do for him.

The question now is, "Can you recommend your religion?" Evidently some could not. They find many things, more important, recreation, television, rest, etc. The person who is sold on his religion will be one who will not only enjoy the privilege of it himself, but will want to convince others of its benefit. Paul said to those Ephesians Elders "And now I commend to you, God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you the inheritance among all them that are sanctified." (Acts 20:32)

by Tony Lawrence  
(from the Banner Archives  
January 14th, 1990)



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer .....Matthew Woodside  
Reading.....Tim Gann  
Scripture.....I Thessalonians 4:3-4  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Wille Newby  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Kelly Thaxton

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer.....Barry Mayes  
Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture.....Proverbs 12:4  
Lord's Table .....\*Brandon Fuston  
.....\*Tucker Gann  
Sermon .....Sam Jones  
Dismiss .....Dale Zuna

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Jared Mullican  
Lead Singing .....Travis Adams  
First Prayer.....Bruce Pryor  
Reading.....Dale Bennett  
Invitation .....Rickey Hurst  
Dismiss .....Leonard Clemons

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship .....199  
Bible Study.....152  
P.M. Worship.....162  
Wednesday Bible Study .....106  
Contribution .....\$6,000

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Hospital

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Morris Griffith - NHC #301  
Cathy Hennessee - NHC #408A  
Ronnie Elrod (Thelma Rowland's brother) - River Park #221

Wedding

D'Andre League and Taylor Mullican were married this past Friday in Gulf Shores,AL.

Gospel Meetings

July 2-5, at Hiawassee, with Kee Ford preaching.  
July 9-13, Hebron, with David Hill preaching.

Vacation Bible Schools

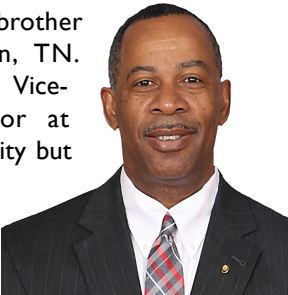
July 9-13, at Earleyville  
July 16-19, at Arlington

Visitation Team #1

Visitation team #1 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

Summer Series - Focus on Family

The Summer Series continues this Sunday evening with brother Sam Jones of Jackson, TN. Brother Jones a retired Vice-President and professor at Freed-Hardeman University but continues to serve the East Jackson church of Christ. His topic is "The Ideal Wife."



Annual Ice Cream Fellowship

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Bybee Branch VBS

Our own VBS begins in less than two weeks. The theme will focus on the lives of the Kings of Israel and Judah. Teaching the adult class will be Kee Ford who preaches for the Auburn Hills congregation in Woodbury. For the children we will have learning centers where they will attend two each night. Please start inviting your family, friends and neighbors now. There are flyers on the table in the lobby. Date: July 10-12, Time: 7:00-8:30 PM.

Church Directory

Don't forget we have an online church directory that can be accessed at [instantchurchdirectory.com](http://instantchurchdirectory.com). In order to have access one must first have an email address in the directory and you create your own password.

Please, if you have any changes in your address, phone or email, please let Tony know so it can be updated.

"I was glad when they said to me,  
"Let us go into the house of the Lord.'"  
Psalm 122:1

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July 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jun 25 Ruby Huntley	26 Noel Pepper	27 Jane Flatt	28 Lincoln Sain	29 DALE & JODI ZUNA John Nussbaum	30	Jul 1
Jul 2 DAVID & STEFANIE MCCOLLOCH DON & JUDY SULLIVAN Ice Cream Fellowship	3	4 Willie Holmes  Independence Day	5 ALLEN & GLENDA HUGHES	6 Judy Nussbaum Kurt Maynard	7	8 Amy Lawrence Louise Miller
Jul 9 BRYAN & CASSIE AYERS	10 Glenda Faye Ferrell	11 Greg Grizzell Lillie Rutledge	12 Jean Clendenon	13 BRUCE & SUSAN PRYOR Judy Sullivan	14	15 BRANDON & KARA FUSTON Lauren Hurst Teresa McGinness
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL						
Jul 16 Caleb King RODNEY & JENNIFER MAYNARD Sandra Hillis	17 Jeff Flatt KELLY & KATHY THAXTON	18 Carolyn Lance	19	20	21	22 Rachael Graves
Jul 23 Tommy Turner	24 Cindy Fisher	25 DONALD & MARTHA CATHEY ELMER & LILLIE RUTLEDGE	26	27 Ashley Pinegar	28 Don Griffith JEFF & MARY FLATT	29
Jul 30 TIM & AMANDA GANN	31 Betty McPherson CLENT & LYNETTE KESEY Renee Nearing	Aug 1 TIM & CINDY FISHER	2 Rebecca Mullican Skylar McElroy	3 Hayes Fuston	4 Kara Hurst	5

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer .....Rickey Hurst  
Reading.....Chris Snow  
Scripture .....I Thessalonians 4:13  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Don Sullivan  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Bobby Ashford

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer.....Ronnie Hoover  
Reading.....Talan Mullican  
Scripture.....Ephesians 5:25  
Lord's Table .....\*Ronnie Prince  
.....\*Clent Kesey  
Sermon .....Jim Dearman  
Dismiss .....Jeff Flatt

Vacation Bible School

Record for the Week...

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Bible Study.....147  
P.M. Worship.....158  
Wednesday Bible Study.....90  
Contribution .....\$7,310

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P.M. ....N/A

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Gospel Meetings

The Hebron congregation will be having a gospel meeting from July 9th-13th, with brother David Hill

The Summitville congregation is having a gospel meeting from July 9th - July 12 with a different speaker each evening

The Oakwood Street congregation (in Sparta) is having a gospel meeting from July 16th - July 19th with brother Kerry Duke

The Smartt congregation is having a gospel meeting from July 16th - July 20th with brother Ben Hayes

Monday Morning Bible Class

Our next Monday Morning Bible Class will be on Monday, July 10th at 9:00 AM

Summer Series - Focus on Family

The Summer Series continues this Sunday evening with brother Jim Dearman. His topic is “The Ideal Husband.”



Vacation Bible Schools

July 9th - July 13th

- Earleyville

July 16th - July 19th

- Arlington

July 23rd - July 26th

- Rockliff

Visitation Team #2

Visitation team #2 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

Bybee Branch VBS

Our own VBS begins tomorrow, Monday the 10th. Teaching the adult class will be Kee Ford who preaches for the Auburn Hills congregation in Woodbury. Be inviting your family, friends and neighbors now. There are flyers on the table in the lobby. Date: July 10-12, Time: 7:00-8:30 PM.

White Water Rafting Trip

Date: Saturday, August 5th  
Time: 8:30 AM - 7:00 PM  
Place: Ocoee River  
Cost: \$50 per person (plus lunch/supper)  
RSVP: No later than Sunday, July 9th

Youth News and Updates

July Youth Activities

July 9th	(Sun.)	Sunday Night Eats
July 10th - 13th		Bybee VBS
July 19th	(Wed.)	Birthday Wednesday
July 23rd	(Sunday)	Home Devo

Shut-In’s

At Home:  
Janice Foster  
Greg Grizzell  
Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Noel Pepper  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Doris Wilcher  
Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan’s mother)  
123 Jefferson St., McMinnville, TN 37110

Webb House

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

NHC

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock (#406)  
Morris Griffith (#301)  
Cathy Hennessee (#408A)

Brookdale Retirement Center

(910 Murfreesboro Rd, Franklin, TN 37064) Å  
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt’s mother)

Riverview Terrace

(114 Highland Dr, McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Anna Jean Bond #B4

The Formula For Success

I was waiting for the oil in my van to be changed the other day when I picked up a magazine called “Success.” Always looking for advice on the topic, I began flipping through the pages. In it was an article written by the popular motivational speaker Zig Ziglar on the three keys to success.

They were: *Purpose*. One has to have a goal in mind and a way to reach that goal to truly achieve. Too many people wonder around aimlessly and then wonder why they never succeed. A purpose gives us something to strive for - something to achieve

*Passion*. One must greatly desire the purpose to be attained - so much so that it drives him to do whatever is necessary to reach it. A purpose will rarely be realized unless one is truly passionate about it.

*Performance*. Purpose and passion are worthless without good, old-fashioned hard work. That’s what it takes to get from point A to point B - success doesn’t come to you, you must go to it.

What struck me as I read the article was the fact that these are exactly what it takes to succeed in Christianity, as well. Christian, consider the following:

\* Do you have a purpose to your Christianity? Do you set Christian goals to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord (2 Pet. 3:18)? Is every decision on earth made with the ultimate goal of attaining heaven in mind (Col. 3:1-2)?

\* Do you have passion for your Christianity? Do you have a zeal and fervor for serving the Lord (Titus 2:4)? Do you have a driving love for the Lord, and are you always joyful and excited to be a Christian (1 Pet. 1:8)?

\* Do you have performance in your Christianity? Do you labor daily for the Lord (Heb. 6:10)? Do you harmoniously involve yourself with the church in every way possible (Eph. 4:11-16)?

Let Paul’s words in Phil. 3:12-14 inspire us to heighten all of these in our Christian lives:

*“Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”*

by Edd Sterchi



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer.....Tommy Turner  
Reading.....Dale Bennett  
Scripture .....I Thessalonians 5:1, 2  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Tim Fisher  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Micah Lawrence

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer .....Ray Weddington  
Reading.....Lincoln Sain  
Scripture.....I Corinthians 7:1, 2  
Lord's Table .....\*Travis Adams  
.....\*Jared Mullican  
Sermon.....Michael Clarke  
Dismiss .....Larry Flatt

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Jared Mullican  
Lead Singing.....Rickey Hurst  
First Prayer.....Nate Turner  
Reading.....Ken Martin  
Invitation.....Joe Collins  
Dismiss .....Matthew Woodside

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Bible Study.....148  
P.M. Worship.....151  
Wednesday Bible Study .....108  
Contribution .....\$6,611

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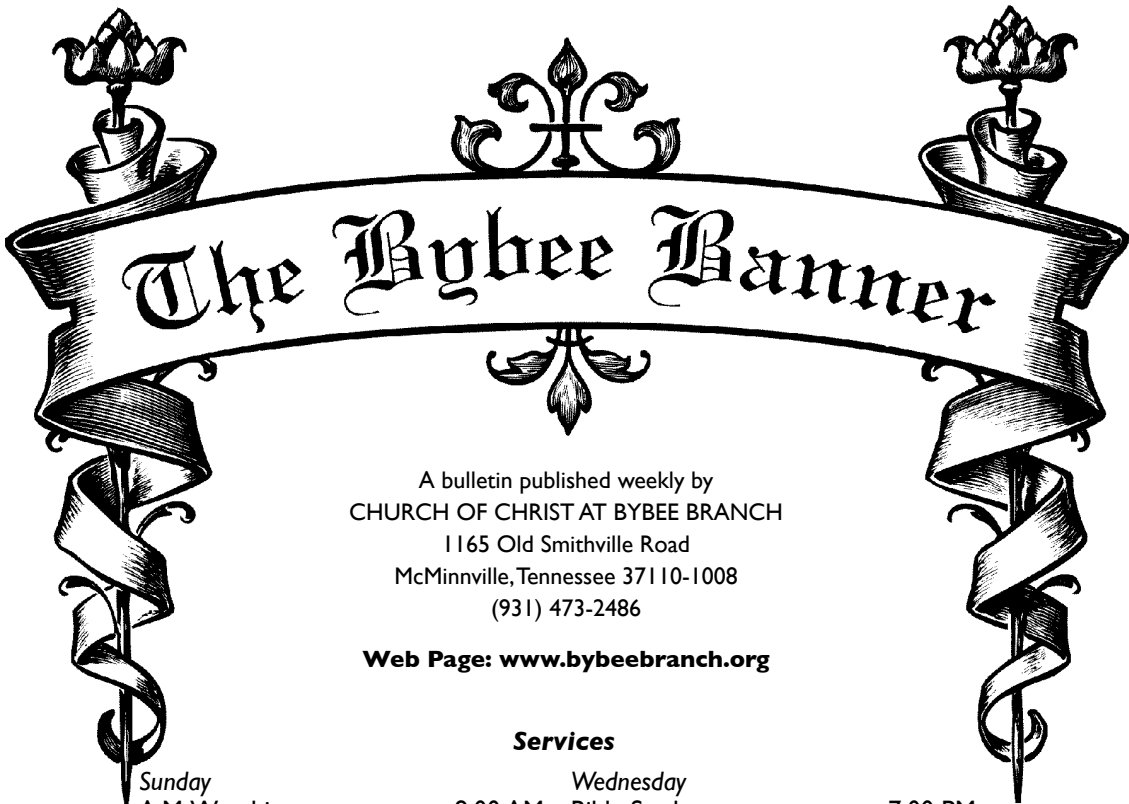
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Our next quarterly general Business Meeting will be on July 30th following our evening services.

Summer Series - Focus on Family

The Summer Series continues this Sunday evening with brother Michael Clarke. His topic is “Dating, Choosing A Spouse.” We want to encourage all of our youth to be present for this message.



Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Opal Woodside (Matthew Woodside’s grandmother). Her services took place last week. Please keep her family in your prayers at this time.

Vacation Bible Schools

July 16th - July 18th  
• Hwy 56  
July 16th - July 19th  
• Arlington  
• East End/Mt. Leo (joint effort)  
July 23rd - July 26th  
• Rockliff

Visitation Team #3

Visitation team #3 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

Bybee Branch VBS

A HUGE thanks to everyone that helped our with our VBS this year! This event could not have taken place without the combined effort of our Bybee family. So again “THANK YOU”!

White Water Rafting Trip

If you are attending the white water, raft trip, and you have not yet paid your fee, please see Jason. Also, do not forget to fill out your online waiver and your release form from the church.

Youth News and Updates

End of Summer Youth Activities

July 19th (Wed.)	Birthday Wednesday
July 23rd (Sunday)	Home Devo
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As Long As There is Air In Your Lungs

Just a few days ago, the stuff of science fiction actually happened right here in America. In Detroit, paramedics came to the aid of a 20-year-old woman who was unresponsive at her home. They performed life-saving techniques for about half an hour, but there was no response. After their efforts, the woman was pronounced dead, the family was informed, and a funeral home came to get her body to prepare for a service.

Only, when morticians got ready to start their work, they realized the woman was breathing. She was still alive!

As you can imagine, they were surprised, but they also did what you would expect: they immediately called a local hospital and had an ambulance come to care for the woman.

It’s almost unimaginable that could happen, especially with how advanced our knowledge of the human body is. But here is what struck me: the workers cared for this woman, even when there was barely any breath in her lungs.

Why? Because even that tiny sign of life is a sign of hope.

When I found that story and let it roll around in my mind for a few minutes (and after I got over how weird it must have been), it just made me think about hope. In a lot of ways, hope is the breath in our lungs. What I mean is that, there are seasons in our life where hope is what gets us through and causes us to be able to put one foot in front of the other.

But I also want to think about this from another angle. Spiritually speaking, so long as there is breath in our lungs, we are not hopeless. I just wonder how many people are walking around our towns and neighborhoods who think they have done too much bad stuff or been away from God for so long that they are a hopeless case. I just wonder how many people honestly believe they are too far removed from the Lord to find forgiveness.

I imagine the answer to that is a higher number than any of us can really consider. But the beauty of the Gospel is that, so long as we have breath in our lungs, we are not a hopeless case. So long as we are here in this life, there is the hope of seeking and receiving God’s forgiveness. So long as we are breathing, there is the chance to return to Him.

Until our actual final breath is taken, God will forgive.

by Adam Faughn

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer .....Mike Mullins  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....I Thessalonians 5:11  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Brandon Fuston  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Norman Sain

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer .....Caleb Graves  
Reading.....Kane Maynard  
Scripture.....Hebrews 13:4  
Lord's Table .....\*Rickey Hurst  
.....\*Jeff Flatt  
Sermon .....Ralph Richardson  
Dismiss .....Don Griffith

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements.....Jared Mullican  
Lead Singing.....Dale Zuna  
First Prayer .....Eddie Palmer  
Reading .....Barry Mayes  
Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Allen Hughes

Record for the Week...

A.M. Worship .....200  
Bible Study.....161  
P.M. Worship.....139  
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Gospel Meetings

The Jericho congregation is having a Gospel Meeting from July 23rd - July 26th. They will be having a different speaker each evening.

Summer Series

The East End congregation will begin their summer series on Sunday, August 6th beginning at 5:00 PM. There is a list of speakers posted on the bulletin board.

Quarterly Meetings

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Our next quarterly general Business Meeting will be on Sunday, July 30th following our evening services.

Summer Series - Focus on Family

The Summer Series continues this Sunday evening with brother Ralph Richardson. His topic is "Challenges to the Family Perversions of Marriage."



Save the Date

The East Main congregation has two activities coming up. On Saturday, August 12th they will be having a Young Men's Seminar and on Saturday, September 9th they will be having a Girl's Day. If any of the youth are interested in attending either of these events, please let Jason know.

Vacation Bible Schools

July 23rd - July 26th

- Chestnut Grove
- Rockcliff

Visitation Team #4

Visitation team #4 will meet in room #1 following our evening services.

Youth Gospel Meeting

The Mt. Leo congregation is having a Youth Gospel Meeting the last Sunday and Monday of August. They will meet at 7:30 PM both evenings. Travis Adams will be speaking on Sunday evening and Landon Averitte will be speaking on Monday evening. Please mark your calendars and go support these young men and they speak God's word.

White Water Rafting Trip

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Youth News and Updates

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July 23rd (Sunday) Home Devo  
August 5th (Saturday) White Water Rafting

Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.  
1 Timothy 4:12

Three Motivations from VBS

For many churches, though, VBS, is just a thing they do because they have always done it. While, it takes a lot of effort, it just kind of happens, and then is forgotten until a few weeks or so before the usual time slot on the calendar starts drawing the next year. But even then, there can be excitement that comes when a Vacation Bible School is successful. Knowing that, I want to share three things that VBS should help motivate us to do more than just one week each year. There are things that we put so much effort into for that one brief event, but that we should put more effort into a more regular basis.

Decorating Education Spaces. It has amazed me for years, how congregations will decorate classrooms, hallways, and even stairwells and their education area for VBS, but will hardly change the poster on the wall for the regular Bible school program. Certainly, VBS is the time to decorate in a way that is special, but should we not also try to make our classrooms look special for each unit of study? How can a room or hallway be decorated for a quarters study on the life of Moses, or on the book of Acts? Make it happen!

Inviting Guest. This is the most obvious. We put all this effort into VBS, so we will go all out to be sure we fill our classrooms and seats with visitors. People pass out flyers, go, door-knocking, and share things on social media. Young people invite, friends, and neighbors. While special events help with that, should we not be inviting people all the time? Don't let it stop just because this event is over.

Volunteerism. Maybe because they grew up going to VBS, adults volunteer to help with Vacation Bible School, almost like they will volunteer for nothing else. If that describes you, thank you for your help, but why not volunteer for something else during the other 51 weeks of the year! Take that motivation and use it to help a teacher or a deacon and get work done for the Lord. There is still a place for VBS in our church calendars, but we never need to do something just to do it. When done well, it is exciting, but that excitement should always lead to motivation to do our best all the times. What kind of motivation will you take from your VBS this year?

by Adam Faughn



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Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Kurt Maynard  
Reading.....Danny Duncan  
Scripture.....2Thessalonians 1:3  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Joe Collins  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Bruce Pryor

**Sunday Evening Worship**

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Lead Singing.....Young Men  
First Prayer.....Young Men  
Reading.....Young Men  
Scripture.....Mark 3:35  
Lord's Table .....\*Rickey Hurst  
.....\*Young Men  
Sermon .....Stan Stevenson  
Dismiss.....Young Men

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Dale Bennett  
Lead Singing.....Lincoln Sain  
First Prayer.....Paul Hurst  
Reading.....Mike Mullins  
Invitation .....Leonard Clemons  
Dismiss .....Don Sullivan

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August 6-9, Bonner with various speakers

August 6-9, Noah with Kip Green preaching

August 6-9, Unity with Charles Williams preaching

August 6-9, Smyrna with Stan Stevenson preaching

August 6-10, Auburn Hills with Michael Shepherd preaching

Summer Series - East End

The East End congregation will begin their summer series on Sunday, August 6th beginning at 5:00 PM.

There is a list of speakers posted on the bulletin board.


Quarterly Meetings

Elders & Deacons Meeting, July 30 at 5:00 PM.

General Business Meeting, July 30 after services.

Summer Series - Focus on Family

Our Summer Series comes to an end this Sunday evening with brother Stan Stevenson speaking on "God's Family, The Church." Stan is currently preaching for the Adams Avenue Church of Christ in Lebanon, TN.



Youth News and Updates

End of Summer Youth Activities

August 5th (Saturday) — White Water Rafting

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White Water Rafting Trip

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Holding Grudges

One day a visitor leaned on the old fence around a farm while he watched an old farmer plowing with a mule. After a while, the visitor said, "I don't like to tell you how to run your business, but you could save yourself a lot of work by saying, 'gee' and 'haw' to that mule instead of just tugging on those lines."

The old farmer pulled a big handkerchief from his pocket and wiped his face. Then he said, "Reckon you're right, but this animal kicked me five years ago and I haven't spoke to him since."

~Reprint from the Bybee Banner~  
February 13, 1985

August 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jul 30 TIM & AMANDA GANN	31 Betty McPherson CLEMENT & LYNETTE KESEY Renee Nearing	Aug 1 TIM & CINDY FISHER	2 Rebecca Mullican Skylar McElroy	3 Hayes Fuston	4 Kara Hurst	5
Aug 6	7 TOMMY & PAMELA TURNER	8 Stanley Clendenon	9	10	11	12 Allen Hughes
Aug 13	14 Wilma Rogers  Monday Morning Bible Class	15 Marty Boles	16 Elmer Rutledge Jamie Griffith	17 Brooke Bouldin	18 Steve Hillis	19
Aug 20	21 Mary Ashford	22 Taylor League	23 Thelma Rowland	24 Pamela Turner	25	26 Micah Lawrence
Aug 27 Linda Cantrell	28  Monday Morning Bible Class	29 Clent Kesity Doris Wilcher	30	31 Brownie Kate Bielling Ethan Pinegar HEATH & JAMIE GRIFFITH	Sep 1 Nancy Mayfield Rodney Reynolds	2

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Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture.....2Thessalonians 2:1, 2  
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Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Jacob Graves

Sunday Evening Worship

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First Prayer .....Dale Zuna  
Reading.....Kane Maynard  
Scripture .....Ephesians 4:4-6  
Lord's Table .....\*Clent Kesey  
.....\* Eddie Palmer  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Larry Flatt

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements .....Dale Bennett  
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First Prayer .....Stanley Graves  
Reading.....Mike Mullins  
Invitation .....Jason Adams  
Dismiss.....Bruce Pryor

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Irma Castorena (Josue’s mother)  
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Greg Grizzell (under hospice care)  
Willie Holmes  
Margaret Schillinger - (making improvements)  
Marty York

Hospital

Nelma Chilton - River Park (broken hip)  
Anna Jean Bond - Riverview Terrace #B4  
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Morris Griffith - NHC #301  
Cathy Hennessee - NHC #408A  
Ronnie Elrod (Thelma Rowland’s brother) - NHC #120

Gospel Meetings

The Bonner congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from August 6th - August 9th. They will have a different speaker each evening.

The Noah congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from August 6th - August 9th, with brother Kip Green preaching.

The Unity congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from August 6th - August 9th, with brother Charles Williams preaching.

The Smyrna congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from August 6th - August 9th, with brother with Stan Stevenson preaching.

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Shut-In’s

At Home:  
Janice Foster  
Greg Grizzell  
Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Noel Pepper  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Margaret Schillinger  
Doris Wilcher

Webb House

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

NHC

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock (#406)  
Morris Griffith (#301)  
Cathy Hennessee (#408A)  
Marty York (#120)

Brookdale Retirement Center

910 Murfreesboro Rd  
Franklin, TN 37064  
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt’s mother)

123 Jefferson St.  
McMinnville, TN 37110  
Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan’s mother)

From Three to Two to One

When you read that title, you may have thought of the last few seconds prior to the launching of a rocket, the end of a dramatic basketball game, or something else like these things. In reality, the title has nothing to do with any of those things. Instead, it has to do with how confusing our society is becoming.

It is (or at least it used to be) normal during a wedding ceremony for a preacher to encourage the couple getting married to make sure that God was the third partner in their relationship. He might

even spend some time explaining some of the benefits of that.

Even if the couple was starting their lives together in a civil ceremony, there were two people making a commitment to one another. Sadly, in recent years, it has become increasingly acceptable for those two people to be members of the same sex. In more ways than one, God has been completely left out of the ceremony and equation.

I’ve recently become aware of a new trend that is growing. It is of interest to me that this trend is taking place primarily, if not exclusively, among some women. In many ways, the trend has similarities with what we normally think of as a wedding ceremony and lifestyle. In fact, in some instances, this arrangement comes complete with showers, receptions, honeymoons, etc. The trend/arrangement even has a name: **sologamy**.

Can you see where this is going from the name itself? Do you see the word “solo” in the term? The new trend is for people (again primarily women) to marry **themselves!**

According to one source I consulted, **sologamy** was defined in this way: ***Sologamy, or self-marriage, is a symbolic ceremony where you commit to maintaining a meaningful, deep, and loving relationship with yourself.***

There are too many absurdities with all of this to discuss here. There are probably too many to even fathom.

There is one observation I would like to make, though. When God is removed or even minimized in a society, anything is possible.

Paul wrote about people who, at one time “knew God,” but started a downward slide away from Him (Romans 1:18-32). You can also read about what God thought of that and how it turned out for them. I wonder why people think that it will turn out any better for people of our day.

By Jim Faughn



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First Prayer .....Don Sullivan  
Reading.....Chris Snow  
Scripture.....2Thessalonians 2:1, 2  
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Dismiss .....Bobby Ashford

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First Prayer .....Matthew Woodside  
Reading.....Norman Sain  
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.....\*Talan Mullican  
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Dismiss .....Don Griffith

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First Prayer .....Jeff Flatt  
Reading.....Herb Rowland  
Invitation .....Willie Newby  
Dismiss .....Darron Dixon

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Special Prayer Request

Ray Weddington had emergency retina surgery last week and will be at home recovering for at least a month. Please keep him and Charlotte in your prayers.

Ken Martin is at home with Covid. Please keep him in your prayers at this time.

Danny Duncan had knee surgery on Tuesday the 8th. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.

Susie Griffith fell last week and also had knee surgery on Wednesday the 9th. Please keep her in your prayers at this time.

Answered Prayers

Margaret Schillinger was at services on Sunday the 6th. She is still recovering from her surgery, but it was good to see her able to be with us.

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Gospel Meeting/VBS

Dibrell 11th - 13th with Shane Fisher  
Curlee 13th - 16th with Herb Alsup  
Fredonia 13th - 16th with David Lipe  
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How Do We Stop Gossip?

Where there is no wood the fire ceases. Fire needs three things to exist: Fuel, Oxygen and Heat. Without anyone of these elements there is no fire. Likewise gossip needs three things to exist, thrive, and do damage. It needs a victim, a tale bearer, and an audience. Again, without all of these constituent elements gossip will not take form and no damage can be done.

The first step to stopping gossip is the realization that none of us personally wants to be the subject of gossip, tale bearing, or slander. Once we admit that, then we move to the next step, which is the personal application of the Golden Rule. “Do unto others as you would have them do to you” Matthew 7:12. If you don’t want to be gossiped about or slandered, then don’t do it to others.

What do we do when we are tempted to gossip, be a tale bearer, or slander someone? Remember that no one benefits from gossip and slander. “A good name in a man or woman is the immediate jewel of the soul. He who steals my purse steals trash, but he who steals my good name robs me of that which enriches him not and makes me poor indeed” Shakespeare. In other words, no one benefits from gossip and slander. Slandering someone else’s good name not only does you no good, it many times does irreparable harm to those who are the victims of your slander.

Remember that gossip can and often does destroy your own trustworthiness and reputation—Proverbs 26:24-26. The more you gossip about others the less trustworthy you become. “He who gossips with you will gossip about you.” One of the gossipers’s main goals is to inflate their own reputation by tearing down the reputation of others, but in the end, it is really your reputation that suffers. Gossip is not befitting a child of God and must be done away with—Colossians 3:8-10.

Remember that once gossip and slander is out you can’t get it back. There was a story of the young man who slandered the name of an older preacher that he did not like very much. Upon realizing the error of his actions, he went to the old preacher and repented, he then asked how he could make things right. So the old preacher took the young man outside on a breezy day and tore open a feather pillow, and then as the wind scattered the feathers in every direction he told the young man to go out and retrieve each of those feathers. The point is obvious: “We are many times no more able to repair the damage that gossip does, than the young man would be able to gather all of those feathers back.”

Realize that your heart is the heart of the matter. “Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks” Matthew 12:34. Jesus teaches us that we speak about those things which are present in our minds, so if we are always dwelling upon negative things, those things are going to be manifested in our communications with others. So if gossip and slander come from the heart, and are themselves a direct result of that which I am focused on, then I need to change the things I focus on. If I am continually focused on the negative aspects of people and situations, then those are the kind of things I am going to share with others.

So we need to change our focus and look for the positive. Instead of dwelling on the fact that someone has done you wrong, and you must therefore get even by talking negatively to others about them, remember God who says “vengeance is mine I will repay.” So speak what is good for necessary edification” Ephesians 4:29.

By Brian Mitchell

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Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer.....Ronnie Hoover  
Reading.....Ken Martin  
Scripture.....Romans 13:1  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Jason Adams  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Caleb Hughes

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First Prayer .....Ray Weddington  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture .....Revelation 2:10  
Lord's Table .....\*Ronnie Prince  
.....\*Danny Duncan  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Kelly Thaxton

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Ray Weddington (eye surgery)

Hospital

Nelma Chilton (NHC #114) for rehab. She will be there for several weeks and would love to have visitors.

Sick/Hospital Update

In order to reserve room (in our bulletin) for those who are currently sick and in the hospital, our loved ones who have either had an extended illness or extended care stay, have been moved to our shut-in list.

Upcoming Area Events

The Lumley Stand congregation will be having a gospel meeting from September 3rd - September 6th with brother Johnny Trail.

The East End Drive congregation will be having a gospel meeting from September 8th - September 13th with brother Ralph Thompson.

This years Diana Singing will take place on September 8th and September 9th.

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The Runaway Bunny

Where can I go from your Spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? (Psalm 139:7)

Sometimes teens decide to run away from home. They want freedom. They want to be out from under the control of their parents. They may travel all the way across the country to get as far away as possible. Parents are frantic. They wait by the phone. They pray for their safety. They plead for their return.

Margaret Wise Brown has written many children’s books. Each has a simple story. One of her books is entitled, “The Runaway Bunny.” It is about a little bunny that tells his mother that he has decided to run away from home. “If you run away, I will run after you. You are my little bunny.” She tells him that if he becomes a fish she will become a fisherman and fish for him. If he becomes a little boy, she will become a human mother and hold him in her arms. She convinces him that no matter where he goes she will go after him. Finally he says, “Shucks! I might as well stay where I am and be your little bunny.”

That’s really what David was saying about us. No matter where we go, God is there. He never leaves us or deserts us. We can’t travel beyond His reach. “If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me.”

God’s love can’t let us go from His heart. No matter how far we wander away from His presence, His eye is always on us and He longs for our return. Like the father in the parable of the Prodigal Son, God is always watching and waiting for us to come over the hill. As Paul said, “Nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus...” (Romans 8:39). His inseparable love is always there.

It doesn’t matter how far you have gone from God’s presence, He is still there. His hand will always be outstretched, waiting and longing for your return. He will not force you to come back. You must want to return to Him, but He will not stop loving you. That’s why He came down, took on our nature, human flesh, and walked the rocky roads He had made, while being rejected and abused by the very persons He came to rescue from the powers of death and hell. That’s why He endured the cross. Because He loves you so. “And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love.

Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.” (1 John 4: 16).

By Al Behel



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer .....Joe Collins  
Reading.....Kurt Maynard  
Scripture .....Exodus 25:9  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Leonard Clemons  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....David McColloch

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer.....Tommy Turner  
Reading.....Nate Turner  
Scripture .....Revelation 2:16  
Lord's Table .....\*Caleb Graves  
.....\*Jacob Graves  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Seth Graves

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Dale Bennett  
Lead Singing .....Jared Mullican  
First Prayer.....Paul Hurst  
Reading.....Brandon Fuston  
Invitation .....Larry Flatt  
Dismiss .....Travis Adams

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship .....213  
Bible Study.....151  
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Wednesday Bible Study.....99  
Contribution .....\$6,040

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Hospital

Nelma Chilton (NHC #108) for rehab. She will be there for several weeks and would love to have visitors.

Sick/Hospital Update

In order to reserve room (in our bulletin) for those who are currently sick and in the hospital, our loved ones who have either had an extended illness or extended care stay, have been moved to our shut-in list.

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Youth News and Updates

Labor Day Youth Madness

The LDYM trip is next Sunday, September 3rd. All jumpers need to pay the \$35 fee and fill out their release forms by no later than Wednesday the 30th. Please see Jason if you have any questions.

Youth Gospel Meeting

The Mt. Leo congregation is having a Youth Gospel Meeting the last Sunday and Monday of August. They will meet at 7:30 PM both evenings. Travis Adams will be speaking on Sunday evening and Landon Averitte will be speaking on Monday evening. Please mark your calendars and go support these young men and they speak God's word.

Mt. Leo

This evening, after services, Jason will be taking the church van to the Mt. Leo congregation. Travis Adams is speaking at 7:30 PM in their Youth Led Gospel Meeting. We want to invite all to attend this meeting.

Upcoming Youth Activities

Sunday August 27th    Attend Mt. Leo to hear Travis  
Sunday September 3rd    Labor Day Youth Madness  
Sunday September 10th    Sunday Night Eats  
Sunday September 17th    H.E.Y at Old Philadelphia



(taken from the Banner Archives 2/21/2010)

Marking Your Bible: Good Works

One of the best ways to study the word of God that this author finds very profitable is to mark the Bible so that you will remember why that is a significant point in that passage. Paul wrote some inspired letters to a congregation of Christians at Ephesus and to some young preachers named Timothy and Titus. One of the key phrases that Paul uses frequently is “good works”. I would urge you to circle these phrases in your Bible. The “good works” phrase is found in Eph. 2:10; 1 Tim. 2:10; 5:10; 5:25; 6:18; Tit. 2:7, 14; 3:8, 14. I would use Eph. 2:10 as my starting point in marking in my margin: “cf. (‘‘good work’’ passages).”

If you look up these passages, you will notice remarkable aspects that are part of doing good works as a Christian. The first aspect is that in Eph. 2:10 and Tit. 2:14 we learn that God from all of eternity set apart those in His Son's church to walk in good works. Why do Christians walk in good works? Good works lead to glorifying God (Matt. 5:16)! We must earnestly desire to pursue them! (Tit. 2:14).

The second aspect in the contexts of 1 Tim. 2:10 and 5:10 is relating to women in how they can promote good works by performing the duties of a servant as Christ, the ultimate Servant, would have done good (Acts 9:36; 10:38).

The third aspect of good works in 1 Tim. 5:25 is shown in the context of selecting men who are qualified for the eldership. There are some men who sadly continue in a life of sin that would hinder them from the office, but there are also some men who have a great character that would shine in the community that would be wonderfully qualified for the office and other men who have an attitude of godliness that is hidden that would be qualified also.

The fourth aspect of doing good works in 1 Tim. 6:18 is related to giving and sharing. Christians are to work so that they may have something to give to those who are in need (Eph. 4:28).

The fifth aspect of good works in Tit. 2:7 would be to show an example of good behavior in both life and in teaching the word of God.

The sixth aspect of good works in Tit. 3:8, 14 would be edification and fruitfulness. It relates to building up the community of God to growing spiritually to conform to the image of Christ and helped the vineyard of the Lord to bear spiritual fruit for the harvest for the coming day of God (Matt. 13:24-30; Jn. 4:35).

Are you promoting “good works” as a Christian? This author did not put Heb. 10:24 because we do not know whether Paul wrote it or not. It is a fitting admonition for us to consider: “And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and **good works**.” In Eph. 2:10, write beside the margin, *predestined to do them* (cf. Tit. 2:14). Then besides Tit. 2:14, write: *earnest pursuit of them!* In 1 Tim. 2:10 and 5:10, write: *service!* In 1 Tim. 5:25, write: *helps in qualifying for an elder*. In 1 Tim. 6:18, underline “giving” and “sharing”. In Tit. 2:7, write: *good behavior*. In Tit. 3:8, write: *edification*. In Tit. 3:14, write: *fruitfulness!*

by Shane Fisher

**Sunday Morning Worship**  
Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Chris Snow  
Reading.....Travis Adams  
Scripture .....Matthew 7:28-29  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Paul Hurst  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Brandon Fuston

**Sunday Evening Worship**  
Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Ronnie Hoover  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture .....Genesis 6:1, 2  
Lord's Table .....\*Kelly Thaxton  
.....\*Rickey Hurst  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Danny Duncan

**Wednesday Bible Study**  
Announcements.....Allen Hughes  
Lead Singing.....Lincoln Sain  
First Prayer .....Micah Lawrence  
Reading.....Talan Mullican  
Invitation .....Jason Adams  
Dismiss .....Jeff Flatt

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Singing at the Fair

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H.E.Y. at Old Philadelphia

Our first meeting of H.E.Y. will be on Sunday September 17th at the Old Philadelphia building. The van will leave at 4:30 PM and return around 8:30 PM. Please sign up if you need a ride on the van.

Erupt

The Erupt Youth Rally will be here in six (6) weeks. Jason needs to purchase tickets. Please sign up on the iPad (or youth website) as soon as you can. The dates are: Friday October 20th - Sunday October 22nd.

Upcoming Youth Activities

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					Sep 1 Nancy Mayfield Rodney Reynolds	2
Sep 3 CHRIS & LORI SNOW  LDYM Trip	4	5 Vicky Woodlee	6 Gail Crouch	7 Denise Prince Marsha Collins	8 RONNIE & DENISE PRINCE	9 Bobby Ashford
Sep 10  Sunday Night Eats	11 Danai Gillies  Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM at the Fair	12  Singing at the Fair	13	14 Janice Foster Lennie Ruth Kesey	15	16 CALEB & RACHAEL GRAVES Marc Martin
Sep 17  H.E.Y at Old Philadelphia	18 Amanda Gann Caleb Hughes Chloe Pennington	19	20 JERRY & EVA SIMONS	21 Caleb Graves JAMES & DONNA GOOLSBY	22 Layne Mullins	23 Ken Martin
Sep 24 CHAD & LAYNE MULLINS  Home Devo at Kesey's	25  Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM	26 Brooke Kesey	27 Stephanie Jones Harper Bielling  Birthday Wednesday	28	29	30  Fall Festival



**Sunday Morning Worship**  
Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer .....Ray Weddington  
Reading .....Bruce Pryor  
Scripture .....I Corinthians 10:6, 11  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Norman Sain  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Ken Martin

**Sunday Evening Worship**  
Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer .....Joe Collins  
Reading .....Jacob Graves  
Scripture .....Revelation 2:19  
Lord's Table .....\*Tucker Gann  
.....\*Tim Gann  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Kane Maynard

**Wednesday Bible Study**  
Announcements .....Allen Hughes  
Lead Singing .....Eddie Palmer  
First Prayer .....Dale Zuna  
Reading .....Matthew Woodside  
Invitation .....Paul Hurst  
Dismiss .....Don Sullivan

**Record for the Week...**  
A.M. Worship .....197  
Bible Study.....162  
P.M. Worship.....120  
Wednesday Bible Study .....104  
Contribution .....\$6,310

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Prayer Request

Please pray for Shane & Emily Fisher’s family. Their niece, Tabitha Black was killed in a car accident. She leaves behind two young sons and many family members.

Judy Nussbaum will be having knee surgery on Monday, September 18th. She has asked that you please keep her in your prayers.

Gabrielle Buford’s tumor has grown. She is, therefore, receiving radiation treatment every day for two weeks at Saint Jude. They have no protocol for her situation at this time. The family is requesting prayer on her behalf.

New Brother In Christ

Alfred Johnson was baptized into Christ on Monday, September 4th. Please welcome him to the family and continue to encourage him.

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Autumn Street Fair

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Local Meetings

Each evening at the fair, a different congregation will host a singing at the Old Antioch building. There is a list of host congregations and meeting times posted on the bulletin board.

On September 11th at 9:00 AM Tony will have his Monday Morning Bible Class at the Old Antioch building at the fair.

From September 10th - 12th there will be a gospel meeting with Carey Terry at Grundy Street

From September 17th - 20th there will be a gospel meeting at New Union, Prairie Plains, and Morrison. There is further information posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

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Happiness

With all this craziness going on in the world people just want to be happy. But that's the problem. People are settling for happiness when they can have joy.

Some people think they are the same, but it's not. Happiness and joy may be similar, but happiness is conditional and temporary.

You can get a job or buy a car and be happy until the world takes from you. People don't realize that the world can take their happiness away. Happiness is attached to the world, but joy can only be found in a relationship with Jesus.

The world can take the things from us that make us happy, but the world cannot take the Holy Spirit from us, which we only find through relationship with Jesus.

Some people search the entire world looking for happiness when they can have joy. We don't have to travel to the end of the Earth to find Jesus. All we have to do is look within His word and find what He tells us to do to have that joy.

We can even read within the scripture where Jesus says I stand at the door and knock, just open the door...

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me”. Revelation 3:20

Author Unknown

Sick at Home:

Gabrielle Buford (Rachel Mayes cousin)  
Irma Castorena (Josue’s mother)

Shut-In’s At Home:

Janice Foster  
Greg Grizzell  
Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Noel Pepper  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Doris Wilcher  
Marty York

Webb House

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Jean Henderson (Cindy Fisher’s mother) #614

NHC

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Serese Brock (#406)  
Morris Griffith (#301)  
Cathy Hennessee (#408A)

Riverview Terrace

Anna Jean Bond #B4

Willow Branch

Greg Hughes (Allen’s cousin) #505

Brookdale Retirement Center

910 Murfreesboro Rd  
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Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt’s mother)

Others

123 Jefferson St.  
McMinnville, TN 37110  
Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan’s mother)

Sunday Morning Worship

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Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer.....Barry Mayes  
Reading.....Rickey Hurst  
Scripture.....Hebrews 5:14  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Dale Bennett  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Bobby Ashford

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer.....Kurt Maynard  
Reading.....Nate Turner  
Scripture.....Revelation 3:2  
Lord's Table .....\*Talan Mullican  
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Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Kelly Thaxton

Wednesday Bible Study

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Reading.....Travis Adams  
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Dismiss .....Leonard Clemons

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Bible Study.....146  
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Wednesday Bible Study .....110  
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Prayer Request

Judy Nussbaum will be having knee surgery on Monday, September 18th. She has asked that you please keep her in your prayers.

Senior Saints Trip

On Thursday, September 21st, the senior saints will take a trip to Muddy Pond, Sorghum Mill in Monterey, Tennessee. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Autumn Street Fair

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Visitation Team #3

Visitation team #3 will meet this evening, after services, in room #1.

Local Meetings

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From September 24th - 27th there will be a gospel meeting at Earleyville, New Hope, and Gnat Hill. There is further information posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Youth News and Updates

H.E.Y. at Old Philadelphia

Our first meeting of H.E.Y. will be on Sunday September 17th at the Old Philadelphia building. The van will leave at 4:30 PM and return around 8:30 PM. Please sign up if you need a ride on the van.

Home Devo

Our next home devo will be on Sunday, September 24th at the Kesey’s. The van will leave after services and return between 8:30 PM & 8:45 PM.

Bible Bowl

We will be hosting the first Bible Bowl on Sunday, October 1st at 2PM. Jason needs volunteers that day (following our AM services) to set up the classrooms. Please let him know if you can say for a few minutes to help with this effort.

Erupt

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September Youth Activities

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Sunday the 24th	Home Devo at Kesey’s
Wednesday the 27th	Birthday Wednesday

Depression

Depression is a real thing. Depression comes from one of two places; it is either a chemical imbalance and the only thing that can help is medicinal assistance, the other comes from one’s environment. Regardless of where the depression comes from, it is real and needs to be taken seriously.

There are times when Satan tricks mankind into thinking they are depressed when in reality He has taken their HOPE away. When hope is nonexistent a person will lean towards feelings of “it’s a lost cause” which leads to the danger of depression.

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.” (Hebrews 13:8)

Life is full of challenges, causing us to have mood swings of different feelings and emotions. That’s why we need the unchanging word of God: because hopelessness starts when we lean on our understanding.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.” (Proverbs 3:5–6)

There are so many paths that lead to hopelessness throughout the Scriptures. What I mean is that you see people wrestling with despair (Job), loneliness (Elijah) and fear (Peter). Even Jesus felt overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death.

“Then He said to them, “My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me.” (Matthew 26:38)

“And being in agony, He prayed more earnestly. Then His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.” (Luke 22:44)

Jesus knew that He was going to the cross, yet He did not surrender to His feelings but to the Father’s will and did what God sent Him to do.

“The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, And saves such as have a contrite spirit.” (Psalm 34:18)

The next time you feel yourself falling into a “pit” of depression, just remember that God is always there to comfort you. He will heal you. All you need to do is ask Him for help.

By Jason Adams



**Sunday Morning Worship**  
Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer .....Stanley Graves  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....I Corinthians 10:23  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Caleb Graves  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Chris Snow

**Sunday Evening Worship**  
Announcements .....Larry Flatt  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer .....Mike Mullins  
Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture.....Revelation 3:8  
Lord's Table .....\*Lincoln Sain  
.....\*Norman Sain  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Ronnie Hoover

**Wednesday Bible Study**  
Announcements.....Allen Hughes  
Lead Singing.....Jason Adams  
First Prayer .....Matthew Woodside  
Reading.....Turner Gann  
Invitation.....Brandon Fuston  
Dismiss.....Paul Hurst

**Record for the Week...**  
A.M. Worship .....188  
Bible Study.....147  
P.M. Worship.....117  
Wednesday Bible Study .....119  
Contribution .....\$5,773

**Welcome Committee**  
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P.M. ....N/A  
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Pantry Item: .....Ketchup  
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Nelma Chilton (NHC #108) for rehab.  
Doris Smith (St.Thomas Rutherford) no visitors

Sympathy  
We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Doris Wilcher. Please keep her family in your prayers.

Prayer Request  
Jessica Adams will be having knee surgery on Thursday, September 28th. Please keep her in your prayers.

Fall Festival  
Our annual fall festival will take place on Saturday, September 30th at Midway CIC. Games will begin at 5:00 PM and we will eat at 5:30 PM. There is a sign up sheet for food on the bulletin board in the foyer.

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Life Happens

Many of you have probably seen the image that is above this article. It is known as an electrocardiogram, and in simple terms it monitors the electrical activity of your heart. And this can literally tell if you are alive or not.

Also, it can metaphorically tell if you are alive or not. You see the way these lines go up and down is the same way that we have human experiences.

You will have moments when you'll be up and moments when you'll be down.

You will have moments of success, achievement, promotion but also you will have moments that pull you down like losing a loved one or being betrayed.

You have to understand that, whether up or down, this is the human experience.

Whether you're a good person or a bad person, life happens.

No matter where you are in this entire slope, make sure that you are constantly on the move because the things you do while you are up cushion the harsh effects of the times that you are down.

So if you're going through ups and downs, you are living.

By Joey Fenley

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer.....Jason Adams  
Reading.....Travis Adams  
Scripture.....TBA  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Don Sullivan  
Sermon.....Justin Evergarden  
Dismiss.....Matthew Woodside

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer.....Tim Fisher  
Reading.....Nate Turner  
Scripture.....Galatians 3:19  
Lord's Table.....\*Eddie Palmer  
.....\*Ken Martin  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Bruce Pryor

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Mike Mullins  
Lead Singing.....Dale Zuna  
First Prayer.....Rickey Hurst  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Invitation.....Jason Adams  
Dismiss.....Kelly Thaxton

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship.....179  
Bible Study.....152  
P.M. Worship.....136  
Wednesday Bible Study.....116  
Contribution.....\$5,627

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.....N/A  
P.M.....N/A

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Un/Lock Building:.....Herb Rowland/Mike Mullins  
Assist Baptisms:.....Jessica & Vivian Adams  
Pantry Item:.....Canned Fruit  
Check Pantry:.....Denice Rhea  
Check Kitchen:.....Jane Flatt  
Check Workroom:.....Amy Lawrence  
Video.....Clent Kesey  
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Sympathy

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On Saturday, October 14th from 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM, there will be a singing downtown (hosted by the Mt. Leo congregation).

From October 13th - 15th there will be a gospel meeting at the Grange Hall congregation with brother Bill Boyd.

Senior Saints Trip

The Senior Saints will be going to Oren Wooden’s Apple House in Pikeville, TN on Tuesday, October 3rd. For details please see Stanley Graves.

Bible Bowl

We will be hosting Bible Bowl on Sunday, October 1st beginning at 2:00 PM. Volunteers are needed to set up classrooms (following our AM services).

Erupt

The Erupt Youth Rally will be here in three (3) weeks. Please sign up on the iPad (or youth website) as soon as you can.

September Youth Activities

Sunday the 1st Bible Bowl at Bybee 2:00 PM  
Sunday the 8th Sunday Night Eats  
Sunday the 15th H.E.Y. at Hebron  
Fri. the 20th - Sun. 22nd Erupt  
Wednesday the 25th Birthday Wednesday  
Saturday the 28th Home Devo at Midway

October

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 1 Bible Bowl	2	3	4 Barbara Sain	5	6	7 FARRIS & BREN-DA YOUNG Autumn Street Fair
Oct 8 Donna Newby Larry Flatt Sunday Night Eats	9 Monday Morning Bible Class	10	11 W.C. & NELMA CHILTON	12 Bruce Pryor Seth Graves	13 Nelma Chilton	14 Eva Simons Heath Griffith LARRY & JANE FLATT
Oct 15 H.E.Y. at Hebron	16	17 Jennifer Maynard	18	19 Derrick Pennington Myra Bell Tucker Gann	20 Erupt	21
Oct 22 Erupt Sarah Kell Marcie Pope	23 Monday Morning Bible Class	24 Steve Smith	25 Aiden Kesey Kelly Thaxton Birthday Wednes-day	26 Barbara Lorance Mary Flatt	27	28 MITCHELL & GLENDA FER-RELL Home Devo (tentative)
Oct 29 Cassie McGinness Ayers Youth Led Worship	30	31				



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Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer.....Paul Hurst  
Reading.....Jacob Graves  
Scripture.....Genesis 1:1  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Allen Hughes  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Danny Duncan

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer.....Willie Newby  
Reading.....Mike Mullins  
Scripture.....Revelation 3:15-16  
Lord's Table.....\*Norman Sain  
.....\*Lincoln Sain  
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Dismiss.....Jared Mullican

**Wednesday Bible Study**

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First Prayer.....Ronnie Hoover  
Reading.....Eddie Palmer  
Invitation.....Ray Weddington  
Dismiss.....Stanley Graves

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Contribution.....\$7,718

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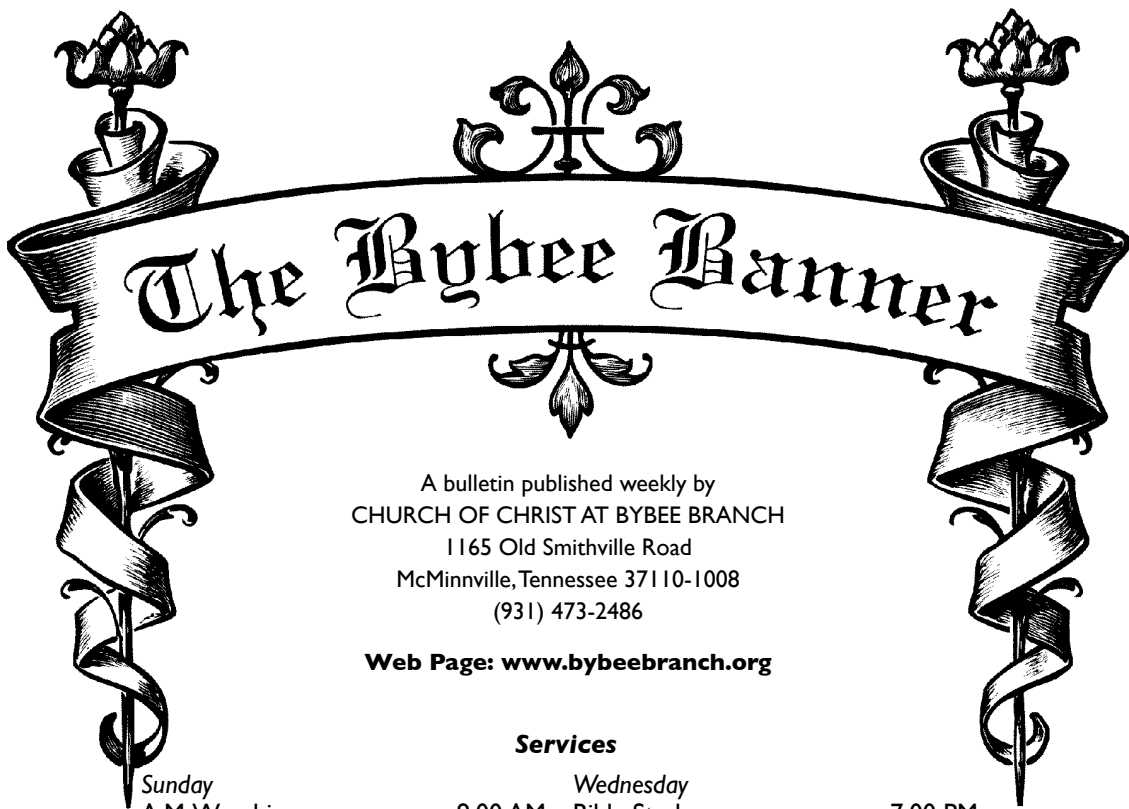
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Gospel Meetings

Main Street/Manchester, October 8-11, with brother Lonnie Jones.

Keltonburg, October 8-11, with different speakers.

Grange Hall, October 13-15th, with brother Bill Boyd.

Gospel Singing

October 14, 5:00-6:30 PM, at the grass lot downtown (hosted by the Mt. Leo).

October 6, 7 PM, at Old Philadelphia.

Youth and Family Activities

Congratulations

We want to congratulate our youth, here at Bybee. This last week they placed 3rd in the county wide Bible Bowl. Keep up the hard work!

Sunday Night Eats

Our next Sunday Night Eats will be on Sunday, October 8th following our evening services.

H.E.Y.

Our next H.E.Y gathering will be on Sunday, October 15th at Hebron. Please sign up if you need a ride on the van (we will leave at 4:15PM)

Erupt

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Erupt Transportation

The church van will be available for those who need a ride to Cumberland Caverns. Jason will send out a schedule ahead of time. Also, those who will be attending on Saturday, please bring money for lunch.

Youth Led Worship

Our next YLW will be on Sunday, October 29th. If any young man would like to participate that evening please see Jason.

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Fri. the 20th - Sun. 22nd	Erupt
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Summer Series on BLTV

October 8-12 (Sunday-Thursday) and October 16-19 (Monday-Thursday) at 7:00 PM each night.

Sick at Home

Gabrielle Buford (Rachel Mayes cousin)  
Irma Castorena (Josue's mother)

Shut-In's At Home

WC Chilton  
Janice Foster  
Greg Grizzell  
Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Noel Pepper  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Doris Wilcher  
Marty York

Webb House

(3877 Manchester Hwy, McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Jean Henderson (Cindy Fisher's mother) #614

NHC

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock (#406)  
Morris Griffith (#301)  
Cathy Hennessee (#408A)

Riverview Terrace

Anna Jean Bond #B4

Willow Branch

Greg Hughes (Allen's cousin) #505

Brookdale Retirement Center

910 Murfreesboro Rd  
Franklin, TN 37064  
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother)

123 Jefferson St.

McMinnville, TN 37110  
Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan's mother)

"I was sick and you visited me..."  
(Matthew 25:36)

Mindset

One of the most powerful things at our disposal is our mind. Unfortunately there can be some pretty ugly things in there. It can be hard to get rid of those ugly things and we can not run from them, we will struggle because those things are just there.

The reason for this is because our mind this the battleground for Spiritual warfare. Paul reminds us of this in Romans 12:2 "...do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind..."

The battle starts in your mind and your mind influences your heart, then your heart influences your actions.

Proverbs 4:23 "Watch over your heart with all diligence, for from it flow the springs of life." The enemy knows all of this. He is going to work through whoever and whatever he has to, in order to get to you.

So what do we do?

John 16:33 "...in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world." The battle is already won (because we are in Christ and He has overcome the world for us). The enemy doesn't want you to know that you have power because that make him powerless.

You can not control everything that comes to your mind but you do have authority to take it captive and make it obedient to Christ.

by Jason Adams

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Barry Mayes  
Reading.....Tucker Gann  
Scripture.....Matthew 5:8  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Tim Gann  
Sermon.....Jason Adams  
Dismiss.....David McColloch

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Micah Lawrence  
Reading.....Kurt Maynard  
Scripture.....John 1:1  
Lord's Table.....\*Ronnie Prince  
.....\*Bruce Pryor  
Sermon.....Barry Mayes  
Dismiss.....Kane Maynard

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Mike Mullins  
Lead Singing.....Lincoln Sain  
First Prayer.....Travis Adams  
Reading.....Jason Adams  
Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Norman Sain

**Record for the Week...**

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Bible Study.....131  
P.M. Worship.....124  
Wednesday Bible Study.....113  
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Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Debbie Sparks (Rachel Mayes's sister). There will be a memorial service on Monday, October 16th at the O'Connor Church of Christ in Sparta at 11:00 AM.

Baby Shower

Join us for a baby shower honoring Hannah Barr as we welcome Waylon Reed Barr. This will take place on Sunday, October 15th from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM at the home of Lynette Kesey (please RSVP with Lynette). (registered at www.babylist.com).

Ladies Day

On Saturday, October 21st the East End congregation will be hosting a ladies day with Debbie Kea.

On Saturday, October 28th the West Riverside congregation will be hosting a ladies day with Debbie Kea.

Gospel Singing

On October 20th the Harmony Church of Christ (Rock Island) will be hosting a singing beginning at 7:00 PM. Refreshments will be served at 5:30 PM.

Gospel Meeting

From October 15th - October 18th the Smyrna Church of Christ will be hosting a gospel meeting with Brother Jack Honeycutt.

Youth and Family Activities

H.E.Y.

Our next H.E.Y gathering will be on Sunday, October 15th at Hebron. Please sign up if you need a ride on the van (we will leave at 4:15PM)

Erupt

The Erupt Youth Rally will be here in two (2) weeks. Please sign up on the iPad (or youth website) as soon as you can.

Erupt Transportation

The church van will be available for those who need a ride to Cumberland Caverns. Jason will send out a schedule ahead of time. Also, those who will be attending on Saturday, please bring money for lunch.

Youth Led Worship

Our next YLW will be on Sunday, October 29th. Both Talan Mullican and Nate Turner will be speaking that evening. If any young man would like to participate please see Jason.

Challenge Youth Conference

CYC ticket sales have opened. CYC will be in February, however with only having one session tickets will sell out quickly. If you are attending as a youth or chaperone, please sign up on the iPad or the link Jason sent you via text message.

October Youth Activities

Sunday the 15th	H.E.Y. at Hebron
Fri. the 20th - Sun. 22nd	Erupt
Wednesday the 25th	Birthday Wednesday
Saturday the 28th	Home Devo at Midway
Saturday the 29th	Youth Led Worship

Summer Series on BLTV

October 16th - October 19th (Monday-Thursday) at 7:00 PM each evening.

No Excuse

Discipleship (or some form of it) is a word that we read in the the Bible.

Here is a definition of the word disciple: In Christianity, disciple is a dedicated follower of Jesus. This term is found in the New Testament only in the Gospels and Acts. In the ancient world, a disciple is a follower or adherent of a teacher. Discipleship is not the same as being a student in the modern sense. A disciple in the ancient biblical world actively imitated both the life and teaching of the master. It was a deliberate apprenticeship which made the fully formed disciple a living copy of the master.

Sadly this definition is one that is seen as a Biblical practice that only took place during the time of Jesus through the end of the writing of the New Testament. In our modern times the word disciple or discipleship is looked down upon as if someone is has adapted a radical form of Christianity. No longer are people being disciplined for Christ.

I want to look at the last sentence of the definition above “It was a deliberate apprenticeship which made the fully formed disciple a living copy of the master.” How many Christians today are working on themselves to make themselves a living copy of Jesus?

How many Christians are purposefully, consistently, and intently, doing everything they can to make sure, not only they are following in the footsteps of the master, but their wife, their husband, their children are following the same path?

Are they taking steps to make sure their spouse will be with Jesus when they die? Are they taking steps to make sure their children will be in heaven when they die? These questions are not a matter of IF they will die, but WHEN they die.

There are a lot of things in this life that we can avoid. We take precautions and safety measures in order to avoid those bad things in this life, but the one thing we cannot avoid is death. We all will eventually die, the question that remains is this “Where are we going to go when we die”? Are you discipling your family so that when they die, their life was so lived for God that they will be with Him?

by Jason Adams



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Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer.....Chris Snow  
Reading.....Dale Bennett  
Scripture.....Genesis 2:16-17  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Brandon Fuston  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Bobby Ashford

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
First Prayer.....Tommy Turner  
Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture.....Proverbs 16:18  
Lord's Table .....\*Eddie Palmer  
.....\*Travis Adams  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Leonard Clemons

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Mike Mullins  
Lead Singing .....Talan Mullican  
First Prayer .....Jeff Flatt  
Reading.....Willie Newby  
Invitation .....Rickey Hurst  
Dismiss.....Ken Martin

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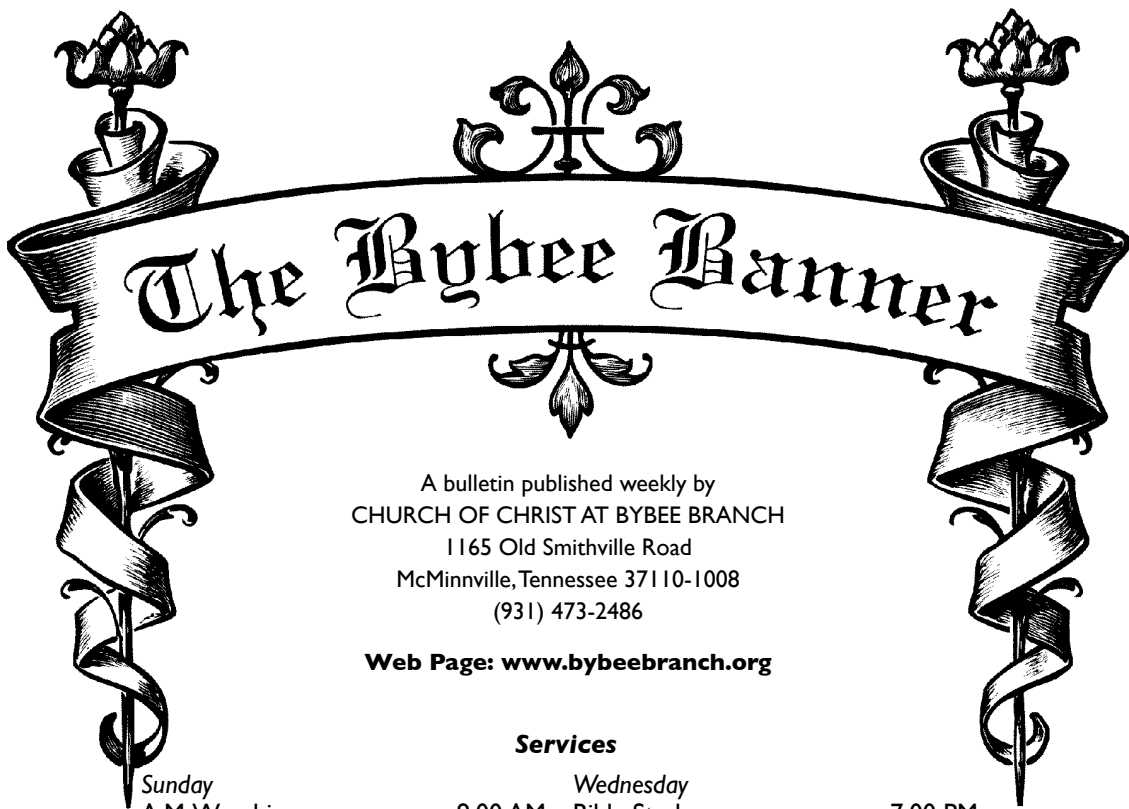
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Gospel Singing

There will be a singing at the Arlington congregation on Friday, November 3rd. Further information is posted on the bulletin board.

Gospel Meeting

The Trousdale congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from Sunday, October 22nd - Wednesday, October 25th with brother Tim McHenry.

The Rock Island congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from Thursday, October 26th - Sunday, October 29th with brother Gary Palmer.

Youth and Family Activities

Birthday Wednesday

Our next Birthday Wednesday will be on Wednesday October 25th, following our services. Please join us as we celebrate our October birthdays!

Home Devo

Our next home devo will be on Saturday, October 28th, at Midway CIC beginning at 5:00 PM. Weather permitting there will be a bon fire and hayride. If you have any questions please see Brandon Fuston.

Youth Led Worship

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Bible Bowl

The next Bible Bowl will be on Sunday, November 5th, at the Morrison congregation. Those who are going to participate need to be studying/reading over Acts chapters three (3) and four (4).

Challenge Youth Conference

Anyone who plans on attending CYC this year will need to RSVP by Wednesday, December 6th (at the latest). Please feel free to sign up ASAP. Tickets will sell quickly with there only being one session again this year. Transportation, lodging, and two (2) meals will be provided. You will need to provide funding for five (5) meals and any entertainment. If you have any questions, please see Jason.

October Youth Activities

Wednesday the 25th	Birthday Wednesday
Saturday the 28th	Home Devo at Midway
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Fight, Finish, Fulfill

2 Timothy 4:7 has often been referred to as Paul’s valedictory: “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.” It has also been observed that this statement had something for every group of people in the first century. The idea of fighting the fight appealed to the Roman mind. The concept of finishing the race would have been of interest to the Gentile (Greek) mind. And the thought of keeping the faith would have been attractive to the Hebrew mind. Indeed this verse had (and has) something for everybody – no matter what background or circumstances.

Have you an opponent? Is there something causing you problems? Something trying to ruin your life? Keep fighting against it. Don’t give up and let it win. If it knocks you down, get up and keep fighting. Fight the good fight. If you do so, you will be victorious.

Are you in a race? Do you have something you want to accomplish? Do you have goals to be reached? A purpose to achieve? Keep running toward the destination. The course may be difficult and long and you may get weary, but keep pressing on. Finish the race. If you do so, you will win.

Do you have circumstances beyond your control? Are you in a situation that breeds fear, doubt ,or uncertainty? Does it sometimes seem hopeless? Don’t give in to negative emotions. Maintain a positive outlook. Live in love and hope. Keep the faith. If you do so, you will receive the promise of God.

Fight, finish, fulfill – that’s some good advice for all of us. -

by Edd Sterchi

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....Joe Collins  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer.....Kurt Maynard  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....Hebrews 11:4  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Larry Flatt  
Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Dale Zuna

**Sunday Evening Worship**

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Lead Singing.....Travis Adams  
First Prayer.....Jason Adams  
Reading.....Jacob Graves  
Scripture.....TBA  
Lord's Table.....\* Lincoln Sain  
.....\*Tucker Gann  
Sermon.....Talan Mullican & Nate Turner  
Dismiss.....Jared Mullican

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Mike Mullins  
Lead Singing.....Jared Mullican  
First Prayer.....Caleb Graves  
Reading.....Seth Graves  
Invitation.....Jason Adams  
Dismiss.....Ray Weddington

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Bible Study.....129  
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Contribution.....\$5218

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**Youth Led Worship**

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**Bible Bowl**

The next Bible Bowl will be one Sunday, November, 5th at 2:00 PM at the Morrison congregation.

**Sunday Night Eats**

Our next SNE will be on Sunday, November, 5th following our evening services.

**H.E.Y.**

Our next H.E.Y. gathering will be on Sunday, November, 12th at the Rockliff congregation. The church van will leave at 4:30 PM and return between 7:30 PM and 7:45 PM. Please sign up on the iPad (by November 8th) if you are going to attend.

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November Youth Activities	
Sunday the 5th	Bible Bowl at Morrison
Sunday the 5th	Sunday Night Eats
Sunday the 12th	HEY at Rockliff
Sunday the 26th	Home Devo at the Gann's
Wednesday the 29th	Birthday Wednesday

November

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			Nov 1	2	3	4
					Singing at Arlington	Ladies Day at Hwy 56 Ladies Day at Noah
Nov 5 Bible Bowl at Morrison 2 PM Sunday Night Eats	6	7	8	9	10 Ashley Vandagriff Eunice Haley	11 Jacob Graves
Nov 12 Franklin Brooks Helen Morgan Rodney Maynard HEY at Rockliff	13 Iva Cunningham Stephen Felty Monday Morning Bible Class 9am	14 Bruce Nunley	15 Madison Jennings	16	17 Dot Cathey	18 David King Leah Vandagriff LEONARD & AVIE CLEMONS
Nov 19	20 Ronnie Hoover	21 Lori Snow Talan Mullican	22	23 Judy Cook McKenzie Hillis	24	25
Nov 26 Anna Jean Bond Home Devo at Gann's	27 Joe Collins Willie Newby	28 Corretta Lawrence	29 Birthday Wednesday	30 Stefanie McColloch		



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer.....Chris Snow  
Reading.....David McColloch  
Scripture.....Genesis 6:5  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Tim Fisher  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Norman Sain

**Sunday Evening Worship**

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Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer .....Don Griffith  
Reading.....Kelly Thaxton  
Scripture.....Ezekiel 37:21  
Lord's Table .....\*Rickey Hurst  
.....\*Paul Hurst  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Tommy Turner

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Willie Newby  
Lead Singing.....Herb Rowland  
First Prayer .....Travis Adams  
Reading.....Lincoln Sain  
Invitation .....Leonard Clemons  
Dismiss.....Daniel Schillinger

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Bible Study.....130  
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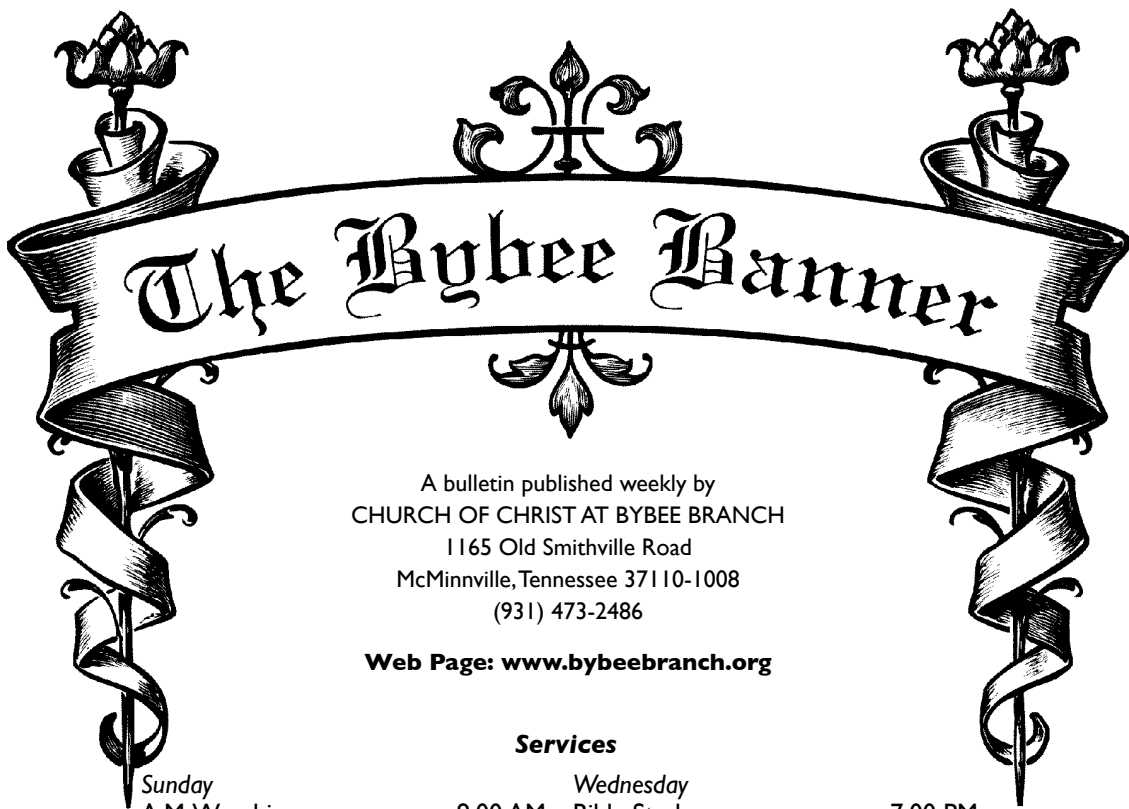
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Philip Wimberly - St Thomas Midtown

Ladies Day

On Saturday, November 11th, the Findlay congregation will be hosting a ladies day, both Debbie Kea and Christy Cook will be speaking. Registration will begin at 8:00 AM. Further information is posted on the bulletin board.

Elders/Deacons Meeting

Our next elders/deacons meeting will be on Sunday, November 5th, at 5:00 PM here at the church building. All deacons are encouraged to be a part of this meeting.

General Business Meeting

Our next general business meeting will be on Sunday, November 5th, following our evening services. All men of the congregation are encouraged to be a part of this meeting.

Youth and Family Activities

Bible Bowl

The next Bible Bowl will be one Sunday, November 5th, at 2:00 PM at the Morrison congregation. If you plan on attending, please sign up on the iPad or youth website.

Sunday Night Eats

Our next SNE will be on Sunday, November 5th, following our evening services. If you plan on attending, please sign up on the iPad or youth website.

H.E.Y.

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2 Corinthians 10:5b

Those Not Able To Join Us

Shut-In/Sick At Home

Irma Castorena (Josue's mother)  
Janice Foster  
Greg Grizzell  
Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Noel Pepper  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Doris Wilcher  
Marty York

Webb House

(3877 Manchester Hwy, McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Jean Henderson (Cindy Fisher's mother) #614

NHC

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock (#406)  
Morris Griffith (#301)  
Cathy Hennessee (#408A)

Riverview Terrace

(114 Highland Drive McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Anna Jean Bond #B4

Willow Branch

(415 Pace Street McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Greg Hughes (Allen's cousin) #505

Brookdale Retirement Center

910 Murfreesboro Rd  
Franklin, TN 37064  
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother)

123 Jefferson St.

McMinnville, TN 37110  
Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan's mother)

Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble...James 1:27

Potatoes

Have you ever considered how many things you can make out of a potato? I'm gonna give you a list of different recipes that I have found where the potato is the star of the dish.

Smashed Roasties, Triple Cooked Roasted Potatoes, Air-fryer Roasted Canned Potatoes, Hassel-back Roasted Potatoes, Pierogi, Cepelina (a meat and potato dumpling), Fondant Potatoes, Crackling Potato Cake, Potato Candy, French Fries, Scalloped Potatoes, Triple Cheese & Bacon Dauphinoise, Twice Baked Potato, Potato Scones, Mashed Potatoes, Shepherd's Pie, Potatoes Au Gratin, Potato Croquettes, Potato Frittata, Boulanger Potatoes with Bacon, Potato Chips, Potato Soup, AND SO ON!

You may be asking "why did he just mention all of these potato dishes"?

Well, think about it. The potato is a very bland root vegetable which at first glance seems to be of very little use. But when in the hand of someone like me or you, it can be made into some of the most wonderful dishes.

Now, if we can do all of this with a lowly potato, JUST IMAGINE what God can do with you!

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10

By Jason Adams

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Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer.....Bruce Pryor  
Reading .....Barry Mayes  
Scripture.....Genesis 11:4  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Allen Hughes  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Dale Bennett

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer.....Kurt Maynard  
Reading.....Kane Maynard  
Scripture.....Ephesians 4:26  
Lord's Table .....\*Clent Kesey  
.....\*Mike Mullins  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Danny Duncan

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements .....Willie Newby  
Lead Singing.....Eddie Palmer  
First Prayer .....Micah Lawrence  
Reading.....Jeff Flatt  
Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Darron Dixon

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Bible Study.....130  
P.M. Worship.....121  
Wednesday Bible Study .....103  
Contribution .....\$7,524

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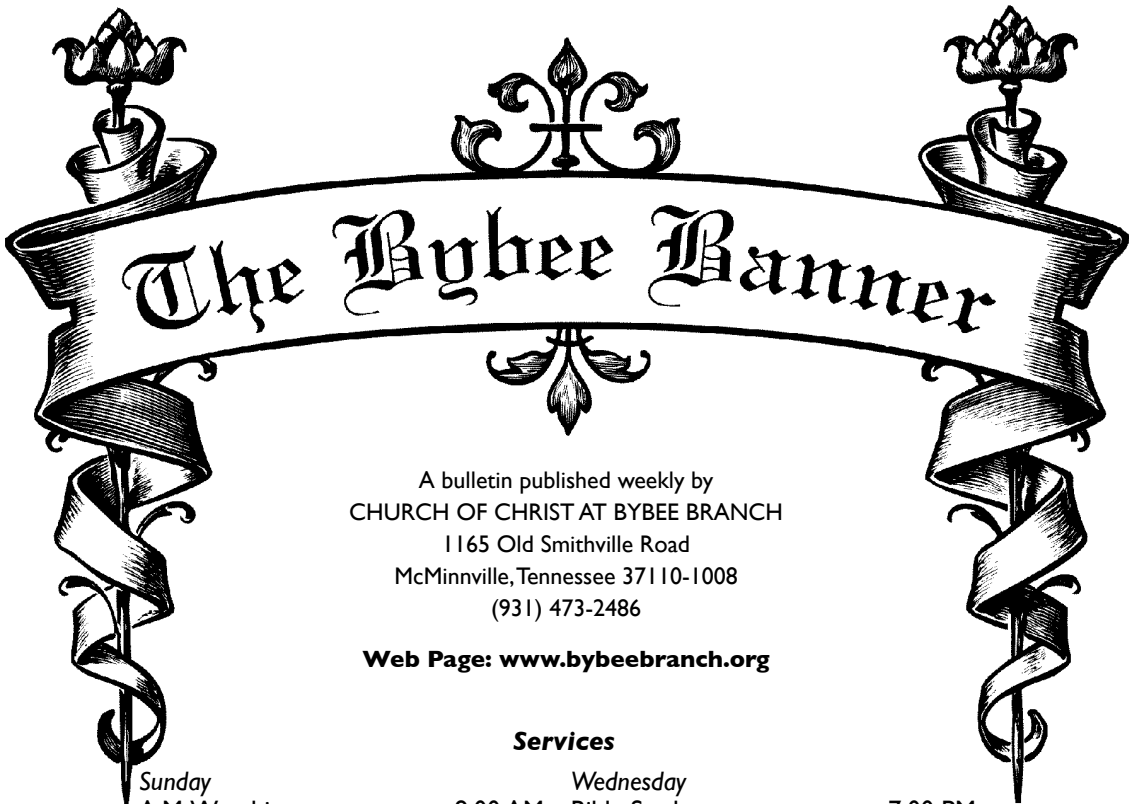
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Hospital

Nelma Chilton (NHC #108) going home soon  
Irene Lawrence - River Park (#219) may go home

Gospel Meeting

The Leoni congregation will be hosting a gospel meeting from Sunday, November 12th - Wednesday, November 15th with both Roger Campbell.

Bible Bowl

We want to congratulate our youth on their 2nd place win in this month's Bible Bowl. We are very proud of how hard they have worked to be able to accomplish this achievement. Keep pressing on in your Bible study efforts!

Monday Morning Bible Class

Our next Monday Morning Bible class will be on Monday, November 13th, beginning at 9:00 AM.



"DON'T YOU HAVE IT ON VIDEO?"

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We Are One

There is a togetherness that is notable about Christianity when we are doing things in the way that God desires them to be done. Of late I have taken note of how the early church, in the days after its establishment on Pentecost, functioned outside of what we might refer to as corporate worship today. What was life like for these early Christians? The end of the second chapter of Acts informs us that Christians then were together. They had all things in common. They took what they had and shared it among themselves as needs arose. But perhaps most importantly they were together every day studying together, sharing common meals with one another in each other's homes. Perhaps most importantly is that they did all this gladly and praised God as was right for them to do.

I wonder if Christ held up the church today and placed it side by side with the early church after its establishment, what would he see? Would he see churches that look different from an outward, surface level perspective but inwardly they are identical in nature. Or would he find that the Lord's church in modern times, inwardly, looks nothing like the church that Christ built upon the foundation of Peter's confession of who He is (Matthew 16:17-19 "Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. 18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. 19 And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.")?)

I reflect on the fact that at the time that Luke records in Acts 2, the church had not been in existence for very long. There were still epistles to come. There were still things that would be revealed to them. But as they waited for those things to come, they had one thing right. Unity. What about us?

By Andrew Beasley



**Sunday Morning Worship**  
Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Leonard Clemons  
Reading.....Ken Martin  
Scripture.....Genesis 17:4, 5  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Joe Collins  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Herb Rowland

**Sunday Evening Worship**  
Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Ronnie Hoover  
Reading.....Nate Turner  
Scripture .....Luke 10:41  
Lord's Table .....\*Brandon Fuston  
.....\*Ronnie Prince  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss..... Kelly Thaxton

**Wednesday Bible Study**  
Announcements .....Willie Newby  
Lead Singing.....Travis Adams  
First Prayer.....Tim Gann  
Reading.....Tucker Gann  
Invitation.....Joe Collins  
Dismiss .....Don Sullivan

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Bible Study.....127  
P.M. Worship.....102  
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Contribution .....\$5,522

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Randy Neeley (cancer)  
Judy Nussbaum (following knee surgery)  
Doris Smith (no visitors, no calls)

Hospital

Nelma Chilton NHC #108 (going home 16th)  
Iona King River Park Rehab (#254)  
Lola Barrett St Thomas Rutherford

Holiday Fellowship

It is time for our annual Holiday Fellowship. The date chosen for our annual event is Sunday, December 17th, following our evening services. We will be serving chili, vegetable soup, potato soup, or the soup of your choice, finger sandwiches, finger foods, and desserts. We have a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer, so please check this list and let us know what you can bring so we can plan accordingly. As always, we appreciate everyone who helps with food and desserts each year. Please make plans to join us on Sunday, December 17th, for food and fellowship.

Ongoing Events in Our Area

There are several different Bible classes that are taking place in our community. Some of these are hosted weekly, bi-monthly and monthly. Some of these classes/actives are designed for all ages, some are just for ladies and others have an emphasis on the youth of our community. There is a flyer posted on the bulletin board with the day/days, times and location of each of these activities.

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When Are We Saved?

There seems to be a misunderstanding of what the Scriptures teach about salvation. I've heard people say that they were “saved” and then later on you see that person or someone they're talking about being baptized.

God has always required blood for a sacrifice. Jesus died on the cross, shedding his blood as the perfect sacrifice for our salvation. Hebrews 10:4 & 14 says “4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins.” “14 For by one offering He (being Jesus) has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.”

The only way a person is saved is by coming in contact with the blood of Jesus Christ. If you think you are saved prior to being baptized into the blood of Jesus Christ, you have what is known as a BLOODLESS salvation and Jesus died in vain.

Mark 16:15, 16 - And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes AND is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.

It is obvious if a person does not believe then they will not move forward with the physical act of baptism, which is where we come in contact with the blood of Jesus Christ.

Acts 2:36-38 - “Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.” Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “**Men and brethren, what shall we do?**” Then Peter said to them, “**Repent, AND** let every one of you **be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ FOR** the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

You see, in the very first gospel sermon preached, after Jesus ascended into heaven, the people asked what they needed to do to be saved.

They were told to be baptized **FOR** the remission of their sins. They were **NOT** told that they could be saved without the baptism. They were told to be baptized **FOR** the remission of their sins. Remission of sins means a person has been cleansed of all of their sins, and they are saved **AT THE POINT** of remission.

So if the apostle Peter plainly states (from the command that Jesus gave him) that the only way you can have your sins forgiven/remitted (canceled, taken away, blotted out) is through baptism in Jesus’ name, why do so many people think that they can be saved prior to baptism or without it?

Salvation can only come through Jesus Christ and His blood. We must be covered in that blood to have our sins remitted. We come in contact with His blood in the waters of baptism. All other “salvation” teachings are simply wrong.

Don’t take my word for it, look in the Bible to find the answer.

By Jason Adams

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Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer .....Ray Weddington  
Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture.....Genesis 18:20  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Stanley Graves  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Bobby Ashford

**Sunday Evening Worship**  
Announcements .....Jason Adams  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer .....Matthew Woodside  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....Exodus 20:17  
Lord's Table .....\*Jared Mullican  
.....\*Talan Mullican  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Eddie Palmer

**Wednesday Bible Study**  
Announcements .....Willie Newby  
Lead Singing .....Rickey Hurst  
First Prayer .....Caleb Graves  
Reading.....Jacob Graves  
Invitation .....Jason Adams  
Dismiss .....Larry Flatt

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Ladies Bible Class Christmas Party

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Five Things Jesus Never Said

Too many people in this world have been deceived by "religious" teachings. They have been lead away from the truth. I want to share with you just a few things that people have been lead to believe...five (5) things that people believe Jesus said, that He never said

1. "Follow your heart" - just do what feels right - JESUS NEVER SAID THIS!

Jesus DID say... "The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately wicked; Who can know it?" (Jeremiah 17:9) - we are to follow GOD and GOD alone!

2. "Be true to yourself" your ideas, ambitions and desires are all that matters - JESUS NEVER SAID THIS!

Jesus DID say... "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me." (Luke 9:23)

3. "Believe in yourself" you be the guide of your own destiny - JESUS NEVER SAID THIS!

Jesus DID say... "you believe in God, believe also in Me.... I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:1, 6)

4. "Live your truth" you do you and I'll do me and all we'll all be happy - JESUS NEVER SAID THIS!

Jesus DID say... "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:31, 32)

5. "As long as you are happy, that's all that matters" - JESUS NEVER SAID THIS!

Jesus DID say... "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matthew 16:26)

We've got to make sure we are following the truth, AND getting into this book DAILY!

We need to have a heart for God, following Jesus, believe in His word, live DAILY for Him and make sure our daily endeavors are getting us closer to Him.

We also need to make sure that we don't believe everything we hear, but rather be like the Bereans.

"These were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so." Acts 17:11

By Jason Adams



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer.....Don Sullivan  
Reading.....Eddie Palmer  
Scripture.....Genesis 37:3, 4  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Barry Mayes  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Bobby Ashford

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....Rickey hurst  
Lead Singing.....Stanley Graves  
First Prayer .....Herb Rowland  
Reading.....Dale Bennett  
Scripture.....Hebrews 10:24  
Lord's Table .....\*Tim Gann  
.....\*Tucker Gann  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....David McColloch

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Brandon Fuston  
Lead Singing .....Talan Mullican  
First Prayer .....Norman Sain  
Reading.....Mike Mullins  
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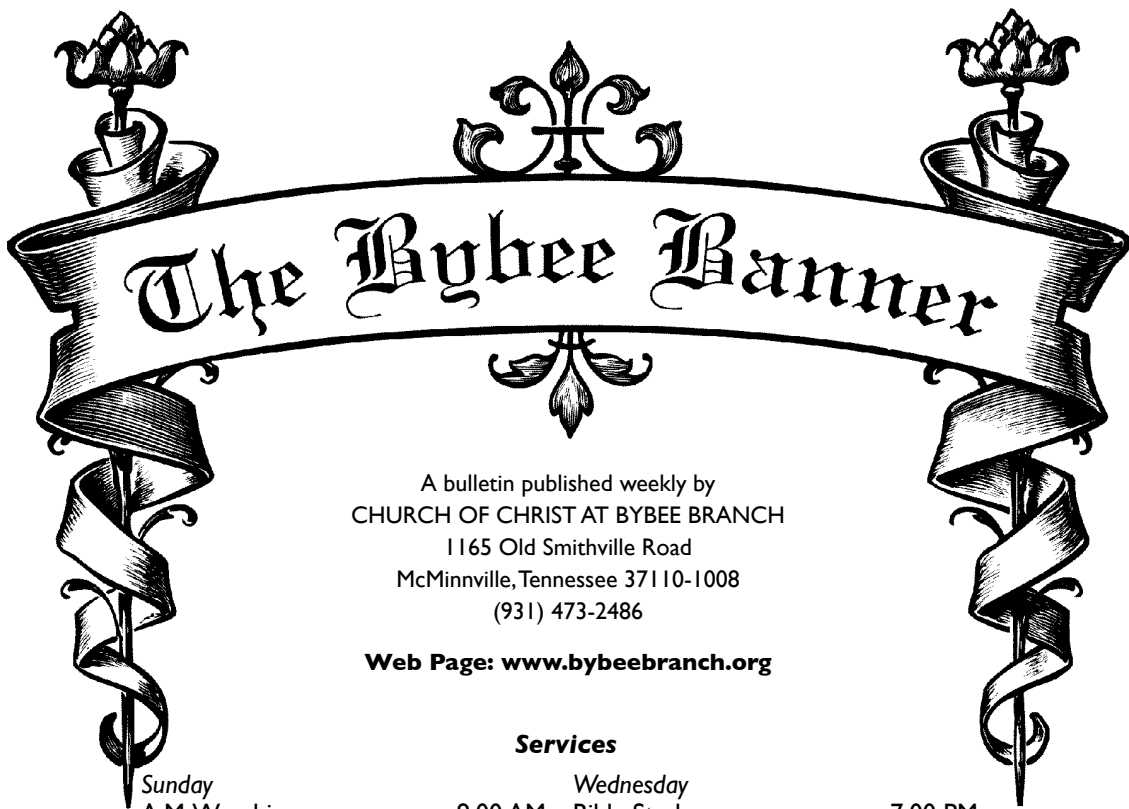
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**Ongoing Events in Our Area**  
There are several different Bible classes that are taking place in our community. There is a flyer posted on the bulletin board with the day/days, times and location of each of these activities.



"Sometimes God's blessings are not in what He gives but in what He takes away".

**Youth and Family Activities**  
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Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. 2 Timothy 4:12, 13

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
DECEMBER 2023						
					Dec 1 Susan Pryor	2
Dec 3 Bible Bowl (Arlington)	4	5 Matthew Woodside	6 DENNIS & JANICE FOSTER	7	8 Howard Witty Irene Lawrence H.G.G (shopping)	9 LARRY & ZELLA COOK
Dec 10 Kane Maynard CYC Sign Up Deadline Youth/Parent Meeting	11 Ladies Class Christmas Party Monday Morning Bible Class (breakfast)	12 Anna Grace King Iona King	13 Stan Hillis	14 Jenna Kate Mullins	15 H.G.G (wrapping)	16
Dec 17 Holiday Party	18 H.G.G (delivery)	19 Margaret Schillinger	20 Christine Gribble Birthday Wednesday	21 BARRY & RACHEL MAYES Don Sullivan	22	23 Norman Sain Rachel Mayes
Dec 24	25	26 JOE & MARSHA COLLINS	27 Dale Bennett NORMAN & BARBARA SAIN	28	29 Emma Hillis	30
Christmas Eve	Christmas Day					
Dec 31 BRUCE & WANDA NUNLEY Linda Hamilton Megan Patton Youth Led Worship						

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First Prayer.....Chris Snow  
Reading.....Travis Adams  
Scripture.....Genesis 39:1-2  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Matthew Woodside  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Ken Martin

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
First Prayer.....Bruce Pryor  
Reading.....Jeff Flatt  
Scripture.....Ephesians 4:25  
Lord's Table .....\*Jacob Graves  
.....\*Caleb Graves  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss..... Danny Duncan

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements.....Brandon Fuston  
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First Prayer.....Allen Hughes  
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Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to the family of Terry Coppinger, uncle of our Allen Hughes. He passed away on Monday and his funeral will be at High's on Wednesday at 1 PM. Visitation will be from 12 to time of the funeral.

We also express our sympathy to the family of Mary Lou Kelterborn, sister of our Margaret Schillinger. She passed away on Monday evening in Michigan. Arrangements are incomplete.

Baptism

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“in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”  
1 Thessalonians 5:18

Shut-In/Sick At Home

Irma Castorena (Josue's mother)  
Janice Foster  
Greg Grizzell  
Willie Holmes  
Daisy Maxwell  
Noel Pepper  
Maxine Pittman (Mary Ashford's sister)  
Lottie Ward (Judy Sullivan's mother)  
Marty York

Webb House

(3877 Manchester Hwy, McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Jean Henderson (Cindy Fisher's mother) #614

NHC

(928 Old Smithville Rd McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Serese Brock #406  
Morris Griffith #301  
Cathy Hennessee #408A  
Lola Barrett

Riverview Terrace

(114 Highland Drive McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Anna Jean Bond #B4

Willow Branch

(415 Pace Street McMinnville, TN 37110)  
Greg Hughes (Allen's cousin) #505  
Thurman Bennett #318

Brookdale Retirement Center

(910 Murfreesboro Rd, Franklin, TN 37064)  
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother)

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Monday Morning Bible Class

The next Monday Morning Bible Class will be this coming Monday, December 11. Breakfast will be at 8 AM followed by class at 9 AM. Breakfast will be furnished. Class will begin at 1 Samuel 8. Everyone is invited to come!

Five Suggestions for Strengthening The Church

During the question & answers lesson for Sunday evening I gave five suggestions for things we each can do to strengthen the church and reach others. I was asked if I could repeat them so here they are:

1. Congregate - Heb. 10:25; Acts 11:26
2. Communicate - Matthew 18:15; 1 Cor. 12:26
3. Stimulate - Heb 10:24; 3:13
4. Associate - Acts 2:42, 44; Rom. 1:12
5. Assimilate - 3 John 8

If you missed the lesson it can be found on our YouTube channel. <https://www.youtube.com/@churchofchristatbybeebranch1524>

Sing Praises

Lift up your heart in praises  
Sing to God a joyful song  
Magnify the name of Jesus  
For bearing the cross alone.

Sing out His matchless glory  
Raise anthems before His throne  
Adore His gift forever  
For that eternal home

~ Benny Bristow ~  
(Corretta's father)

Darkness Before Dawn

The world was groping in darkness  
Before God sent heavenly rays  
A blanket of evil covered the earth  
With no hope for a dawning day.

Tradition had won its selfish plans  
Hypocrites were having their say  
Many were walking in blindness  
Until Jesus lighted the way.

~ Benny Bristow ~  
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**Sunday Morning Worship**  
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Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer .....Stanley Graves  
Reading.....Marty Boles  
Scripture.....Luke 15:1-2  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Ray Weddington  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Jason Adams

**Sunday Evening Worship**  
Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing .....Caleb Graves  
First Prayer .....Kurt Maynard  
Reading.....David McColloch  
Scripture.....Revelation 14:12  
Lord's Table .....\*Talan Mullican  
.....\*Jared Mullican  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss..... Kelly Thaxton

**Wednesday Bible Study**  
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First Prayer.....Paul Hurst  
Reading .....Tucker Gann  
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Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. Romans 6:3, 4

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Youth Holiday Gathering

Date: Tuesday, December 19th  
Time: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
Place: Hickory Creek Gym  
Who: 6th grade - College Age

BRING FRIENDS!

Each youth should only bring a \$5 gift card that will be used for prizes. Lots of food and fun!! Come ready to eat, play, and win. Please let us know how many will be coming by Monday, December 18th.

Challenge Youth Conference

CYC tickets have been purchased. There is still time to sign up if you want to go, please see Jason.

Youth/Youth Parent Meeting

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Upcoming Youth Activities

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Tuesday the 19th Youth Holiday Gathering  
Sunday Dec 31st Youth Led Worship

There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. Romans 8:1

Our Greatest Privilege

“Lord, teach us to pray” (Luke 11:1)

The disciples of Jesus had listened to his sermons, but never asked, “Teach us to preach.” They had observed his powerful miracles, but never said, “Lord, teach us to do miracles.” The one thing they asked for Him to teach them was how to pray. Knowing how to pray effectively is far more desirable than knowing how to preach a powerful sermon. Moving heaven is much greater than moving men on earth.

Of course, there are many desirable gifts or privileges, but none surpasses the privilege of prayer. We can train men to preach moving sermons, but powerful praying can only come out of hearts that have been touched by the Master. More is accomplished through prayer than through sermons for without prayer sermons are empty and ineffective.

Obviously, the disciples had witnessed Jesus on His knees. They had seen the hand of God moved through His prayers. No one had prayed like Him. No one had talked with the Father the way Jesus did. They stood in awe as they listened to Him pray and they wanted to pray like Jesus prayed. Only Jesus could teach them to pray like that.

I’ve heard many moving prayers. Some were very short but powerful. A little boy in New York prayed, “God, I thank you for making me a human being and not a dog!” Some of the old saints knew how to pray. The key? They knew they were really talking to God and that God was listening.

Prayer is every believer’s privilege. Not everyone is called to become preachers, or elders, or teachers, but everyone is called to pray. Later, Jesus would say, “Men ought always to pray and not to lose heart” (Luke 18:1). Praying opens the doors of heaven and moves the hand of God.

Unfortunately, many Christians do not avail themselves of this privilege. Instead, there is an expectation that life moves on its own, most days are reasonably comfortable, and we maintain good health. We forget that prayer is not solely about us. It is primary about communing with our heavenly Father. It is about advancing His kingdom in a world of darkness.

We are instructed to pray for others, to pray for laborers to go into the fields to reap the harvest, and for the spread of the gospel. If prayer is really power, how foolish is it for us to rely on ourselves when we have little control over anything. We have access to our God, the “Almighty” One, who is never tired or weary. Who is “able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask of think, according to the power at work in us”. (Ephesians 3:20).

By Al Behel

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First Prayer.....Barry Mayes  
Reading.....Don Sullivan  
Scripture .....Matthew 1:18  
Lord's Table (N) .....\*Joe Collins  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss.....Tim Gann

Sunday Evening Worship

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First Prayer .....Larry Flatt  
Reading.....Jason Vandagriff  
Scripture .....John 15:16  
Lord's Table .....\*Willie Newby  
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Irene Lawrence (at son's home)  
Iona King  
Corretta Lawrence  
Greg Grizzell (hospice care)  
Jean Ware (following knee surgery)  
Herb Rowland  
Taylor Blanton (friend of Adry & Aryn Snow)  
Gabrielle Buford  
Vickie Griffith  
Sydney Grove (Ruby Huntley's son-in-law and Avie Clemons' nephew)

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Thurman Bennett - Willow Branch #318

Sympathy

We want to express our sympathy to the family of Kenny Pryor (Bruce Pryor's brother). Please keep his family in your prayers.

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We want to express our sympathy to the family of Charles Bradshaw (Denise Princes' father). Visitation will be Wednesday from 3-8 PM and Thursday from 10 AM until the time of service at 1 PM, at Highs.

Special Prayer Request

Steve Nearing (Renee's husband) received results that his cancer has returned. Please keep him in your prayers as he goes through this trying time.

Men's Seminar

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Arlington Bible Study

We are looking forward to our Neighborhood Bible Study in January at the Arlington church of Christ! We will study "In the Beginning - Genesis 1-11." Refreshments served at 6:00 PM and we will study at 6:30 PM - come be our neighbor and study with us! January 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th.

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Honoring Our Shepherds

This past Sunday evening we honored our shepherds who have served the congregation so faithfully. Brother Don Griffith has served since June 20, 1993, brothers Leonard Clemons and Stanley Graves since August 31, 2008, and brother Allen Hughes since October 22, 2017. The Scriptures admonish us:

*"And we urge you, brethren, to recognize those who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. Be at peace among yourselves."* (1 Thessalonians 5:12-13).

Please take a minute to send them a message at [elders@bybeebranch.org](mailto:elders@bybeebranch.org) and let them know how much you appreciate what they do in caring for our souls.

Thanks from the Lawrences

Each year the congregation continues to show us your extraordinary generosity. The money given Sunday evening (along with that of the Monday Morning Bible Class) is deeply appreciated. As great as was the gift of money, your kindness and concern for us as a family is even more appreciated. Thank you for being such a great group of Christians!

Thank You from The Adams Family

Ever since our arrival in August of 2019 we have been made to feel like we are a permanent part of the Bybee family. We want to thank you for making us a special part of the work here. The gift you bestowed upon us last week is deeply appreciated and we just wanted to say "Thank You", Love; Jason, Jessica, Travis, Vivian and Charlotte.

From The Elders

To the congregation, a heartfelt thank you for the recognition everyone shared with us Sunday evening. The thoughtfulness that you put into the evening and the recognition that you bestowed upon us was overwhelming. It is truly a joy for us to serve as Elders with saints who desire to spread the Gospel and to edify and encourage one another as we walk through this life as faithful Christians. We want to express our appreciation for all the support that you have given to us as elders of the congregation. We will always follow the truth to the best of our knowledge, and the desire that we all will have a home in heaven. God bless you all as we journey together through life, bringing all the glory to God.

*"Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you". Hebrews 13:17*

*"Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ." Colossians 3:23 - 24*



**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Seth Graves  
First Prayer.....Tim Gann  
Reading.....Matthew Woodside  
Scripture .....Isaiah 50:4  
Lord's Table (N).....\*Larry Flatt  
Sermon .....Tony Lawrence  
Dismiss .....Jeff Flatt

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....Rickey Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Travis Adams  
First Prayer.....Nate Turner  
Reading.....Jacob Graves  
Scripture .....TBA  
Lord's Table .....\*Caleb Graves  
.....\*Jared Mullican  
Sermon .....Lincoln Sain  
Dismiss..... Tucker Gann

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....Paul Hurst  
Lead Singing.....Eddie Palmer  
First Prayer.....Stanley Graves  
Reading.....Travis Adams  
Invitation.....Willie Newby  
Dismiss.....Caleb Graves

**Record for the Week...**

A.M. Worship .....177  
Bible Study.....109  
P.M. Worship .....82  
Wednesday Bible Study.....94  
Contribution .....\$10,475

**Welcome Committee**

A.M. ....N/A  
P.M. ....N/A

*If you can not serve, please contact  
Jared Mullican (931) 224-1201*

Ushers:..Herb Rowland, David McColloch, Eddie Palmer  
Un/Lock Building:.....Dwight Barrett/Mike Mullins  
Assist Baptisms: .....Cindy Fisher & Susan Pryor  
Pantry Item: .....Peanut Butter  
Check Pantry: .....Maggie Hurst  
Check Kitchen:.....Stephanie McColloch  
Check Workroom: .....Rebecca Mullican  
Video .....Tommy Turner  
Elder Closing Remarks .....Leonard Clemons

**December Bus Route Drivers**

Sunday AM (van) .....Leonard Clemons  
Sunday PM (van) .....Leonard Clemons  
Wednesday PM .....Caleb Graves

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| January 2024                                                                              |                                                  |                                      |                                             |                                      |                                              |                                               |
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| SUNDAY                                                                                    | MONDAY                                           | TUESDAY                              | WEDNESDAY                                   | THURSDAY                             | FRIDAY                                       | SATURDAY                                      |
| Dec 31<br>BRUCE & WANDA NUNLEY<br>Linda Hamilton<br>Megan Patton<br><br>Youth Led Worship | Jan 1<br>Jason Vandagriff<br>TOMMY & GAIL CROUCH | 2                                    | 3<br>JASON & JESSICA ADAMS<br>Kelly Peoples | 4<br>Danny Duncan<br>Leonard Clemons | 5<br>Donald Cathey                           | 6<br>Gail Smoot                               |
| Jan 7<br><br>Bible Bowl<br>2 PM Earleyville<br><br>Youth-Parents Meeting                  | 8<br><br>Monday Morning Bible Class              | 9                                    | 10                                          | 11                                   | 12<br>Willard Dunlap                         | 13<br>Stephanie Maynard                       |
| Jan 14<br>DAVID & IONA KING<br><br>Sunday Night Eats                                      | 15                                               | 16<br>GARY & BARBARA LORANCE         | 17                                          | 18                                   | 19<br>Skylan Patton                          | 20<br>Chris Snow<br><br>Bible Study & Bowling |
| Jan 21<br>Donna Goolsby<br>TONY & CORRETTA LAWRENCE<br><br>HEY at Bybee Branch            | 22<br><br>Monday Morning Bible Class             | 23<br>Brenda Young<br>Susie Griffith | 24                                          | 25                                   | 26<br>Charlotte Weddington<br>Ray Weddington | 27<br>Jared Mullican<br>MARTY & SHARON BOLES  |
| Jan 28<br>David Chilton<br>RICKEY & MAGGIE HURST<br><br>Home Devo                         | 29<br>Billy Pinegar                              | 30<br>Jason Adams                    | 31<br>Ronnie Prince                         | Feb 1                                | 2                                            | 3                                             |