

### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

#### August 13, 2023

LEAD SINGING: James Quillin **LEAD OPENING PRAYER:** - Robert Qualls PRESIDE: Dwayne Daniel SERVE Communion Emblems in AUG: Larry Witherow, John Willoughby, Robert Qualls, Pierre Griffin SERMON: Doug Couch ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Shamron Jackson USHERS to Collect Contribution in AUG: Cameron Jones, Jeremy Petty Sunday Evening

**LEAD SINGING:** Jay Wilkins SERMON: Doug Couch Lead Opening Prayer: Cameron Jones Preside for month of AUG Brant Sweat Lead Closing Prayer: Jett Smith FOOD CALL IN AUG : Susan Jones, Sherri Jackson WASH LINENS IN AUG : Tamara Cocke LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS FOR THE MONTH OF AUG:

Daryl Daugherty, David Karnes Aug. 6—Attendance— 251 Contribution—\$11,313

**Directory Updates, Prayer Request Notifications & Death Notices:** Debbie Couch 615-957-7452 or at couchd25@hotmail.com If you have announcements to be put on the screen: send email to: whblchurch@gmail.com PLACE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS THAT YOU HAVE FOR SUNDAY MORNING ON THE CLIPBOARD IN THE LOBBY.

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### Wednesday Night Summer Series 7 pm

Aug. 16—Geoffery Sikes—"How Much Are You Loved?" Aug. 23-Chris McCurley -"Why Would You Leave the 99 for 1?"



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Invite them again. If someone accepts our invitation be joyous, but do not be duped. Just because they came once, does not mean they are planning to come again. So, invite them again. Of course, if they reject our invitation that does not mean we stop inviting them. Persistence often pays off in time. On the day of Pentecost, many people heard Peter, but only 3,000 obeyed. However, by the fourth chapter the number was over 5,000 because many received another invitation (Acts 2:41:4:4).

Sam Dilbeck, San Marcos, TX

#### My thoughts on a conversation between God and His Son when Jesus returned to Heaven.

God: -Son, it's good to have you back home. I saw what they did to You, and I heard Your prayers asking that the pain be removed when You were going to suffer. Son, I'm sorry I didn't step in to relieve Your suffering, but I loved My creation, and I knew Your love and obedience would save those who obey and had faith in Your Words. You told them about the blessing I would give them if they remain faithful until death. I saw how Satan turned the people on You with lies. But Son, I have a day set aside that I will make everything right. On that day I will separate the good from the bad and they will hear You say, "Welcome to My Father's house, my good and faithful servant."

Are you preparing to live there?

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#### Elders:

Buddy Driver **Terry Gross** Jay Wilkins Doug Couch Larry Osborne Brent Welch Shamron Jackson

Deacons:

Larry Cocke Gale Larkins Tim Godwin Butch Lee Mike Jones Jeremy Petty David Karnes Dean McKaskle Dwayne Daniel Lee Marlow Greg Morris

Evangelist: Doug Couch 973-9652 Associate Minister: Daniel Cauthen Youth: Ethan Myers 940-783-1668

Secretaries: Adelaide Butler 797-3380 Debbie Couch 957-7452 Julie McKaskle 308-8456

#### Sunday:

**Bible Classes** 9:00am A.M. Worship 10:00am P.M. Worship 5:00pm Children's Bible Hour 5:00pm

Wednesday:

7 PM Classes for everyone Thursday: Ladies Bible Class 10:00am "In Search of the Lord's Way" Sunday AM 7 – 7:30 "Gospel Broadcasting Network" (GBN) Sunday AM 7:30-8:00 "Good News Today" Sunday AM -8:00 All on Channel WUXP 30

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**Identify people.** New Christians do not magically appear, they are made from existing people. We can help the church grow by identifying people in our lives that need the gospel. The best candidates are friends and family members. Other prospects could be coworkers and acquaintances that we see often. Paul identified those on Mars Hill as ones needing the gospel (Acts 17:16-31).

**Pray for people.** Those we identify as needing the gospel deserve every effort we can give them. Prayer is a small but powerful effort that could be the difference between winning someone to Christ or missing that opportunity. Certainly Cornelius is an example of a sinner aided by prayer (Acts 10:1-8).

Approach people. We often leave this undone. Searching for the perfect time to approach someone with the gospel usually means it never gets done. Once we have prepared, we must approach them and bring up God. Philip was told by the Spirit to go to the eunuch, and he ran to approach him in the chariot (Acts 8:29-30).

Invite people. Once the subject of God is brought up, do not forget to invite them to study the Bible or come to worship with you. Sometimes we may feel like it is overbearing to invite people to study. However, without an invitation to do something, approaching some one about God becomes little more than an opinion swapping session. Here again, Philip serves as an example by asking him about his understanding (Acts 8:30). .....Continue on page 4

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## What Can You Do to Help?

Church growth is not an accident-it's deliberate. Churches that do not have plans or goals for growth usually do not grow. Having goals are nice, but every member must do their part to achieve these goals. Here are some suggestions for helping the church achieve its goals in attendance and conversions.

**Prepare for people.** Before we approach those we identify as having a need, we ought to prepare ourselves. We should know what we are going to say and how we might answer some objections. It all goes back to planning. Jesus spent over three years preparing the apostles to change the world (Luke 24:44-49).

To our members and visitors:

## WELCOME TO WHITE BLUFF! WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

#### **Calendar of Events**

Aug. 13—Elders & Deacons Meeting 3:00 Aug. 27—Teacher's Meeting 4:30 Aug. 28—Family Night 6:30 Sept. 12—JOY Group Outing Area Events Aug. 17-24— Polishing the Pulpit in Sevierville, TN Aug. 19—Ladies Day at Cheap Hill CofC Dr. Hazel Arthur speaking Aug. 20—- Fall Faith Focus Series at Hilldale CofC in Clarksville. Aug. 26—Ladies' Day at Hilldale CofC in Clarksville.

Check the Bulletin Board for more information on these events.

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Happy Birthday

Aug. 14—Trevor Griffin Aug. 15—Kira Burns Aug. 16— Breanna Chimera Aug. 18—Abby Webster Aug. 19—Hailey Barber

Happy Anniversary

Aug. 18—Ray & Mary Hedrick (50 years)

#### Sympathy

Sympathy to the family of Brandon Dawson. He passed away of cancer on Aug. 7 after suffering for several years. He and his family are friends to many in the community. His service was Wednesday, Aug. 9 at Taylor's Funeral Home.

### **Thank You**

Thank you for all the cards, calls, and prayers during my recovery. It's truly a blessing being a member of the Lord's church. In Christian Love, John Suddeath

Thank you for the cards, calls, visits, food and prayers during Carl's hospitalization and Chad's death. We are truly a blessed family. We love each of you and consider it a privilege and honor to be your friend. Carl and Connie Wood

THERE IS NO MORE SIGNIFICANT INVOLVEMENT IN ANOTHER'S LIFE THAN PREVAILING, CONSISTENT PRAYER. IT IS MORE HELPFUL THAN A GIFT OF MONEY, MORE ENCOURAGING THAN A STRONG SERMON, MORE EFFECTIVE THAN A COMPLIMENT. **MORE REASSURING THAN A PHYSICAL EMBRACE.** 

Prayer Requests

**Diann Smithson** is now home after 24 days in the hospital. Pray that the medication now brings results. Willie Hamilton is in Centennial Hospital rm 6120 after a heart attack and now has pneumonia. Fred & Joyce Stacy, aunt of Connie Wood, Ricky Johnson, Ronald Johnson's brother and **Carl Wood** need prayers

#### **Those Battling Cancer...**

OUR MEMBERS **Yvonne Quillin** Karl Craun **Kim Marlow** Larry Osborne Jimmy St. Clair Willie Hamilton Joan Jones Joann Rist

**OTHERS W/ CANCER** Relationship Glenda Bull's niece Linda Hooper's sister-in-law Bernice Stokes' brother-in-law Terry Gross's brother Brenda Lyle's son Pickard's daughter-in-law late Tina Resha's mother Shirley Daniel's sister Jerry & Adelaide's son-in-law 5 yr old friend of Lou Ann Tidwell

#### **Continue to Remember in Prayer**

Sandra Floyd

Rhoda Hooper

David Stokes

Anita Pickard

Peggy Donegan

Anthony Bennett

Grayson Sawyer

June Driver

Dale Gross

Scot Lyle

**OUR MEMBERS** Carol LeBlanc Bernice Stokes Lois Willis Sue Murphy **Betty Caldwell** Dianne Hall Larissa Dills Ouida Polk Diann Smithson Pamela Todd Roy Hamilton Willie Hamilton

OTHERS Relationship Peggy Heath's mother **Rubie Corkan** Peggy Heath's aunt Jo Corkan Betty Reynold's son **Darryl Northern** Jean Majors & Kit Wed. Meal recipient Joe Pacone Wed. Meal recipient Antonia Cangemi sister of Carol Leblanc Fred & Joyce Stacy aunt of Connie Wood

#### **In the Nursing Homes**

Olive Branch: Mary Buttrey, 110 Luther Rd, Dickson, TN 37055. NHC: Ouida Polk rm 123. Lisa Butler rm 117B. Freddie Weatherspoon. Barbara Travis rm 303, 812 N. Charlotte St. Dickson 37055

The Meadows: Joan Butler. 8044 Coley Davis Rd. Room A-36B, Nashville, TN 37221.

Hillcrest Health Care Center: Gayle Westcott, Shirley Hamilton, 111 Pemberton Dr, Ashland City, TN 37015.

Belvedere Commons: Judy Barfield, 303 S Royal Oaks Blvd, Franklin, TN 37064

Life Care Center: Kenny Pack 112 Dickson Rd, Centerville, TN 37033. Place at the TRACE: Betty Hall, Ruth Nicholson, Gayle Lankford, 8353 TN-100, Nashville, TN 37221

Brookdale Belle Meade: Peggy Blessing, 6767 Brookmont Terrace, Nashville. TN 37205.

Joan Jones has moved back to Alabama for a long stay with her son. Her new address is 118 Hidden Creek Dr. Huntsville, AL 35806

#### **Items Needed for August**

#### MAGI needs: MONETARY DONATIONS

Due to the political unrest in Nicaragua, we will not be able to send MAGI boxes this year. In lieu of donations of actual supplies we are asking monetary donations that will be sent to the churches of Christ in Nicaragua to purchase items for the children. Please see Becky Clark if you would like to donate.

PANTRY NEEDS: Beef Stew, Chicken & Dumplings, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Paper Towels See Glenda Bull with monetary donations.

#### **New Christian**



Aurora Grace Yarnell was baptized into Christ on Wednesday by Doug. She has been coming to services with Aubrey Suddeath for awhile, and after a study with Doug, decided to put Christ on in baptism. She lives at 103 Meadowood Loop in Burns. Let's all welcome Aurora as she begins her walk with Christ.

FAMILY NIGHT MONDAY, AUGUST 28 AT 6:30 PM COME AND ENJOY GOOD FOOD AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP.

### Murder Mystery Dinner for the Young Adults



Sunday night, Aug. 13

after evening service at the church building. Let Mary or Brant know if you can attend.

#### **Baby Shower**



A Baby Shower will be given for Ashlee and Jett Smith on Sunday, September 10 at 2 pm. They are registered at Walmart and Amazon. It's a Boy. Bonnie Dills is taking up for a group gift.

## **JOY Group Outing** Tuesday, Sept 12th LUNCH at Paula Deen's Family **Restaurant at Opry Mills**

The bus will leave the building at 9:30 AM

Please sign the list in the fover and indicate if you are driving separately. Only 32 people can ride the bus.

Charles Swindoll ..... WELCOME BASKETS FOR NEW FAMILIES **MOVING INTO OUR** COMMUNITY.



Almost everyday, new families are moving into our community. We have started taking Welcome Baskets with cleaning supplies and Bible materials to these new comers to invite them to our worship services. Michelle Morris and Ann Heath are getting the baskets together, and Greg and Doug are delivering them. If you would like to be a part of this newministry, let them know.



Did you know you can support your local American Heritage Girls Troop by shopping at Kroger? Simply add American Heritage Girls Troop TN1004 under the Community rewards option in your Kroger app. Every time you use your Kroger Plus card you will be helping to support a ministry whose mission is to build women of integrity. There is an American Heritage Girls Troop that meets in our church building. Talk to Joanna Jackson or Marilyn Wilkins for more information.



**Used Bible Drive for South Africa** 

During the month of August, we will be collecting used Bibles to send to Somerset West School of Preaching in South Africa. They will only accept the following versions of gently used Bibles: ESV, KJV, NKJV, ASV and NASV with no rips, tears or stains. Please place the Bibles in the designated collection bin in the lobby.

### Nashville Benefit Dinner

### for WBS



Guest Speaker: David Shannon President of Freed Hardeman University

Thursday, October 5 at 6:30 at Concord Rd. Church of Christ

See Larry Witherow or rsvp@worldbibleschool.net/Nashville2023 or call 800-311-2006 to reserve your spot.