



CHURCH OF CHRIST

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White Bluff
Church of Christ
February 18, 2024

SUNDAY SERVICES
February 18, 2024

LEAD SINGING: James Quillen
LEAD OPENING PRAYER: Harold Petty
PRESIDE: Brant Sweat
SERVE Communion Emblems in FEB: Kenny Goodman, Brent Welch, Dennis Daniel, Wayne Hooper
SERMON: Doug Couch
ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Larry Osborne
USHERS to Collect Contribution in FEB: Wesley Burns, Peter Chimera, Wade Lynn, Daryl Daugherty

Sunday Evening Serving

LEAD SINGING: Gabe Orendorff
LEAD OPENING PRAYER: Nathan Barber
SERMON: Doug Couch
LEAD CLOSING PRAYER: Larry Cocke
PRESIDE FOR MONTH: Karl Craun

FOOD CALL IN FEB: Ann Mitchell & Edie Stewart
WASH LINENS IN FEB: Joyce Morey
LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS FOR THE MONTH OF FEB: David Karnes & Larry Cocke

Feb.11—Attendance—221 Contribution - \$ 8,100

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.

ONLINE GIVING

Go to www.whitebluffcoc.org and click/tap on "GIVE". Or scan the QR code to go directly to the link. Follow the instructions to "contribution by card." There is a slight card fee as expected with all credit card transactions.



PRAY MORE
IN 2024

INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION

If the roads are bad with snow & ice then for the safety of everyone, the service will be cancelled.

WiFi Info— If you would like internet access while you are at the church building, please see Debbie Couch to set up a password. WBCOCWIFI

If you are visiting: User: GUEST
Password: 8NCXCWEM .



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This response accomplished the following:

It helped to keep my anger in check. I could have flamed the fans of anger by discussing with hundreds of people how I had been mistreated. Instead I conquered my anger on this occasion. It's hard to vengeful toward those for whom you are praying.

It put to an end "railing speech" by others before it got started. I think my response took some people by surprise. They came to me, ready to speak evil of this brother, but instead went away being asked to pray for him

It created a contrast. I wanted my behavior to stand in stark contrast with the brother who made the billboard. I didn't want anyone to think my response was just as bad as this man's actions.

It made me thankful. I was thankful for brother Baxter, whose example strengthened me to respond in a way, I'm pretty certain, I would not have if I did not have his example.

The reason I am writing this article is to make you aware of this event in the life of the late Batsell Barrett Baxter. His example has given me strength through the years, and I believe it will help you too. Next time you're mistreated, remember Batsell Barrett Baxter's response.

Written by Steve Higginbotham

Elders:

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

Deacons:

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

Evangelist: Doug Couch 973-9652
Associate Minister: Daniel Cauthen

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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How to Respond to Mistreatment

A couple of years ago, a brother in Christ somehow thought it would be a good idea to rent a moving van and hang a billboard on the side of that truck. That billboard happened to have my picture on it, along with three other preachers whom I highly respect. Under our pictures was a website link that claimed to expose how we were all false teachers. Then, this brother parked this moving van on a busy highway outside a lectureship venue so that thousands of people, in and out of the church, could see it.

It's been two years since this even took pace, and I've finally decided to say something about it.

As I was driving to the lectureship, one of the organizers called me and informed me of what this brother had done and to be prepared when I arrived. I am thankful for the call because it gave me time to think. Without that call, my immediate reaction more than likely would have been anger, and I would find myself regretting some of the things I said. But the call allowed me time to think as I drove and by the time I had arrived at the venue, I had decided upon a response. Before I tell you what it was, let me tell you what prompted me to respond as I did.

When I started preaching full-time 1984, I heard a story about Batsell Barrett Baxter that I have never forgotten. Because of brother Baxter's role with the Herald of Truth, he experienced a great deal of criticism. One day, Ira North and Willard Collins were to pick up Baxter from the airport and have lunch with him. North and Collins had in their possession a magazine in which a preacher from Texas had maliciously criticized brother Baxter. However, due to his travels, Baxter didn't yet know about the article. So, when they got settled for lunch, brother Baxter was asked if he wanted to know what this brother in Texas thought of him and handed him the hit-piece. Before he could finish reading the article, their food was delivered to their table, and brother Baxter led the prayer. But in his prayer, brother Baxter prayed for the man who wrote the mean-spirited article, along with his wife, and children by name. Nothing more was said about the article after the prayer.

Through the years, I have never been able to shake that story. Brother Baxter's example has helped me on several occasions through the years when my knee-jerk reaction would not have been nearly as godly. So, as I drove to the lectureship venue, once again I remembered brother Baxter and determined to follow his example. When I reached the venue, within 30-minutes, I was literally met by more than a hundred people wanting to ask me if I had seen the "billboard" on the side of the road, To the best of my remembrance, my standard response to hundreds of people that week was, "Yes, I've seen it, isn't it sad? Please remember to pray for the brother and his sons who did this."

This response accomplished the following:

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To our members and visitors:

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

WBYG
SPRING 2024



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18: Recharge
22-25: CYC - Shamron and Joanna
28: M2E @ 6:15
TBD: Dickson County Area Wide

Calendar of Events

Feb. 16-17 - Ladies Retreat @ Camp Leatherwood
 Feb. 17—Men's Ministry Gathering 12 noon
 Feb. 17—Funeral for Lee Marlow's father 1 pm
 Feb. 18—Teacher's Meeting at 4:30
 Feb. 18—Recharge for Youth Group after evening service
 Feb. 19—Family Night at 6:30
 Feb. 20—JOY Group Outing to Clarksville
 Feb. 26—Clothing Give-Away @ 6-7 pm

Area Events

Mar. 2—Ladies Day @ Walnut St. from 8:30-10:45
 Mar. 16—Ladies Day @ Centerville
 Mar. 16—Intergenerational Ladies Day @ Walter Hill CofC
 April 18-21—Equipped Workshop, Bowling Green, KY



Feb. 20—Wady Lynn, Parker Jackson
 Feb. 23—Robert Qualls
 Feb. 24—Jennifer Hartsfield

There is a very sweet sister in our congregation that will be turning 90 years old on March 9th. Sis. Dorothy Hunter has not been able to get out and worship with us since Covid. We would like for her to get 90 birthday cards to celebrate. There will be a basket in the foyer to collect the cards and we will deliver them to her. Thanks for your participation.

Men's Gathering February 17 at 12 noon

in the fellowship hall at the church building. Bring your own food or bring finger food and deserts to share with others. We will have a service activity following the meal.

*"A new command I give you:
 Love one another.
 As I have loved you,
 so you must love one another."*

John 13:34

Thank You

Thanks to my dear church family for the money for the cremation of my precious son and for all the cards, calls, flowers, food, the beautiful throw and all the comforting words during a time when it's hard to even know how to deal with this tragedy. You all give me strength as does our Father in Heaven.

Love you all! Peggy & Ava Heath

Prayer Requests

Mary Hedrick had eye surgery on Tuesday, Margie Sensing is now home from the hospital. Kevin Stringfield, Bernice Stokes, Carol LaBlanc and Kim Marlow.



Those Battling Cancer...

OUR MEMBERS

Yvonne Quillin
 Karl Craun
 Kim Marlow
 Larry Osborne
 Jimmy St. Clair
 Willie Hamilton

OTHERS W/ CANCER

	<i>Relationship</i>
Sandra Floyd	Glenda Bull's niece
Rhoda Hooper	Linda Hooper's sister-in-law
David Stokes	Bernice Stokes' brother-in-law
Dale Gross	Terry Gross's brother
Scot Lyle	Brenda Lyle's son
Peggy Donegan	Shirley Daniel's sister
Anthony Bennett	Jerry & Adelaide's son-in-law
Grayson Sawyer	5 yr old friend of Lou Ann Tidwell
Melanie Barber	Nathan Barber's mother
Lee Shockney	friend of Daryl Daugherty

Continue to Remember in Prayer

OUR MEMBERS

Carol LeBlanc Bernice Stokes
 Sue Murphy Lois Willis
 Betty Caldwell Ouida Polk
 Diann Smithson Pamela Todd
 Roy Hamilton Willie Hamilton

OTHERS Relationship

Rubie Corkan	Peggy Heath's mother
Jo Corkan	Peggy Heath's aunt
Darryl Northern	Betty Reynold's son
Jean Majors & Kit	Wed. Meal recipient
Joe Pacone	Wed. Meal recipient
Antonia Cangemi	sister of Carol Leblanc
Norman Mayer	Michelle Morris' brother
Janet Harris	Debbie Butler's mother

In the Nursing Homes

Olive Branch: Mary Buttrey, Freddie Weatherspoon, 110 Luther Rd, Dickson, TN 37055.

NHC: Peggy Jackson, rm 101, Ouida Polk rm 300, Lisa Butler rm 11B, Barbara Travis rm 303, Jerry Butler rm 113, 812 N. Charlotte St. Dickson 37055

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

Hillcrest Health Care Center: 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.

NHC Place at the TRACE: Ruth Nicholson, rm 322, 8353 Hwy 100, Nashville, TN 37221

Items Needed for February

MAGI NEEDS: bars of soap

PANTRY NEEDS: Spam, Jelly, Cereal, Green Beans, Corn, Pork n Beans

See Glenda Bull with monetary donations.

For the Ladies!

Ladies Retreat at
 Camp Leatherwood—
 Feb. 16-17

Celine Sparks Speaking

Get your registration forms in the foyer. We had a wonderful time last year with almost 100 ladies. Plan to join us this year for fun, food, fellowship, crafts, hiking and spiritual uplifting as we strive to MAKE ME A SERVANT!

Clothing Giveaway

Monday, February 26
 6:00 - 7:00 PM



Please bring your own shopping bags.

Help is needed for set up at 9:00 AM and during the Giveaway.

JOY GROUP OUTING

FEB. 20, 2024

LIBERTY PARK GRILL,
 CLARKSVILLE

Sign-up sheet is in the foyer

Kids for Christ having
 fun making Valentines
 Cards for the Shut-ins.



Did You Inherit Your Religion?

The vast majority of the worlds' population automatically and without question inherits the religion of their parents. In this country it is predominately a denominational form of Christianity that is handed down. This inherited religion is accepted without question by most. We tend to do things very much like our parents did. Women tend to do things like mom did and men do like dad. WHY? Well, that's just the way it is! That is how we were raised. We have always done it "THAT WAY", Why question it? --- So, you're just supposed to inherit beliefs as opposed to thinking rationally and come to your own conclusion? ---Is that the way it is?

For something as important as where will we spend eternity, why in the world would we not question it, over, and over, and over again? Everyone should analyze, scrutinize, examine, question, dissect, inspect, and explore every point of what GOD requires of us to be saved. Do not these various scriptures say for us to do exactly that?

2 Tim. 2:15 "Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

1 Pet. 1:10 "Therefore brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall."

Phil. 2:12 "Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling."

1 Thess. 5:21 "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

Jude 1:3 "earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."

1 Tim.6:12 "Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses."

Jesus Said:

John 17:17 "Sanctify them through thy truth; thy Word is truth."

John 8:32 "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Tommy Wade, Cross Plains CoC

Pray for Connecticut his week.