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Welcome

**SUNDAY SERVICES**

**February 5, 2023**

**LEAD SINGING:** Gabe Orendorff  
**LEAD OPENING PRAYER:** Mark Morey  
**PRESIDE:** Greg Morris  
**SERVE Communion Emblems in FEB:** Pierre Griffin, Brent Welch, Jeremy Petty, Dean McKaskle  
**SERMON:** Doug Couch  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER:** Don Mosley  
**USHERS to Collect Contribution in FEB:** Brant Sweat, Tate Cocke, Larry Lampley, John Willioughby

**Sunday Evening**

**LEAD SINGING:** Gabe Orendorff  
**Sermon:** Doug Couch  
**Lead Opening Prayer:** Jay Wilkins  
**Preside for month of FEB:** Ethan Myers  
**Lead Closing Prayer:** James Sellers

**FOOD CALL IN FEB:** Marilyn Wilkins, Bessie Larkins

**WASH LINENS IN FEB:** Wilma Jack

**LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS FOR THE MONTH OF FEB:**

Pierre Griffin, Donnie Wills  
January 29— Attendance—261 Contribution—\$ 8,759

**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](http://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.



**Wednesday Night Bible Class**

Feb. 8—How Did Jesus Impact Education? Roger Heath

**Our Theme for 2023: Matthew**



**Be a Daily Bible Reader in 2023**

You can do it!! Each Christian – You. Me. We - should resolve to be a student of The Word even this year! Why not invest 5 minutes a day to learn more about God’s Word as revealed to the church of the 1st century (that Word that’s still applicable to us today!!) ? You don’t have five minutes a day? Are you sure about that? What would you think if God periodically cut five minutes from YOUR normal daily allocation of 1440 minutes?

**WBYG SPRING 2023**

**F**  
11: Girls Bellevue Trip  
12: Recharge  
15: M2E @ 6:15  
19: Area Wide Devo @ WBCOC  
24-26: CYC

**M**  
2: Hangout  
11: Dudes and Dads Day  
15: M2E @ 6:15  
19: Recharge  
28: Hangout



**White Bluff Church of Christ**  
**February 5, 2023**

**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  
Dwayne Daniel Lee Marlow  
Greg Morris Gabe Orendorff

**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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**“THE MEANEST MAN”**

This is a true story about a young evil man. This young man, at the age of 17 years had killed two men. The place was rural Texas. His name was Clyde Thompson (1910-1979). He was sent to death row and was the youngest person ever on death row. His main desire was to escape from prison. While waiting to be put to death, he killed two inmates and was sentenced to three life sentences. The officials at the prison gave him the name “The Meanest Man in Texas.” The prison chaplain said, “Thompson was a man without a soul, without hope.”

Then one day he heard P.D. Wilmeth preaching on the radio that the guards had. He was baptized six days before he was to be executed. Clyde Thompson got a Bible and started studying, and his life changed for the better. He got out of prison and got married. He has preached the Word of God and saved souls until his death.

The Bible tells us of a person who was walking the same way that Clyde Thompson had walked. This was a man named Saul. Saul was a religious man who thought that he was doing the will of God by helping to stop the new movement called THE WAY - a movement led by a person that was claiming to be the Son of God, which was stirring up the people.

Saul went to the high priest to get letters giving him permission to arrest Christians in Damascus that were in the synagogue, whether they be men or women. He intended to bring them bound to Jerusalem. As he went on his way, he came near Damascus, suddenly there shined round him a light from heaven, and he fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?” And He said, “Who art thou Lord?” and the Lord said, “I am Jesus whom thou persecutes: it is hard for you to kick against the pricks.” A prick (or goad as it’s translated in the NKJV) can be any sharp point that pierces or stings but is generally known as the ox goad: a heavy sharp piece of iron that is used to drive oxen when the animal is stubborn to move.)

Saul being afraid, trembling and astonished said, “Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?” and the Lord said “Arise and go in to the city and it will be told thee what though must do.” Saul was three days without sight, neither did he eat or drink. The Lord sent a vision to Ananias and he said, “I am here Lord.” And the Lord said unto him, “Arise and go into the street which is call Straight and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus for behold he prays and hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him that he might receive his sight.”

Then Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard by many about this man, how much evil he has done to the saints at Jerusalem.” But the Lord said unto him, “Go thy way for he is a chosen vessel unto me to bear my Name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel: for I will show him how great things he must suffer for my name’s sake.” When Saul had eaten and was strengthened and was baptized, he stayed with the disciples a certain number of days who were at Damascus, and straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God.

Here these two men start out as evil, but when they came to know Jesus, their lives changed from evil to good. They gave Clyde Thompson the name “The Meanest Man in Texas.” You could say that Saul, before he was converted, was “The Meanest Man in Rome.”

But what God did for these two men He can do for you. For it’s no secret what **God can do.**

Buddy Driver

## Happy Birthday



Feb. 6 - Kaley Albert, Patty Qualls,  
Feb. 9—Dianne Hall  
Feb. 10—Daniel Cauthen, Janie Craun, Kim Marlow,  
Feb. 11—James Sellers

## Happy Anniversary

Feb. 7 - Pierre & Charlene Griffin (47 years)

### Calendar of Events

**Feb. 10**—JOY GROUP OUTING \_ Olive Garden in Spring Hill  
**Feb. 12**—Elders/Deacons Meeting 3:30 pm  
**Feb. 17-18**—Area Wide Ladies Retreat @ Camp Leatherwood.  
Turn your registration forms into Gail or Dianne.  
**Feb. 19**—Teacher's Meeting 4:30  
**Feb. 19**—Area-Wide Youth Service @ White Bluff  
**Feb. 20**—Family Night @ 6:30  
**Feb. 24-26**—CYC in Pigeon Forge  
**Feb. 27** — Clothing Give-Away  
**April 13-16**—Couples Retreat in Pigeon Forge  
**June 11-16**—Camp Leatherwood  
**July 16-19**—Vacation Bible School

### Area Events

**Feb. 15-19** – Smokey Mt. Marriage Retreat  
**Feb. 25** — Christian Servants Day at East Hill Ch of Christ, Pulaski

## Heart Religion



Since only a religion of the heart has value, let us see what the Bible includes as part of heart religion. According to the Holy Scriptures heart religion is:

- Heart-felt.** With the heart man loves (Matthew 22:37) and desires (Romans 10:1). Good feelings by themselves are not an indication that one is right with God but if one is right with God good feeling will result. Rejoicing (a feeling) comes after obedience (Acts 8:36-39). In religion we feel good because we are right, but we are not right with God just because we feel good.
- Heart-thought.** The heart thinks (Proverbs 23:7); understands (Matthew 13:15) and believes (Romans 10:10). True Christianity involves the intellect.
- Heart-acted.** True heart religion results in obedience to God's commands (Romans 6:16-17). This includes baptism into Christ (Romans 6:4).

There is a great difference in heart religion and "holler" religion. Is your religion from the heart?

Bill Dillon, Bulletin Digest

## Prayer Requests

### for those having health issues

**Misty Petty**, Lisa Stanfield's sister having surgery  
**Dennis Howell**, Harold Petty's brother-in-law— Hospice care  
**Peggy Donovan**, Shirley Daniel's sister  
**Daisy Clark**, Dennis Daniel's mother is in Horizon hospital

### Those Battling Cancer...

#### OUR MEMBERS

**Yvonne Quillin**  
**Karl Craun**  
**Kim Marlow**  
**Doug Utley**  
**Larry Osborne**  
**Jimmy St. Clair**  
**Jay Wilkins**  
**Debbie Story**  
**James Sellers**  
**Willie Hamilton**  
**Joan Jones**

#### OTHERS W/ CANCER

*Relationship*  
Robert Petty *Jeremy Petty's dad*  
Sandra Floyd *Glenda Bull's sister-in-law*  
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*  
Anita Pickard *Pickard's daughter-in-law*  
June Driver *late Tina Resha's mother*

### Continue to Remember Our Shut-Ins

#### OUR MEMBERS

**Joann Rist** **Ouida Polk**  
**Carol LeBlanc** **Bernice Stokes**  
**Sue Murphy** **Pamela Todd**  
**Lois Willis** **Dianne Hall**  
**Betty Caldwell**

#### OTHERS

*Relationship*  
**Rubie Corkan** *Peggy Heath's mother*  
**Jo Corkan** *Peggy Heath's aunt*  
**Darryl Northern** *Betty Reynold's son*

### In the Nursing Homes

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

**NHC:** Ouida Polk rm 123.

**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.

**THE TRACE:** Betty Hall, Betty Forkum, Ruth Nicholson, Gayle Lankford, 8353 TN-100, Nashville, TN 37221

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

### Items Needed for February

**MAGI needs used toothbrush holders and toothpaste**

**PANTRY NEEDS:** paper towels, laundry detergent, tooth paste, tooth brushes, deodorant

See Glenda Bull with monetary donations.

## JOY GROUP OUTING

**FEB 10**

Lunch at Olive Garden in Spring Hill  
the bus will leave at 9:50 am

## Clothing Giveaway

Monday, February 27, 2023  
6:00-7:00 pm



We will be sitting up the Giveaway on Monday at 9 am Anyone who can help are welcome to come .

## AREA—WIDE LADIES RETREAT

Ladies , you don't want to miss this retreat! There will be speakers, groups sessions, devos, crafts, entertainment, and games. T-shirts will be available for purchase. 3 meals provided. Cost will be \$45 to spend the night. \$15 if just Friday evening and \$30 if you just come on Saturday. Friday 6 pm until Saturday after lunch.

The theme is :

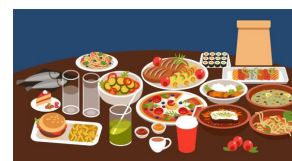
## OverComing as One:

Together we can overcome obstacles in our way of serving Christ and getting to Heaven.

**Please plan to join us.**

## FAMILY NIGHT

February 20 @ 6:30



Come join the fun, food,  
and fellowship

YOU CAN MAKE MORE FRIENDS IN TWO MONTHS BY BECOMING INTERESTED IN OTHER PEOPLE THAN YOU CAN IN TWO YEARS BY TRYING TO OTHER PEOPLE INTERESTED IN YOU. Dale Carnegie

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

If you are visiting: **User:** GUEST  
**Password:** ISPYWCZX .



## Be In Sunday School Class

In this life there are all kinds of questions. There are silly questions, accusatory questions, well-thought out questions, and rhetorical questions. In Scripture we find these same kinds of questions. There were those who asked Jesus slanted questions, and in return, Jesus had questions of His own.

The Sunday School class that meets in the fellowship room has begun a series titled: "Great questions in the Bible. The kinds of questions we will be looking at in Scripture are the kinds of questions that teach us a wealth about God and His Son Jesus, as well as answers to questions concerning His Kingdom. I encourage you to read your Bibles and just see how many questions are in there. This class will only scratch the surface when it comes to all the questions found in the Holy Writ.

These are the kinds of questions we will be covering.

Feb. 5 -Do you Fear God for Nothing? (Larry Osborne)

Feb 12 -Shall Not the Judge of the Earth Do Right? (Doug Couch)

Feb 19 -Why did Sara Laugh? (Daniel Cauthen)

Feb 26 -Shall I Hide My Plan from Abraham? (Harold Petty)

Mar. 5 -What good will my birthright do me if I die? (Larry Osborne)

Mar 12 -What is Your Name? (James Sellers)

Mar 19 -Will You Marry Him? (Jay Wilkins)

Mar 26 -Why do you Stand Here? (Doug Couch)

April 2 -Security (Daniel Cauthen)

Apr 9 -Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? (Larry Osborne)

Apr 16 -How old are you? (Harold Petty)

Apr 23 -Am I in God's place? (Jay Wilkins)

Apr 30 - Who is Jehovah that I should obey Him? (Daniel Cauthen)

Well, we are in the Second month of the new year. I want to exhort you to be a daily Bible reader. As we have started a new year, it's time to pick up the Book and start reading - and make a **strong** resolution to be a Daily Bible Reader! it's **NEVER** too late in the year (or in life) to take up the resolution to become a **DAILY BIBLE READER IN 2023!** You can do it!! Just 5 minutes a day (5 days a week) and you can read the New Testament before next year at this time. I continue to challenge you to start up your Daily Bible reading program **even today**. Remember your **MANNA** for the **MONTH**.