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# White Bluff Church of Christ

## July 13, 2025

### SUNDAY SERVICES

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**LEAD SINGING:** James Quillin  
**LEAD OPENING PRAYER:** Kurt Wagner  
**PRESIDE:** Harold Petty  
**SERVE Communion Emblems in JULY:** John Willoughby, Brant Swet, Dennis Daniel, Robert Qualls  
**SERMON:** Doug Couch  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER:** Dennis Daniel  
**DOOR GREETERS:** Door # 1 — Mike & Susan Jones  
Door # 3— Ronnie & Ann Mitchell  
Door # 6— Terry & Kathleen Gross  
**USHERS to Collect Contribution in JULY:** Brent Welch, Caeron Jones  
**NURSERY ATTENDANTS:** Laurie Parker, Donna Aldridge  
**Sunday Evening Service**  
**LEAD SINGING:** James Quillin  
**LEAD OPENING PRAYER:** Larry Cocke  
**SERMON:** Doug Couch  
**LEAD CLOSING PRAYER:** Butch Lee  
**PRESIDE FOR MONTH of JULY:** Harold Petty

**FOOD CALL IN JULY:** Kelly Welch & Konni Sullivan  
**WASH LINENS IN JULY:** Kelly Welch  
**LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY:** Carl Wood, Shamron Jackson

**July 6 - Attendance— 291 Contribution—\$7,947**

**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.



## EVANGELISM: EACH ONE WINS ONE

To our members and visitors:

Welcome to White Bluff!  
We are glad you are here!

### Our Dress Code

It seems that dress codes have always been a source of controversy within societies and of course within the church. In most cases, popular culture drives the clothes that people wear, while dress codes attempt to monitor apparel by opinions of what is considered decent and moral.

The following dress code was recently posted by one of our local night clubs which boast of being the hottest honkey tonk in town.

- NO Sagging or Baggy Clothing
- NO Gym or Athletic Clothing
- NO Tank Tops or Undershirts
- NO Cutoffs or Sleeveless Shirts
- NO Sunglasses Worn Inside
- NO Skull Caps, Beanies, or Hoods
- NO Jerseys
- NO Pajamas or House Shoes
- NO White T-Shirts
- NO Dirty Clothing
- NO Bandanas
- NO Colors or Support Shirts

This dress code concluded with the following statement, “We are not the gym, Netflix, Chill or your bedroom. Dress and act accordingly!”

Dear Christians, if an establishment that offers drinking, dancing, and revelry, all of which God disapproves (1 Peter 4:3), can expect its patrons to dress and act in a decent manner, then surely, we can do better as the Lord’s people. We are to be modest and chaste in our appearance and behavior, especially when we come together to worship our Heavenly Father. What better lesson can we teach our children than that of dressing properly and respectfully when attending church services.

“In like manner also, that the women (and men) adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing, but which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works.” (1 Timothy 2:9–10)

Our clothing doesn’t have to be fancy, formal, or expensive, just as the old timers used to say, “Wear your best.”

Jay Launius, Maud Church of Christ, Maud, TX

### Elders:

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

<b>Evangelist:</b>	Doug Couch 615-973-9652
<b>Associate Minister:</b>	Daniel Cauthen 615-587-0965
<b>Youth Minister:</b>	Brant Sweat 580-861-2281

### Secretaries:

Adelaide Butler	615-787-5008
Debbie Couch	615-957-7452
Julie McKaskle	615-308-8456

### 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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## Learning From a Twelve-Year-Old

He was a genius, a child-prodigy, and a young man whose character was exemplary. He wasn’t your typical pre-teen, but Jesus was only twelve-years-old.

This twelve-year-old made an annual 75-mile trip with his family to Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover. And for three days, his parents lost him. When they found him, they were relived but also irritated. His mother wanted him to know they were worried sick [sorrowing] about him (Luke 2:48). They wondered where Jesus had been and what had he been doing?

- 1. He was sitting in the temple (Luke 2:43, 46).** Jesus could have been playing with his cousins or friends as they returned home. He chose however, to sit with the most educated men in his nation who knew the ways of God. Did it occur to him that his parents might be worried about him? Did Jesus lose track of time because he was captivated by the religious discussions? Jesus chose study and reflection over play. He was very interested in men who were interested in his Father’s business.
- 2. He was listening to others (2:46).** He carefully weighed the statements made by the leading Bible scholars of his day. He was testing their views. Some people are only interested in talking, but Jesus was willing to hear others. Jesus personified James 1:19, “But let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath.”
- 3. He asked questions (2:46).** Some ask questions only to show out or to embarrass others. Moreover, wrong questions can lead to wrong answers. When baby Jesus was laying in the manger, he knew very little. In twelve years, he has learned much. Jesus was curious because he wanted to know the correct answers to life’s most important questions. Why were we born? What is life’s purpose? What is our destiny? When Jesus met with Jerusalem’s religious leaders, perhaps he asked what they knew about the Messiah? What kind of kingdom would the Messiah have? How was God going to correct man’s sin problem?
- 4. He understood.** “He connected the dots” of the ancient prophecies dating back to the beginning of time (Genesis 3:15). He understood God’s promise to Abraham to bless all families and nations through Israel (Gen. 12:1-3; 22:18; John 4:22). He comprehended God’s plan to redeem man from sin. He knew he had to be about his Father’s business. Jesus’ insight into God’s word “astonished” (KJV) and “amazed” (ASV, ESV, NIV) those who heard him. Greek scholar A.T. Robertson wrote that the verb “amazed” indicates a growing “astonishment meaning they stood out of themselves as if their eyes were bulging out” (*Word Pictures of the New Testament*, e-Sword.net, version 13.0.0, 2021).

Jesus’ insights into God’s word gave him the right to speak and be heard. He spoke truthfully, patiently, lovingly, graciously, and wisely. Let us love God’s word and all men so we can tell them the “good news” of what God’s Son has done for them.

——Doug Couch——

Calendar of Events

July 13—Deacons Meeting at 4:00pm  
July 13—Signing Compassion Cards after service  
July 14—Sit n’ Sew 10 am downstairs  
July 17—Wonders Center with Brad Harub  
July 20-23 — **Vacation Bible School**  
July 26—Best Dad Jokes Tournament 5:00  
July 28—Clothing Giveaway  
July 30—5th Wed. night Singing  
Aug. 8-9—Bible Lands Museum at the Bibb Center  
Aug. 10—Guest Speaker from the Museum & Potluck Lunch  
**Check the bulletin board for area events.**  
July 13-16—VBS at Charolotte Heights CoC 6:30-8:30 pm  
July 16-19 - VBS at Sylvia Church of Christ 7:00pm  
July 19—VBS @ Walnut St CoC - 1-5 pm  
Sept. 6—Ladies Day at Hilldale CoC in Clarksville at 8am

Happy Birthday

July 14— Nathan Barber, Kelly Connell, Rose Sullivan  
July 15— Doug Couch, Ruth Nicholson  
July 16—Brenden Hirsbrunner  
July 17—Darryl Haislip, Kelly Welch  
July 18—Lisa Stanfield  
July 19—Mary Cathey

WHAT ARE THE WORST SIX HOURS YOU’VE EVER SPENT?

I once heard a preacher ask the question: “What was the toughest six hours you have ever experienced?”

He then proceeded to give examples of some tough times he suffered. He recalled how he went into the hospital for a short, routine procedure and ended up enduring a six-hours-long major heart surgery. Then he mentioned once having a six-hour audit by the IRS. Then he shared several other examples of such tough day-long events.

What is the toughest six hours that you have ever experienced? No matter how tough it was, nothing you will ever endure will come close to the six hours Jesus spent on the cross. Jesus suffered for six hours on the cross! He was scourged, mocked, spit upon, stripped, crowned, beaten repeatedly and struggled to breathe while on the cross of execution. It was a horrible nightmare of 6 hours. But three days later, joy dawned. Christ came back to life. He defeated death so that we might have the assured hope of life beyond the grave.

“Look to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God” (Hebrews 12:2).  
Larry Fitzgerald

Items Needed for JULY

**MAGI NEEDS:** School Supplies  
**PANTRY NEEDS:** Canned Peas, Beanie Weanies, Carrots, Chili  
See Glenda Bull with monetary donations.

Pray For One Another Daily

**Edward Duffel**, friend of the Willoughby’s is having brain surgery and need prayers.

Sympathy

Our sympathy to the family of **James Sweat**, Brant Sweat’s grandfather. He passed away on June 25 and his service will be July 26 in Oklahoma .

Sympathies to the family of **Wayne Turbeville**. His funeral is at Spann Funeral Home on Thursday at 3pm.

Those Battling Cancer

OUR MEMBERS

**Karl Craun**  
**Larry Osborne**  
**Elizabeth Daugherty**  
**Tim Godwin**  
**Jimmy St. Clair**  
**Bud Martin**  
**Ruth Nicholson**

OTHERS W/ CANCER

	Relationship
Sandra Floyd	Glenda Bull’s niece
David Stokes	Bernice Stokes’ brother-in-law
Dale Gross	Terry Gross’s brother
Peggy Donegan	Shirley Daniel’s sister
Anthony Bennett	Jerry & Adelaide’s son-in-law
Melanie Barber	Nathan Barber’s mother
Lee Shockney	friend of Daryl Daugherty
Will Petty	grandson of Aline Lampley
Bill Shouse	Debbie Story’s father
Sherry Stuart	Wade Lynn’s sister
Edward Gasser	Wesley Burn’s uncle

Continue to Remember in Prayer

OUR MEMBERS

<b>Carol LeBlanc</b>	<b>Sue Murphy</b>
<b>Anita St. Clair</b>	<b>Betty Caldwell</b>
<b>Ouida Polk</b>	<b>Diann Smithson</b>
<b>Pamela Todd</b>	<b>Roy Hamilton</b>
<b>Janie Taylor</b>	<b>Donna Wireman</b>
<b>Larissa Dills</b>	<b>Marlene Jackson</b>
<b>Rusty Crick</b>	<b>Barbara Pickard</b>
<b>Dennis &amp; Shirley Daniel</b>	
<b>Larry Witherow</b>	

OTHERS

	Relationship
<b>Rubie Corkan</b>	Peggy Heath’s mother
<b>Jo Corkan</b>	Peggy Heath’s aunt
<b>Darryl Northern</b>	Betty Reynold’s son
<b>Jean Majors &amp; Kit</b>	Wed. Meal recipient
<b>Norman Mayer</b>	Michelle Morris’ brother
<b>Donna Lindsley</b>	Carol Leblanc’s friend
<b>Steve Crane</b>	Michelle Morris’ cousin
<b>Caroyln Cauthen</b>	Daniel’s mother
<b>Charles Gross</b>	Terry Gross’s brother
<b>Kenneth Godwin</b>	Tim Godwin’s brother
<b>Gavin Bowman</b>	Mandy Cocke’s cousin
<b>Eulene Tanner</b>	Charlene Griffin’s mother

In the Nursing Home

**Olive Branch:** Dorothy Hunter, Mary Buttrey, Freddie Weatherspoon, Carolyn Cauthern, 110 Luther Rd, Dickson, TN 37055.  
**NHC:** Marvinne Johnson rm 400, Ouida Polk rm 300, Lisa Butler rm 408, 812 N. Charlotte St. Dickson  
**The Lakeshore Meadows:** Ervin Upchurch, 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 324, 8353 Hwy 100, Nashville, TN 37221

Coming Events



COME STUDY BIBLICAL ARCHAEOLOGY

Bibb Center in White Bluff

August 8 –9

Free to everyone

Thank You

We would like to express our deepest gratitude for the overwhelming support for the “First Sunday Visitor’s New Member’s” lunches. We could not make this happen without your help. Thanks to everyone who helps set up, cook wonderful food and clean up. It’s a great opportunity to get to know each other better. Thank you again for your help.

Our next luncheon will be on August 10 when we will have a guest speaker from the Bible Lands Museum and we will have an afternoon service at 1:00.

A Challenge For This Week

- ◆ Do all that you can to help prepare and support our upcoming VBS. Invite your friends and neighbors.
- ◆ Please pick up your dishes in the upstairs kitchen before VBS starts.
- ◆ Please pick up any trash, (communion cups, crayons, waste paper , etc.) around where you are sitting. We all need to help keep the auditorium clean especially during VBS.

Coming Events

Men’s Ministry

BEST DAD JOKES TOURNAMENT

July 26— 5pm Fellowship Hall

Eat and then let the fun begin

Take Home the Grand Prize!

Clothing Giveaway

Monday, July 28  
6:00-7:00 PM

Please bring your own shopping bags.



We will set up at 9:00 AM that day.  
We are accepting donations of light weight clothing until July 14.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 20-23

TWISTS AND TURNS

The Life of Peter

If you would like to donate chips and cookies for our VBS meals, please leave them in the upstairs kitchen before the 20th.

DID YOU KNOW?

Each person is asked to submit an interesting or unusual fact about themselves. Everyone will then attempt to guess to who it belongs. The answer will be placed on the PowerPoint the following Sunday. Email the church at whblchurch@gmail.com or place your interesting or unusual fact in an envelope and place in the black box labeled VISITOR and COMPASSION **Let’s have fun and enjoy getting to know each member.** Children are included in this.

Last week’s person was Tara Pickard. She has a long legacy in Dickson Co. But no one guessed it was Tara.

**Next person’s facts:** I was born while Frankie Laine's "Mule Train" was playing in the waiting room, and won a local beautiful baby contest. My first summer job outside our farm was for Winrock Ranch where I helped vaccinate about 1,500 head of cattle by holding up the base of each tail while the vet administered the vaccine -- then repeated the process in 2 weeks to check for unfavorable reactions.

Can you guess who this person is?

Turn your answer in to the office for a prize!  
Keep the FACTS coming in!