

CENTERVILLE Church of Christ

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We have reached another Wednesday, and I hope your week has been joy-filled and productive thus far. Sunday brought with it some much-needed rain and dark clouds, but our worship together couldn't have been brighter. The singing was beautiful, the prayers were sincere, and above all God was praised and glorified. What a blessing it is for the Lord's church--and His people--to be a constant presence in our lives, rain or shine!

Sunday also brought with it the beginning of Bible Hour on Sunday evenings for our little ones (age 3-3rd grade). Year after year (for as long as I can remember) this time on Sunday nights is a great blessing for our young people to learn about God in a fun, positive environment. A special thanks goes to Jean Qualls for making this such a tremendous program, along with the teenagers and parents who help conduct Bible Hour each week during the school year! And don't forget, *corn* is the pantry item for "Hungry Hound" during the month of September.

On Sunday, September 23 there will be a Widows/Widowers luncheon in the Outreach Center following Bible classes. Lunch will be provided, games will be played, and fellowship will be enjoyed as we take some time to honor these special members of our congregation. A sign-up sheet is in the lobby, and we hope all of our widows and widowers can be in attendance--you are loved and appreciated by many!

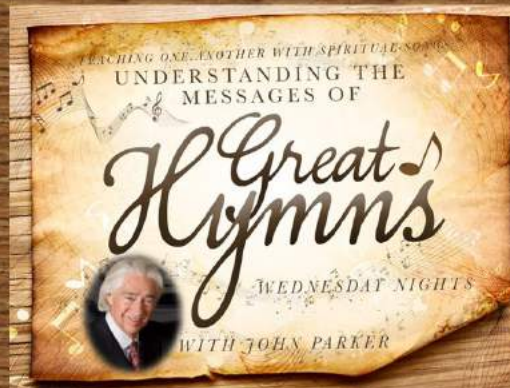
Our young men will once again lead our worship services on Sunday evening (9/16). Chayten Casaus and Harrison Kelley will be our speakers for the evening, and I know they will have outstanding lessons prepared. I appreciate these young men for their willingness to preach the Word, and for Carter who has worked with them so extensively. Plan to be with us on Sunday at 6:00pm to support our young men and their families.

Be looking for ***NETWORKS*** in the months ahead. I can't say much about this program as of now, but I can assure you it is something you'll want to be a part of and excited about. *"Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others"* (Philippians 2:4).

CONTROL WHAT YOU CAN. This past Sunday we wrapped up our nine-week study on the "Fruits of the Spirit" (Galatians 5:22-23) as we examined the ever-elusive trait of *self-control*. As we worshipped together, we made the observation that there is much in this life we do not have control over, thus we must make every attempt to *control what we can*. This includes our choices, composure, and certainty of where we will spend eternity. Paul would write in 1 Corinthians 9:24, *Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it.* May we use each moment we are given to "run our race" in a way which shows God we want to win the ultimate prize of Heaven. May we *choose* to have better control over ourselves by living out the fruits of love, joy, peace and the like. If more of us will live our moments the way God intended, then perhaps the world around us will begin to be rebuilt.

God bless, Matthew

The Lesson Is In The Lyrics



September Series - Wednesdays 7pm

Meal each Wednesday Night in Fellowship Hall

5:30pm - 6:30pm

FCA & CCOC Youth Homecoming Tailgate



Carter's Corner



The youth group has been running wide open the last few days with more great activities coming up this week! We had a fantastic turnout at the Homecoming Tailgate Party Friday night at the High School. Lots of teens enjoyed various tailgating activities and enjoyed well over 200 sno-cones.

Upcoming Events

September 16th
Sr. High Fireside
(Qualls & Martin)

September 16th
Young Men Conduct
PM Services

September 20th
Jr. & Senior High
Prayer Breakfast
7:00 in the Lighthouse

September 26th
The Lighthouse
(Hughes)

September 29th
RUSH @ Freed-Hardeman
(Money is due by Sep. 26)

September 30th
Young Men at
Coble Church of Christ

October 10th
Fifth Quarter
(After the game until 11:30)

The Sparks & Intermediates had a great turnout for the Movie Matinee on Sunday afternoon. I was unable to make the first part of the event due to speaking at Homecoming at Totty's Bend on Sunday, but it was a great success due in large part to the countless parents that stayed to help pop popcorn, make sno-cones, and help clean up.

We had a great turnout for the Jr. High Fireside hosted by the McDonald's this past Sunday night. Around 25 Jr. Higher's enjoyed a Centerville classic of hide-and-seek in the funeral home. Thanks to the Ryan and Lauren and Misty Aydelott for all their work.

Don't forget about RUSH at Freed-Hardeman coming up on Saturday, September 29th. The sign-up list is posted on the Youth News Board with the deadline for registration set for September 26th. The cost is \$25 which covers registration and a T-shirt. You will also need money for two fast food meals on your own.

I hope that you are keeping up with all the things going on in the youth program. Make sure that you pick up a calendar, subscribe to the CCOC Calendar update via SMS, and follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter to stay up to date with all youth ministry activities. In His Service, Carter



Thank You

David Talley writes: "It is good to be remembered on my birthday and thanks for the cards & well wishes. Also, thanks for the calls, visits, cards, and especially prayers during my on-going health problems."

Betty Litton writes: "I want to thank each and everyone for cards, food, calls and every act of kindness since my accident. Also, for the many birthday cards. What a wonderful church family. We are so blessed."

Area Events

...*24th Annual Gospel Singing* at the Rocky Valley Church of Christ Friday, September 14, 2018 from 7 P.M. until ? Break for refreshments around 9 P.M.

...*Homecoming* at the Coble Church of Christ September 16, 2018 11 A.M. Guest Speaker: *Craig Shelton* Potluck meal following morning service.

...Gospel Meeting at the Shipp's Bend Church of Christ September 16-19, 2018. Speaker: Kent Baily Worship: 9 A.M. Bible Class 10 A.M. Meal following morning worship service Sunday night: 7:30 P.M. Monday– Wednesday 7 P.M.

...*Ladies' Day at the Clearview Church of Christ* Saturday, September 22, 2018. Speaker: Jill Matlock Registration: 9 A.M. Lunch: 12 Noon

...*Third Annual Ladies' Day at the Shipp's Bend Church of Christ* September 22, 2018. Theme: *Bloom Where You Are Planted* Speaker: Jane Washington 9:30-10 A.M. Registration 10-12 Program Lunch provided

...*Gospel Meeting* at the Old Charlotte Road Church of Christ, 8663 Old Charlotte Pike Pegram, TN. 37143 September 30th–October 3rd. Bible Class: 9 A.M.; Worship: 10 A.M. followed by lunch and 1 P.M. afternoon worship. Monday–Wednesday 7 P.M.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION

September 9th:
\$ 14,082.02

Camp: \$ 135.00

BUDGET: \$12,987.00

Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Will Bond who passed away. He was the son of Carol Reed and the father of Catherine Bond.

...We express our sympathy to the family of 17 year old Layton Woodard and 17 year old William Howard who were killed in a car wreck. They were students at East Hickman High School.

Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the Turks & Caicos Building Debt in memory of Marie Bates by David & Susan Hudgins.

Recovering from surgery or other illness:

Eric Coleman, Wilma Mathis, Kathy McDonald, Ann & J.C. Wells, Ruth Reece, Ann Spencer, Bob McDonald, Dorris Claud, Allene & Thurman Gordon, Bessie Shepard, John Ed Hooten

Please Pray For Those Who Are

Dealing With Cancer: Joe Claud, Debbie Lancaster, Jenny Yearwood, Alice Coble Hobert, Claire Loughrey, Brenda Harrington, Jimmy Copley, Gwen Rogers, Kathy Brown, David Talley, Jenny Teet, Linda Mays, Beverly Grimes, Brian Olive, Jack Lowery, Lovada Burklow, Henrietta Rochelle, Susan Sullivan, Danny Bates, Jimmy Mathis, Susan Campbell, Bonnie Runions, Sheryle Elkins, John Beard, Melissa Barber Bryant



Please Pray For:

...Sheryle Elkins, mother of Mike, has returned home.

...Betty Davis is in NHC in Columbia for rehab.

...Donna Roberts has been dealing with health problems.

...Don Luther has been diagnosed with viral vertigo and will be having therapy.

...Bettie Sparkman, mother of Susan Ingram, is dealing with leukemia. Her address is:

401 6th Avenue
Columbia, TN. 38401

...Ryder Ballou, 9 year old son of Ben & Anna Ingram Ballou, was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes.

...Susan Irick, daughter of Danny & Nita Buie, has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer.

...Jay Harrington has been diagnosed with stomach cancer.

Home: Frank Atkinson, Guy Barber, Mary Helen Barber, Floy Gatewood, Martha Leathers, Seth Armstrong, Hattie Delk, Louise Bates, Charles Horner, Fronia Nash, Alvitea Sunder, A.J. & Willie B. Coates, J.W. & Sue Roder, Troy Parks

Nursing Home:

Life Care Center: Betty Claud, Georgia Moss, Larry Talley, Nellie Kalosis, Bobby Breece, Jim & Jean Wright

Hickman County Nursing Home: Martha Bates, Jane Luckett, Louise Hudgins, Francis McClanahan, Eltie Davis, Shirley Bryant, Sybil Jenkins

Dickson Health & Rehab.:
Jane Berryman

Marie Boehms: 5212 Hilltop Road Lyles, Tennessee 37098

Bobbie June Kittrell:
8353 Highway 100 Apt. 102
Nashville, Tennessee 37221

DID YOU KNOW?....

..*Luke Brown* is the *Sports Writer* for the *Hickman County High School Football Team*? Good job Luke!

...*Congratulations* to *Aden Weber* for earning a 1st Place Award in *Forms* in a recent Martial Arts Tournament in Goodlettsville.



Our Elders



Mike Elkins



Mike Goodpasture



Gary Gatewood



Wayne Qualls



Shane Willis

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Prayer Week Of September 16

S.M.W.
Randy Wright
S.E.W.
Ryan McDonald
W.E.B.S.
Eric Coleman

S.M.D.
Michael Bryant
S.E.D.
Stephen Dotson
W.E.D.
Philip Jacobs

Read Scripture

September 16: Wayne Rediker
September 23: Brandon McCauley

Elder's Prayer

September 16: Wayne Qualls

The September Series

with

John Parker

September 12:

Nearer My God To Thee

Meals each Wednesday Night in September

Sept. 12th: Bill McDonald's Class
Sept. 19th: Wayne Qualls' Class
Sept. 26th: Mike Elkins' Class
Make plans to join us!