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“From Where I Sit”



As I write this VBS is in full swing. It is such a blessing to see these kids come in so excited and eager to learn. It is especially exciting to see so many of our members involved and enthusiastic about being here to help. Is VBS worth all the effort? **ABSOLUTELY!** We are planting the seed of God in the hearts of young people and adults alike and praying that it will grow. We will never really know the good results that come from VBS.

I'm a people watcher! I love to people watch...I have always been fascinated by people's behavior. As I look at people I try to figure out things about them by their actions, speech, etc... One of those things I often wonder is "Are they a Christian, do they know the Lord?" And, should I be the one to share Jesus with them? We all know people that need to hear about Jesus and the salvation He offers to all. Not only strangers but even people that I know personally.

We all should have our short list of lost souls we keep in our constant prayers: family members, close friends, etc.. It makes sense that we should start with them when we become Christians because they are the ones who know us the best. We have more influence with them.

At some point we need to expand our list. We need to pray for people who don't know us as well or people we think may not be as interested in the gospel. It may be that those closest to us are not as likely to listen to us, and it could be that by focusing so much on our short list that we neglect those who are genuinely interested.

Paul wanted to stay in Jerusalem and preach to his people. The Lord had other plans. I don't think the Lord ever wants us to completely give up on our family and close friends, but after we've done all we can do to save them, we must eventually move on. It could be that the ones who may seem to be the least likely to receive the gospel, are the very ones God has positioned in our lives for us to reach. Dear God, please open doors of opportunity for Your word. Open our eyes to see those who are searching for You.

Have a blessed day! Todd

GREETINGS FROM THE HILL...As you read this

article, Camp Meribah 2019 is well underway. What an exciting time of the year this is for so many young people in our community. This summer is particularly special because it is the 50th anniversary of our summer camp. As I mentioned Sunday morning at the close of our worship services, around 100 children attend camp each summer with assistance from the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund. We have never turned a child away from attending camp because of his or her inability to pay. This is only possible because of the generosity of so many people who share a love for our camp and its mission. The cost of providing all of the requested scholarships each summer normally exceeds \$10,000. With that in mind, this Sunday morning will be recognized as Summer Camp Sunday, with an emphasis being placed on providing donations to the scholarship fund. All Sunday School contributions will go toward camp scholarships. There will also be camp workers in the lobby following morning worship dismissal to allow you to give your donations to them. If you will not be in attendance Sunday morning, you can give your donation to me or any member of the church office staff at any time, or you can also mail it to the church office or donate online through the church's website. Thank you for your continued support of Camp Meribah as we strive to touch as many young lives as possible each summer. We look forward to seeing you Sunday!
Sincerely, Clay & Tara Chessor and family

Carter's Corner



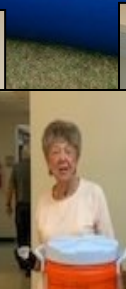
One of the most wonderful times of the year is upon us...Day Camp and Vacation Bible School. At the time of this writing, the first day of VBS has just come to a close. As I reflect on the last several days, I am reminded of the tremendous amount of planning, sweat, and hard work that goes on behind

the scenes to make VBS such a special event every year. So many of our members work behind the scenes in various capacities and I believe that it provides us with a glimpse of how all the parts of the church work together to makeup the body. Thank you to everyone for supporting and encouraging everyone involved in another great year at VBS.

I couldn't be prouder of the 30 students who worked hard to become Summer Scholars this year! Like I said Sunday evening, I can vividly remember studying for the Summer Scholar test when I was growing up—my mom would quiz Christine and I on the way back and forth to worship from Mobley Ridge, and I was always terrified to stand in front of Paul Rogers and recite the answers from memories. I am thankful that we were able to resurrect this program and hopefully it can continue on to more and more scholars in the future!

Camp Meribah is well on its way for it's 50th year of Summer camp. Clay & Tara have a great group of staff and campers on the Hill this week for Day Camp and Mini Meribah. I hope that you are making plans to contribute to Camp Meribah scholarships this Sunday. Camp is such a great opportunity to make an impact in the lives of the young people, and many students wouldn't have the opportunity to attend camp without your help.

There are still lots of great activities planned for the summer. I hope you take the opportunity to be involved any way that you can!
In His Service, Carter



Moved

Mike & Carla Plunkett have moved. Their new address is: 104 Del Vista Way Burns, TN. 37029

Thank You

The Family of Mary Helen Barber writes: Dear Centerville Church of Christ Family, Thank you so much for the beautiful spray of flowers you sent in remembrance of Mary Helen Barber. She loved her church family so much and looked forward to worship service every week. She was proud to take us with her to church every time we were in town. Your many kindnesses, countless prayers and consistent visits during her illness will long be remembered by our entire family. Thank you for showering her with love and concern, especially these last five months. We can't thank you enough. You are, indeed, a special church family. Sincerely, Debbie & Joe Krynarich Richard & Susan Ellis Mike & Cindy Ellis

The Family of Arica Hinson writes: "Thank you for your care, concern & gifts for Arica. Love, The Hinsons

Gena Ghant writes: " I am reminded of the story in the bible where ten lepers were healed but only one said thank you. Jesus loves us to be thankful for the good things others do for us. I want to tell the whole body of the Centerville Church of Christ "Thank You". Each and everyone of you have ministered to our family for many years. We especially thank you for coming along beside me and Zachery as we grieve and love us. I want to extend thanks as well from our friends and family to those who provided food and served us after the funeral at the church. So gracious and loving you were to us. Special. That is what you are."

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION

June 9: \$ 12,807.50

Camp

June 9: \$ 187.25

BUDGET:

\$12,978.00

Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Edna Clark and in honor of Bill McDonald.

...a Memorial has been given to the Jail Ministry for Bibles in memory of Percy Lancaster by Polly Lancaster.

...a Memorial has been given to the Day School in memory of Mary Helen Barber by Doug & Maxine Shepherd.

...a Memorial has been given to the Turks & Caicos Islands in memory of Eric Ghant by Doug & Maxine Shepherd.

Sympathy



Percy Lancaster

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We express our sympathy to the family of Percy Lancaster who passed away. Mr. Percy, along with his wife Polly, were faithful members of the Centerville Church of Christ where they were actively involved with the Jail Ministry and every good work of the church. To his wife Polly, family Shirley Heitt, Nancy (Mac) Matthews, Linda (Gary) Vaughn, James (Karry) and Roy Lancaster, Cathie (Jimmy) Copley, Mark (Shela) Chessor, Sandy (Todd), Shirley (Charlie), all family and friends we express our deepest sympathy.

Please Pray For:

...Robert Bowman suffered a broken ankle in recent days.

...Grace Pinkerton, mother of Shirley (Michael) Bryant, is struggling with her health.

...Dickie Wooten, formerly of Centerville, is in St. Thomas West experiencing heart problems.

...Charles Horner, father of Ridonna Goodpasture and Lonnie Horner, has been in Maury Regional Hospital due to dehydration and an infection. He will be moved to Life Care for therapy.

...Kari Pitts spent a couple of days in St Thomas Mid-Town due to an infection.

...Tom Latham, brother-in-law of Belinda (Mike) Potts, is recovering from neck surgery.

...Richard Breece is having a difficult time dealing with cancer.

...Melvin Roberson is in Centennial Hospital due to an infection.

...Jimmy Jenkins, father of Bettina Horner, Regina Elkins, Jonathon Jenkins, is dealing with health issues.

...Fronia Nash, mother of Jerry (Marilyn) Nash, is in the Life Care Center due to failing health.

Drop-Off Shower!



There will be a drop-off shower for Ben & Megan Lampley June 9th & 16th in the new lobby. It's a boy!!!

Baptism

...We rejoice with Ashely Anne Shelton who was baptized Sunday, June 9, 2019 by Todd Parsley. Ashley is the daughter of Barry & Melissa Shelton and the granddaughter of Ralph & Katherine Shelton.

...We rejoice with Brandi Kirkendoll, Tabitha Sharpe, Kayla Tidwell and Linda Humphrey who were baptized June 7, 2019 by members of the Jail Ministry.

Prayer Request

...We rejoice with Eric Mayberry for his desire to live a Christian life. Pray for Eric and his family and encourage him in his Christian walk.

SYMPATHY...We express our sympathy to the family of Logan Webb of Hohenwald who passed away. He was the great grandson of Ava Johnston and the great nephew of Tammie Dotson and June Roder.

Summer Scholars!

Place Stamp
Here



Bible Times Meal



30 children in the Centerville Church of Christ Youth Group earned a Summer Scholar Award by learning bible facts. Those awarded were: LILLIAN JENKINS, LOGAN JENKINS, LONDON JENKINS, BRUIN DOTSON, MERFY QUALLS, MAJOR QUALLS, MACRAY QUALLS, CLAIRE WRIGHT, CAMERON WRIGHT, AVA WEBER, ADEN WEBER, JACKSON MCDONALD, BO MCDONALD, BRAYDON CHESSOR, BRYSON CHESSOR, MOLLIE ORTON, GRACIE ORTON, ELI JACOBS, JOHN JACOBS, JOSEPH MCCAULEY, MARSHALL MCCAULEY, JAGGER LAWSON, CRASH RUIZ, ARYA RUIZ, LYRIC RUIZ, THEORY RUIZ, LAURYN HARRISON, WILL MCDONALD, COOPER CHESSOR, WYATT AYDELOTT

Umstead's Update



Wow! What an amazing kickoff to VBS and Camp Meribah! I have thoroughly enjoyed the time that we have spent as a congregation and as a community encouraging children and adults alike to worship! I couldn't thank everyone enough for the opportunity to be a part of these uplifting events.

Just a bit on the event side of things, **CAMP IS HERE!** We are going to spend the next couple weeks together worshipping our Savior and spending time as a youth together. Camp will be a very valuable time for both children and adults so be sure to take advantage in using that time for God! In Christian love, Sam

AREA EVENTS...

Gospel Meeting at the Nunnelly Church of Christ June 16-19, 2019. Speaker: Kevin Johnston of the Brushy Church of Christ. Sunday A.M. Bible Class: 9:30 Worship: 10:30 Sunday P.M.: 7:30 Monday—Wednesday 7 P.M.

CARE GROUP 1...

will meet June 16th following Sunday night worship at the Outreach Center.

CRAFT DAY...

Women of the Congregation: There will be a craft day at the Outreach Center on June 22, 2019. It starts at noon— come and go as you wish. Bring food/snacks to share. You can bring whatever hobby/item to work on; scrapbooking, card making, cross stitching, etc. Call or text Lisa Dotson at 478-484-3846 or 931-729-2786. Hope to see you there!

THERE IS A NEED FOR.... a washer, dryer If you can help with any of these, please contact the church office at 931-729-4201.

Prayer Week Of June 16

S.M.W.

Luke Worsham

S.E.W.

Mark Chessor

W.E.B.S.

Wayne Rediker

S.M.D.

Scott Miley

S.E.D.

Ryan McDonald

W.E.D.

Brian Qualls

Preside:

June 16:

Griffin Elkins

June 23:

Marshall Spencer

June 30:

Philip Jacobs

Elder's Prayer

Wayne Qualls

Read Scripture

June 16:

Caleb Odom

June 23

Luke Worsham