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"From Where I Sit"



What a great crowd this past Sunday, well over 500 gathered to remember the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ and to offer our sincere worship to God. We had many visitors with us and for that we are always thankful. Matthew did a good job talking about some of the tough things in life and our approach to handling them. I'm thankful for Matthew, he has always been a great support to me and has always been ready to step in when needed. He has done a marvelous job and I'm sure you will agree.

This coming Sunday I will return to preaching. I am both excited and nervous with so many thoughts running through my head. It will be good to be back to doing what I have always loved doing. I hope that you will make plans to be with us.

Our mission as God's children is to persuade others to be God's children. The Lord gave us this responsibility. In Matthew 28:19 He said: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you". This commandment certainly carries a sense of inclusion, of compassion, life, vision of the Church, and the objective of God Himself in it.

More than three years of planning led up to Christ giving this commission, and His disciples were ready to get started with the work set before them. Once they began, they could not be threatened into stopping. The rulers commanded them to stop teaching this doctrine (Acts 5:28,29) and not to speak at all in the name of Christ, but they continued boldly. So much so that the Jews marveled at their persistence and courage, and could only find one explanation, "that they had been with Jesus" (Acts 4:13).

Teaching the gospel to the whole world was not a task of just a few. It is true that the command was first given to the apostles, but Christ said that all who were baptized should be taught to observe all things that He commanded the apostles. That makes it the responsibility of every Christian, and everyone should feel as Paul, who said "woe is me if I do not preach the gospel!" (1 Corinthians 9:16).

The Lord needs us all, regardless of how small your talent may be. And while the task seems great, we are not working alone, for He promised, "Lo, I am with you always" (Matthew 26:20).

I hope to see you Sunday! God Bless -Todd

### You are Invited To A Bridal Shower For Abigail Loveless, Bride Elect of Brett Capps Sunday, April 23, 2023 At The Outreach Center From 1-3 P.M. Abigail and Brett Are Registered At Target, Williams & Sonoma and Macys.









Carter Hoover

**UPCOMING EVENTS** 

APRIL 13
JR & SR HIGH
PRAYER BREAKFAST

APRIL 16
SR HIGH FIRESIDE
HAILEE HALLIBURTON

APRIL 19
LIGHTHOUSE
ADEN WEBER

APRIL 23

JR HIGH FIRESIDE

LILLIAN JENKINS

APRIL 29
SPARKS &
INTERMEDIATES
FISHING RODEO
TODD'S POND 4-6PM

APRIL 30
YOUNG MEN AT
COBLE
WYATT AYDELOTT
SPEAKS

THIS PAST SUNDAY WAS A GREAT DAY, from worship to our annual Easter Egg Hunt following Sunday School. I am thankful for everyone who participated in our Egg Hunt either by providing eggs or showing up to hunt eggs. Our congregation is blessed with great volunteers and a fantastic group of young people!

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS, don't forget to go online to the church website and fill out your information for Senior Sunday. Note that Senior Sunday has been moved up this year to Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> to accommodate Mother's Day being the Sunday following HCHS graduation. Go to centervillechurchofchrist.org/youth and click on the Senior Sunday link to fill out this information. The deadline to turn in info is Sunday, April 23rd. Also, don't forget about the deadline for the Morrison/Nicks Scholarship coming up on April 19<sup>th</sup> as well.

Have a great week! In Him, Carter







## **Sympathy**



### Juanita Garner 1928-2023

We express our sympathy to the family of Juanita Garner who passed away April 6, 2023 at the age of 95. She and her husband Billy were married 76 years. Billy and Juanita were long time members of the Centerville Church of Christ where they enjoyed working at the Outreach Center and assisting with benevolence. For the past several years they were members at the Graymere Church of Christ in Columbia. To her husband Billy, daughter Kathy Loveless, son Steve (Donna) Garner, brother & sister-inlaw Bobby & Joyce Mayberry, niece Shela (Mark) Chessor we express our deepest sympathy.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Wayne Gilbert who passed away. He was the brother of Judy (Keith) Matlock.



### REYEAL MEAL

CSI: CENTERVILLE

(College Secret Involvement Ministry) Sunday, April 30th In The Fellowship Hall **Immediately following morning services** (See Tina or Ken Dickerson for more information)



**Morrison/Nicks Scholarship Applications** are available at: centervillechofchrist.org/youth Class of 2023 Applications Are Due April 19, 2023 All Returning Applications Are Due May 19, 2023

# STEWARDSHIP REPORT

#### **CONTRIBUTION**

Apríl 9, 2023 \$ 14, 571.80 Camp: \$ 228.00 Budget: \$13,989.00

# **Memorial**

..a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Winnie of Winnie Aydelott by Ken & Tina Dickerson. ...a Memorial has been given to Day School in memory of Juanita **Garner by Doug Shepherd.** 



# The Shepherd's Pen

Sunday was a wonderful day! The weather was beautiful, a great crowd gathered for worship, and the kids enjoyed the egg hunt following class. The Wednesday Night Series with will Mark McInteer continue throughout the month of April. Mark is doing a commendable job and we appreciate his lessons. In Paul's letter to the church in Colosse, he wrote, "If then you were raised with Christ, <u>seek</u> those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your <u>mind</u> on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died and some life is hidden with died, and your <u>life is hidden</u> with Christ in God." (Colossians 3:1-4) As Christians, we need to live in a way which moves us closer to heaven. Our citizenship is in heaven, not on the earth. (Philippians 3:20) Since our citizenship is in heaven, we need to seek heaven with everything we have. We should live so differently from the world that there is no question what our goal is. We need to guard what we fill our *minds* with, because we are going to think about those things with we fill our *minds*. We are to mediate on things which are praiseworthy. (Philippians 4:8) Our life is to be hidden with Christ in God. When people look at us, they see Christ in our actions. "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me" (Galatians 2:20). We sing, "Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me, All His wonderful passion and purity."
Are you letting the beauty of Jesus be seen in your life? Let worship this Sunday be a top priority for you and your family. Your Elders



#### **Please Pray For:**

...Wayne Chessor is dealing with back pain due to bone spurs. He will be undergoing therapy.

...Cori Parks, daughter of Ann Hooten, has a fractured pelvis and will have hip replacement surgery April 18, 2023. Cards may be sent to: 2607 Hoovers Road

Hampshire, TN. 38461

...Danny Halbrooks (Kara) is having complications following quadruple bypass surgery. ...Betty Claud has been placed on

hospice care.

Recovering no...
illness: Martha Ann Scaite, raye
Daniels, Randy Hammer, Kay Shaw,
Cavendar, Mark Vaughn,
Ann Recovering from surgery or other illness: Martha Ann Scaife, Faye David Nash, **Reba** Horner, **Spencer** 

<u>Please Pray For Those Who Are</u> <u>Dealing With Cancer</u>: Kenny Loveless, Mary Nell Mayberry, Juanita Bowman, Lynn Pigue, Becky O'Guin Carroll, Deanie Bryant, Jimmy Mayberry, Rachel Watts, Bryan Williams, Carey Hight, Rebecca Mears, Charlotte Gravés, Mark Chessor

Nursing Home Life Care Center: Gary Yates, Margaret McCord, Hester Ermadean Hickerson, Francis Moss, Qualls, Katherine Hoover, Lor Gordon, Betty Claud, Larry Talley Louise

St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home: Betty Davis, Francis McClanahan, Tim Blackwell

<u>St. Thomas Hickman Hospital</u>: Glenda Teet

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

Priscilla Barber **Harmony At Brentwood** 9045 Church Street East **Brentwood, Tennessee 37027** 

**Mattie Ayers Morning Pointe of Columbia** 2050 Union Place Room # 109 Columbia, Tennessee 38401

### **Women's Involvement Ministry**

This ministry's goal is to involve the women of our church family in all of the congregational meals, bridal showers, baby showers and preparing meals for new mothers returning home from the hospital. Also, oversees organizational needs for activities involving our ladies.



Mark Chessor 931-994-2113



Charles Shelton 931-994-3449



## **Camp Meribah Board**

The Camp Meribah Board oversees the 250 acre property and all the facilities. The camp operates under its own budget, independent of the church budget. Cash flow is provided through rentals and use of the camp facilities. The Board is responsible for long term and short term planning for maintenance and construction projects.



Calvin Hoover 931-698-6196



Philip Jacobs 931-994-7826



Michael Jenkins 931-215-9115



Kevin Isenberg 615-335-7206

We are featuring the *Deacons* and the *Ministries / Committees* they oversee.



# Israel To Babylon

"<u>Cultural Challenges</u>
<u>Never Change</u>"
Wednesday Night Series 7000

Wednesday Night Series 7pm

March 22<sup>nd</sup> - April 26<sup>th</sup>

Speaker: Mark McInteer



Summer Camp Is Right Around The Corner...Sponsor a Camp Scholarship For A Child!



### <u>Preside</u> Wayne Rediker

**Scripture** 

April 16

Cameron

Wright

### Elder's Prayer: April 16

**Shane Willis** 

#### <u>Prayer Week of</u> <u>April 16</u>

<u>S.M.W</u>. Sam Chessor

<u>S.M.D</u>. Keithen Harris

S.E.W. Kevin Isenberg

<u>S.E.D</u>. Gethlyn Gardner

<u>W.E.B.S</u> Eric Coleman

W.E.D.
Will McDonald

CONTS... Shady Grove Stand Cemetery Perpetual Care... will meet on Saturday, April 29 at the Shady Grove Methodist Church at 11 A.M. Bring a dish and enjoy a potluck meal.