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"From Where I Sit"

Todd Parsley

Worship With Us Sunday

Sunday AM
"The Essence of Evangelism"
(Matthew 9:36-38)

Sunday PM
"Guest Speaker"
Dr. Mani Pagidipalli

9AM and 5PM

I appreciate so much all who were here this past Sunday. We had a great crowd of over 500, and though we did have several visitors, it was also good to see some members who just haven't been coming as faithfully as they should be. I pray that they will continue to make worship and serving God the number one priority in their lives (Hebrews 10:25; Revelation 2:10).

Before His death on the cross, Jesus wanted to prepare His disciples for what was going to happen. He sought to comfort and reassure them in John 14. He said, *"A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also"* (14:19). He would soon be betrayed by Judas and crucified, but He wanted them to know that would not be the end and He would live again.

Jesus' resurrection proved beyond any shadow of doubt that He indeed is the Son of God (Romans 1:4). His life after death is the key to everything. It is because He lives, that we live also. His resurrection ensures our resurrection from the dead at the judgement. Paul made this point in 1 Corinthians 15. Some will be raised to the resurrection of life, others to the resurrection of condemnation (John 5:28-29). Paul said, *"Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life"* (Rom. 6:4). Those who have done this have gone from death to life (Ephesians 2:1-7).

Don't you look forward to a home in heaven? Isn't that our motivation to live as God has commanded us? As we talked about on Sunday, Peter said, *"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last day"* (1 Peter 1:3-5).

A home in heaven is not possible without Jesus. If He had not risen from the tomb, there would be no hope. Thankfully for all He is alive and seated at the right hand of God. God be thanked!

God Bless -Todd

Jr. High Lock-In



Easter Egg Hunt 2024





You are invited to a Bridal Shower for Annie Hiler, bride elect of Grady Teet, on Sunday, April 7, 2024 at the Outreach Center from 1-2:20. Grady and Annie are registered at theknot.com.

Thank You

Bobbie Lowery writes: " I am sincerely grateful to the many friends who have given me support and comfort during the loss of my brother and sister-in-law Roy and Joyce Cochran. Love you all!"
Janet Barber writes: " Thank you all for the many beautiful birthday cards that I received. It means so much to me to be remembered. With love..."

Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Lou Dickens who passed away. She was the niece of Barbara Beard.
 ...We express our sympathy to the family of Soleil Duncan who passed away after a battle with cancer. She was the wife of Joshua Duncan and the daughter-in-law of Tony & Cathy Duncan.
 ...We express our sympathy to the family of Reva Lee who passed away. She was a relative of Janet Barber.
 ...We express our sympathy to the family of Robert Garrett who passed away. He was the grandfather of Alicia (Ethan) Skelton.

UPCOMING EVENTS

...*Spring Sing* at the White Bluff Church of Christ Sunday, April 28 5 P.M. Refreshments served 4416 Hwy. 70E/ White Bluff, TN.

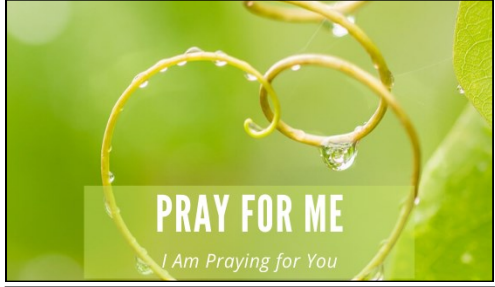
STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION
 March 31, 2024
 \$ 15,682.56
 Camp: \$ 353.00
 Budget: \$14,186.00

Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the Emma Nicks Scholarship Fund in memory of Betty Davis by the following: Anita Wherry, Mary Beale.
 ...a Memorial has been given to Day School in memory of Betty Davis by Doug Shepherd.
 ...a Memorial has been given to the 2024 Vacation Bible School in memory of Loudean Qualls and Betty Davis by Bobby & Valerie McCoy.

Home: Bobby McCoy, Marilyn & Lonnie Gilliam, Glenda Teet, Dorris & Margie Claud, Troy Parks, John Thomas & Wanda Givens, Joyce Mayberry, A.J. & Willie B. Coates, Martha Weber, Billy Garner



...Ann Spencer is back at AHC Decatur County Nursing Home in Parsons.
 ...Leah Isenberg has multiple cuts and bruises after falling at her home last week.
 ...Martha Scaife, sister of Lori Woods, had feeding tube surgery Tuesday, April 2nd.
 ...Alden Chilton is recovering from surgery to have rods and pins in her legs.
 ...Becky Gatewood had an MRI on Tuesday, April 2nd and will have a PET scan and a CT scan on April 4th.
 ...Floy Cochran, sister of Barbara Beard has returned home.
 ...Floy Shipp had back surgery April 2.
 ...Greg Edwards is doing well following heart surgery.
 ...Jimmy Mullens, friend of Michael Bryant, is recovering from treatments for cancer.
 ...Jerry Bates fell last week and has a shoulder injury and fractured ribs.
 ...Jennifer Buchanan had cataract surgery Monday and will have the other eye surgery on April 15th.

St. Thomas Hickman Hospital:
 Gerald McFarlin
 No Visitors At This Time

CENTERVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST

good works
MINISTRY FAIR

SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST
 FOLLOWING MORNING WORSHIP

Walk through the church lobbies to see all of our "good works" on display. Stop by each table to learn more about our ministries and find ways to get involved..



Save The Date
CAMP MERIBAH 2024

Day Camp	June 10-12	\$75.00
Mini-Meribah	June 13-14	\$75.00
Youth Week	June 16-21	\$225.00
Teen Week	June 23-28	\$225.00

PLACE
STAMP
HERE

The Shepherd's Pen

Sunday was a wonderful day! The weather was beautiful, a great crowd gathered for worship. There were several visitors in the audience and many youngsters participated in the egg hunt following bible classes. He had been through the unjust trial of the Jewish leaders, multiple scourgings, and Pilates's verdict. He had now been nailed to the cross, hanging between two criminals who were being justly punished for their crimes. His clothes are being gambled for as he hangs, hurt and humiliated. Jesus said, *"Father forgive them, for they do not know what they do."* (Luke 23:34) On October 2, 2006, it was a beautiful and quiet fall morning. The children had gathered for school in the small West Nickel Mines Amish School in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. The beautiful and quiet morning turned to tragedy when a male shooter entered the school and ultimately took the lives of 5 young girls as well as himself. In the following years, there were two movies and several books written about the tragedy. One movie entitled, "Amish Grace" focuses upon the forgiveness this community showed toward the shooter and his family. His wife had lost her husband and his children, their father. The compassion shown was questioned? The response, "Forgiveness is not forgetting, there will be times of remembrance, but unless we forgive, anger and resentment will eventually smother out the existence of love in our hearts." Jesus knew and experienced human emotions. He understands our struggles. Forgiveness is a choice we make, motivated by obedience to God's command. Jesus provides the ultimate forgiveness prayer for us to follow. Remember that forgiveness is not always easy, but it leads to healing. Scripture after Scripture tells us the importance of forgiveness and Jesus reminded us as He hung on the cross. Let worship this Sunday be a top priority for you and your family. *Your Elders*

Those To Serve In April

<p><u>Preside</u></p> <p><u>April 7</u> John Bradley</p> <p><u>April 14</u> Brad Davis</p> <p><u>April 21</u> Garth Richardson</p> <p><u>April 28</u> Bill McDonald</p> <p><i>(PLEASE BE ASSEMBLED UP FRONT BY 8:55)</i></p> <p><u>Left Side</u> Jeremy Barber Jeremy Qualls Barry Shelton Major Qualls</p> <p><u>Right Side</u> Barry Shelton Patrick Allen Thomas Chessor Ben Austin</p>	<p><u>Communion Prep.</u></p> <p><u>April 7</u> Randall & Christy Wells</p> <p><u>April 14</u> Susan Dotson</p> <p><u>April 21</u> George & Cindy Garland</p> <p><u>April 28</u> Patricia Skelton</p> <p><u>P.M. Communion In Chapel</u> Major Qualls Jeremy Qualls</p>	<p><u>Life Care Center</u></p> <p>4/7 : Jeremy Qualls 4/14: Gethlyn Gardner 4/21: Matthew Dotson 4/28: Daniel Dressler</p> <p>Tulipwood Service: John Bradley</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>RADIO ROOM APRIL</u></p> <p>Media Director: Chris Teet Video: Cameron Wright Sound: Jim Hudgins Mac/Keynote: Joseph Isenberg</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Meals On Wheels</u></p> <p>4/3: Jane Talley 4/10: Diane Garrett 4/17: Susan Dotson 4/24: Shirley Bryant</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>PICK-UP MEALS AT 10:40</u> <i>Please Contact George Bragg If You Are Unable To Deliver Meals</i></p>	<p><u>Prayer Week of April 7</u></p> <p><u>S.M.W.</u> Gary Baker</p> <p><u>S.M.D.</u> Alan Potts</p> <p><u>S.E.W.</u> Clay Chessor</p> <p><u>S.E.D.</u> Cameron Wright</p> <p><u>W.E.B.S</u> Colby Shelton</p> <p><u>W.E.D.</u> Joseph Isenberg</p>	<p><u>Read Scripture April 7</u> Gethlyn Gardner</p> <p><u>Elder's Prayer: April 7</u> Mike Goodpasture</p> <p><u>NURSERY:</u> Suzette Potts</p> <p><u>BAPT. CLOTHING:</u> Shelby Prince</p>
<p><u>USHERS:</u> Ronald Coates, Monty Dunn, Don Chessor</p>				
<p><u>Greeters</u> Patrick & Alice Jones Bobbie Lowery Dr. Richard & Becky Mears Faye Dotson</p>				
<p><i>Bible Hour: Show Love "Jesus Loves The Children"</i> Hailey Halliburton, Wyatt Aydelott, Sam Brown, Major Qualls, Will McDonald, Gwyneth Richardson, Sarah Isenberg, Anna Kate Jenkins, Hailie Tilley <u>Hungry Hound Pantry Item:</u> Pork & Beans</p>				