



# CENTERVILLE

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**"From Where I Sit"**

*Todd Parsley*

## *Hickman County Treasures*



Kevin Johnston has been the Minister for the Brushy Church of Christ in Centerville, Tennessee for thirteen years. In addition to teaching and preaching the gospel, he also teaches 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Centerville Intermediate and drives a bus. *My greatest blessings are my family: My wife Amy, sons Devin, Trey and Caden.*

*Kevin will be speaking on  
Sunday, September 4, 2022  
at 5 P.M.*

The month of September is upon us, and it is going to be busy and spiritually full of opportunities to grow personally and to invite others to come and learn about the church and salvation. Beginning this Sunday, we start our September Series on Sunday nights. Kevin Johnston will be with us to start and will be speaking on our theme in 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:58, "Always Abounding". September 11<sup>th</sup> is our annual Friends & Family Day; I hope that you have been inviting many to be with us on this day. We will also be honoring our First Responders of Hickman County, to just say thank you for all that you do to help and to keep our community safe. Just so many opportunities for you and your family to show others the love of God and the love that this congregation has for people.

Perhaps one of the biggest misconceptions about the Bible is that it is a product of the church. Many reject the Bible as our only source of authority and instruction in religion and belittle us for believing and teaching that to be true. That is why I believe there is a need to discuss the relationship between the Bible and the Church. For one to understand that the Bible is our only standard for all religious faith and practice, one must understand the church is the result of the Bible and depends on it for everything it preaches and practices. In other words, the Bible produces the church, and not the other way around. We are told by some that since the "church is the pillar and ground of truth" (1 Tim. 3:15), the church itself establishes what truth is. But on the contrary, truth emanates only from God and the church is limited to preaching, practicing, and upholding that truth (Matt. 28:20). Or as the Apostle Paul put in Ephesians 3:10, "To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in the heavenly places might be made known by the church the manifold wisdom of God." The church, just like individuals, must turn to the Bible as the only source of authority for it and it alone contains God's wisdom (1 Cor. 2:9-13). Just like Moses was commanded to "make all things according to the pattern" (Heb. 8:5); we must use the Bible only to insure we are following God's revealed pattern for His church. Thus, we must speak where the Bible speaks, and remain silent where the Bible is silent, do Bible things in Bible ways, and call Bible things by Bible names (1 Peter 4:11).

We read in Acts 16:5 that the "churches were established in the faith." the one true church is established in the faith; it does not establish faith. That faith which is spoken of in Acts 16:5 is simply the revealed truth of the gospel which was "once for all delivered to the Saints". As being created with the rights of freedom and choice, let's not bind ourselves to the decrees, councils, and traditions of men. But let "God be true and every man a liar" (Rom. 3:4). There is but one church, and it is found in the Holy scriptures. "Every plant which My heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up" (Matt. 15:13).

God Bless -Todd

September 11, 2022

# Friends & Family Day!

9:00 A.M. Worship  
10:15 Bible Classes

Jim Brown Speaks To Adult Bible Class



11:00 A.M. Potluck Lunch in the Fellowship Hall  
First Responders To Be Recognized

Afternoon Devotional Immediately Following In  
The Fellowship Hall

Invite Your Friends and Family!  
Bring Enough Food For Your Family And Another  
Family!



## The Shepherd's Pen

We are closing the door on the month of August. September brings that feeling that fall is around the corner. In September, we will have our Friends and Family Day. On Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> we will worship our God and following worship we will recognize those that are "First Responders" in this community and enjoy a potluck meal together. Following the meal, we will close the day with a devotional service in fellowship hall. *Todd* will speak at the morning service. We will have a combined adult bible class in auditorium with *Jim Brown*, and *Matthew* will speak in the afternoon. It will be a wonderful and uplifting day. Let us all invite, invite, invite our Friends and Family. There are "Friends and Family Day" postcards available in foyer. The words Paul wrote in his letter to the church at Ephesus definitely applies to us today. *"From whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love."* (Ephesians 4:16) Looking forward to seeing you Sunday. Keep the faith, *be steadfast, immovable, and abounding!* God will see us through.

Your Elders

# Carter's Corner



Carter Hoover

A LITTLE LIGHTNING COULDN'T STOP US this past Friday night, as several consecutive lighting delays slowed down the end of the HCHS football game. This didn't keep up from having a fantastic first 5th Quarter of the school year, however, as many of the students headed to the Fellowship Hall upon the first announcement of the delays. We had a great crowd with 40+ students taking part in our activities. Thanks go to Shelby & Jeremy Qualls for helping to chaperone, and many of our students for helping to clean up afterward.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 4  
ELKINS DRIVE-IN  
MOVIE

SEPTEMBER 7  
LIGHTHOUSE  
PING-PONG  
CHAMPIONSHIPS

SEPTEMBER 9  
5TH QUARTER  
AFTER THE GAME  
UNTIL 11:00

SEPTEMBER 11  
FRIENDS & FAMILY  
DAY

SEPTEMBER 16  
FCA TAILGATE PARTY

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE the end of summer with the Elkins Drive-In Movie this Sunday night at our home on Elkins Drive. The youth group has requested an outdoor movie night and we will be fulfilling that request (weather permitting) with a giant inflatable movie screen. We'll have all the normal movie-theater fare (popcorn, cokes, etc.) but we encourage students to bring their own sweet treat that evening. Be sure to bring your own lawn chair or blanket to sit and enjoy the evening. We will get started around 8:00 pm and will be finished at 10:30 pm.

PEOPLE OFTEN TALK about their relationship with Jesus as "a walk." From the Old Testament's early pages, where "Enoch walked with God" (Genesis 5:24), to Ephesians, where Paul urges believers to "walk in a manner worthy of the calling" (Ephesians 4:1), the metaphor shows us that the nature of faith in Christ is something that is a vital and normal part of our daily activities. Following Jesus certainly is "good for us," like walking for exercise, but it's not simply about counting steps and checking off another item on the to-do list. Jesus wants our relationship with Him to be an integral part of our life. Let us this week remember to walk wisely and keep Christ in the center of our daily lives. Have a great week!  
In Him, Carter

## Children's Home Food Drive

### September Items

Cooking Oil Hot Sauce Toilet Paper

Twin Sheet Sets and Monetary Donations  
Are Greatly Appreciated!

# Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Macy Jorenby who passed away. She was the sister of George (Mary Sue) Bragg.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Harold Groves who passed away.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Gerry Parker who passed away. He was the brother-in-law of Renee (Todd) Parsley.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Maxie Geraldine Daniel who passed away in Colinwood. She was the grandmother of Philip (Kristy) Wallace.

# Work Day!



...Getting ready for Friends & Family Day  
September 11, 2022

## Facilities & Grounds

### September Work Day

Saturday September 3rd  
9 A.M. until Noon

Ladies inside at foyer and other areas as needed  
See/contact

June Aydelott for interior details  
See/Contact James Aydelott for work lists. Men: Outside for shrubbery bed and landscaping needs, touch-up paint, clean-up & light maintenance etc. Power equipment, hand tools, trimmers, brooms and elbow grease needed!

# STEWARDSHIP REPORT

## CONTRIBUTION

August 28, 2022

\$ 83,166.77

Camp:

\$ 221.00

Budget:

\$ 13,532.00

# Thank You

Karen Bridges writes: " To My Church Family, Thank you so much for honoring me with the 2022 Byron E. Bates Teacher Of The Year Award. It is a true blessing to me to be part of this congregation and to have opportunities to serve and work with so many children and others in this community and church family. Thank you for your kind words, support, and encouragement. May God Bless You..."

Lonnie & Marilyn Gilliam write:

" We deeply loved and appreciated all of our 63rd Anniversary Wishes! We are so blessed."

Betty Litton writes: " Thanks to everyone for remembering me on my birthday. For the many cards, phone calls, and birthday cake from Ward Mayberry. Thanks to the nice young man Jared who brought it to my door!"

Kenneth & Rutisha Cagle write: " Dear Centerville Church, Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, and calls during my surgery and recovery. We love the Centerville Church and still consider you our church family."



...Joyce Coleman, mother of Eric (Becky), is in Maury Regional Hospital. She has been given blood due to internal bleeding.

...Eddie Boone is recovering from gallbladder surgery.

...Margie Northcott, sister of Betty Banks, is very sick and on hospice care.

...Jeremy Gilbert, son of Ronnie & Judy, was in a car wreck and is in Vanderbilt Hospital. He has shown signs of improvement.

...Claud Teet, father of Chris (Jenny), continues to deal with health problems.

...Tim Griggs has been sick with a bladder infection and diverticulitis.

...Nathaniel Roberson, father of Melvin, is in Vanderbilt Hospital with congestive heart failure.

## Recovering from surgery or other illness:

Bob Dunagen, Peter Houston, Leona White, Jase Bradley, Billy & Juanita Garner, Ann Johnston, Pam Anderson, Loudean Qualls, Reba Horner, Ann Spencer

## Please Pray For Those Who Are Dealing With Cancer:

Tim Garrett, Carey Hight, Juanita King, Willie Taylor, Liz Bryant, Joe Shipp, Jill Akens, Buster Peters, Rebecca Mears, Charlotte Graves, Mark Chessor, Shirley Harris Burns, Luther Brown, Steve Higginbotham

# September Celebrations!



Barbara & Edgar Beard  
Married 59 Years  
September 6, 2022



Billy Garner  
94 Years Old  
September 9, 2022



Bobbie June Kittrell  
93 Years Old  
September 12, 2022



David & Jane Talley  
Married 60 Years  
September 20, 2022

# September Celebrations!



Marjorie Claud  
81 years old  
September 29, 2022



Judy Rogers  
86 Years Old  
September 23, 2022



## Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Bennett Schmid by the following: Fish Camp Restaurant, Chad Cox  
...a Memorial has been given to the YAM Ministry in memory of J.B. Brown by Mike & Belinda Potts.  
...a Memorial has been given to the Scholarship Fund in memory of J.B. Brown by Don Luther.  
...a Memorial has been given to Day School in memory of J. B. Brown by Randy & Kim James.  
...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of J.B. Brown by Kenneth & Rutisha Cagle.

### Material Especially For Teens/Pre-Teens

...Check out the media rack in the front lobby for new books, booklets, and DVDs on issues girls and boys face.

## Those To Serve in September

<p><u>Prayer Week of September 4</u></p> <p><b>S.M.W.</b> Robert Bowman</p> <p><b>S.M.D.</b> Clay Chessor</p> <p><b>S.E.W.</b> George Bragg</p> <p><b>S.E.D.</b> Brett Martin</p> <p><b>W.E.B.S</b> Wayne Chessor</p> <p><b>W.E.D.</b> Eli Jacobs</p>	<p><u>September 4, 2022</u></p> <p>Read Scripture: Billy Rochelle Elders' Prayer: Wayne Qualls</p>		<p><u>Bible Hour September :</u> Clay &amp; Tara Chessor, Weston Elkins, Major Qualls, Wyatt Aydelott, Will McDonald, Ellie Aydelott, Meredith Kelley, Hailee Halliburton, Gracie Brown <i>Prayer "Daniel"</i></p> <p>Hungry Hound Pantry Item: <i>Pork &amp; Beans</i></p>	
	<p><b><u>BOYS TO PICK UP CARDS IN SEPTEMBER</u></b></p> <p>9/4: Brody Chessor, Bryson Chessor, Bruin Dotson, Keegan Dotson 9/11: Cade Hoover, Macray Qualls, Landon Jenkins, Logan Jenkins 9/18: Bo McDonald, Boone Newsome 9/25: Brody Chessor, Bryson Chessor, Bruin Dotson, Kegan Dotson</p>		<p><b><u>P.M. Communion</u></b></p> <p>Jagger Lawson Shaun Lawson</p> <p><b>SERVED IN THE CHAPEL</b></p>	
	<p><b><u>Preside</u></b></p> <p>September 4 Daniel Dressler</p>		<p><b><u>Greeters</u></b></p> <p>John Plemmons, Jr. Randall &amp; Kristy Wells Bobbie Lowery Gary &amp; Portia Baker</p>	
	<p><b><u>Meals On Wheels September</u></b></p> <p>Sept. 7: George &amp; Mary Sue Bragg Sept. 14: Nancy Leathers Sept. 21: Becky Gatewood Sept. 28: Sam Chessor</p> <p><b><u>PICK-UP MEALS AT 10:40</u></b></p>		<p><b><u>RADIO ROOM SEPT.</u></b></p> <p>Chris Teet Clay Chessor Michael Jenkins Joseph McCauley</p>	
		<p><b><u>NURSERY:</u></b></p> <p>Lesley Hudgins</p> <p><b><u>BAPT. CLOTHING:</u></b></p> <p>Betty Litton</p>		
		<p><b><u>USHERS:</u></b></p> <p>Ronald Coates Monty Dunn Don Chessor</p>		