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"From Where I Sit"

The Centerville Church of Christ in the past has had a long history of holding Gospel Meetings. In August of this year, we are going back to having a yearly gospel meeting. I'm excited for this to be happening again and excited about our first speaker. Bro. Phil Sanders, host of the television program "*In Search of the Lord's Way*" will be with us. I am going to share a few of his articles from time to time until our meeting in August.

"For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? **Matthew 16:26**

They say minor surgery is when it happens to someone else, and major surgery is when it happens to you. Someone else's soul may not seem very valuable to you, but your soul is the most valuable thing you possess!

The Lord Jesus ransomed our souls not with silver or gold but with His precious blood (1 Peter 1:18-20). Jesus "Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed" (1 Peter 2:24). He gave His head to a crown of thorns, His face to slaps and spit, His back and chest to a whip that brought blood, His hands and feet to nails, and His side to a spear. "For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit" (1 Peter 3:18).

Your salvation is by grace; it is the free gift of God (Romans 6:23; Ephesians 2:8), but it was not cheap. "Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow." If we reject Jesus, and the price He paid for our sins to redeem our souls, then we have no other hope of eternal life. At SEARCH we strive to reach people's hearts and minds with the gospel that Jesus Christ may win their souls. We are in the soul-winning business. God's blessing, your prayers, and your financial support make this evangelistic ministry possible. We are grateful so many have prayed for us and generously supported us. We thank God for you!

May the Lord be with you, Phil Sanders

God Bless– Todd

Men's Leadership Retreat

Saturday, January 21st

Guest Speaker : *Gary Dodd*

8:00 am – 11:30 am

8:00 – Breakfast in Fellowship Hall

9:00 – Gary Dodd in Auditorium

Sign-up Sheet in the Lobby

Please sign the list in the lobby or call the church office at 931-729-4201.

Carter's Corner

Carter Hoover

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 20
5TH QUARTER
AFTER THE GAME
UNTIL 11:00

JANUARY 22
JR HIGH FIRESIDE
BRAYDON CHESSOR

JANUARY 25
LIGHTHOUSE
CAMERON WRIGHT

JANUARY 29
YOUNG MEN AT COBLE COC
MAJOR QUALLS
PREACHES

FEBRUARY 3
5TH QUARTER
AFTER THE GAME
UNTIL 11:00

FEBRAUARY 5
SR HIGH FIRESIDE
GWYNETH
RICHARDSON

THINGS MIGHT HAVE BACKFIRED on me this past Sunday night, as the role of "Fill-In Announcement Maker" was given to the winner of our Annual Chili Cook-off. I should have spoken to Shelby prior about not making her best chili that evening, but nevertheless, it appears that I will keep the honor of "Fill-In" for another year. Shelby loves to cook and regularly cooks for our students, who love her meals as well, and I am delighted to see her abilities awarded, even to the detriment of my ego. I am thankful for a loving church family that is great fun to be around, share a meal with and enjoys cutting up with each other along the way.

WE HAD A GREAT WEEKEND last Saturday, as Shelby and I, along with some of our students, made the trip down to Savannah, TN, for Evangelism University. Our students enjoyed a great time attending classes and devotionals on various Bible topics, and Shelby and I enjoyed our "reunion" with several of our Freed-Hardeman friends that are still serving in youth ministry. It is always an encouragement to be surrounded by hundreds (thousands if you "preacher count")of like-minded young people who are interested in growing and deepening their faith.

OUR FIRST LIGHTHOUSE OF THE NEW YEAR was a great success, thanks in large part to Jacob & Holley Kreuger. The Lighthouse was packed with a great crowd of students, and we enjoyed a delicious meal. Thanks to the Kreugers for hosting!

SMASHVILLE COMES TO CENTERVILLE this Friday night, as the Fellowship Hall will be transformed into an indoor hockey rink for our Hockey Night 5th Quarter. Students from HCHS will join us for a night of food and fun following the Spirit Week basketball game at the high school. We will finish around 11:00 pm. If there are any adults interested in helping to chaperone for the evening, please let me know.

"In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Be encouraged this week in the fact that we serve a God who has overcome the world and provides us with the hope of overcoming the world through Him as well. Have a great week!

In Him, Carter

Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Terry Sharp who passed away.
...We express our sympathy to the family of Addie Bell Nash who passed away. She was the mother of David Nash and sister of A.J. (Willie B.) Coates.

Thank You

Ruth Staggs writes: " Dear Church Family, Our hearts are full of gratitude for the many prayers said for my son Mike. Mike's recovery from a massive brain hemorrhage has been miraculous. There is no doubt in our minds the prayers are what saved him. He is doing well and will be better with therapy for memory issues. Thank you so much."
Loretta Cunningham writes: " I wish to thank the Centerville Church of Christ for the nice bag of goodies I received for Christmas. I enjoyed it very much. Thank you and God bless."
Martha Loveless writes: " Thank you so much for all of the delicious treats in my Sunshine Bag! I really enjoyed it!"

Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the church in memory of Dana Luckett Garrard by Doug Shepherd.
...a Memorial has been given to Day School in memory of Ruth McFarlin by Doug Shepherd.

BAPTISMS

We rejoice with Carlos King, Ronald (Hunter) Sims, George Story, Todd Atkinson and Brian Copley who were baptized by members of the Jail Ministry.

Tennessee Children's Home

January

Baked Beans
Spaghetti Sauce
Men's Deodorant

Twin Sheet Sets And
Monetary Donations
Always Appreciated

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION

Jan. 15 ,2023: $ 13,034.76

Camp: $ 156.00

Budget: $13,532.00

Happy Birthday!

Barbara Wood
84 Years Old
January 30, 2023

The Shepherd's Pen

This past Sunday was a great day! The Chili Cook-Off Sunday evening was well attended! Congratulations to our winners, Shelby Hoover for Best Chili, and Brook Austin for Best Brownies. The *Men's Leadership Retreat* is Saturday beginning at 8:00 A.M. with breakfast. Gary Dodd will be our guest speaker. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. It will be an uplifting and encouraging day for our men. In this world we walk by faith, in heaven we shall actually see God and be with Him in loving fellowship for eternity. There is only one thing that can keep us from that eternal fellowship. That one thing is sin. We cannot expect to lead a sinful life and go to heaven at last. How can heaven be ours? God gave us the answer. He sent His only begotten Son to this world to give the way. Christ has opened the way to heaven. Jesus said, *"I am the way, the truth, and life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."* (John 14:6) Without Him there is no going, Without Him there no knowing, and Without Him there is no living. Christ in you is the hope of glory. Let worship this Sunday be a top priority for you and your family. Looking forward to seeing you.
Your Elders

Please Pray For:

...Dr. Jerry Nash suffered a stroke and spent some time in the hospital. He is at home.
...John Bradley is recovering from knee surgery.
...Ann Hooten spent a few days in the hospital in Destin, Florida due to a stomach ulcer. She is recovering at home.
...Derek Newsom is recovering from an appendectomy.
...Clara Lewis is in Maury Regional Hospital.
...Arch McCord, father of Tiffany (Chris) Peters, is dealing with a lot of health problems.
...Becky O'Guin Carroll, wife of Ronnie, sister of Louise Rodgers, Evelyn Winters and Marcella Breece, is recovering from surgery for stomach cancer.
...Madelyn Owens is in Skyline Medical Center recovering from injuries due to a house fire. Her NEW address is:
TICU Room 107
TriStar Skyline
3441 Dickerson Pike
Nashville, Tennessee 37207
...Delton Mayberry is dealing with an infection in his hand.
...Stacy Hickerson is in the hospital dealing with complications from heart surgery.
...Lynn Pigue (Brushy Community) is taking chemotherapy treatments for lymphoma.

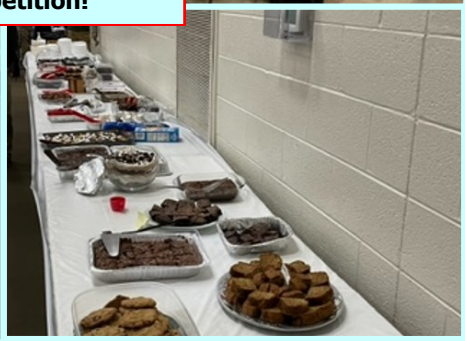
Home:
Dorris & Margie Claud, John Thomas & Wanda Givens, Lonnie & Marilyn Gilliam, Bobby & Joyce Mayberry, A.J. & Willie B. Coates, Sue Roder, Troy Parks , Martha Weber

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

St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home:
Betty Davis, Winnie Aydelott, Francis McClanahan

Priscilla Barber
Harmony At Brentwood
Apt. 421
9045 Church Street East
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027

Thanks To Kim & Lake Bates For Judging The Competition!



PLACE STAMP HERE

CHILI COOK-OFF WINNER!
SHELBY HOOVER

BROWNIE BAKE-OFF WINNER!
BROOK AUSTIN

Prayer Week of January 22

S.M.W.
Eric Cannon

S.M.D.
Corey Martin

S.E.W.
Marshall Spencer

S.E.D.
Randy James

W.E.B.S
Keith Matlock

W.E.D.
Cameron Wright

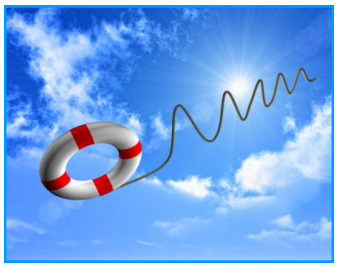
Elder's Prayer:
January 22

Shane Willis

Scripture
January 22

Alan Potts

Preside
Kevin Isenberg



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