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Bryan McAlister

"I Hope You Know"

"Flabbergasted" was the word which described Harold Camping Jr.'s reaction to the reality that set in around 6:01pm, Saturday, May 21, 2011. His prediction the world would see the rapture begin followed by a five month period of global calamity, failed to come to fruition. Shockingly absent from the Family Radio Network's website, Sunday May 22, 2011 was the clock counting down the end of the world, along with the so called, "irrefutable" evidence of the world's demise. Mr. Camping told AP news (05-23-11) he would return to his work and offer a more complete statement at a later time. May we suggest his work reference Mark 13:32?

The church was in turmoil of turmoil. It was in turmoil with division (I Cor 1:10). It was in turmoil with discipline (I Cor 5:1). It was in turmoil with divorce (I Cor 7:10). It was in turmoil with demeanor, particularly in worship (I Cor 11:17). The Lord's Supper was abused, the diversity of the church was avoided (I Cor 12:4), love was abandoned (I Cor 13:1), and the public speaking of the word was in anarchy (I Cor 14:23). Thus Paul wrote to the church, corrupted by the popular culture of their time "God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints" (I Cor 14:33). There are opinions everywhere, and with them comes confusion. *"One church is as good as another; we're all going to the same place just on different roads; you don't need the church just Jesus; you don't need Jesus just believe; believe what you want, when you die that's the end of it all."* We have called these opinions. God has called them false.

False teaching hurts. It hurts the souls of the teacher and the taught. It is "destructive" and many will follow their destructive way (II Peter 2:2). When scripture is lifted from context and placed in conformity to culture, the end result is not God's will but our own. The most hurtful thing false teachers can do is take the scriptures and twist them to their liking, and in doing so bring destruction for their souls and the souls of those who hear them (II Peter 3:16).

SHARING
HEAVEN

IN 2011

False teaching hinders. "While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage" (II Peter 2:19). The bondage of some hearts is to reject Christianity. Once deceived by so called Christians they want no more part of Christianity, organized religion, or anything resembling a church. When those claiming Christ/Christianity fail to speak with one voice, it means one more victory for Satan, one less soul for heaven, and one more obstacle to conquer. You and I must be all the more diligent to endure and speak through the cognitive dissonance that is false teaching. No wonder our Lord said, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away" (Mark 13:31). Every generation has an equal chance to "know the truth...[and be] set free" (John 8:32).

I hope you know, God holds all truth...ALL TRUTH. It is not yours, mine, the "church of Christ's" nor does it belong to any other group. The truth belongs to God, it is His to reveal and ours to obey. This one truth must never be forgotten or neglected.

Spotlight on Leaders...

For the next few weeks, we will be spotlighting our Deacons and their families to show our appreciation for the work. This week, we are featuring...

The David Hudgins Family



David, Susan, Meagan & Trey Hudgins live at 480 Defeated Creek Road, Centerville, Tennessee. David serves on the Youth Ministry and the Local Evangelism Ministry.



*His L.I.G.H.T.
LEAD, IMITATE, GLORIFY, HUMBLE, TOUCH*
Chris Webb

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT... Summer is right up on us! Summer is without a doubt an exciting time. For some, it means time off and time to slow down a little. For others, it may mean the exact opposite of that! However, one thing is for sure this summer, there are plenty of opportunities available for you to grow closer to God! Camp Kerusso kicks off next week for both girls and boys. This excites me because I must admit, I have an absolute blast during Camp Kerusso. Camp Meribah will also be kicking off in the next several weeks and I know that this will be a great

CENTERVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST
YOUTH MINISTRY
Matt. 5:14-16

COMING SOON...

-May 26
Fireside Finale
5-9p

year of camp! Our Vacation Bible School is coming up from June 20-22. A few other dates to keep in mind will be our Summer Mission trip, which will take place from July 18-23. We will also be going back to Cincinnati this year on July 26-28. There are plenty of things to do this summer, so go ahead and get your calendar out and make plans to come along!

I WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU ONCE AGAIN TO CHECK... out our website at www.centervillechurchofchrist.org. From the website you can check out all of our ministries, including links to their own personal Facebook pages, as well as follow along with the events taking place through Twitter. If you aren't having the messenger emailed to you or reading it online yet, I would encourage you to check that out as well! The website is changed daily, videos are being added, lifeline updates, sermons posted, and the list goes on and on. You can also study the Bible from our website through the missions page. I hope and pray that you find this resource valuable. It's truly a blessing to have all of these tools right at our fingertips!

MAY FOR MERIBAH WILL BE WRAPPING UP THIS... Sunday. I want to say thank you for the response we have already received. Our total donations just through May for Meribah are a little over \$1800. Our need for Camp Scholarships this year was \$11,652. We have gotten that total down to \$5,023 as of this past Sunday, with the help of Alumni donations, memorials, and the Paul Rogers Memorial. Our need is greater than ever for Scholarships. Our numbers at Camp Meribah are growing every year, however so is the number of kids who need scholarships. This Sunday we hope to come closer to reaching our goal. Please pray for this effort and consider how you might be able to help send a child to camp. It's truly one of the greatest ministries that we can be involved in! Light the Way-Chris

THE LIGHTHOUSE

Wednesday May 25
TBA 5-9p
Wednesday June 1
Lighthouse Closed

Congratulations to:
Sara Lawson !! Sara graduated from MTSU with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. We are proud of you !!



Thanks to the Postal Service for the donation of food collected from their Annual Food Drive. The food will be used in our food boxes that are given to those in need. Since the beginning of this year, approximately 76 boxes have been given to families in need of food. Each box contains a variety of items, a church brochure, scripture for God's plan of salvation, and a church label.



"Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, Lord, when did we see You hunger and feed You, or thirsty and give you drink? "Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

SUNDAY'S CONTRIBUTION

\$ 11,355.43

BUDGET -\$ 12,724.00

Sunday School - \$ 217.92

Many families have made the commitment to

"Be In For Ten"

Adding an additional \$10.00 to their current Contribution.

There are 236 families within our Church Family.

IMAGINE THE POTENTIAL !!!



Area Events

...Brushy Church of Christ 5th Sunday Services Speaker: Joe Wells May 29. Bible Study - 9:00 A.M.; Worship - 10:00 A.M. Fellowship meal to follow; 1:30 P.M. worship service.

...Golf Tournament Saturday, June 4th in memory of Dr. Bobby Morrison. Proceeds will go to the Hickman Co. Humane Society. Sign-up in the lobby.

...VBS at Brushy Church of Christ, June 5-8, 2011. UPSIDE "DOWN UNDER" A life-transforming outback adventure! Sunday 9:00 A.M.; Sunday evening: 7:30 P.M. Monday—Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

...Summer Series at the Eastside Church of Christ Theme: "Jesus Our Example" Wednesday Nights this Summer; June 1 - August 10 *List of Speakers & Topics on the board in the lobby.

...Financial Peace University-Location: Martin Memorial SDA Church 900 Hwy. 50 West, Centerville, TN. Classes start Monday, June 6, 2011. For more information & RSVP: info@martinmemorialchurch.org; 1-866-793-7700.

...Gospel Meeting at the Little Rock Church of Christ, June 12-15. Speaker: Bobby Kelley Sunday A.M. Bible Study - 10:00 A.M.; Worship Service - 11:00 A.M. Fellowship meal to follow. 7:30 P.M. each evening, with singing at 7:00 P.M.

...Why Should I Believe the Bible? 2011 Summer Series at the Pasquo Church of Christ; 8363 Highway 100, Nashville, TN. June 16-August 25. Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m.

* Schedule of speakers and topics on the board in the lobby.

NEWS & EVENTS:

...Learning Your Way Through Loss Group Study with Bill McDonald, sign-up in the lobby.

...May 29 Picnic Style Potluck Lunch At 11:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

...May 29-31 Camp Kerruso

...May 29 Jail Ministry Meeting at 4:30 in the conference room.

...June 20-22 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Theme: iBelieve

Memorial

...A Donation has been given to the Framing the Future Fund in honor of Bobby & Betty Breece by Juanita Boyce.

...a Camp Meribah Scholarship has been given by the McCoy Family.



Please Join Us!
Picnic Style Lunch
May 29th, 2011

Suggested Menu Items :

Fried Chicken
Barbeque & Buns
Ham
Baked Beans
Potato Salad
Potato Chips
Deviled Eggs

Variety of Desserts

(If you have a picnic basket we Can use to decorate, please put your name on it and bring it to the church by May 27th.)



May For Meribah

Camp Scholarships

Goal : \$ 11,652

Golf Tournament : \$ 2,138.00

Alumni Scholarships : \$ 1,680.00

Memorials: \$ 985.00

May For Meribah Donations : \$1,826

Balance Needed : \$ 5,023

Thanks for your help with this!

Requesting Prayers

Joyce Bruno has requested prayers as she faces some difficult challenges in her life. Everyone please remember her in your prayers daily.



Please Pray for...

...Corene Allen was in the local hospital with bronchitis for a couple of days. She is at home recovering.

...Curtis McCord is in Maury Regional Hospital dealing with breathing problems and a broken arm.

...Melody Dwyer, sister-in-law of Bob & Kathy McDonald, will have lung surgery on May 26th at Vanderbilt Hospital.

...Karen Haggerty, the mother-in-law of Jason Pierce, is recovering at home.

...Mozine Atkinson is home and was able to attend services on Sunday.

...Joyce Primm, sister-in-law of Carolyn Chessor, is very sick at home.

...Danny Galey has returned home.

...Bracey Campbell is recovering at home..

...Gregg Johnston suffered a shoulder injury at work. He is at home recovering.

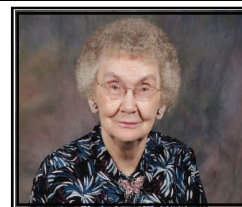
...Jacqueline Sanders, a Tulipwood resident, has requested prayers as she is going through chemotherapy.

Thank You

Hattie Delk writes: "Thank you for the cards, calls, and flowers I received on my birthday. I had a wonderful birthday and I appreciate my church family."

Dorothy Easley writes: "Thank you so much for the cards, letters, phone calls, flowers and visits for my birthday. It is wonderful to be remembered by my church family."

Sympathy



Adell Griggs

March 10, 1927 - May 24, 2011

We express our sympathy to the family of Adell Griggs who passed away early on Tuesday morning. Mrs. Griggs and her husband, Willie, were members of the Centerville Church of Christ for many years. Mr. Griggs worked for many years in the radio room. Mrs. Griggs loved to talk and to cook. She especially loved her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, looking forward to each visit with them. To her children, Joanie, Phil, and Tim, all family and friends, we extend our deepest sympathy.

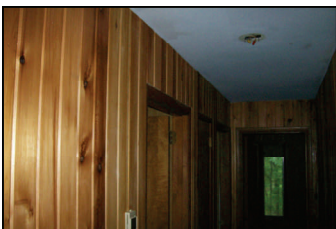


Pictured above is the group of Sojourners that worked at Camp Meribah. From left to right are: Doug & Maxine Shepherd, Charles & Janice Hardison, Ronnie & Joyce Newberry, Larry & Linda Shelton, George & Margaret Williams, Neal & Thelma Holt, Carl & Barbara White.

*The National Evangelism with Sojourners is made up of dedicated, mature Christians who have retired from their jobs in the work place but still wish to have a fulfilling life in service to their Lord. Their work is purely voluntary. The spirit of National Evangelism with Sojourners is that they are "devoted to one another in brotherly love."

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Hayes House at Camp Meribah
 Work done by the Sojourners



The Church Office will be closed Monday, May 30th, in observance of Memorial Day.

Deadline for submission of applications for a Nick's Scholarship Award is July 1, 2011. Applications are in the vestibule. Applicants need to accomplish two things: 1. Pick up and read the CENTERVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST SCHOLARSHIP FUND INFORMATION SHEETS. Complete the applications and turn in to the church office. Those who received scholarships last year MUST APPLY FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR.



Cancer Auction

The Centerville Church of Christ has been asked to sponsor one hour of the annual Cancer Auction which is broadcast on Kix 96.7 radio station. The day will be Thursday, June 9th from 10:00-

11:00 A.M. Most items need to arrive by Monday, June 6th. Baked goods, perishable items can be brought to the church on Wednesday night, June 8th. We need 45 items so we can sponsor an entire hour. Items requested are: new items, homemade craft items, homemade canned pickles, relish, or baked goods. Each item will need the name of the donor and if they want that item "In Memory Of" or "In Honor Of" someone, this will be read on the radio, along with a description of the item. People are welcome to come by each day and look at what is being offered all 5 days of the auction. We will need one phone operator for our hour. We will also need to supply 2 phone operators for Thursday from 10-11. *There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby for you to write what you will donate to the auction.



We rejoice with Josh Flynn and Patrick William who were baptized May 19th, 2011 by members of the Jail Ministry.

Prayer Week of May 29

S.M.W.	S.M.D.
Mike Goodpasture	Calvin Hoover
S.E.W.	S.E.D.
Joey Hunt	James Easley
W.E.B.S.	W.E.D.
James Aydelott	Eric Hughes

READ SCRIPTURE

May 29 - Carter Hoover
 June 5 - Warren Potts