

# CENTERVILLE Church of Christ

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*Bryan McAlister*

"I Hope You Know"

When writing about our spiritual warfare, Paul offers one key strategy to every heart and mind; the power of, "bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ" (II Corinthians 10:5). The power of our minds, our thoughts, create so much of the substance of our identity. Solomon locates the source of our "self-esteem" the seat from where we determine our own "self-worth." He said it is the "heart" and we are in fact responsible for the thoughts we think regarding our own lives and value (Proverbs 23:7).

Paul urges the Christians of Philippi, those souls of whom he thinks so much, to give the greater attention to thoughts of a more pure and holy nature (Philippians 4:8-9). He empowers believers to know we do not need to be held captive by the power of thoughts which bring pain. No, not every thought is pleasant nor is every memory one of ease or delight. But not every thought must persist or must invade our hearts and minds and cause despair. When those moments come, we remind ourselves of the nearness of Christ, the blessings through rejoicing in prayer and thanksgiving, and a focus of our hearts and minds upon better things (Philippians 4:4-9).

Continue with us through our study this Sunday night of, "What's On Your Mind?" We will look to our opportunity to build better thoughts in our lives and overcome the true struggles of anxiety, depression, and sorrow which can so easily prevail in our minds. I hope you know, God is not silent when it comes to our hearts and minds, and the gift of filling them with better blessings.

## SHARING HEAVEN IN 2011 SEPTEMBER SERIES



September 14, 2011  
*Adam Faughn*

***Insulating My Family For Heaven***

***Adam is the pulpit minister for the Lebanon Road Church of Christ. He and Leah have been married since 1999 and they have two children.***



## MISSION TO THE MOUNTAINS MONTANA 2011

Two weeks after the Dunn and Dotson families returned from the Turks and Caicos Islands, John and Vicky Smith, Monty Dunn and Jason Dotson departed for Montana.

The crew departed Nashville on Thursday, July 7, for Bozeman, Montana. We drove up the east side of the Bob Marshall Wilderness through Grand Falls, looking at some other possible Montana mission points and spending a couple of days in and around the Glacier National Park area.

Departing the Kalispell area on Saturday morning, we headed southwest through Missoula on to Hamilton, Montana where John was scheduled to speak in a three day gospel meeting. This was our second year in a row to visit Hamilton. While in the area, we stayed with friends Howard and Peggy Witford. We had 80 present Sunday morning for worship, followed by a fellowship meal. The next 2 nights we averaged between 50 and 60 in attendance. During the day, we were able to spend time fishing with some of the brothers from Hamilton and Missoula.

We departed Hamilton early on Wednesday, July 13, and headed to West Yellowstone where we stayed with our friends, Gail and Terrie Lomis. John Smith and Jason Dotson conducted the service.

The crew departed West Yellowstone early on Thursday morning for Bozeman and had a stormy flight home. We left Montana very encouraged with the work there. We were able to build on the relationships we started the year before. We continue to stay in contact with our brothers and sisters in that area on a weekly basis. Please keep these folks in your prayers as they need all the encouragement we can give them. We need to remember, there are probably more Churches of Christ in Hickman County alone than in the whole state of Montana. On behalf of the Montana crew, we thank you for your prayers and support. **JASON DOTSON**



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

AS USUAL, WE HAD AN... awesome Fireside this past Sunday night. We had a huge crowd on hand and had the opportunity to see evidence that our God is alive and well. Mike Goodpasture led our devotional Sunday night and opened several eyes through a simple illustration. As we live our lives day by day we so often fail to notice the small details of life around us. Things such as the trees, fields, birds, and streams are all evidence of our creator. After a brief

Matt. 5:14-16  
**COMING SOON...**  
-Sept. 16  
5th Quarter

nature walk we were all intrigued at just how wonderful God's creation is. I have to say a special thank you to the Goodpastures and Tottys for hosting us Sunday night and doing such an awesome job! Our next fireside is coming up on September 25th and will be hosted by the Dotsons! I sure hope you plan to come!

IF YOU HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO PICK UP A... calendar yet, I want to encourage you to do so or just hop on the website and see all the things we have going on. This coming Thursday morning we will have a Prayer Breakfast for the Jr. High at 7:30am at HCMS. Breakfast will be free of charge and all Jr. High are invited to come. It's the perfect way to get your day started! On Friday night, we will be having a 5th Quarter after the home football game. I'd like to encourage everyone to head out to the high school and support the bulldogs, and then stop by the Fellowship Hall for one of the best 5th Quarters we have all year! On Monday, we will be having a Small Group Bible Study at the Webb's from 5-6p. Food will be served around 5p and our study will begin shortly thereafter! It's an awesome thing to sit with one another and listen to what God's Word has to say! It's a busy week, I pray that you will have the opportunity to be with us as we all are striving to help each other get to Heaven!

THE WORD ENCOURAGEMENT HAS BEEN ON MY MIND... the last several weeks as I'm sure you have gathered from the Messenger. This week I'd like to encourage you to encourage our staff! You may not believe this simply because of the hard time we all give each other, but our staff is made up of some of the best people I know! Day in and day out Shane, Tammy, Ruth, Betty, Jean, and Phil work behind the scenes to make things run smoothly. Every once in a while, McAlister shows up and throws in a comment or two as well! I love these people and see it as a privilege to work by their sides! Pray for them, encourage them, a kind word goes a long, long way!!  
Light the Way-Chris

## Placing Membership



We want to welcome *Stella Greer* to our work and worship. Her address is : 123 Riverside Drive, Centerville, Tennessee 37033. Mrs. Greer is the mother of our Garry Greer. Welcome !!

**THE LIGHTHOUSE**  
Wednesday September 14  
Lighthouse Closed  
Wednesday September 21  
The Pott's 5-8p

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### SUNDAY'S CONTRIBUTION

**\$ 11,548.62**

**BUDGET -\$ 12,724.00**

**Sunday School - \$ 170.51**

**Mable Dunn Fund - \$800.00**

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 !!!



## Memorial

...A Memorial has been given to the Framing The Future Fund in memory of Cecil Jacobs, Ray Stewart and Keyvin Wright by Bill & Becky Cude.

...A Memorial has been given to the Scholarship Fund in memory of Ruby Jo O'Conner by Beatrice Bates.

## Area Events

...Homecoming at the Coble Church of Christ, September 18, 2011.  
Bible Class : 10:15 A.M.; Worship at 11:00 A.M. Lunch following worship.

...Gospel Meeting at the Church of Christ, 438 West Main Street, Waverly, Tennessee. Sunday, September 18 - 21. 9:00 A.M. "Worthy is the Lamb"; 10:00 A.M. "Manipulative Discipleship" 6:30 P.M. "The Cross: Our Only Boast" Mon. - Wed. evenings : 7:00 P.M.

...Friends & Family Day at the Bon Aqua Church of Christ; Sunday, September 25, 2011. Bible Class: 9:00 A.M.; Worship: 10:00 A.M.

...Gospel Meeting at the White Bluff Church of Christ, September 25 - 28, 2011. Theme: Revive Us Again Sunday services 9:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M, & 5:00 P.M. Mon.—Wed. Evenings at 7:00 P.M.

...Ladies Day at the White Bluff Church of Christ, October 22, 2011.

## Prayer Request



Collene Jeter and her two children lost their home during the recent wildfires in Bastrop County, Texas. Collene is the daughter of Jenelle Clay. Please pray for this family as they deal with this tragic situation.

## NEWS & EVENTS:

...September Series; Guest speakers each Wednesday night in the auditorium class. Bible Hour Format.

...September 18 Visitation Team 3 meets at the Outreach Center following evening worship service.

...September 18 Men's monthly business meeting at 5:00 P.M. in the chapel.

...September 25 - Men & Women Jail Ministry Group meeting at 4:30 P.M. in the Library.

...October 14 - Ladies' Night Out Junk Yard Dog in Hohenwald. Sign-up in the lobby.

## A Baby Girl !



Congratulations to Jason & Angie Griffin on the birth of a baby girl Lindsey Reese Griffin.

She was born September 6th and weighed 8 lbs. 3 ozs. and is 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Dennis & Susan Griffin.

## A Baby Boy !



Congratulations to Luke & Joy Burton on the birth of a son, Hutson Luke Burton. He was

born Friday, September 9, 2011. He weighed 9 lbs. 5 ozs. His proud grandparents are Eric & Becky Coleman, Barry & Lynn Warren. Great grandparents are Ralph & Katherine Shelton & Joyce Coleman of Springfield, TN.

## Thank You

A.J. Coates writes: " I want to thank everyone for the cards I received on my birthday. I appreciate being remembered."

Willie B. Coates writes: " I want to thank the Ladies Wednesday Night Bible Class for the nice basket they sent me. I have really enjoyed it."

Janet DePriest & Brenda Parnell write: "We thank members of your congregation for your concern and ministry to our mother, Ruby DePriest O'Connor, during the years of her residence at the Hickman Nursing Home. Although she was not a member of your church, the many visits and Sunday services outreach was greatly appreciated and did not go unnoticed by us. Thank you for your kindness."



*Please Pray for...*

...Farris Baker Jr. fell last week and pulled some muscles. He is at home recovering.

...Sherry Galey was in the local hospital with severe back pain. She is at home recovering.

...Steven Willis is recovering at home from a slight concussion.

...Dean Stem, the mother of Amanda Mayberry, was in the hospital over the weekend. She is at home.

...Joyce Primm spent a few days in St. Thomas Hospital. She has returned home.

...Thelma Chessor, the mother of Wayne, is recovering from a fall at the Life Care Center.

...Pearl Cagle, the sister of Guy Barber, is having some heart problems. She lives in Hohenwald.

...Todd Chessor, the son-in-law of Polly Chessor Lancaster, is recovering from surgery at home.

...Donald Plunkett, the uncle of Glenda Newsome & Charlene Hunt, is recovering at home.

The following are recovering from surgery or dealing with an illness:  
Janet Wright, Kathy Lawhon, Kolby Westmoreland, Janie Warren, Tony Johnston, Lorraine Loveless, Sue Fox, George Church, Jonathan Arnold, Easton Tanner, Jimmy Horner, Alfred Williams, Beverly Grimes, Steve Bowen, Danny Galey, Don Luther, McKamey Manor, Katie Lane Jones, Dean Stem, Patsy Davidson, Wanda Armstrong, Debbie Mencer, Alisa Harrington.

Home: Allene Wade, Inis Puckett, Troy Parks, Curtis McCord, Edward Loveless, Francis Coble Harris, Sue Roder, Belva Goins, James & Louise Westmoreland, Jean Plemmons.

Nursing Home Residents: Life Care Center: Carlene Martin, Marie Lawhon, Mozine Atkinson, Mattie Lou Weatherspoon, Roger Livengood, Thelma Chessor, Nicus Loveless, Thelma Deitmen, Lillian Bradford, Henry Bradford, Elsie Mathis, Elizabeth Coble, Ida Mable Gerard, Lois Masters.

Hickman County Nursing Home: Jean Davidson, Ellis Maddox, Marie Lawhon, Ellis Maddox, Hazel Riley, Brown Breece.

NHC Healthcare: Faye Daniels  
244 Oakwood Drive, Lewisburg, TN 37091

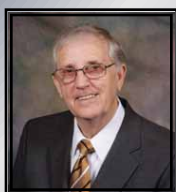
## Our Elders



Bobby Bates



Bill Davis



Lonnie Gilliam



Mike Goodpasture



Bill McDonald



Wayne Qualls



Alfred Williams

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The *Mission Committee* has made a decision to purchase a minivan to send to the *Turks & Caicos Islands*. This will give them better gas mileage than their full size church van. This is outside of our budget. If anyone would like to help you can make your check to the Centerville Church of Christ. The total cost including shipping will be \$5,000.00. We plan on sending it by the end of September. Thanks for your help.



*Ken & Debbie Jenkins* are proud to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter *Carrie Marie* to *Jonathan Andrew Cooper*. *Jonathan* is the son of Mr. & Mrs. *Cleo Cooper* of Milan, TN. *Carrie* is the granddaughter of *Kenneth Jenkins* (& the late *Sue Jenkins*) and *Peggy Cummins*. The small ceremony will be an event of *October 1st, 2011*. There will be a *Bridal Shower* hosted by *Carrie's* grandmother *Sunday, September 18, 2011, from 2:00 - 4:00 P.M.* at the *MLEC Community Room*.



**2012** *All Committee Chairmen:* You may pick-up an event schedule form from the table in the lobby. Please return these to the office by *October 1, 2011*. We hope to have the 2012 calendar completed by *November 1, 2011*. Thanks so much for your cooperation with this.

We have received a donation for the van for the Turks & Caicos Islands and a donation for Framing the Future! Thank you, Thank you !



**Tennessee Children's Home  
 Fall Food and Supply Drive**  
 100 % Bottled Apple, Orange and Grape Juice  
 Cream of Mushroom Soup  
 Beef Stew  
 Saltine and Snack Crackers  
 Hot Sauce  
 Salsa  
 Velveeta Cheese  
 Ramen Noodles  
 Laundry Detergent (liquid)  
 Anti-Bacterial Kitchen Cleaner  
 Fabric Softener  
 Men's Stick Deodorant  
 Paper Towels  
 Toilet Paper

***PLEASE LEAVE FOOD/SUPPLIES IN THE LOBBY!***

### Prayer Week of September 18

S.M.W.	S.M.D.
Don Luther	Derek Newsom
S.E.W.	S.E.D.
Marshall Spencer	Jeremy Qualls
W.E.B.S.	W.E.D.
Mike Elkins	Bobby Breece

### READ SCRIPTURE

September 18 - Don Roder  
 September 25 - Robert Bowman