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"I Hope You Know"

Sharing the Lord's Day together is always a blessing and an honor for any heart. When you can share it with your family and friends, such a day is even better. When those friends and family come upwards of 705 for the day, what a glorious time it is to be together and enjoy the fellowship and friendship of so many. Our day was well planned for and anticipated by many different hearts, and their efforts made it is a grand day. Thank you to all who shared in the events of the day!

Our theme for the day was of course "The House of God" and our focus was the family of God. The only survivor of the fall of man from the Garden of Eden was marriage. From the beginning of the creation to the culmination of humanity in the eternal judgement which is to come, God has only made three formal institutions: The Church, the civil governments, and marriage. Of the three, the church is timeless, she has always been the predestined plan of God for man's salvation. Government is temporary and subject to man's use and mistakes, but marriage is the only one of these institutions to which the church and the relationship of Jesus is applied. Marriage stands as the greatest example of God's fullness and His perfect love displayed in the world.

God's creation of the family, just like the church and governments, presents a better plan to the world for all things related to living life. God's purpose for the family, beginning with husbands and wives, was to show the world the fullness of His glory. Having created both in His image (Genesis 1:26-27), He made the two to become one, because in this union, His glory can be fully seen, when these lives are lived by His will. The family is to be seen as a couple intent on glorifying God and seeing to it the nature of that glory is shared and duplicated throughout their years. The more we grow our families, the more influence we are able to share to the world and the more reflection of God's will for the world to see and know. This is the beauty of procreation (Genesis 1:28, Psalm 127).

**LIVING
YOUR
TOMORROW**



Lest we needlessly fear, God has not left us to our own devices to meet the threats to our homes. God speaks and assures us, "I have given you..." as words of guarantee in the context of all that God has created during the days of creation leading up to the creation of man and His place in the world and on the earth (Genesis 1:29-31). The truth of the matter is, if God can supply our needs to eat and live, He is more than capable of supplying our needs to thrive in our marriages and our families! He has given us the church, His will, and His law of love and liberty for our lives to overcome the threat to our hearts and homes, the threat of sin!

The family was not designed by humanity or out of the mind of man. That's why you find couples who engage in living together before marriage, have a greater sense of dissatisfaction with marriage. Why? Because they did not realize marriage is for the completion of the other and not the convenience with another. Man did not design marriage, God did, thus those who believe in His way above our own are content to look to Him for guidance and help in all things, especially our homes. I hope you know how good it is to celebrate these truths and how good our God is to all His family!

September Celebrations !



James Westmoreland
92 Years Old
September 1, 2013



Billy Garner
85 Years Old
September 9, 2013



Bobbie June Kittrell
84 Years Old
September 12, 2013



Curtis McCord
81 Years Old
September 17, 2013



David & Jane Talley
Married 51 Years
September 20, 2013



Percy Lancaster
85 Years Old
September 21, 2013



Thelma Chessor
88 Years Old
September 24, 2013



Foy & Helen Hudgins
Married 62 Years
September 28, 2013



Mary Hill Horner
98 Years Old
September 30, 2013



YOUTH ON HIS PATH
PRAISE, APPLY, TEACH, HEIGHTEN
CRAIG SHELTON



August 30
5TH QUARTER
Fellowship Hall
After the game
until 11:30

September 1
SR. HIGH
FIRESIDE
Lighthouse
7:00-9:00

September 5
SR. HIGH
PRAYER
BREAKFAST
COMING

SOON!!
SEPT. 14-
R.U.S.H.
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Hardeman
Sign-Up Now

THE LIGHTHOUSE WAS PACKED this past Wednesday night! We had a big crowd together for some games, movies, and just sitting around talking before going to devotional and class. Thanks to Joey, Charlene, Lauren, and Maty Hunt for hosting! Next Lighthouse is September 11 hosted by Bill & Joy McDonald.

MOVIE NIGHT WAS A BIG HIT FOR THE INTERMEDIATES! The McAlisters hosting a movie night at their home last Thursday night. Over 25 3rd-5th Graders turned out to enjoy all the fun, food, and good times together. Thanks to Bryan, Mendy, Connor, Kendyl, and Kinley for all they did to make this night so wonderful!

A GOOD DAY OF WORK! This past Saturday we had a good turnout for our Work Day at the church building. We shoveled pea gravel, cleaned out storage rooms, hauled off trash, and got one room ready to be painted. Thanks to all who came and worked so hard! A special thanks to Jean Qualls, Brian Qualls and Misty Shelton for helping too!

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE! These calendars are full of Firesides, Bible Studies, prayer breakfasts, Lighthouses, Timothy & Tabitha Classes, young men leading services at Totty's Bend, R.U.S.H @ FHU, The River Trip, Sparks & Intermediate Bowling and Pumpkin Patch trip, and much, much more. Grab a calendar for you or some for friends from the Youth News Board, in the Lighthouse, on our website, or at our Twitter and Facebook account!

SPEAKING OF R.U.S.H., HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET? This is for the Junior and Senior High on September 14 at Freed-Hardeman. We will leave from the bus garage at 7:00AM and plan to be back by 1:00AM. Cost will be \$20 that covers the registration and a t-shirt. You will also need money for two meals during the day. Deadline to sign up is September 8!

SUNDAY WAS A REMARKABLE DAY! With over 700 in attendance, over 100 in our 20/30s class, and we almost doubled our High School class number! Now that the seed is planted in those friends you invited, we still have something to do. We must continue to encourage our friends and family that do not regularly attend worship or do not attend at all, to join us on a regular basis. As Christ commissioned us in Matthew 28 to go into all the world, may we not leave that job for others nor neglect the world that is right around us. Continue to share the good news of Jesus and His path to salvation, seek those who are seeking a source of seclusion from the uncertainty of this world and its heartache, and serve others in ways that will help them see the Savior that we love and serve... follows His Path, Craig

Memorials

...a generous gift was received by *Colorado Christian Services* in memory of Mr. Bobby Bates by Paul & Liz Bryant, David & Kathy Brown and Family.

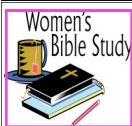
Thank You

Matthew & Megan Kincade write:

"Thank you to all who gave gifts in honor of Zoey's approaching arrival! Special thanks to Tara Chessor, Cecily Dotson, and Belinda Potts for organizing such a lovely shower for us. We are so blessed to be part of such a wonderful church family."

Ruth & Jimmy Reece write: "Thank you for the care and concern shown while I have been under the weather. Thankfully I am much better now. Jimmy would like to thank everyone for his cards & best wishes for his 80th birthday."

Thursday Ladies' Bible Class



The *Thursday Ladies' Bible Class* will resume September 5th at 9:30 A.M. at the Outreach Center. You are encouraged to meet with us to sing, pray, study the Bible, and enjoy a wonderful fellowship meal. Please join us!

Jail Ministry Update!

Some volunteers from the Jail Ministry here have taken their experiences here and helped arrange yet another successful Jail Ministry. Volunteers in Lewis County organized a program patterned after ours a couple of years back and have been very successful in its works. Now, a third program has begun. Some of our group has worked with others from Williamson County and now serve a Women's Prison in Nashville. If we plant the good seed...God gives the increase! always... And..... we wish to Thank Edgar Beard for a donation of a full case of books for use in this program. The book was written behind prison walls in 2005 by Jerry Frazier and is titled "Vital Fundamentals, simply discussed". This Biblical book is very well written and proves God's work goes on... Thanks Edgar.....for the Jail Ministry..James Aydelott

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION

\$ 12,550.65

BUDGET \$ 13,169.00

Sunday School

\$ 214.52



Coming Soon in September...

...September 2 Labor Day

...Sept. 8 Grandparents' Day

...Sept. 15 Visitation Team 5 meets in the Fellowship Hall following P.M. worship

...Wednesday Night September Series

Bryan McAlister Speaker

The Elders Who Are Among You

9/4 Seeing Our Elders

9/11 Selecting Our Elders (Part 1)

9/18 Selecting Our Elders (Part 2)

9/25 Supporting Our Elders

**Dinner Each Wednesday Night in September 5:30-6:30 P.M.*

Sept. 4th Menu

Barbeque, Baked Beans,

Coleslaw, Chips, Tea & Lemonade

Cobbler & Ice Cream

Hosted by: Office Staff

...September 19, 2013

Ladies' Night Out

Historic Commodore Hotel

Linden, Tennessee

Bus will leave at 5:15

Dinner Buffet at 6:00 P.M.

Sign-Up in the lobby

Please Pray For:

...Dr. Tim Agee, good friend of Bill McDonald who helps with the work in Nicaragua, is in Vanderbilt Hospital recovering from heart surgery.

...It was great to see Carl Burton Sunday!

...Louise Bates spent a couple of days in St. Thomas West last week. She is back at the Life Care Center.

...Chip Minick, who has recently been diagnosed with cancer, would appreciate cards. His address is:

12089 Venice Blvd. Foley, Alabama 36535

...Betty Gordon, the grandmother of Randy Wright, had hip replacement surgery August 27th at Maury Regional Hospital.

The following are recovering from surgery or dealing with an illness:

Mozine Atkinson, Betty Davis, Chip Minick, Dot Hill, Keri Victory, Andrea Spears, Lonnie Garrett, Louise Howell, Wilma Smith, Kim Bates, Mary Frances Welch, Geneva Hudgins Bozza, Caleb Sams, Henrietta Rochelle, Jeff Denton, Lisa Shephard, Tina Johnson.

Home: Belva Goins, Stephen Church, Charles Minick, Lula Mae Gilliam, Jean Plemmons, Sammye Elrod, Mozine Atkinson, Margaret & Curtis McCord, Dorothy Easley, J.W. & Sue Roder, Troy Parks, Edward Loveless, James & Louise Westmoreland

Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Margie Cavalier who passed away in Nashville. She was the sister of Vilma McFarlin.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Hubert Moss. He was the brother of Margaretta Goodpasture.

A Baby Shower!



You are invited to a baby shower for Mindy & Jeremy James Sunday, September 8th at the Outreach Center from 1-3 P.M. It's a girl!!

Area Events

...Fairview Church of Christ invites you to *Friends & Family Day*, September 8, 2013. Bible Class 9 A.M., Worship 10 A.M., Luncheon 11:30 A.M. Songs of Praise 12:30 P.M. Evening Worship 1:00 P.M. Speaker: *Bill McDonald*

...Homecoming at the Totty's Bend Church of Christ September 8, 2013. Speaker: James Hinkle Bible Study: 10 A.M. Worship: 11 A.M. Fellowship Meal Following A.M. Worship Evening Worship after meal.

Citizen's Drug Academy 2013

Drug Academy 2013 will be postponed due to illness. Mrs. Bailey Greenwalt serves as Assistant Director of the 21st Judicial District, Drug Task Force. Some of her many duties are to arrange and help teach these classes each year. Bailey has recently been diagnosed with some health issues that will keep her from these duties at this time. Bailey has garnered many friends and much respect here over the past 2 years of classes in Centerville. Hopefully by spring 2014 she will be ready to re-set the classes. Please keep Bailey and her family in your prayers...we will attempt to keep all informed of her progress.

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Thanks to everyone who helped make *Friends & Family Day* such a wonderful day! Over 700 in attendance! To those who helped clean, worked outside, prepared food, set-up tables, etc., we thank you!!! Pictures in next weeks Messenger...

Worship Involvement: Please contact the following if you are unable to serve:

Dorris Claud	931-729-2933
Lonnie Mayberry	931-242-2644
Bryan Woods	931-994-7042
John Bradley	931-994-7358

Those to Serve in September

Wait on Table

1st Sunday
Philip Jacobs
2nd Sunday
Don Luther
3rd Sunday
Marshall Spencer
4th Sunday
Randy James
5th Sunday
Marty Smith
Left
Eric Nash
Mike Elkins
Pat Sullivan
Ronald Coates
Right
Don Qualls
Thomas Chessor
Danny Skelton
Bobby McCoy
Alternates
Jimmy Copley
Mike Brown

Prayer Week of

Sept. 1
S.M.W.
Bob McDonald
S.M.D.
David Brown
S.E.W.
Marshall Spencer
S.E.D.
Gary Gatewood
W.E.B.S.
Warren Potts
W.E.D.
Brian Qualls

RADIO ROOM

Chris Teet
Grady Teet
Cody Woods A.M.
Marty Smith P.M.

READ SCRIPTURE

Sept. 1 Patrick Allen
Sept. 8 Mark Chessor

To Drive Bus in September

9/1	Andy Weber	A.M.
	Bill Cude	P.M.
9/4	Mike Goodpasture	
9/8	Brandon McCauley	A.M.
	Mark Chessor	P.M.
9/11	George Garland	
9/15	John Bradley	A.M.
	Phillip Allen	P.M.
9/18	Lonnie Mayberry	
9/22	Michael Bryant	A.M.
	Patrick Allen	P.M.
9/25	Lonnie Horner	
9/29	John Bradley	A.M.
	Mark Chessor	P.M.

Meals On Wheels

9/4 Glenda Delk
9/11 Roberta Anderson
9/18 Regina Elkins
9/25 Marge Gilmer

BOYS TO PICK UP CARDS IN September

1st SUNDAY Elijah Mayberry, Case Martin, Gage Buchanan, Houston Hudgins
2nd SUNDAY Joseph McCauley, Wyatt Aydelott, Sam Brown, Luke Brown
3rd SUNDAY Will McDonald, Aden Weber, Cameron Wright, Thomas Alderson
4th SUNDAY Aaron Sullivan, Andrew Sullivan, Connor McAlister, Jason Oliphant
5th SUNDAY Riley Haithcoat, Bryce Hughes, Jared Brown, Jackson Thigpen
Please be up front by 8:50

SEP. USHERS

Frank Atkinson
Bobby Breece
Monty Dunn
Gary Gatewood

GREETERS

Michael & Mandy Harrison
Bradley Horner
Chris & Cyndi Hughes
Bob & Kathy McDonald

NURSERY Carla Totty

BAPTISMAL CLOTHING Betty Litton

NURSING HOME SERVICES

LIFE CARE CENTER

9/1 Shane Willis
9/8 Fairfield
9/15 Daniel Dressler
9/22 Bryan & Connor Mc.
9/29 Daniel Dressler

HICKMAN CO. NURSING HOME

9/1 James Aydelott
9/8 Alan & Warren Potts
9/15 Mike Brown
9/22 Marshall Spencer
9/29 Robert Bowman

Tulipwood Service - John Bradley

Lord's Supper P.M.

Brad Davis
Barrett Davis

Served in the Chapel

Bible Hour Prayer "Daniel"

Joey & Charlene Hunt, Griffin Elkins, Riley Qualls, Colby Shelton, Brandy Hudgins, Lauren Hunt
Pantry Item: Corn/Pork & Beans