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"I Hope You Know"

Jesus calls for a reversal in the way we see the world around us and the way we see the nature of life and the lives of those who are in our direct contact (Luke 15:4, 8, 12). The audience of address is described in Luke 15:1, "all the tax collectors and the sinners drew near to Him to hear Him. And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying, "This Man receives sinners and eats with them." From the eyes of the Pharisees and Scribes came the disdain for the actions of Jesus for his audacity to have anything at all to do with the "tax collectors and sinners." Who are the ones who steal from us today? How do we see them? Who are the ones who live their lives without any regard for higher morals, better ethics, and greater integrity? How do we see them? What are we doing to change the way we see the lost and what are we doing to make a difference in their lives?

Some are lost ideologically, For the second time in recent days, we saw the aftermath of the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) commit another atrocious beheading of a young American journalist. They represent an attitude and mindset which is both disturbing and detrimental to themselves and all others, in that they believe the only real advancement of their cause is through force or death. As a result, the lives of the innocent are subject to their tyranny. When the ideology of some lead them to believe murder is an acceptable means to an end, it is not a judgment of condemnation on our part, but one of clarification when we say, they are lost.

Some are lost theologically. Some are lost because the truth of the matter is, they believe the wrong things. One of the most telling truths our Lord ever spoke as His affirmation of the reality, one can be wrong about the scriptures and the power of God (Matthew 22:29). So many today want to place Jesus in the role of guru, whose single concern is that there be a desire for knowledge, and not a possession of truth. You can have a relationship with Jesus, but not one built on assumptions or feelings, but one that is built on truth. There are those who would take one scripture, pick one thought, or assume one notion and from that they would



develop their whole theology based on their conclusions of what it must mean to have a relationship with Jesus. The words "If you love Me, keep my commandments" ought to haunt us if not help us build the right relationship with Him.

Some are lost spiritually. The text reveals the nature of our struggles in life through the extended analogy of the sheep and the coin. The sheep is a part of flock, the coin, a part of an ornamental necklace. The son, is part of a family. How many souls are here week after week, hear the word of God, are given the opportunity to publicly and openly declare their need for the Lord's grace, but choose to remain lost spiritually in the house? What about those who separate their lives from the church because of their sin and their behavior? Our current climate of political correctness inhibits our willingness and our words when it comes to confronting those we know and love when their lives are caught in sin. We have succumb to the notion that since all have sinned, none are qualified to speak against sin. I hope you know, our Lord Jesus taught us if our lives are going to have an influence and impact on the lives of others, we need to reach out to them through the action of love, in order to make the impact which last for eternity.

September Celebrations



J.B. Brown
80 Years Old
September 25, 2014

Placing Membership



We want to welcome Chris & Candice Scott to our work and worship. Their address is: 1020 Riverview Rd. Centerville, Tennessee 37033



We want to welcome David, Amy, Justin and Aira Sadoski to our work and worship. Their address is: 11117 Potts Hollow Rd. Lyles, TN. 37098 Welcome !



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

September 10
Lighthouse
5:00-6:45
September 13
RUSH
@Freed
Hardeman
University
Jr. & Sr. High
September 14
Junior High
Fireside
7:00-9:00
@Luke Brown's
September 19
5th Quarter
After the Game
until 11:30
Fellowship Hall
September 21
Senior High
Fireside
7:00-9:00
@Madison
Smith's
September 24
Lighthouse
5:00-6:45
September 28
Young Men Lead
Services at
Totty's Bend
5:30-7:30
September 30
Volleyball
Tailgater
4:30-Gametime
@ HCHS

FOOD, FUN, FRIENDS, AND FELLOWSHIP. The best way to describe the 5th Quarter last Friday night. Over 75 showed up following the ballgame for our first football 5th Quarter. We enjoyed lots of pizza and snacks, basketball, football and volleyball, some old camp and youth group videos, and just a time to sit and talk. My thanks to Misty Shelton, Matthew Dotson, Jim Hudgins, and Jared Street for stopping by and to help chaperone. Our next 5th Quarter is September 19.

PLANNING FOR SUMMER 2015... Following Summer Camp in July of 2015 we plan to take a Western Mission trip. Our first meeting was held on Sunday night with a large crowd interested in going. Our focus will mainly be in Montana as we are led by John Smith in this endeavor. Plans are still being formed but roughly cost is to be around \$800. Begin now saving, working, and collecting your money for this important, encouraging, and life-changing opportunity. Begin now as well praying for the lives we will touch and that God's Word will be spread through our efforts.

MONTHLY BIBLE STUDIES continue at the Dotson's and Newsom's. Most months these are held the 2nd Monday night from 6:00-7:00 for the Junior & Senior High. These are some great times to dig deeper in the Word. I appreciate Matthew & Cissy Dotson and Derek & Rachel Newsom for hosting these and leading these in depth studies.

EXCITED FOR THE WEEKEND! RUSH at FHU for the Junior & Senior High is this Saturday with the bus leaving at 7:00am. We have over 20 signed up with the deadline being this Wednesday. Just to remind you the cost is \$20 if you have not paid. This will cover your t-shirt and registration. Also, you will need money for two meals (McDonald type). We plan to return by 12:30am.

"A DISCIPLE IS NOT ABOVE HIS TEACHER, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for a disciple that he be like his teacher, and a servant like his master." Matthew 10:24-25. As we continue our study in the Senior High class on The Challenge to Be Like Jesus, the first question we ask and ask again is, "Do I really want to be like Jesus?" In order to be like our teacher, our Master, we need to be willing to do God's will, be angry in the right way, forgive, reach out to the lost, be a servant, be bold, sacrifice, love others, be patient, and pray unceasingly. We will not be perfect as He was, but our attempt is to walk in His steps and strive to live by His example. It is not easy nor was Christ's life upon this earth. However, as He did our mind must be set on the hope of Heaven. Accept the challenge, acquire His desire to serve God, and accomplish the goal to be like the one who gave all for us! Follow His Path, -Craig

September Series

Hurry Home

*Finding, Keeping, Feeding,
and Loving One Another*

September 10

*Keeping The Ones We've
Gained*

John Dale, Murray, KY

Dinner Hosted by: 20/30's Class

September 17

Feeding The Ones We've Got

Matthew Hiatt

Dinner Hosted by: Bill McDonald's
Class

September 24

Loving The One We Serve

Dale Jenkins, Spring Meadows,
Spring Hill, TN.

Dinner Catered by: Fish Camp
Restaurant

Dinner Served Each Wednesday night
in the Fellowship Hall
from 5:30-6:30.

Thank You

The Family of Edward Loveless writes: "Dear Christian Friends, Edward Loveless and his family are very grateful for the birthday cards, visits, and gifts in celebration of his 100th birthday. It was so wonderful to see the outpouring of Christian love that made his birthday such a special day." Best Regards, Vivian Loveless

"Church Directory"

Don't Miss Out! Be a part of our directory. This is the last week for scheduling your appointment. Call the office for assistance (931-729-4201) or go to our website (www.centervillechurchofchrist.org). You will receive a complimentary 8 X10 portrait and free directory for participating! \$10 off any package purchased for scheduling online, Senior Discount additional 20% off, and bring a can of food for the church pantry to receive \$5 off.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION

\$ 12,440.50

BUDGET

\$ 13,276.00

Camp Meribah

\$ 187.51

Many families have made the commitment to

"Be In For Ten"

Adding an additional \$10.00 to their current Contribution.

There are 250 families within our Church Family.

IMAGINE THE POTENTIAL !!!



Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Lisa Shepard who passed away after a battle with cancer. She was the niece of Wayne & Carolyn Chessor.

Baptisms



We rejoice with Cody & Jessica Williams who were baptized Sunday, September 7, 2014.

Requesting Prayers

Felicia Roberson came before the church on Sunday asking for your prayers as she faces challenges in her life.

Citizens Drug Academy 2014



We are pleased to host this program in the Outreach Center again this year. Those interested in participating must file a completed application. Applications are available in the Church lobby or may be downloaded at www.drugtaskforce.net/drugacademy.html. Contact James Aydelott if you need help or have questions. Classes begin October 1st. PLEASE TURN IN COMPLETED APPLICATIONS ASAP!



...Carl Burton is in St. Thomas West. He is doing much better and should return home on Wednesday.

...Foy Hudgins is in Centennial Hospital.

...Helen Hudgins is sick at home.

...Randy Breece, son of Bobby & Betty, had surgery Monday, September 8th for prostate cancer at St. Francis Hospital in Memphis.

...Earline Warren, sister of Gary Gatewood, is recovering at home.

...Patricia Bowman is recovering from surgery and doing well.

...Francis Harris, a resident of the Hickman County Nursing Home, has been very sick lately.

...Ruby Springer, sister-in-law of Rita & Hezekiah Springer and Juanita & Billy Garner, is taking treatments for cancer.

...John O'Neal, minister of the Bridgeport Church of Christ in Alabama, suffered a heart attack while doing Mission Work in India. He had stents implanted and hopes to be home in the next few days. He is a cousin to the Atkinsons.

...Allene Gordon had surgery at Vanderbilt Hospital Tuesday to remove cancer from her liver. She is the grandmother of Kristen Stone.

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

Margaret Forrester, Pearl Cagle, Sheryle Elkins, Roger Dotson, Martha Minick, Hedwig Pilcher, Amanda Mathis, Richard Tate, Amanda Cannon, Shelia Rochelle, Natisha Wright, Henrietta Rochelle, Jeff Denton.

Home: Sammye Elrod, Jean Plemmons, Demetria Barner, Mildred Barnes, Martha Jo Wallace, Floyd Powell, Stephen Church, Charles Minick, Lula Mae Gilliam, Edward Loveless, Margaret & Curtis McCord, Dorothy Easley, J.W. & Sue Roder, Troy Parks.

Area Events

...20th Annual Gospel Singing at the Rocky Valley Church of Christ Friday, September 12, 2014 at 7 P.M.

...Homecoming at the Coble Church of Christ September 21, 2014. Bible Class 10:15; Worship: 11 followed by lunch. Speaker: Larry Buchanan

Attention Ladies !

You Are Invited....

What: "Digging Deep" in the scriptures Ladies' Online Class. This year's study "Unto Thee, O Lord", a bible study on prayer. One can actually "dig as deep" in study as their time permits and still grow spiritually.

Who: Taught by Cindy Colley from the West Huntsville, Alabama church, with ladies all across the country and around the world participating.

When: The lessons are beginning this month, September, and go through August 2015. At the end of each month Cindy conducts a podcast which is live-streamed. She discusses and reviews the lessons for the month, and participants have the opportunity to ask questions or comment.

Where: To learn more information: Join the Facebook Closed Group- "Digging Deep in God's Word", a list of the lessons is in in the lobby for anyone interested—just pick up a copy and start digging.

Contact Person: Marilyn Nash, for more details if interested in participating.

nash.marilyn3@yahoo.com; cell: 931-623-8473 (Call or Text)

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Vases Needed For Hospice



Each week, volunteers arrange and deliver fresh flowers to hospice patients in your community. These flowers brighten an otherwise dark day. This ministry, though simple, makes a tremendous impact. Our flowers ministry is 100% underwritten by donations of flowers, vases, and time. Avalon Hospice is in need of vases. If you have any vases you could donate, please bring them to the Centerville Church of Christ by October 1, 2014.

Worship Service Times

Sunday A.M.	9:00	A.M.
Bible Class	10:15	A.M.
Sunday P.M.	6:00	P.M.
Wednesday	7:00	P.M.

Elders' Prayer
September 14

Wayne Qualls

If you would like to have the Messenger e-mailed to you weekly or visit it on our website, please contact the church office to be *removed from our mailing list*. Please call: 931-729-4201 Or e-mail: tammy@centervillechurchofchrist.org

Wait on Table

2nd Sunday

Joey Hunt

3rd Sunday

Sam Chessor

4th Sunday

James Aydelott

Left

Jonathon Aydelott

Daniel Dressler

John Bradley

Michael Harrison

Right

Don Roder

Leon Gilbert

Jeremy Qualls

Phil Griggs

Alternates

Colby Shelton

Calvin Hoover

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

READ SCRIPTURE

Sept. 14	Shaun Lawson
Sept. 21	Rick Bruno

Prayer Week of September 14

S.M.W.	S.M.D
John Bradley	Jim Hudgins
S.E.W.	S.E.D.
Jeremy Qualls	Jason Dotson
W.E.B.S.	W.E.D.
Mike Brown	Colby Shelton