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Worship & Bible Study: SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:15 AM Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

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My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

James 1:19-21

"It is better to keep silent and be thought a fool than to open your mouth and remove all doubt."

This humorous phrase has an element of truth to it. To be human is to want to be heard.

A young man came to the great philosopher, Socrates, to be trained as an orator. In his first meeting with his teacher, he droned on and on.

When Socrates could finally get a word in, he said, "Young man, I will have to charge you a double fee."

"A double fee? Why is that?"

"I will have to teach you two skills. First, how to hold your tongue. Second, how to use it."

The book of Proverbs contains many references to the silence of the wise and the moodiness of the foolish. James reminds us that our readiness to understand is directly related to our deliberate reflections— not our immediate reactions.

God gave us two ears and one mouth. Let that remind us that we should listen twice as much as we talk!

In Christian Love,







Just Joshín'

As Christians, you can summarize how we are to behave as "being like Jesus." We have been told to conduct ourselves as Jesus conducted Himself. Maybe you've heard of the acronym "WWJD?"? If you have, then you know it's short for "What Would Jesus Do?" and it's typically used as a healthy guide to decision making. What would our Savior do in this given moment? We know the life that Jesus lived was incredible. There was no one like Him before nor has there been one like Him since. He performed miracles, He had outstanding character, He helped those in need (rich and poor), and He constantly defied social standards. The perfect man.

1 John 2:5-6 reads, "...whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked." We are commanded to live as Jesus lived. How could we ever hope to do that? It sounds impossible. Thankfully, we have a way to accomplish this goal. The Bible tells us to exemplify Christ and we can do that by possessing a servant's heart. We exemplify Christ by being humble, generous, and compassionate. Sure, we may never walk on water, perform miracles, or anything of that nature but we can adopt the character of Jesus and show others His light through us!

To God be the glory,

Josh



Congratulations to **Emma Borntrager**, daughter of **Jennifer Beasley**, who was named valedictorian of East Hickman High School class of 2025.

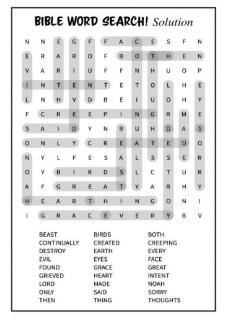
Congratulations to our Hickman County High School Boys Basketball team for making their way to the state tournament for the second year. They will play March 19th at 7:15 at MTSU. If you would like to ride to the game, we will be taking the van leaving at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon. If you have questions, see Gary Basford for more details.

Bible Quiz: James 2:1-4

- 1. Who is James speaking to in verse 1, as indicated by his use of the word "brethren?"
- 2. Is it a sin to practice the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ with partiality?
- 3. "For if there should come into your ____ a man with rings and apparel..."
- 4. Using James 2:1-4 as a guide, would it be wrong to greet a rich friend who comes to worship, and ignore a poor stranger?
- 5. If Christians show partiality, we become ____ with ____ thoughts.

Solution: Christians; yes; assembly, gold, fine; yes; judges, evil

Answers to the Genesis word search last week.





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FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF March 9, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP 181 CONTRIBUTION: \$4550 WEEKLY BUDGET \$5417



"Spring is when you feel like whistling even with a shoe full of slush." — Doug Larson

"The first day of spring is one thing, and the first spring day is another. The difference between them is sometimes as great as a month." — Henry Van Dyke

"Music comes from an icicle as it melts, to live again as spring water." — Henry Williamson

"In the Spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours." — Mark Twain

"Springtime is the land awakening. The March winds are the morning yawn." — Lewis Grizzard

"We are twice armed if we fight with faith." — Plato

"To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible." — Thomas Aquinas

"I am still far from being what I want to be, but with God's help I shall succeed." — Vincent Van Gogh

"In faith there is enough light for those who want to believe and enough shadows to blind those who don't." — Blaise Pascal

"Faith is not belief without proof, but trust without reservation." — D. Elton Trueblood

"Expect problems and eat them for breakfast." — Alfred A. Montapert

"Either you run the day or the day runs you." — Jim Rohn

"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream." — Les Brown

"Give me a lever long enough and a fulcrum on which to place it, and I shall move the world." — Archimedes

"If you don't know where you are going, any road will get you there." — Lewis Carroll

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Norman George
Scripture Reading: Lyle Shepherd
Scripture: Psalm 100:1-5

Preside Lord's Supper: Ronny Pitman
Left: Zack Harvill Right: Gary Bailey
Cole Patton Vance Willis
Rusty Bates Chris Love
Phillip Coates Mike Worley

Announcements: Darin Cochran **Closing Prayer:** Steve Baker

Van Driver: Jack Green 931-994-8317

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Wright Scripture Reading: Gerry Hinson Scripture: Romans 2:12-13 Song Leader: Gary Basford Opening Prayer: Roy McCoy

Lord's Supper: Wes Crowther, Lafayette Spears

Closing Prayer: Wayne Prince

Van Driver: Jack Green 931-994-8317

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Rodney Rochelle Song Leader: Gary Basford Opening Prayer: Kenneth Jett

Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855

Did You Know This About 2 Chronicles?

Though David was not allowed to build the temple of God due to the blood on his hands, David's son Solomon completed the temple according to God's plan. Second Chronicles 7 records the dedication of the house of God. One amazing fact about the dedication is that on that day, Solomon offered a sacrifice of 22,000 bulls and 100,000 sheep. At today's equivalent prices, this represents over \$125 million worth of cattle and about \$48 million in sheep! That is a huge sacrifice! Are we sacrificial with the things God has blessed us with?

Matt Clifton



We are glad to announce that **Zack & Anslee Bentley** placed membership here at Fairfield Sunday. Congratulations and welcome!

The elders will meet with the deacons and all the men of the congregation Sunday afternoon, March 16th in the fellowship hall at 5:00 pm.

Craft night will be Tuesday, March 18th at 6:00 pm in room 104. We will be making clay pot bunnies.

The mission committee will meet Wednesday, March 19th at 6:00 pm in room 104.

The "Purpose Field Women's Ministry" is planning a "Restaurant Meet-Up" on Thursday March 20th at Fish Camp at 5:30 pm. See Amber Kelley for details.

The elders will meet with the ladies of the congregation Sunday afternoon, March 23rd in the fellowship hall of 5:00 pm.

The Golden Agers will be going to the Log Cabin on Thursday March 27th. They will be leaving at 5:30 from the building. Sign-up sheets will be out soon.

Men's Prayer Breakfast is every Tuesday morning at 6:00 am in the basement.

If you enjoy **quilting**, several ladies meet each Thursday @ 9:00 am in the basement to make quilts.

The **Ladies' Bible Class** meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:00 pm in room 104.

If you have a **prayer request**, please write it on a blue card and drop it in the wooden box in either foyer.



Make plans now for Sunday, March 30th as our speaker for the day will be **Matthew Dotson**. Worship at 9:00 am and afternoon service at 12:30 pm. After bible class, we will meet in the fellowship hall for a potluck. It will be a great day!



Members: Bobbie Graf, Teresa (Warren) Perry, Bob Graf (home), Bobby C. McCoy (home), Tommy McClanahan, Dennis Cannon (home), Gerry Loveless (surgery is/was Friday), Steve Atkinson (good news-no treatment needed), Billy McCoy, Dot Davidson (swing bed St. Thomas Hickman-rehab), Jeff Rose, Floy Cochran, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Willie Powers, Rita Sullivan, Marlin Lawson, Randy Prince, Deborah McClellan, Joyce Boyd, Shanon Irwin (home-no visitors), Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: Brenda Smith (sister of Willie Powers-St. Thomas Midtown), Barbara Hopkins (friend of Rick & Joyce Bruno), Sunny Anglin (3 yr old from Dickson-leukemia), Tanya Rochelle (Centennial-private room), Jett Owsley (nephew of Allison Jett-4 yrs old-brain cancer), Brent Burt (cancer), Janet Barber (St. Thomas Hickman swing bed), Mary Morphis, Lois Gilbert (home-rehab), Larry Gilbert, Tony Roder, Glenda Coates, Anthony Stacks (hospice-home), Mildred Rochelle, Amalia Rose Shaw, Edna Copley, B.Y. Peery, Doug True, Davy Baker, Lottie (Terrell) Williams, Mary Sue Sands, Jeff Clark, Linda Canady, Carmela Brown, Beverly Smith, Paul Harvill, Lorrie Davis O'Guin, Ronnie Carroll, Judy Baggett, Ryan Edwards, Deborah Johnston, James Buffington, Willie Lawler, James Coates, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Cory Patterson (home), Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard.

<u>Life Care:</u> Carolyn Phillips, Joe Qualls, Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss, Sue Davidson, Wilma Green.

Morning Pointe, 2050 Union Pl. Columbia: Hattie Mayberry, Daisy Beard.



Mar 16 - Puppet Show during evening service in Lift-Off Mar 18 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH