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Jeff Stacks ext.22
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Mike Kelley ext. 2

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Youth Minister:

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Worship & Bible Study: SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM
Bible Study 10:20 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line:

931-729-9846

Website:

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Mike's Minute

**If it be possible, as much as lies in you,
live peaceably with all men.**

Romans 12:18

General Horace Porter wrote about a conversation he had with General Ulysses Grant one evening while they were sitting by a campfire. Porter noted, "General, it seems unusual that you should have gone through all the rough and tumble of army service and frontier life, and have never been provoked into swearing. I have never heard you utter an oath."

Grant replied, "Well, somehow or other, I never learned to swear. When a boy, I seemed to have an aversion to it, and when I became a man I saw the folly of it. I have always noticed, too, that swearing helps to arouse a man's anger, and when a man flies into a passion his adversary who keeps cool always gets the better of him. In fact, I could never see the value of swearing. I think it is the case with many people who swear excessively that it is a mere habit... they do not mean to be profane. To say the least, profanity is a great waste of time."

Not only does anger give rise to harsh words, but harsh words feed anger. The seething soul used up valuable inner energy, leaving far less for the normal healthy functioning of the spirit, mind, and body.

To rid yourself of anger and frustration, perhaps the best place to begin is to watch your words. Watch what you are saying to yourself and others.

Remember, if you fly into a rage, you always have a bad landing!

In Christian Love,

Mike





The **Golden Agers** will be meeting at Homestead Restaurant on Thursday, April 29th at 6:00 pm. Signup sheets are in both foyers.

We will recognize and honor our mothers and their families with "Muffins with Mom" in the Fellowship Hall at 8:00 am on Mother's Day, May 9, 2021. Please sign up in either foyer by May 5th if you plan to attend!

There will be a baby shower for **Shelby Bates & Betsy Licciardello** on May 16th from 2 -4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Both are having boys. Betsy & Shelby are registered at Target & Buy Buy Baby.

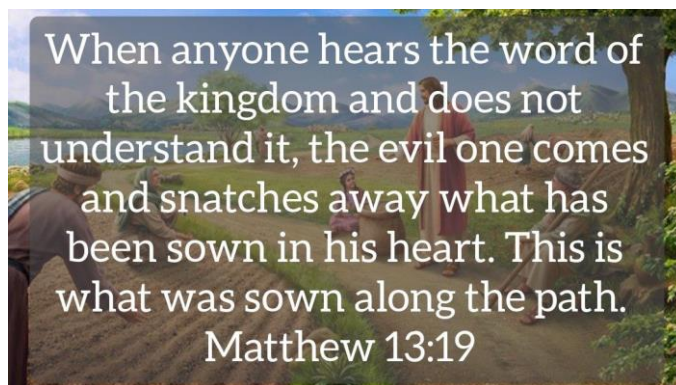
MEMORIALS

A contribution has been given in memory of: **Terry James, Mark Wright, Bobby Orton, & Gene Carathers** by **Clay & Linda Chandler**.



Thank you for all of the kindness and expressions of sympathy after the loss of our loved one. We also want to thank those responsible for the wonderful food that was prepared for us after the funeral Sunday. **Leon** would have been so grateful for all of the love shown to him and his family.

In Christian Love,
The **Lynn Family**



Members: Deborah Perry (back surgery on April 28th), Violet Shelby, Brenda Scott, Carol Warren, Thomas Haskins, Lou Dickens, Hester Moss, Raymond Stoltz, Dewayne Victory (home), Kenneth Chandler, Paul Victory, Noble Victory (home), Wilma Green, Bobbie Graf, C.W. & Elizabeth Tarkington, James Coates & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: Ann Spencer, Thomas Brady, Donald Brady, Doris Elam, Jean Greer, Tony Duncan, David Dansby, Neil Jobe, Alice Cagle, Adam Lawson, Mark Plunkett, Evan Boyd (will be traveling to Cincinnati soon for treatments, grandson of Joyce Boyd), Benjamin Noonan, Donna Gaspard, Roman Surra, Anthony & Rita Stacks, Marshall Carothers, McKinley Moore, Jimmy Jenkins, Ruby Church, Carolyn Nash, Sandy McFarlin, Elizabeth Dunn, Kathy Swinford Coleman, Grayson Gunter, Tommy Cagle, Mary England, Jimmy George & William Dale Nash.

Life Care: Harold Choate, Billie Church (brother-in-law of Jewell Prince)

St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home: Naomi Bailey, & Helen Shanes.

Olive Branch Senior Living, Dickson: Martha Page

REMINDERS:

Bulletins will be out in the mailbox by 12 noon on Friday.

Blue cards in the racks are for special prayer requests that only the elders will see. When you complete your card drop it in the small locked box provided in both foyers.

Please check for additional announcements on the bulletin board next to the office.

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF April 18, 2021	
MORNING WORSHIP	183
CONTRIBUTION:	\$4000
2021 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$4167



Center Fielders News

“Gospel Addiction”

To be addicted to something is to use or do that thing habitually and compulsively. We know that today many people are addicted to drugs, alcohol, or tobacco. Praise God, there is a deliverance from these through Jesus Christ. Addicted in the Greek language, means “set” and is elsewhere translated “appointed” or “ordained”. The Christians that Paul mentions in 1 Corinthians 16:15 had addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints. Their work had gripped their hearts and it was part of their life. They watched for every opportunity to show hospitality and be helpful where they could.

Many men and women in the Bible were addicted to the Word of God. In Psalm 39:3 David wrote, “My heart was hot within me, while I was meditating, the fire burned; then I spoke with my tongue. Jeremiah says the Word of God was in his heart as a burning fire shut up in his bones. In the Book of Daniel, there were three Hebrews willingly risked death in the fiery furnace because they were addicted to the truth.

Let me ask you a question. Are you addicted to the Word of God? Does it grip your heart? Do you read it daily and does it move you into action? If it doesn't it should! It should give us such a burning for the lost that we look for opportunities to point them to Christ. May we give ourselves to the Word of God in such a way, that whatever the Word says, we will do it!

Obey God and watch Him work,

Rodney



- May 2 - Senior Night, begins with the evening service. Finger food fellowship to follow in the Fellowship Hall. We will celebrate with Carlin Cochran, Maggie Conley, & Seth Williams.**
- May 4 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ the FH**
- May 15 - Hickman County/East Hickman Graduation**
- May 16 - 3rd-5th grade devo, during evening service @ Field House.**
- May 18 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ the FH**
- May 23 - Puppet Show, during evening service**

MEN TO SERVE APRIL 25

SUNDAY MORNING:

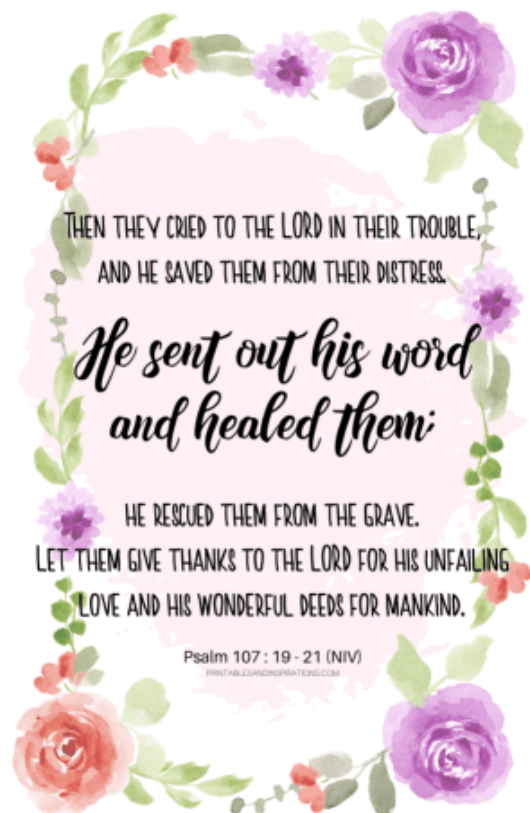
Song Leader: Darin Cochran
Opening Prayer: Rodney Rochelle
Scripture Reading: Jerrie W Barber
Scripture: Psalm 107:19-21
Preside Lord's Supper: Gary Basford
Alternates: Gary Bailey, Rodney Rochelle
Basement: Gary Wright, Rick Bruno
Announcements: Mike Batts
Closing Prayer: James Swaw
Van Driver: Gary Basford 931-628-0355

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Mike Batts
Scripture Reading: Phillip Coates
Scripture: Matthew 13:18-23
Song Leader: Gary Basford
Opening Prayer: Randal Halbrooks
Lord's Supper: Edwin Wright, Boyce Cannon
Closing Prayer: Jeff Stacks
Van Driver: Gary Basford 931-628-0355

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks
Song Leader: Jeff Rose
Opening Prayer: Mathew Wright
Invitation: Mike Kelley



Will There Be Anymore Tomorrows?

Will there be anymore tomorrows?
I don't rightly know,
But I'm staying close to Jesus,
Though moving kinda slow.

Will there be anymore tomorrows
As we make our way from day to day?
Staying faithful as we travel,
Along the life's rugged way.

Will there be anymore tomorrows?
Remember its God's time that we borrow
As we face life's uncertain sorrow.

Will there be anymore tomorrows?
Listening to the singing sparrow,
Knowing that each day our life will narrow.

Will there be anymore tomorrows?
It sounds good to me,
But let's just wait and see,
Staying close to God as we can be!

Tom Ferguson, 7-30-20

Written during all the uncertain time of twenty-twenty.

Once there was a guy named Zeke who had so much pride, he could never admit he was wrong. One day Zeke wandered into the blacksmith shop with sawdust all over the floor. A few minutes before Zeke arrived, the blacksmith had been working on an uncooperative horseshoe, and had beat on it until it went from red-hot to black. The blacksmith decided to give up on it and tossed it over into the sawdust on the floor. Just then Zeke walked in, looked down and saw the horseshoe, but not knowing it was still hot, picked it up – and as you would expect, Zeke dropped it immediately. The old blacksmith looked over his glasses and said, "Kinda hot, ain't it, Zeke?" Unwilling to admit his mistake, Zeke said, "Nope, just doesn't take me long to look at a horseshoe." (Charles Swindoll, *The Tale of the Tardy Oxcart*, pg. 466).

On May 24, 1844, telegraph inventor Samuel Morse sent the first official message down the wire: "What hath God wrought?" Morse was amazed by the possibilities that lie in understanding God's laws of physics. With each invention that comes along, man should recognize that the creative power of God makes it all possible, and that we must work within the framework of the Almighty Creator God!



MAY

- 2 Rhonda Powers
- 5 Elizabeth Peebles
- 7 Christina George
Levi Holt
- 10 Gary Wright
Rodney Rochelle
Loren Roberts
- 11 Terry Barber
- 12 Shirley Gilbert
- 13 Terry Duncan
Claire Willis
Harper McCrory
- 14 Amy Springer
- 17 Elizabeth Tarkington
- 19 Phillip Anderson
- 23 Jordan Prince
- 24 Daveigh Cochran
Kylie Jean Duncan
- 25 Whitney Carroll
- 26 Alison Stanley
- 27 Retha Duncan
Rusty Bates



MAY

- 3 Jeffrey & Elizabeth Peebles
- 5 Justin & Shelby Bates
- 9 Terry & Retha Duncan
- 14 Paul & Noble Victory
- 18 Gerry & Sarah Hinson
- 20 Ken & Mary Copley
- 22 Kurt & Lisa Hellmann
Ronald & Jennifer Lynn
- 26 Willie & Minnie Powers
- 28 Blake & Katie Graham

