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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

Family Line:

931-729-9846



Mike's Minute

Why are the nations so angry? Why do they waste their time with futile plans? The kings of the earth prepare for battle; the rulers plot together against the LORD and against his anointed one. "Let us break their chains," they cry, "and free ourselves from slavery to God." But the one who rules in heaven laughs.

Psalm 2:1-4

The wicked of the world have always felt that God's rules are too restrictive, too confining, too narrow for truly intelligent people. They have always wanted to break the "chains" and live uninhibited and unrestricted lives. No antiquated, boring rules!

They imagine that they will be really happy without God. They will live in peace and love... with no one to spoil their fun. 'Get God out of the picture, and we will have heaven right here on earth.' Or so their thinking goes.

And, sure enough, their godless lifestyles may be pleasurable and fun... until it isn't!

Eventually, they are left empty and defeated. By breaking God's rules, they have also broken their lives and shattered their dreams.

How silly for us to think we can win by opposing God! God's rule cannot be overthrown. Every attack on Him eventually rebounds against the attacker.

Against Him, we always experience defeat. With Him, we are sure winners. If God is for us and we are for God, who can stand against us?

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

As Christians, we are called to live out a faith that is not just inherited or borrowed but deeply personal, and rooted in our own relationship with God. It's easy to rely on the faith of our parents, preachers, or friends, but Scripture challenges us to make faith our own.

In **2 Corinthians 5:17**, Paul reminds us, *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."* This newness in Christ is an invitation to embrace a faith that transforms our hearts and minds, making it deeply personal.

In **Philippians 2:12-13**, Paul also encourages, *"...work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure."* While salvation is a gift of grace, our response is to actively seek a relationship with God, growing in faith through prayer, Scripture, and service.

Make your faith your own by investing in personal devotion, leaning into God's Word, and trusting in His work in your life. As we do this, we find that our faith becomes a powerful witness to the world around us.

Let us all pursue a deeper, more personal relationship with Christ, remembering that *"the Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth"* (Psalm 145:18).

To God be the glory,
Josh

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF June 29, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	222
CONTRIBUTION:	\$7,954
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,417

A Congregation of the Lord's Church Is Almost Certain to Grow When...

1. Each member has deep concern for the lost.
2. Each member enters worship with enthusiasm.
3. Each member is interested in improving his teaching ability.
4. Each member is interested in an aggressive Bible school.
5. Each member is personally involved in his work of soul-saving.
6. Each member lets brotherly love express itself to every other member.

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Gospel Meeting at Rocky Valley church of Christ
Lyles, TN

Preacher: Jim Brown July 6-9, 2025

Sunday Morning Bible Study – 10:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship – 10:55 am

Fellowship meal after Sunday morning service

Sunday thru Wednesday Evening – 7:30 pm

The Name of Jesus Vacation Bible School

Sylvia church of Christ

Dickson, TN

July 16-19, 2025

Wednesday – Friday at 7:00 pm

Saturday, July 19 at 3:00 pm (picnic to follow)



Continental Congress, Philadelphia PA:

"We, therefore, the representatives of the United States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, that these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States."

[The Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776]

Herod's Temple, Jerusalem, AD 32:

"Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son does remain forever. So, if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed." [John 8:34-36]

We all want to live in a free nation. For this, we celebrate our freedom on the Fourth of July, and we say, "God Bless America." However, the greatest freedom, the only true freedom, is to be free from sin and its wages of death (Ro. 6:23). The only people who are "free indeed" are those washed in the blood of the Lamb. This Fourth of July, as we celebrate the freedom we enjoy in America, let us remember who died so that we might be "free indeed!" Many have died in our wars to keep us free. One died to ensure the hope of our resurrection after death itself.

-Dennis Doughty



MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Vance Willis

Scripture Reading: Carter Bates

Scripture: Nehemiah 9:5-6

Preside Lord's Supper: Randal Halbrooks

Left: Phillip Coates

Right: Gary Bailey

Tom Gosser

Steve Atkinson

Chris Wright

Steve Baker

Mike Worley

Marty England

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Adan Jude

Van Driver: Angie Green (931-219-7979)

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Basford

Scripture Reading: Boyce Cannon

Scripture: Proverbs 3:5-6

Song Leader: Steve Atkinson

Opening Prayer: Wayne Prince

Lord's Supper: Edwin Wright

Gerry Hinson

Closing Prayer: Rick Bruno

Van Driver: Angie Green (931-219-7979)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks

Song Leader: Ronny Pitman

Opening Prayer: Gary Wright

Van Driver: Chris Love (931-994-7855)



JULY

13th – 6:00-7:00 pm Happy Tales Bible Ranch

VBS - Parable of the Talents

7:00-7:30 pm Rice Krispy Treats & Haystacks

Candy Snacks provided in the Fellowship Hall

15th - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30 – 8:30 at the Field House

20th – 6:00-7:00 pm Happy Tales Bible Ranch

VBS - Parable of the Soils

7:00-7:30 pm Trail Mix Snacks provided in the Fellowship Hall

27th - 6:00-7:00 pm Happy Tales Bible Ranch

VBS – Parable of the Salt & Light

7:00-7:30 pm Walking Smores Snacks provided in the Fellowship Hall

Upcoming Events:

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way for the jail cookout last Saturday. 160 plates were served.

Good to have **Gerry Loveless & Willie Powers** back to services after having surgery.

Christmas in July Ladies Breakfast will be July 26th at 9:00 am in the basement. Amber Kelley will be our speaker. "Let Your Light Shine" theme. Bring an ornament to exchange.

Men to serve and van driver sheets for July are ready to be picked up in both foyers.

Any announcements or thank you cards submitted for the bulletin, please hand to Sheila Brady or Rick Bruno or put in the office door.

The Men's Prayer Breakfast meets Tuesday mornings at 6:00 am in the **Fellowship Hall**.

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

The Tuesday evening **Ladies' Bible Class** led by **Jan Campbell & Joyce Bruno** will continue our summer study on "**Slowing Down and Getting to Know God Better.**" This group meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month in room 104 at 6:00 pm. The next class will be next Tuesday, July 8th.



Thanks so very much to all for the many thoughts, calls, and prayers while I was in the hospital and still recovering and for sure those for Carla.

In Christian Love,
Woody & Carla Woodruff



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Jackson Bates (son of Greg & Kim-reconstructive hip surgery July 10th), Joyce Bruno (home), Melinda Sullivan (aunt of Brandy Sullivan), Deborah Peery, Faye Rochelle (St. Thomas Hickman swing bed), Barbara Kelley (gall bladder surgery, Friday, July 11th), Woody Woodruff, Gerry Loveless, Jewell Prince, Glenda Newsom, Brenda Carroll, Willie Powers, Sherrie Talley, Deborah Roberts, Bobby C. McCoy, Tommy McClanahan, Billy McCoy, Floy Cochran, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Rita Sullivan, Marlin Lawson, Deborah McClellan, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty

Friends & Family: Donna Martin, Drew Elliott (cousin of Erik Hassell), Lois Gilbert (hospice), Tanya Rochelle, Mark Tune, Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Jett Owsley, Brent Burt, Janet Barber, Glenda Coates, Mildred Rochelle, Amalia Rose Shaw, Edna Copley, B.Y. Peery, Doug True, Davy Baker, Linda Canady, Carmela Brown, Beverly Smith, Paul Harvill, Ronnie Carroll, Ryan Edwards, Deborah Johnston, Willie Lawler, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Cory Patterson, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard

Life Care: Willie B Coates, Debra Clark (mother of Sharon Clark Burns), Carolyn Phillips, Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss, Sue Davidson, Wilma Green

The Bridge, Columbia: Hattie Mayberry

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



Plans are underway for "HAPPY TALES BIBLE RANCH" VBS which will begin Sunday night July 13 during evening worship. Flyers and postcards are available to use to invite others. The other nights will be July 20th and 27th, and the final night will be August 3rd.