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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

As we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

God created the church for us to work together to bring others to Him, to reach out, and to serve others as no one else will.

Some say that the church is like a hospital because sick people go there to get better. Jesus would agree. When the Pharisees asked why Jesus ate with sinners, He told them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick" (Matthew 9:12).

A hospital is a place you can go to receive medical care. When we go to the hospital for surgery, it is because there is no other way to correct our condition.

The lost are in need of spiritual surgery. They need an appointment with the Great Physician to allow Him to restore them to spiritual health and vitality.

The saved are in constant need of a spiritual "check-up." We need the Great Physician to examine us to see if any spiritual sickness is developing. We need to be reminded of practices that can improve our spiritual health.

When Paul encourages us to "do good to all," it is a reminder that our "hospital" is open to everyone. We need to remember to care for those in our church, as well as those who are reaching out to Christ.

In Christian Love,

Mike





We want to thank **everyone** who had a part in our successful VBS this year! We had good attendance all three nights and outstanding speakers as well.

A cancer benefit will be held in our Fellowship Hall on August 10th from 10am – 4pm for David Stewart. David has worked in law enforcement and ambulance service for many years in Hickman County; if you can to help with this cause in any way, it will be greatly appreciated. BBQ plates will be for sale along with baked goods and a silent auction.

The Jail Ministry had two baptisms yesterday: Rocky Anderson, II and Nathan Anglin. There have been 400 baptisms since the Jail Ministry began in 2007!

Joyce Bruno's book, "A Study of Prayer", was published last week and is now available for purchase on Amazon. Congratulations.

If anyone has a digital camera with a sim card, and would like to take pictures or loan the church the camera for the fall festival, please see Adam Jude.

Our annual **Magi** boxes sponsored by the Mission Committee are available in both foyers. Please take one and the sheet provided to fill the box. The church will pay the shipping again this year. Deadline is September 29th.

Men-to-Serve and Van Drivers sheets are in both foyers. Please pick one up.

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 & 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in **room 104**.

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



We express our sympathy to the family of Maxie Lance of Sparta, TN who passed away last night. She is the sister of Willie Powers. We have no arrangements at this time.



Members: Mike Batts, Donna Pitman, Joyce Bruno, Yvonna Caillouet, Brenda Stoltz, Marlin Lawson, Dot Davidson, Kita Wright, Brenda Scott-Carroll, Randy Prince, Deborah McClellan, Joyce Boyd, Floy Cochran, Carolyn Phillips, Reda Springer (Skyline Medical Center), Shanon Irwin, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes (hospice), & Jo Ann Totty (St. Thomas Hickman swing bed).

Friends & Family: Lorrie Davis O'Guin, Billie Lynn Tyler (hospice), Ronnie Carroll, Gail Brown, Judy Baggett, Chris Kimbro, David Gossett, Jimmie Jenkins, Ryan Edwards, Brian Powers, Martha Ann McCord, Lou Gann, Gethlyn Gardner (home-cancer), Deborah Johnston, James Buffington, Nicholas Wright, Edwin Garner, Chris Chilton, David Stewart, Willie Lawler, James Coates (Clarksville healthcare facility), Trevor Buchanan, Pam Sullivan, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Anthony Stacks, David Talley, Cory Patterson (surgery Thursday), James Stoltz, Grayson Gunter, Stephanie Pitman, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler & Donna Gaspard.

Life Care: Kenneth Chandler (therapy), Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss. Sue Davidson, Gary Yates, Wilma Green.

The Bridge at Columbia: Hattie Mayberry, Daisy Beard.



Aug 5 - First full day of school

Aug 6 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH

Aug 11 - 3rd-5th grade Devo, during evening service @ FH

Aug 18 - Puppet Show, during evening service in Lift-Off

Aug 20 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH



Just Joshin'

In our world today, I believe that we tend to view God as only loving and merciful. While this might be true to a degree, it is important to grasp the complete character of God. The book of Nahum picks up where Jonah left off. Jonah taught of God's mercy toward the city of Nineveh when they repented of the sins that the prophet condemned them for. Nahum provides a completely different ending to the wicked city's story and this study will, specifically, take place in Nahum 1:2-3.

We will begin by taking a look at the opening of Nahum. Nahum teaches from the beginning that God is a "jealous and avenging God" in verse 2 of the first chapter. Although we view God in a bright and upbeat manner, I think we would increase our understanding of God by looking at this side of Him. We are told that He has enemies and His wrath will be unleashed upon them. A lesson that we can learn is that we will certainly face adversaries if we commit to following God. However, we carry an understanding of God's power through His wrath and this should give us a feeling of comfort and protection. Our God is a just and righteous God that will not allow evil to triumph.

We should not allow this comfort to blind us to the truth. We must realize that, while God is loving, He will still condemn those who are wicked and turn away from His loving embrace. There is a misconception about God that, because He is loving, he would never condemn and this is simply not true. We should always strive to remain on the right path before God's judgment is extended to us.

This is a lesson that we can learn from verse 2 alone. Thankfully, for us still living in sin, we are provided an upside to God's wrath. If we continue down to verse 3, we are told by Nahum that "The Lord is slow to anger and great in power..." Many of us do not desire to be angry and God is the same way. God's wrath is not without cause. He does not decide on a whim to become angry nor does He quickly become angry. He does not want to be angry but, when provoked, He will demand justice. This should give us comfort because God will grant us time to find repentance when we have done something against His command.

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To close, we should certainly have a healthy respect for God. He does love us and desire what is best for us, however, He will not tolerate injustice. We should not take advantage of God's loving nature and simply "put off" repentance. Nineveh strayed away from their repentance and back to wickedness in Nahum and God punished them for it. We should fear God's power but use that fear to build respect to our Creator so that we may love Him more.

To God be the Glory,

Josh

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Steve Baker

Scripture Reading: Randal Halbrooks

Scripture: 1 John 5:13-15

Preside Lord's Supper: Norman George

Left: Rodney Rochelle **Right:** Willie Powers

Roy McCoy

Boyce Cannon

Cole Patton

Ronny Pitman

John Irvin

Lafayette Spears

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Gerry Hinson

Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Rick Bruno

Scripture Reading: Phillip Coates

Scripture: Matthew 5:21-22

Song Leader: Steve Baker

Opening Prayer: Kenneth Jett

Lord's Supper: Edwin Wright, Gerry Hinson

Closing Prayer: Ronny Pitman

Van Driver: Angie Green 931-219-7979

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Basford

Song Leader: Ronny Pitman

Opening Prayer: Gary Wright

Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855

GOSPEL MEETING

Here the gospel proclaimed at the
Church of Christ at New Antioch
August 4th thru 7th 2024

Speakers: Bernard Turner - Sunday AM & PM

Randy Kersey - Monday & Tuesday

Bill McDonald - Wednesday

Worship Services:

Sunday AM: Bible Study 9:15 AM

Worship 10:00 AM

Fellowship Meal following Morning Worship

Sunday Evening: 7:30 PM

Monday thru Wednesday Evening: 7:00 PM

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FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF July 28, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP	191
VBS SUNDAY NIGHT	145
VBS GRAND TOTAL	461
CONTRIBUTION:	\$4513
2024 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5417



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