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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

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Mike's Minute

There is a legend about Adam and Eve taking a walk with their family. As they passed by the Garden of Eden, one of their sons looked longingly at its beautiful scenery and said, "Dad, why would we ever leave a place like that?" Adam replied sheepishly, "Well son, your mother and I ate us out of house and home."

And so it was... Adam and Eve's disobedience got them evicted from Eden. What were the consequences of their sin?

There were *spiritual* consequences. Their sin separated them from God. Before the fall, they were comfortable in God's presence. The text seems to indicate that God walked and talked with them in the garden on a daily basis. After their sin, they hid from Him. After God pronounced the consequences of their sin, He expelled them from the garden... and, at least in some sense, from His presence.

There were *emotional* consequences. After they introduced sin into the world, Adam and Eve felt emotional pain. They felt shame and fear. Their son Cain would experience anger, jealousy, and depression sometime after. Before their fall there was no indication of these types of painful emotions that plague so many people today.

There were *social* consequences. Adam and Eve blamed each other and the serpent for their terrible mistake. Sin caused strife between them. Later, their son Cain killed his brother Abel. Cain was then banished from the presence of his family.

There were *global* consequences. Fast forward to the time of Noah, and the sin introduced into the world in the garden had become a full-fledged pandemic. It spread throughout the world. Sin reached such a critical mass that God repented of making man and decided to destroy all but the faithful (Noah and his family).

Centuries have passed but not much has changed. Sin continues to have terrible spiritual, emotional, social, and global consequences.

Thank God there is a Second Adam, who came into the world to reverse the curse! That is news worth celebrating.

In Christian Love,

Mike





It was good to see **Yvonna Caillouet** back at service Sunday morning after having foot surgery.

Ladies' Craft Night will be this coming Monday, August 15th at 6:00 pm in room 104. They will be making tin can baskets.

There will be a mission meeting Wednesday, August 17th, at 6pm in Room 104.

Magi Boxes are available in both foyers. They are to be turned back in by August 31st. This year there will be no shipping fee! A list of suggestions for filling these boxes is available in each foyer as well. If you have questions, please see Randal Halbrooks.

For many years in the past, Fairfield worked in the mission field in Eastern Kentucky serving Jackson and Hazard, KY. The folks there have suffered great damage from massive flooding over the past couple of weeks. Our elders have decided if anyone would like to make a special donation specifically to the people of this area that **money** donations will be taken on the last Sunday of August—the 28th-- and then forwarded to the people there. Please give your donation to one of the elders.

The Purpose Field Women's Ministry has organized a committee for providing meals to members and "neighbors" that have newborns or illnesses, etc. Please contact Lisa Truett (931-205-7446) or Bettina Horner (931-628-9018) if you know of someone needing this service.



Thank you so much for the prayers, cards and calls during my back problems. It has been a slow healing experience. Thank you for your concerns.

With Christian love,
Dorothy Weatherspoon



We are happy that **Adam & Charlie Lawson** has placed membership here at the Field. Welcome! They are Marlin & Barbara Lawson's son and daughter-in-law.



Members: Patsy Givens, Ralph Givens (Maury Regional), Brenda Scott, Brenda Stoltz, Tommy McClanahan (kidney transplant on Aug. 18th), Jewell Prince, Yvonna Caillouet, Janey Gilbert, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes, Lou Dickens, Paul & Noble Victory, Dewayne Victory & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: Wilma Orton (home), Hugh David Love (St. Thomas Hickman-uncle of Chris Love), Adam Loveless, Geraldine Amos, Helen Smith, Caleb Coates, Judy Hinson, Grayson Gunter (home), Mike Rhea, Jimmy Loveless, Helen Jerpe, Michael Harvill, Jay Pickard, Mary Spears, Christians, missionaries, military personal & people in the Ukraine, Everett Kelly, J.B. Brown, Nancy Clancy, Gus Gilreath, Willie Taylor (hospice), Ray Weatherspoon, Kevin Chandler, Jo James, Cody Crawford, Linda Goad, Doris & Marjorie Claud, Rebeca Mears, Greg Zoller, Seth Williams, Elizabeth Dunn, Kelley Wilson, Billie Church, Ann Spencer, Thomas Brady, Donald Brady, Doris Elam, Neil Jobe, Donna Gaspard, Rita Stacks, Jimmy Jenkins, Ruby Church, Carolyn Nash, Kathy Swinford Coleman, Jimmy George & William Dale Nash.

Life Care: Anthony Stacks, Wilma Green, Francis Qualls, Hester Moss

St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home: Naomi Bailey

Olive Branch Senior Living, Dickson: Martha Page

The Hickman County Relay for Life will honor all cancer survivors with a dinner on August 20th at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please see Sheila Brady to RSVP.

Hickman County Relay for Life has luminaria bags for sale for \$5 each which will be lit Relay. See any Relay member for details.



Aug 14 - 3rd-5th grade Devo, during evening service @FH
Aug 16 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 pm @ FH
Aug 21 - Puppet Show, during evening service in Lift-Off



Center Fielders News

“That Old Serpent”

As Sharon and I were sitting on the back patio we saw a snake come crawling toward the patio. It startled us both as we watched it stop just before coming on the patio. It raised its head up, looked at us, and then slithered under the deck. I was a little nervous but knew the snake had to go on somewhere else. So, I threw some rocks under the deck and sure enough, it went on and found another home. I don't like snakes and try my best to avoid them but sometimes they are unavoidable. My mind went to Revelation, where Satan is called “that old serpent.”

The devil is subtle and silent as he goes about his business. His goal is to deceive us and get our attention away from God. What is our reaction when we are tempted to harbor an evil thought or to lust after something forbidden? Do we respond in the same way as when we see a snake? Are we startled when a wrong thought occurs, or we see something impure? Do we run those bad thoughts away or do we hold on to them and let them live in our minds?

We cannot walk into a den of poisonous snakes and expect not to be bitten. We cannot go to places that are evil, entertain evil thoughts and expect Satan, that old serpent, to leave us alone. Once the devil starts injecting deadly venom of lust and idolatry into us, we are on the road to death. The poison will spread until it controls our thoughts and actions, unless we repent and turn to the Great Physician, Jesus Christ. Every day we must stay connected to God through prayer and Bible study so that we are alert and strong to resist that old serpent, the devil.

Obey God and watch Him work,

Rodney

Congratulations to Tommy Stanley who was baptized recently at Fairfield. He is married to the former Alison Brady Jacobs.

MEN TO SERVE AUGUST 14

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Vance Willis

Scripture Reading: Lyle Shepherd

Scripture: Psalm 63:1-3

Preside Lord's Supper: Norman George

Alternates: Phillip Coates, Gary Bailey

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Jerrie W Barber

Van Driver: Gary Basford 931-628-0355

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks

Scripture Reading: Phillip Coates

Scripture: Luke 10:38-42

Song Leader: Jeff Stacks

Opening Prayer: Roy McCoy

Lord's Supper: Dale Dillingham, Boyce Cannon

Closing Prayer: James Swaw

Van Driver: Gary Basford 931-628-0355

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Wright

Song Leader: Gary Basford

Opening Prayer: Gary Bailey

Invitation: Mike Kelley

Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855

AREA EVENT

The church of Christ at Five Points invites you to a Gospel Meeting with Bill McDonald on August 21-24, 2022. Sunday services: Bible Class at 9 am, Morning worship at 10 am, Fellowship meal at 11 am and Evening worship at 1 pm. Monday – Wednesday Evening worship at 7 pm.

Memorial

A contribution was given in memory of **Burton Winters** by **Phil & Diane Coates**.

A contribution was given in memory of **Jenny Chandler** and honor of **Clay & Linda Chandler** and **Phillip & Diane Coates** by **Lorraine Bates**.

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF August 7, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP	215
CONTRIBUTION:	\$4883
2022 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$4167

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF July 31, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP	200
CONTRIBUTION:	\$8672
2022 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$4167

REMEMBER TO FORGET

"...but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead..." Philippians 3:13

Our memory is a wonderful thing,
An important skill in life.
And the opposite is a needful mindset;
It is good to remember to forget.

Forget the sins which are forgiven,
For Christ's blood forgave all.
Sin unto death is no longer a threat;
So let us remember to forget.

Those mistakes we made in the past,
Can haunt us day by day,
Those sins which have so easily beset;
Unless we remember to forget.

We have the blessing of daily Prayer,
when wrongs can be forgiven.
We can be at peace at each sunset;
If we can remember to forget.

There is always God's grace
where our sins are oft forgotten.
So live with joy and not regret;
Just remember to forget.

-Dennis Doughty



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Instagram: fccfamily

VBS WEEK #4 - WATER FUN

