

## Our Gospel Meeting...

This Sunday we are privileged to start a gospel meeting. Let us not take this opportunity to study God's word lightly. Let us not take this opportunity to have fellowship with one another less than seriously. Let us not take this time to be evangelistic with any less zeal than we would the most important event in our life. The gospel of Jesus Christ will be proclaimed this week! It is a time for us to rejoice, invite, reflect, and show our love for God and for one another.

Gospel Meetings are too often looked at today as relics of days gone by. Many say that the gospel meeting is not what it once was. And as long as this is our attitude toward it, then it will be exactly that. Do we get excited about studying God's word. Do we delight in the preaching and teaching of the gospel? Our attitude makes a great difference when planning for and attending a gospel meeting. All good works start with good attitudes. Let's resolve in our hearts and minds to have the proper attitude toward this gospel meeting and let everyone know that we appreciate and love the gospel!

Gospel meetings are times when we get to enjoy fellowship with one another. I love my Christian family and I want to be with them as much as I can. We should view our Christian family with no less love than we would our own earthly families. We recognize the importance of spending time with our earthly families. Do we recognize the importance of spending time with our spiritual families? Our gospel meeting is a time to do exactly that and to show forth the love that we have for one another.

Gospel meetings should be times when we can work to evangelize our community. There are souls who are in need of the gospel of Christ right here in this city and county. They need the truth of God's word or they will be lost. Do we believe this? Do we remember the words of Jesus? Go out into the highways and byways and invite the poor, the lame, the sick, and the blind! All need to come and hear the gospel. Let's not limit our invitation but invite all to hear the good news proclaimed.

Gospel meetings are a time to show that we love God more than anything. Yes we all have earthly concerns with which we must deal on a daily basis. Yes we each have responsibilities at work, bills to pay, property to maintain, and many different concerns with which we are forced to deal on a daily basis. But we also recognize that things that are truly important are things that we WILL take time to do. Are our efforts in the kingdom of God any less important than these other things? They are, in fact, the most important efforts that we can make on the face of the earth. Do we believe **Matthew 6:33** when it comes to our yearly gospel meetings? Let us seek first God's kingdom this week as we MAKE the time to come and hear the gospel preached.

Yes, our gospel meeting is a time for zeal, fellowship, evangelism, and love for God. As we read in **Hebrews 10:19-25**; *"Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; And having an high priest over the house of God; Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."*

*~borrowed and adapted/from our 3/27/22 bulletin article.*

**On Our Prayer List...** / **W. R. Long**-been in hosp, now home with follow-up appts. **Toad Smith**-been in hosp, now home  
**Anita Buckner**-in Horizon-to be moved to NHC for rehab **Ruby Runions**  
**Rita Stevens**-CA **Al & Vicki Peek** **Jimmy Phy**

**Norma Ross**(Glenn's mother) hm recovering fr hernia surg. **Shane Cobb**-complications fr diabetes in Centennial  
**Sharon Curtis**—Cancer **Tony England**-Marvin's nephew— complications back sg  
**Wayne Hatcher**-mass on liver & wife **Debbie**-cancer in one eye **Tresa Garber Staggs**-(Frankie's daughter) cancer  
**Mike Parrish**-(Wesley's son) surg went well —now home recovering **Jackie Borders**-(Lauren Stuart's mom) cancer  
**Ethan McClure**-(friend of Buttrey family) has mass in stomach  
**Barry Dean**-(grandfather of a friend of Rachel Bell's) Cancer **Shirley Proctor**-(Robert's mom) @ Waverly for rehab  
**Beth Schreiber Fritts** (Wesley Parrish's cousin) breast CA **Jimmy Arnold** (Bruce&Roxanne's son's father-in-law)CA  
**Linda Burns**-(sister-in-law of Mike) home doing better **Carolyn Eddings**-cancer treatments  
**Wanda Wright**-chemo treatments **Jerry Belles**-sick requesting prayers **June Dreaden**-S.Rachford's mom  
**Faye Marshall**-(Traci Adams) mom /**Maggie Wright** (friend of N. Buttrey)CA-chemo **Kim Marlow**— CA  
**Jerry & Judy**(blood clot lungs)**Smith / Frank Hall**-(Brother-in-law Roy Deloach) Dialysis **Kenna Rickenbrode**-CA  
**Tim Crafton**-(Kathy Martin's nephew) advanced CA-no treatment at this time. **Larry Hayes** -fr Waverly COC) restarted chemo

### ASSISTED LIVING & NURSING HOME

**AHC Decatur County**-726 Kentucky Ave., Parsons,TN 38363-**Wyle Marshall** (Rm 726)-Traci Adams dad  
**Dickson Health & Rehab**—901 North Charlotte,Dickson,TN 37055 —**Clayton England** -Marvin's brother  
**Humphreys County**-**Billy Adams**-Rm 712/**Jane Ridings**-Rehab-Rm 704 /**Virginia Tate**now on hospice-606  
 104 Forte Hill Rd, Waverly, TN 37185 (Debbie Gentry & Sharon Tate's mom)  
**NHC**-812 N. Charlotte St. Dickson, TN 7055 —**Jim Buckner**—(Rm 116) **Doris Stokes**- (Rm 127)  
**Jim & Earline Davis**—Rm 103

### MILITARY

**Dustin Proctor**-(Navy-  
 1st Lt)  
 562 Box 7273,  
 FPO AP 96311-0073  
**Dalton & Hope Palk** -  
 (Navy-Louisiana)  
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 New Orleans, LA 70131

At HOME	HERBERT CAPPS- 1400 Bradley Rd/ EARL FORSTER-131 Bold Springs Rd/	ELTON SMITH - 7731 Hwy 70 East
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

**Our Spring Gospel Meeting with  
 "Andy Connelly" from the Crieve Hall  
 congregation will begin on  
 April 7th thur- April 10th.  
 With lessons on: "The Beauty & Behavior  
 of The Church"**

\*Hope you can join us for these powerful lessons.  
 \*Pot-luck meal on Sunday.

**Elders, Deacons, Preachers meet-  
 ing,**

Those that are going to "Makin Music" this coming Saturday, April 6th, we will be leaving at 11:15 AM. If you haven't paid yet please give your money to Keith. Cost is \$25.00 per person.

## I.N.F.O.C.U.S. Faith, Obedience, Character, Unity, Salvation

We had two youth activities this past week and they both revolved around eggs!! We had FLAME on Wednesday night and spent part of the time filling eggs for the egg hunt on Saturday. Some of our guys moved tables from a classroom over to the garage of the church house. After finishing those things, we came together for a game of Taboo followed by a meal together. I appreciate the youth that came and for the time we had together.

Our only other activity was our egg hunt on Saturday morning. We had 20 little ones, 6 teenagers and around 25 adults in attendance. We began with a great brunch together followed by a BIG egg hunt!! I appreciate all those that came and brought food, and for the adults and teens that "hide" the eggs. I also want to say thank you to all our members who supplied eggs. Congratulations to Olivia Buttrey and Jaxon Holt for finding the prize eggs!!

In Christian Love, Keith

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup> 2024

Welcome .....Ronnie Tyler  
 Lead Singing.....Mark Forster  
 1<sup>st</sup> Prayer.....W. R. Long  
 Sermon.....Andy Connelly  
 Lord's Table.....John Potter

Wendell Monroe	Bruce Mayfield
Terry Parchman	Wayne Vaughn
Robert Proctor	Jimmy Suddeath

Closing Prayer.....Drew Swearns  
 Collect Cards.....Caleb Coates  
 & Jack Grigsby  
 Greeters..... Not at this time  
 Nursery..... Not at this time  
 Collect Cups.....Youth  
 Security.....Team #3

### Sunday 6PM, April 7<sup>th</sup> 2024

Lead Singing..... Mark Forster  
 Prayer..... Calvin Buckner  
 Sermon..... Andy Connelly  
 Lord's Table.....Mike Robertson  
 Carter Howard  
 Closing Prayer.....Jim Ridings

### Wednesday 6:30 PM, April 10<sup>th</sup> 2024

Lead Singing.....John Hurt  
 Prayer.....Wayne Coates  
 Adult Class.....Andy Connelly

If you are unable to serve...please contact Wade Tummins, in advance. (cell 931-209-6291)  
 If changes need to be made in scheduling please contact Jimmy Phy.

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Week of March 31<sup>st</sup> 2024

A Caring Church Lifting Up The CROSS And CROWN of CHRIST

Our Spring Gospel meeting with Andy Connelly from the Crieve Hall Congregation will start this Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> thur Wednesday night the 10<sup>th</sup>. His lessons will focus on the: "THE BEAUTY & BEHAVIOR OF THE CHURCH"

We truly hope you can join us for these powerful lessons, and the opportunity to learn more about the Lord & His church.



Sunday 9am (Bible Class)  
 Sunday 10am (Worship)  
 "Lunch following AM worship"  
 Sunday 6pm  
 Mon-Wed. 7pm nightly

### Schedule of Services

**Sunday**  
 Bible Study.....9:00am  
 Worship..... 10:00am  
 Evening.....6:00pm

**Wednesday**  
 Bible Study..... 6:30pm

### Elders:

James Buckner	Calvin Buckner
Billy Buttrey	Bruce Mayfield
W.R. Long	Mike Robertson

### Deacons:

Derek Berryman	Mike Burns
Wayne Coates	Mark Forster
John Hurt	Barry Phy
Robert Proctor	James Ridings
Elton Smith	Joe Smith
Dwight Stuart	Drew Swearns
Dennis Tester	Ethan Tummins
Wade Tummins	Ronnie Tyler

### Staff:

Ministers ---- Every Member  
 Pulpit -----  
 Youth ----- Keith Grigsby  
 Secretaries  
 Terri Tummins/Teresa Fleming

\*If you are unable to attend any service please tune in to our Facebook page or our YouTube page to watch the services. This is NOT a replacement for the command to assemble together as Christ's Body, but a tool for those who may be homebound/shut-in or sick.

The MESSENGER is online!  
 Visit the church website to view!



### OUR RECORDS for 3/31/2024

Sunday Morning Bible School	-----	112
Sunday Morning Worship	-----	218
Sunday Evening Worship	-----	NC
Wed. Mid-week Bible Study (3/27)	-----	106
Sunday Contribution	-----	\$7,732
Number of Seeds Planted	-----	4

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