

A Message from the Elders

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.” - Matthew 28:19–20.

We are grateful to share an update regarding the ministry of Brother John Jones at the McEwen church of Christ.

John will continue to serve faithfully as our Pulpit Minister, carrying out his preaching and teaching responsibilities among us. In addition to this work, he will be assuming an expanded role as Evangelist and Outreach Minister, partnering with World Bible School to promote evangelistic efforts among local congregations.

In this outreach role, John will be working with congregations to encourage and strengthen evangelism through World Bible School, helping spread the gospel through Bible correspondence and personal study opportunities.

As part of this expanded ministry, there will be times when John will be away from the pulpit as he engages in outreach work. During those times, we will be blessed by other capable men who will service in preaching and teaching.

We are thankful for John’s dedication to the Lord’s work and for the opportunity to support efforts that align with the mission of Christ and His church. Please keep John, his family, and this evangelistic work in your prayers as this ministry continues to grow.

If you have any questions about this transition or would like to learn more about World Bible School and the outreach involved, please feel free to speak with the Elders or with John directly. This new role will be effective March 1st, 2026.

A Message from John -

Dear Church Family,

Erin, the kids, and I are very excited about this upcoming chapter in our work here in McEwen and with World Bible School. I will be assisting congregations in Tennessee and in the Midwest evaluate their current missions, correspondence course, and local evangelism work and suggest how World Bible School might be able to meet their needs in these areas. The ultimate goal is to preach the gospel to MORE people throughout the world so that MORE can be saved. I hope the McEwen congregation can benefit from World Bible School too! Check out the following websites to see all that World Bible School offers. What ways can you see this good work applied in our congregation to further our evangelistic outreach?

Worldbibleschool.net

On Our Prayer List...
*May we always be using God’s blessing & power of prayer for one another: Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them they should always pray & not give up. Luke 18:1.

{Recent Medical concerns/updates}		{Upcoming Surgeries-Recovery}
*BettySuddeath-home recovering from a fall *Jerry Martin-home not feeling well-due to extremely evaluated BP. *Betty James-continuing to recover @ home *Jerry Stuart—home-series condition		Gary Davis-eye surgery on Jan 8th

{THOSE DEALING/BEING TREATED FOR CANCER}		
*Jimmy Phy-CA *Lillian Childress-(Sherry Harvey’s aunt) successful radiation treatment *Dale Street-(N. Buttrey grandfather)CA *Hudson Jones-{2yr old son of Dan & Catherine,Walnut St COC—Leukemia} *Robert Gardner(friend of Bill Williams) CA *Debbie Gafford-friend of Diane Curtis		*Brian Gill-CA-keep in yr prayers *Mack Winstead-CA-continued prayers *Houston Howell *David Nowlin-CA treatments-WcoC elder *Jackie Borders-Lauren Stuart’s mom *Maggie Wright -(friend of N. Buttrey) CA

Listed below are those that are continuing to have on-going medical issues that are in need of our prayers.					
*Hattie Tate	*Betty Suddeath	*Al & Vicki Peek	*Marvin England	*Margie Gunn-now hm	
*Claude Hurt	*Carlene Davis	*Rhonda Canada	*Chase Lewis	*Doug Simpson	*Josh Barnett
*Marcia Simpson	*Sue Edmission	*Alyssa Gold	*Carolyn Wilson	*Mike Gunn	*Scotty Palk
*Joshua James-now hm	*Shane Cobb	*Warren (Johnny) Proctor	*Larry Fuqua	*Thelma Davidson	*Janie Brown
*Savannah Patrick-(Rhetts syndrome-Marsha Patrick’s granddaughter-she loves cards) c/o Jaimie Patrick—111 McJury Lane, Lafayette,TN					

{Assisted Living/Nursing Home/Rehab}		At Home in McEwen
AHC Decatur County-726 Kentucky Ave,Parsons,TN 38363Wyle Marshall-(Rm 726) (Traci Adams dad) NHC—812 N.Charlotte, Dickson,TN 37055 Humphreys County NH 104 Fort Hill Rd. Waverly,TN 37185-June Dreaden- Rm 204 Magnolia Place- 811 W. Main St, Waverly, TN 37185-Jimmy Tyler-(room 106) Waverly Hills Post Acute-895 Powers Blvd, Waverly, TN 37185-Bertha Bradford-rm 102A / Gary Pace		Jim & Jane Ridings-172 Indian Ck Rd Robert Bradford-347 Brown Mill Rd. Jimmy Mullinicks-56 Mike Street

ANNOUNCMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS		
A Special thanks to Barry Phy for presenting the budget last night & for all the work he does during the year as our treasurer. It involves a lot of work & Barry as done an excellent job for many years now. So, be sure & thank him when you see him!	<u>Ladies</u> *The Ruffled Mango Scripture writing group will meet together, Sun, Jan 18th @ 5:15 PM. Also on Jan 18th, if you signed up to be in a Tapestry Group. We will meet quickly after morning services in Adult Classroom I.	Mike & Connie Burns have agreed to take over from Ms Retha Raye & Shelly submitting our Dairy Queen receipts for them to reimburse the church a portion of. A box has been set-up in the back of the auditorium for you to put your receipts in. Thank You
This coming Friday, Jan 9th- Area Wide Singing @ New Spring Creek COC- Mark will be taking the bus from here which will leave @ 6:10 PM. Please sign the list in the foyer if you would like to attend.		
There's still time to sign up for the Great Smokey Mountain Marriage Retreat (February 11-15) for any of our couples interested. Info is on the back table in the auditorium & the church will be covering your tuition cost. See Keith if your interested in, it's a great opportunity for couples of any age.		

IN.F.O.C.U.S.	Faith, Obedience, Character, Unity, Salvation
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It is time to get back in the swing of things as Christmas break is over and the kids are back in school today. We had our first devotional of 2026 on Sunday night. We had 9 young people and 6 adults in attendance. We began with a devotional period of singing followed by a devotional thought. After devo we came together and enjoyed a great meal and time of fellowship. I appreciate all those that came and for the ladies who helped to bring desserts. I am thankful for Laurie working hard to prepare the food for us. We all enjoyed a great night together!

2026 is off and running, please be sure to keep a check on our youth group Facebook page for upcoming events and activities.
In Christian Love, Keith

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday, January 11th 2026

WelcomeMike Tyler
Lead Singing.....Mark Forster
1st Prayer.....Calvin Buckner
Sermon.....John Jones
Lord's Table.....Billy Buttrey
Glenn Ross Wayne Coates
Derek Berryman Gerald Curtis
Thomas Cook Jack Grigsby
Closing Prayer.....Ronnie Tyler
Collect Cards.....Stirling Hurt
& Hudson Buttrey
Greeters.....Drew & Morgan Peyton
Nursery..... Not at this time
Collect Cups.....Youth
Security.....Team #4

Sunday 6PM January 11th2026

Lead Singing.....Mark Forster
Prayer.....Drew Buttrey
Sermon.....John Jones
Lord's Table.....Ty Adams
& Todd Mullinicks
Closing Prayer.....Ethan Tummins

Wednesday 6:30 PM, January 14th 2026

Lead Singing.....John Hurt
Prayer.....Mark Forster
Adult Class.....John Jones



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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Return Service Requested

  *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 1/5/2026

Sunday Morning Bible School	122
Sunday Morning Worship	195
Sunday Evening Worship	107
Wed-Mid-Week Bible Study	99
Sunday Contribution	\$8,703



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A Caring Church Lifting Up The CROSS And CROWN of CHRIST

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God,
the Lord is one. You shall love the
Lord your God with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all
your might.

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-5



Sunday Morning

"Upcoming Sermons"

Sunday Night

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study.....9:00am

Worship.....10:00am

Evening.....6:00pm

Wednesday

Bible Study.....6:30pm

Elders:

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

Joe Smith Dwight Stuart

Ethan Tummins Wade Tummins

Ronnie Tyler

Staff:

Ministers ---- Every Member

Pulpit ----- John Jones

Youth ----- Keith Grigsby

Secretaries ----- Terri Tummins
Teresa Fleming

EVANGELISM PROGRAM

Continue to be:

1. Praying for those we are studying with
2. To provide new {Contact's} cards for us to reach out to.

(Team - 1 there may be cards to work on this Wednesday night.)