

Hey Church Family,

This coming Sunday is our annual Missions Sunday! We hope that you'll be here with us to help us raise funds for the missionaries that our eldership has chosen to support. Many years ago, Bro. Jim Suddeath began this tradition and we hope to continue it to honor our part in the Lord's Great Commission: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:19-20).

World missions are near and dear to my heart. If you didn't know (which would be hard to do since I talk about it alot!), Erin and I moved to the Wellington, New Zealand area in 2013 and were involved in the work there for about a decade. During that time we had the opportunity to work with two local congregations, get to know the Christians all over the country, and even visit congregations in Australia and Pacific Islands.

During our time working with churches on the other side of the world, we realized how blessed we are in America. I'm not talking about the blessings of finances or freedoms. I mean the spiritual blessings of having so many New Testament Christians in close proximity to us. In a 2018 census of the New Zealand churches of Christ, it was reported that there were about 904 church members in a country of close to 5 million. Tennessee's state population is a similar number, but it is reported that there are 214,118 members of churches of Christ in the Volunteer State. In terms of ratios, Of every 30 Tennesseans you run into, 1 of them will be a member of the church. In New Zealand, you'd have to meet 5,253 people to meet 1 member of the church. In terms of numbers, it's obvious that the gospel needs to be taken to the ends of the earth.

While American missionaries are still needed in places around the world like this, American churches can learn a lot from congregations around the world. In places like New Zealand, congregations are much smaller and many more miles between. Here in the States, if you get upset with your elders or your preacher, you can just up and move to a congregation across town and not think much about it. In places like New Zealand, the next closest congregation may be 2 or 3 hours drive away! Because of this, they know how important it is to learn to live together in unity. Here in the States, we often consider it 'church growth' when members from other congregations move to worship with us instead of where they previously were. In New Zealand, active evangelism is always taking place because there are no nearby congregations for other members to move from. What impressed us the most about our time there was the number of first generation Christians. While we are thankful for the faith of our parents or grandparents who passed down the truth to us (as they should! See 2 Timothy 1:5), it was invigorating to hear people tell the story about who knocked on their door and taught them the gospel.

We pray you'll join us this Missions Sunday and consider the Lord's Church in the places all around the world where it meets. You'll be encouraged and gain a more global concept of the church of Christ. Please know that we are incredibly grateful for your financial support of these sound and fruitful mission efforts.

- John

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 in need of our prayers}

***Denise Thomason** -home recovering from hip replacement.

{THOSE DEALING/BEING TREATED FOR CANCER}

***Kenny Fleming** -continued endurance with cancer issues

***Lillian Childress**-(Sherry Harvey's aunt) finished radiation, upcoming check up.

***Dale Street**-(N. Buttrey grandfather)CA

***Mack Winstead**-CA-continued prayers

***Hudson Jones**-(2yr old son of Dan & Catherine,Walnut St COC-Leukemia}

***Robert Gardner**-(friend of Bill Williams) CA

***Casey Vailes**-(Ranae Duncan's son) Cancer

***David Stokes**-(Jordan Stokes& Carly Stone's dad) & Drew Swearns step-dad

***Jimmy Phy** -continued endurance with cancer

***Houston Howell**

***David Nowlin**-CA treatments-WcoC elder

***Wanda Dobbins**-(kin to Tylers) terminal CA

***Jackie Borders**-Lauren Stuart's mom

***Maggie Wright** -(friend of N. Buttrey) CA

***Alan Jones**-esophageal CA-treatments

***Joel Flowers**-(Joey's dad) Cancer

Listed below are those that are continuing to have on-going medical issues that are in need of our prayers.

***Andy Marlor**-fractured hip

***Marcia Simpson**

***Doug Simpson**

***Whitney(Bullion)Sager**

***Helen Damesesorth** -@Vanderbilt hospital-serious condition

***Thelma Davidson**-(Gwen's sister, now home-continued prayers)

***Savannah Patrick**-(Rhett's syndrome-Marsha Patrick's granddaughter-she loves cards) c/o Jaimie Patrick—111 McJury Lane, Lafayette,TN

***Hattie Tate**

***Carolyn Wilson**

***Josh Barnett**

***Shane Cobb**

***Betty Suddeath**

***Claude Hurt**

***Mike Gunn**

***Warren (Johnny) Proctor**-back hm fr rehab.

***Al & Vicki Peek**

***Carlene Davis**

***Sue Edmission**

***Alyssa Gold**

***Marvin England**

***Margie Gunn**

***Alyssa Gold**

***Alton Gordon**

***Chase Lewis**

{Assisted Living/Nursing Home/Rehab

AHC Decatur County-726 Kentucky Ave,Parsons,TN 38363**Wyle Marshall**-(Rm 726)
(Traci Adams dad)

NHC-812 N.Charlotte, Dickson,TN 37055- **JoAnn Haley**

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**

At Home in McEwen

Jim & Jane Ridings-172 Indian Ck Rd

Robert & Bertha Bradford-347 Brown Mill Rd.

Jimmy & Retha Raye Mullinicks-56 Mike St.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Graveside service for **Ralph Simpson** (Ruby Dell's brother & Mike Burns uncle) this Thursday, Oct 30th @ 1:00 pm @ Anderson Cemetery on Little Blue Ck Rd

231 Trash Pick-up is scheduled for Sat, Nov 8th @ 7:30am.

Continue to remember all the families who lost loved ones in the Oct 10th explosion. Especially those near to us:

Billy Baker- service was on Oct 18th; **Adam Boatman & James Cook**(kin to Thomas & the Tyler's) services were on Oct 25th,

Steven Wright-(Amy Tester's brother) will be on Sat, Nov 1st from 11:00 with service @ 1:00 @ New Life Church in Hurricane Mills.

Jeremy Moore-(Alneita Rye's grandson) service will be on Sat, Nov 8th, visitation @10:00 until service @4:00 @ Luff Bowen,McEwen.

Remember our Trunk or Treat this Thursday, October 30th from 6:00-7:30.
***For all the candy brought & all the trunks & help coming (we & the community) say thank you!**



Ladies, our Christmas Exchange for this year will be on Nov 16th after evening service, please bring a \$10-\$12 gift along with finger foods. We will also be choosing a new study for our "Tapestry Groups" for Jan 2026.

"REMEMBER THIS COMING" SUNDAY, NOV 2nd is:

***Mission Sunday** with a pot-luck meal to follow ***Time Change & *Elders, Deacons Preachers Meeting @ 5:00pm**

Ladies: Karen Wright will begin teaching a new Ladies Class on "Women of the Bible" on Sunday mornings starting on Nov 9th in adult classroom 1.

Upcoming baby Shower for Sarah Potter & baby girl on Saturday Nov 15th.

Veterans Appreciation -Please call the office @ 582-6130) & let us know if on Mon, Oct 10th -11:30-12:30 you would prefer to have a meal here @ the building or have delivered to your home.



IN F.O.C.U.S. Faith, Obedience, Character, Unity, Salvation

The rain on Sunday put a little damper on our youth events. We had planned to take a group to Keller's Pumpkin Patch, but Keller's closed due to weather. Unfortunately, we will not be able to re-schedule this event. Hopefully next year will work out better for us. Our only other youth event was our devo Sunday night. We had 17 young people and 9 adults in attendance. We spent our time together playing a game of guys vs girls Pictionary. It came down to the wire, but the girls ended up pulling it out by one point. Afterwards, we enjoyed a great meal together and time of fellowship. I want to give a big THANK YOU to Karen Wright for providing the food. It was a great meal! Please remember our Trunk or Treat this Thursday night at 6:00. We look forward to a great night! In Christian Love, Keith

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday, November 2nd 2025

WelcomeW. R. Long
Lead Singing.....Mark Forster
1st Prayer.....Joe Smith
Sermon.....John Jones
Lord's Table.....Ronnie Tyler

Jacen Robertson Mike Robertson
Danny Dotson Robert Proctor
Wayne Coates Wendell Monroe

Closing Prayer.....Drew Buttrey
Collect Cards.....Slate Berryman
 & Hudson Buttrey
Greeters.....Dwight & LeAnne Stuart
Nursery..... Not at this time
Collect Cups.....Youth
Security.....Team #4

Sunday 6PM November 2nd 2025

Lead Singing.....Mark Forster
Prayer.....Calvin Buckner
Sermon.....John Jones
Lord's Table.....Dwight Stuart
 & Wayne Vaughn
Closing Prayer.....Ethan Tummins

Wednesday 6:30 PM, November 5th 2025

Lead Singing.....Bill Williams
Prayer.....Bruce Mayfield
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.

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OUR RECORDS for 10/26/2025

Sunday Morning Bible School	— — — — —	114
Sunday Morning Worship	— — — — —	191
Sunday Evening Worship	— — — — —	95
Wed-Mid-Week Bible Study	— — — — —	121
Sunday Contribution	— — — — —	\$8,934



The MESSENGER

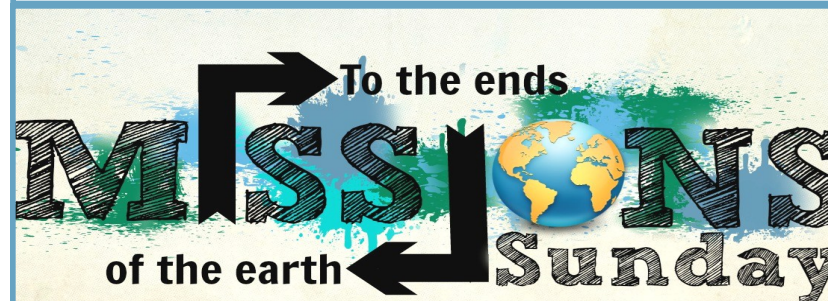
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Week of October 26th 2025

A Caring Church Lifting Up The CROSS And CROWN of CHRIST



Both - this Sunday, November 2nd 2025



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 - 4 will have cards to work on
this Wednesday night.}**