

BULLETIN

Our Purpose: "To glorify Christ in holiness, worship, evangelism and compassion."

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Lines of Encouragement...

THE BLOOD

One night in a church service a young woman felt the tug of God at her heart. She responded to God's call and accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior.

The young woman had a very rough past, involving alcohol, drugs, and prostitution. But, the change in her was evident. As time went on she became a faithful member of the church. She eventually became involved in the ministry, teaching young children.

It was not very long until this faithful young woman had caught the eye and heart of the pastor's son. The relationship grew and they began to make wedding plans.

This is when the problems began. You see, about one half of the church did not think that a woman with a past such as hers was suitable for a pastor's son. The church began to argue and fight about the matter. So they decided to have a meeting...

As the people made their arguments and tensions increased, the meeting was getting completely out of hand. The young woman became very upset about all the things being brought up about her past. As she began to cry the pastor's son stood to speak. He could not bear the pain it was causing his wife to be. He began to speak and his statement was this:

"My fiancée's past is not what is on trial here.. What you are questioning is the ability of the blood of Jesus to wash away sin. Today you have put the blood of Jesus on trial. So, does it wash away sin or not?"

The whole church began to weep as they realized that they had been slandering the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. Too often, even as Christians, we bring up the past and use it as a weapon against our brothers and sisters.

Forgiveness is a very foundational part of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. If the blood of Jesus does not cleanse the other person completely then it cannot cleanse us completely. If that is the case, then we are all in a lot of trouble.

What can wash away my sins? Nothing but the blood of Jesus! End of case!!!!

"Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved."

Psalm 55:23

~~Author Unknown

PRAYER LIST

Irene Daniels

Ralph Bucy

Darra Adkins is in the Baptist Hospital in Huntingdon with congestive heart failure.

Mary Kee

Austin McCain

Delanie Roberson, daughter of Jackie & Brenda Scott, is in the McKenzie Hospital.

Troy Townsend, son of Rebekah Townsend

BAPTISM

Congratulations to David Dabbs, nephew of Betty Miller, who was baptized into Christ On Sun., Mar. 14th.

Congratulations to Kayla Taylor, who responded to the Lord's invitation seeking God's forgiveness and the prayers & support of her church family on Sun., Mar. 14th.

SINGLES' OUTING

Singles, don't forget to sign up for the trip to the Dixie on Sat., Mar. 20th. You can give Dan or Deb Simon your \$12.00. We'll meet at the church building at 1:15 p.m.

IN MEMORY

Monetary Donation to the Mission Fund

In Memory of: Donated by:
Connie Tucker...Steve & Mary Ann Baker

MISSION TRIP

Please remember Lauren Hickman in your prayers as she travels to the Dominican Republic this week on a mission trip.

...JARROD'S JARGON...

I hope that this bulletin article finds you doing well and enjoying your week. Our Family Night this past Sunday night went well, the wings were great; but the fellowship was even better. I did notice that we had several of our usual attendees out-of-pocket, I want you to know that you were missed and hopefully we will see you at the next Family Night. Remember...Family Night is open to everyone in the congregation not just those with young children.

Middle School students we have been invited to join the West Dyersburg congregation in their Middle School Retreat at the end of the month. So, for anyone in the 5th – 8th Grade we will have a retreat for you on March 26-28. We will be going to Columbia, Tennessee and staying at the Lodge at the Graymere church of Christ. Cost will be \$15 and we will leave after school on Friday. There is a sign-up list on the youth bulletin board.

MS-HS Spring Retreat will be April 12-14. This is during our spring break. We will be going to Liberty Retreats just outside McKenzie. This retreat is close enough that those who might have any type of ball practice can come and go as they need to, but it still will allow you to participate in the Retreat. There is a sign-up list on the youth bulletin board.

Let me encourage you to spend some time this week in prayer and reading the Bible, I know that God would love it and it will greatly benefit you. Have an awesome week. J-rod

MS – HS Devo. Sun., Mar. 21st
6-8 p.m. (Guys bring 2-liter drinks,
Girls bring desserts) Place: TBA

STATISTICS 3/14/10

Bible Study.....210
A.M. Worship.....297
P.M. Worship.....190

Wednesday.....188
Contribution.....\$7680.20

**“FORWARD MARCH”
BUILDING CAMPAIGN
UPDATE
3 –YEAR PLEDGES:
\$887,522.89
AMOUNT COLLECTED
\$582,727.49**

**TENNESSEE CHILDREN’S HOME SPRING FOOD & SUPPLY
DRIVE**

We are participating in the Tennessee Children Home’s Food & Supply Drive. There is a list posted on the bulletin board in the foyer of the items they are in need of. There is a container in the foyer to receive your donations. The truck will be here to pick up items on Tues., March 23rd.

CHILDREN’S VITATMINS FOR HONDURAS

The Honduras Mission Team is in need of donations of Children’s Vitamins to take to Honduras. The vitamins need to be the hard tablet type and not the gummy bear, soft gel type. Please turn in any donations by May 1st. The vitamins we collected last year have expired and had to be discarded. Thank you very much for your generosity.

MILITARY ADDRESSES

Charles Hudson
Headquarters 194th Engineer Brigade
Joint Base Balad Iraq
APO AE 09391

SSG Beadles, Ricky
JLTF 571 1171ST TC
APO AE 09366

THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you for remembering our mother and our family. We appreciate each and every kindness that you have shown us. Thank you for the blessing of your prayers and words of sympathy. Your cards and phone calls and food and the meal that you prepared for us. We appreciate everyone that helped with the meal. We are grateful to Danny Ferrell and Brother Jim Roberts in conducting mother’s service and anyone that helped in any way. Thank you for all of you that attended the service. It was a blessing to have you there. Again, our heartfelt thanks for all of your kindnesses and remembrances of our mother and our family. With Love, Judy Winters & Richard Ruffell & family of Connie S. Tucker

Thank you so much for the birthday cards that were sent to my mother. She has enjoyed them so very much! Thanks, Martha McCadams

PRIME-TIMERS

Every Wednesday Morning
10: 30 a.m.
Fellowship Hall, Rm. 102

THOSE TO SERVE
SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2010

Morning Worship Service:

Greeters: Martha Whitworth, Vernetta Hacker,
Chad & Josefina Batton

Announce:Bruce Batton

Sing:David Johnson

Pray:Bobby Russell

Scripture:.....Ty McClain

Dismiss:Bill Mayberry

Nursery: ..Janet Bailey, Amber Ferrell, Beth Sisson

Ushers:Doug Maddox & Danny Martin

9-9:45:Billy Brown

Control Board:.....Chad Turman

Attendance Cards: Bransen McCaleb,
Conner Pinson, Will Clark & Aaron Hilliard

Correspondence: (Mar.) Sarah Sanders

The Lord's Table:

Ricky Stout*.....Dan Simon*

Rusty Sawyers.....Doug Hilliard

Chad Batton.....Jerry Sawyers

Jeff Whitworth.....Chuck Sisson

Preparation: ..Kara Atkins & Valerie Sanders

Evening Worship Service:

Announce:Randy Delaney

Sing:David Johnson

Pray:Josh Walker

Dismiss:Charlie Culver

Nursery: ...Sherry Epperson & Phoebe Cunningham

Wednesday Evening, March 24, 2010

Sing.....Bill Suiter

Scripture:.....Brady Wilkes

Prayer:Bruce Batton

Dismiss:Tim Clark

Nursery:Linda Hamlin & Joan Brown

Christian Counseling Center
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