

Leading Our Worship				
<u>OCTOBER CHAIRMAN</u> Kevin Eubanks	<u>GREETERS FOR THE MONTH</u> Clay & Kayla Adkins Travis & Jennifer Harrison		<u>PREPARE COMMUNION</u> Jerry & Connie Bush	
<u>Serving At The Table</u> Will James Bradley Grider Tommy Williams Tyler Magan Josh Adkins Dawson Eubank Russell Simpson Caden Hammer	<u>Servers / Ushers</u> Todd Childress Jerry Bush Landon Bryant Rick Logsdon Derek Depp	<i>For the Record</i> <u>10/12/25 Attendance</u> Bible Study– 268 AM Worship– 364 PM Worship– 234 <u>10/12/25 Contribution</u> \$17,755 <i>Budget- \$17,512</i> <u>10/15/25 Attendance</u> 238	<u>Elders</u> Kevin Eubanks Roger Johnson David Pahman Stephen Pitcock <u>Deacons</u> Derek Depp Andrew Gott Barrett Hammer Travis Harrison Duane Hudson Will James Derek Johnson Michael King Justin Lohden Jack Mabry Mike McGuire Wayne Moyers Greg Neville Jon Paschal Smith Sexton Randy Simpson Mike Thomas Jeremy Waddell Roger Watt Rick Wheat Barry White Andy Wright <u>Ministers</u> Hiram Kemp Neal Pollard <u>Secretaries</u> Kya Hendrick Ashley Waddell	
<u>Sunday Morning</u> Opening Prayer Song Leader Lord’s Supper Prayer Scripture Reading Announcements/Prayer Lights Off - Lockup Bus Driver A/V Room	<u>October 19th</u> Greg Neville Mike Lents Chuck Raymer Kyle Wilson Kevin Eubanks Bryan Sipes Grant Wilson Kason & Randy	<u>October 26th</u> Roger Johnson David Pahman Mike Lents Harold Seaton Kevin Eubanks Duane Hudson Rick Wheat Will & Jon		
<u>Sunday Evening</u> Announcements Song Leader Scripture Reading Closing Prayer Lights Off - Lockup	<u>October 19th</u> Justin Lohden Kason Eubanks Jaxon Baldwin Ronnie Rhoads Bryan Sipes	<u>October 26th</u> Todd Dickerson Chase Johnson Brady Baughman Jason Sowders Duane Hudson		
<u>Wednesday Evening</u> Announcements/Prayer Song Leader Devotional Lights Off - Lockup	<u>October 22nd</u> Travis Harrison Ben Triplet Mike Lents Landon Bryant	<u>October 29th</u> Miller Slaughter Mike McGuire Travis Harrison Ethan Wheat	<u>Hours of Worship</u> Sunday Bible Class 9:30 AM Sunday Worship 10:30 AM Sunday Worship 6 PM Wednesday Bible Study 7 PM If unable to serve, contact: Wayne Moyers (270) 779-2410 Dale Wiley (270) 901-7356	



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How to Build Stronger Relationships as a Church Family Hiram Kemp One of the ways the Bible refers to the church is as a family. We are the household of God (1 Timothy 3:15), members of the same family (Ephesians 2:19), and eternal brothers and sisters in Christ (Matthew 23:8; 1 Peter 2:17). This is how the church is viewed from heaven’s perspective. We must strive to share this same view of the family of God. This means we must be more than worship partners who come to the same building three times a week. God’s desire is that as we prepare to spend eternity together in His presence, our bonds with each other would deepen in view of the eternal fellowship we will enjoy in heaven (Revelation 7:9-17). We often talk about wanting to be closer and strengthening our love and affiliation as a church family. It is right that this be a top priority because love among disciples is one of Jesus’ top requirements for His church (John 13:34-35; 15:12; 1 John 4:19-21). How can we build stronger relationships as a church family? This is not to suggest there are no strong relationships or that we are distant and cold, but how can we excel and abound? 1. Worship Together (Acts 2:42) - Our worship is vertical toward God but also horizontal as we build each other up. The early church assembled to worship, and as they did, they grew closer (Acts 2:42). While there are times to worship privately (James 5:16), corporate worship is a time of blessing as we draw near to each other and to God (James 4:8). When we worship, be sure you worship. Sing to God but also to me (Ephesians 5:19). Take the Lord’s Supper and examine what He did for you and for us as a family (1 Corinthians 11:23-30). When we pray and say “Amen,” we agree together and draw closer as family. 2. Work Together (Acts 5:42; 8:4) - As we do kingdom work together, our lives intertwine in healthy ways. Fellowship is joint participation in spiritual things. As we engage in evangelism (Acts 5:42; 8:4), service to the needy (James 1:27), and encouragement (Hebrews 10:24), we become closer than ever. If you are not as close to others as you’d like, be more invested in the church’s work (1 Corinthians 15:58). As we labor together, our relationships evolve (Philippians 1:27). 3. Walk Through Life Together (Romans 12:15) - Doing life together builds bonds that can’t be manufactured. Rejoicing and weeping together remind us we do not live the Christian life alone. As we restore each other and bear burdens (Galatians 6:1-5), we grow beyond acquaintances. The early church spent their days together, shaping their relationships (Acts 2:43-47). The more time we spend together, the stronger our ties become. 4. Willing to Forgive (Ephesians 4:32) - Strong relationships require forgiveness. Getting close means there will be hurts and disappointments. As we repent, reconcile, and forgive, our connections grow stronger. Refuse to hold a grudge (Colossians 3:12-14). Forgive as Christ forgave you (Ephesians 4:32). Reject bitterness (Hebrews 12:15). When we do, our relationships will blossom, and we will behave like the forever family we truly are.		

Sermon Notes

A Biblical View Of Identity In A Confused World - Genesis 1:26-27

Hiram Kemp

1. _____ Your _____ as an _____ (Genesis 1:26-27)

2. _____ Your _____ For _____ (1 John 5:21)

3. _____ with _____ (2 Corinthians 4:3-5)

4. _____ False _____ with the Gospel (Galatians 1:6-10)

5. _____ Your _____ Through _____ (Matthew 5:16)

6. _____ in _____ Alone (Galatians 3:28-29, 6:14)

PM: The Lord’s Church Is Built By Christ (Matt. 16:13-19) - Neal Pollard

I. PEOPLE _____ ON OTHER _____ (13-14)

II. WE MUST _____ (15)

III. THE _____ ANSWER IS VERY _____ (16)

IV. THE _____ CONCLUSION IS A _____ ONE (17)

V. THE _____ BUILDING HAS CERTAIN _____ (18-19)

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Watch *Light of the World* on WNKY-NBC TV or WVBS Online. Sundays at 6:30 AM & 10 AM with Hiram & Neal.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

- **Memory verse for the week of October 19th:** Matthew 22:14
- The **CYC** sign-up sheet is posted on the MPR bulletin board. Please sign-up soon so we can order enough tickets. See Travis Harrison if you have any questions.
- **October 19th:** Today is the last day to sign-up for the Teen Retreat. Adult chaperones need to make sure they register as well. You can find the flyer on the MPR bulletin board.
- **October 19th:** Teen girls’ *GIFTS* class will meet today at 4:45 PM.
- **October 19th:** 3rd Sunday youth devo (7th-12th grade) following services tonight at David and Sarah Pahman’s house at 7:30 PM. Travis Harrison will be driving the bus immediately following services. Dinner will be provided.
- **October 24-25th:** Family Retreat at Big Reedy Christian Camp is this weekend! We’re looking forward to a great weekend with our guest speaker from Oklahoma City, Tim Lewis. The sign-up sheet & schedule are posted on the MPR bulletin board. Please sign-up today if you haven’t already! If you need transportation Friday PM or Saturday AM, please contact Justin or Amanda Lohden.
- **Lads to Leaders:** L2L is for youth, Pre-K—12th grade. Kids can be involved a little or a lot—and many are already participating through Pew Packers and Bible classes. Most events are non–competitive. The goal for all events is training. Registration deadline is next Sunday, October 26th. Please see Randy or Sherry Simpson with any questions.
- **October 28th:** Ladies’ Bible Study next Tuesday at Kathy Pollard’s house at 7 PM.
- **November 15th:** Foundation Christian Academy will have its annual chili supper & auction in the Ray Gymnasium. Local churches donate baskets & other items to help raise money for the school. For several years, Cumberland Trace has donated a technology item to be auctioned. If you would like to give, please see Amanda or Justin Lohden. See the flyer in the MPR for more information.

Those Who Need Our Prayers

- **Ryanna Shields**, Shannon Anthony’s granddaughter, has recently been diagnosed with leukemia. Please keep Ryanna, Shannon, and the rest of the family in your prayers. (If you would like to purchase a gas or food gift card to help with expenses, please give to Amanda Lohden.)
- **Shirley Mills’** lung biopsy will be tomorrow, October 20th. Please pray for her and Larry as they await results.
- **Tommy Guinn**, Matt Guinn’s father, has been released from Vanderbilt. His kidney function continues to improve.
- **Perry Lawrence** is scheduled to have a carotid ultrasound on November 25th. Remember him and Robin in your prayers as he awaits testing & results.
- **Floyd & Jonelle Mosley** as they recover from a recent car accident. They are okay, just sore.

Warren Vaughn (Former Lehman Ave. elder)

Derrick Lewis (Vivian Grise’s brother)

Angie Embry (Molly Sipes’ relative)

Becky Bruner (Betty Bruner’s daughter)

Bill Brumit (Brenda Word’s brother)

Gracie Pitcock (Chris & Amber’s daughter)

Sarah Nicks (Harold Nicks’ sister)

Lauren Johnson (Rick & Esa Logsdon’s daughter)

Teresa Hoggard (Roger & Linda Taylor’s daughter)

Tracy Eidson (Joan Roemer’s brother)

Sandy Lewis (Cousin of several of our members)

Mike Whitaker (Friend of Duane Hudson)

Addy Smith (Tom & Peggy Kitchens’ great-granddaughter)

Delford Johnson (Derek Johnson/Ann Keown’s father)

Laurie Wright (Andy Wright’s sister)

Beverly Dunning, Charlie & Ann Wolfe, Donna Potter (Colonial Manor, Room 13A), Ed & Mary Whieldon, Edith Riley, Georgia Hudson (Colonial Manor, Room 3A), Helen Vanzant (Village Manor, Room 214), James & Barbara Jones, James Tabor, Jan Painter, Janet Brent, Lee Swetmon, Loretta Celsor, Margaret Breedlove (Signature Health, Room 164-B), Margo Bale, Maxie Jones, Ronnie & Patty Cosby, Pat Hodges, Raymond & Murl Raymer, Scott Williams (Cal Turner, Room B-8), Virginia Darmondy (Arcadia, Apt. 221)