

March 2026

THE MESSENGER

ASSEMBLIES: Sunday Mornings

Worship	9:00
Coffee Fellowship	10:10
Bible Classes	10:30

Sunday Evenings

See inside for details

Wednesday Evenings

Bible Classes 6:30

Spanish Speaking Assemblies:

Sunday Morning	
Bible Classes	10:30
Worship	11:30



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followers of Jesus.

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Eric Bryant	Rob Johnson	Kent Pardon	Phillip Young, Jr.
Chris Carroll	Ted Johnson	Troy Rubert	
Rob Cofer	Ben Jones	Elyar Sanchez	
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Egg Hunt

March 22

3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

*At the home of Randy and Jeannie Davidson
(2997 Evans Lane, Columbia, TN 38401)*

*Bring candy or prefilled eggs to the Family Center Kitchen by March 18.
Sign up at the Information Center or scan the QR code.*

Get to Know the Burkhart Family

Jeremy Burkhart Hometown: Mt. Juliet, TN

Where did you go to school?

Freed-Hardeman University
(B.S. – 2011; M.S. – 2014)
Radford University (Psy.D. – 2019)
Doctor of Psychology
(Counseling Psychology)

Where do you work? Clinic Director for
Family Care Center in Spring Hill since
June 2025

U.S. Army Reserves since May 2020

Where all have you lived? Pinson, TN;
Christiansburg, VA; Colorado Springs, CO; Floyd, VA; El Paso, TX;
and now Columbia, TN. Moves were for education, employment, or
military mobilizations.

What are some of your hobbies/interests? I enjoy weightlifting,
woodworking, yard work, and working with my hands when able.

When did you become a Christian? 2000 at Maple Hill Church of
Christ in Lebanon, TN

How would you describe your spiritual journey?

I was raised in the church but really began to feel connected during
high school. I loved my time in the youth group and even wanted
to become a full-time youth minister at one time. I've really never
known a time without church in my life, but worship and connection
with God's people in several different churches throughout our
moves has taught me to bear with others and learn something from
every experience.

**Before coming to West Seventh, in what ways did you serve at
your congregation?** Hannah and I have helped in youth mentorship,
especially after joining Radford Church of Christ, leading trips to
CYC. I have taught middle/high school and adult Bible classes and
led congregational singing.

What's one of your favorite scriptures? I enjoy Gal. 6:2 as guide
for my life, but I also love God's retort of Job (Ch. 38-41) for its
descriptions of God's awesome power and authority.

What's one of your favorite songs? "No Hard Feelings" by The
Avett Brothers

What's one of your favorite childhood memories? Making my
Grannie laugh even if it was painful for her

**What's been one of the scariest/most challenging moments of
your life?** My wife's and daughter's medical hospitalizations over
the last three years. These experiences exemplified how a church
family can make the difference during painful experiences.

Who has influenced you significantly? My father-in-law has
probably had the most profound influence on my life in the last 18
years, aside from my own wife and family. He is always inspiring in
conversations on Biblical topics and has taught me so many lessons
on being a strong Christian man, husband, and father.

Name something you've done that is unique. Rode along on a night
training mission with a CH-47 Chinook team after meeting one of the
pilots through church in El Paso, TX.

Hannah Burkhart Hometown: Lebanon, TN

Children:

Nora (2.5 years)

Ruby (1 year)

Where did you go to school? Freed-Hardeman
University (B.S. in Early Childhood Education/
Child & Family Studies – 2011)

Where do you work? Stay-at-home mom
("Retired" Teacher)

Where all have you lived? Pinson, TN;
Christiansburg, VA; Colorado Springs, CO; Floyd, VA; El
Paso, TX; and now Columbia, TN. Moves were for education,
employment, or military mobilizations.

What are some of your hobbies/interests? Hiking, crafting, basic
sewing, woodburning

When did you become a Christian? sixth grade

How would you describe your spiritual journey? After being
raised in the church, God has blessed my journey by teaching me
something new at every place we have moved while allowing
several life challenges from which to grow and develop a faith of
my own.

**Before coming to West Seventh, in what ways did you serve at
your congregation?** Most recently at Radford Church of Christ,
I taught Bible classes for the children, helped with VBS and
organized our youth trips to CYC. To encourage our college and
young adult members, I coordinated "Encouragement Care Packs."

What's one of your favorite scriptures? Isaiah 58:11

What's one of your favorite books? *Think Good* by JL Gerhardt

What's one of your favorite movies? *The Princess Bride*

What's one of your favorite songs? "Come Thou Fount of Every
Blessing"

What's one of your favorite childhood memories? Watching
Wheel of Fortune with my Ma while pretending to drink "coffee"
(RC Cola)

What is your favorite vacation spot? Anywhere that is NOT the
beach

**What's been one of the scariest/most challenging moments of
your life?** Losing my Momma unexpectedly four years ago

Who has influenced you significantly? The countless sisters in
Christ that have come to our aid during life's difficult seasons

Name something that you've done that is unique. Enjoyed a hot
air balloon ride (and would do it again)!



WEST 7TH HOSTING

AREA WIDE

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

MARCH 8 | 5:00PM

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO WORSHIP.

MEAL TO FOLLOW FOR TEENS.

Desserts are needed - please place them in the Family Center that morning.

W7SM 2026 SUMMER THEME:

THE NAMES OF JESUS

CHRIST ALPHA & OMEGA LORD OF LORDS SON OF MAN PRINCE OF PEACE
 LORD KING I AM MIGHTY ONE MERCIFUL MIRACULOUS GRACE EVERLASTING FATHER LOVE THE WORD EMMANUEL
 SHEPHERD PROPHET TRUTH SAVIOR LIGHT SON OF GOD ALMIGHTY ONE
 THE GOOD REDEEMER HEALER SALVATION CREATOR DELIVERER PROVIDER ROCK KING OF KINGS HOLY SERVANT FAITHFUL THE BREAD OF LIFE
 GOD LAMB OF GOD TRUTH SAVIOR LIGHT SON OF GOD ALMIGHTY ONE TRUE VINE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION

NO OTHER NAME.

W7SM Bible Hero Speed Dating

The W7SM had a BLAST at Bible Hero Speed Dating! The Wednesday before Valentine's Day each student received a paper with a Bible hero (David, Moses, Hannah, Deborah, etc.) including a description and questions with the answers. Students participated in speed dating as their biblical hero, meeting other heroes and learning about them in four-minute intervals. What a fun night of acting, learning, and focusing on God!



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SUMMER ☀️

INTERNS ARRIVE	MAY 31
MAURY CHRISTIAN CAMP	MAY 31-JUNE 5
VBS	JUNE 7-10
AMUSEMENT PARK TRIP	JUNE 13
DADS & DONUTS	JUNE 21
RAINBOW OMEGA (HS ONLY)	JUNE 21-24
ASSASSIN WEEK	JULY 5-11
LOCK-IN	JULY 10
OCOEE WHITE WATER RAFTING	JULY 17-18
COLUMBIA WORK WEEK	JULY 20-24
END OF SUMMER FANCY NIGHT	JULY 30
INTERN GOODBYE PARTY	AUGUST 2
MONDAY NIGHT MADNESS (MNM)	JUNE 15, 29 JULY 6, 13, 27
GUY/GIRL DEVOS	JUNE 16, 30 JULY 7, 14, 28

MARCH 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Brad Beasley	3 Oury Coleman	4	5 Katie Beth Johnson Suzanne Turner	6 Max Longo	7 Rhodes Davidson James Richey
Small Group Bible Studies			Andrew & Kelsey Fulks			
8 Graham Fleenor Courtney Loftis Janet Martin Ethan Parham Andrea Stevens	9 Mac Jackson Sandra Johnson Dana Salters Nathan & Annabeth Graham	10 Christian Shrader	11	12 Melissa Bryant	13 Lyndell & Sue Fox	14 Jeremy Burkhart Rob Johnson Galen Longo
Youth Area Wide						
15 Ted Johnson Suzanna Pugh Boone & Kathy Morrow	16	17 Erik & Erin Johnson	18 James & Jennifer Thomas	19 Conor Harris Gavin Pinkston Chris & Kathleen Siegle	20 Ramsey McDonald Brett & Rachel Basham	21 Anthony & Rachel Petrochko
Small Group Bible Studies						
22 John Cary Kensley Kent	23 Maverick Dickinson	24 David H. Heffington Bob Johnson Elizabeth Kennedy	25 Bethany Gray Mike Greene	26 Ann Crump Troy Rubert Eli & Olivia Todd	27 Diane Campbell Collette Estep	28
Baby Blessing						
Egg Hunt						
29 Bobby Kennedy Rachel Petrochko	30	31 John Madgett Emily Ward				
Hospitality						
Columbia Academy Spring Break						

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT

CONTACT

BIBLE CLASSES

CLASSES & MINISTRIES

Adult Bible Classes John Corn, Steve Estep
 Small Group Bible Studies Jon Bennett, Max Morrison
 Children’s Ministry/Faith Farm Suzi Parrett
 Tween Ministry Grades 5-6 Suzi Parrett, Steve & Vickie Cofer
 Student Ministry Grades 7-12 Nathan Graham, Jacob Love, Ben Jones, Eric Nash, Jacob Hunnicutt
 Lads to Leaders/Bible Bowl Josh & Lindsey Howell, Ashley Dickinson, Jordan Tatom
 Men’s Ministry Eric Nash, Tyler Sells, Ben Corn
 Women’s Ministry Beverly Simmons, Sharon Greene
 Spanish Speaking Ministry Elyar Sanchez, Orlando Valverde
 PrimeTimers (Senior Adults) Barry England, Faye Kinzer, Barbara Thrasher
 Counseling & Family Ministry Barry England
 GriefShare/DivorceCare Barry England
 Widow’s Ministry Faye Kinzer, Sandy Lee
 Next Step John Law, John Simmons
 Tech Ministry Delonia Lawrence, Danetra Hodge, Vickie Cofer

MISSIONS & SERVING

Missions Steve Cofer
 Healing Hands International Jim Knight, Dale Huckaby
 Local Outreach Chris Carroll
 Disaster Relief Jim Knight
 FriendSpeak Linda James
 Service Station Mike Forsthoff
 Sewing Ministry Faye Kinzer
 Food Pantry Tommy & Peggy McEwen
 Beneficence - Members Joe Westmoreland, Ted Johnson
 Beneficence - Community Tom Anderson
 Baby Showers Beverly Simmons
 Bridal Showers Beverly Simmons
 Food for New Moms Amy Hendrixson
 Food for Illness/Funerals Jade Anderson, Ramona Ward
 Fellowship Meals Tyler Sells, Bobby Kennedy, Josh Howell
 Event Set-Up Seth Anderson, Richie Estep

WORSHIP & FACILITIES

Baptism Preparation Tommy & Peggy McEwen
 Broadcasting Calvin Jackson, Troy Rubert
 Van Drivers Steve Cofer
 Mobility Assistance/Valet Bill Stevens, Jacob Hunnicutt
 Open/Close Bldg. Steve McEwen
 Greeters Darrel Marlin, Eric Nash
 Ushers Darrell Marlin
 PA System/Powerpoint Eric Bryant
 Coffee Fellowship Chris & Michelle Shrader, Troy & Lori Rubert, Ken Eubank
 Finance/Contribution Count Chad Williams
 Nursing Home Communion Kent Pardon
 Security Ben Jones, Tyler Sells
 Facility Maintenance David Ward

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

College Age “Unexplainable Jesus” Room 306
Young Professionals What made Jesus appealing? Marty DeJarnette

Young Marrieds The Wisdom of Proverbs Room 307
 David Hendrixson

Young Families Habits of the Household OC - Tennessee Room
 Barry England
 Tyler Sells

Homebuilders Acts TV Studio
 Jon Bennett
 Rush Holladay
 David Esslinger

Adult Class God is Light Auditorium
 Tom Anderson

Adult Class 1 Corinthians Room 214
 Bill Alsup

Adult Class Genesis Chapel
 Joel Oswalt

Spanish Speaking Room 212
 Elyar Sanchez
 Armando Sanchez
 Orlando Valverde

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Adult Class Meditations in Genesis Chapel
 Lee Lantzer

Ladies’ Class Being Transformed by God T.V. Studio
 Amy Sanchez

Men’s Class Ezekiel Room 214
 Chris Loftis

Precepts A Study of 2 Kings OC - Maury Room
 Randy Owens