

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Our dear sister in Christ, **Mrs. Neta Ford**, has gone to be with the Lord. Neta passed away on Thursday, September 26. She was a loving and faithful wife and mother. Neta was



a faithful member of this church for many years. She loved the Lord and loved coming to worship. Her son Jerry Ford and granddaughter Donna Ford are also members here at Jefferson Avenue Church of Christ. Please keep them and their family in your prayers.



## Fellowship Day—October 29

Join us on Sunday, **October 29**, for a day of Fellowship and a Potluck Meal.

- \* 9:00 am Regular Morning Classes
- \* 10:00 am Morning Worship Service

Following the morning worship service, we will have a *potluck meal* in the Fellowship Center, where we will be recognizing

### **Leighton Sissom**

for his many years of service and dedication to this congregation.

We will ending with a short devotional.

There will be no evening service.

Make plans now to be a part of this day

## This Week's Lesson

### Sunday morning

Give Me this Mountain Joshua 14:6-14

### Sunday evening

Advancing the Cause of Justice

## GOOD NEWS

### Remembering Our Heritage—Our Aims

By J. C. McQuiddy

Our greatest ambition shall be to ever speak as the oracles of God and to lead others to be guided by the Holy Bible, which is the only star to illumine us through the darkness of time into the light of eternity. We have ever believed in and advocated the sufficiency of the Scriptures. Our endeavor shall ever be, as it has been in the past, to "preach the word."

Our first and greatest conflict shall be with self. The apostle Paul, one of the grandest men of all the ages, says: "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway" (I Corinthians 9:27). In our relations with our fellow-creatures we shall be swift to hear the good, and slow to condemn unjustly, and slow to wrath, knowing that the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. We allow no one to prize friendship more than we, but we place truth enthroned high above it; for when friendship, with all its worshippers, dies, still truth will live throughout the countless ages.

So many have turned away from the divine to the human, men have studied out so many inventions for doing the work for which God ordained the blood-bought church, that the result is: many are discouraged and demoralized. They sit weeping under the willows, instead of girding on the armor anew and in the strength of God fighting victorious battles. Truth is not dead, right is not subdued, and God still reigns over all. Life's shadows cannot last long, but O how they do weigh us down! The church is still the pillar and support of the truth. God's institution is not imperfect because men fail to do their duty. Man has always broken the covenant; God, never. Our purpose is to encourage all to work through the church of God.

We shall contend earnestly for teaching carefully the word of God in the home. Give us homes in which the Bible is read and taught, and our jails and penitentiaries will not be flooded with so many criminals. While we shall encourage Bible reading everywhere, we shall especially urge parents to teach it in their homes, believing that, with the proper influences at work in our homes, in the family, which is the salt of the church, the nation will be exalted and the people ennobled and purified.

Finally, we shall discourage worldliness in the church. Our efforts shall be to get all to revere and love the truth, knowing that as long as a man loves the truth with all his heart he cannot go wrong. As much as within us lies, we shall guide the erring aright, stir the church to nobler endeavor, and while we are laboring to go to heaven at last, shall seek to take as many along with us as possible.

Excerpted from the Gospel Advocate, Dec. 14, 1899.

# Collins' Corner

## 1 Peter 2:9

***But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.***

You can tell when somebody is identified with somebody else. Many times you can tell if somebody “belongs” to somebody by the way they look (parent to child) how they act (part of a group) and how they live and what they wear (Sports Fans). Our identity is what makes us who we are. There are many things in the NT that Christians are called that “identify” themselves with Christ and today we will look at one of those things: being a part of a Royal Priesthood. So, what makes us part of the royal priesthood?

### 1. You belong to the king.

We have a king—his name is Christ. How do we belong to him? We were purchased by Christ blood. In Acts 20 Paul is talking to the Ephesian Elders for what may be the last time. He is going to Jerusalem under the impression that he might die there—so he is giving some parting words of advice to the elders. In verse 28 he tells them to be careful and watchful not only over themselves but also over the church of God because God has purchased it—bought it—with his own blood.

We belong to Christ the King because he paid the price. Our belonging gives us a royalty that nobody can take away and no government can overthrow. Because our King reigns forever, our royalty lasts forever.

### 2. You are part of the king's family.

Those who have obeyed Christ as King have the opportunity to become part of his family. John chapter 1—maybe one of the most beautiful openings to any book you will ever read—talks about Jesus being there from the beginning. Verse 9-12 reads like this...

*“The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.”*

Thus the idea of being part of the royal family is very, very real because God is willing to identify us as his children! The idea that Peter lays out about us being royal is a very real idea. We have been purchased by a King and are adopted children of the King—giving us a royalty that is never-ending.

**Matt**

## BIBLE CLASSES

### PRESCHOOL-PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE GRADES

#### Sunday Morning

Cradle Roll	Jane Foy	Anna Gilbert	108
Toddlers	Laura Fox	Linda Gilbert	105
2 year olds	Rebecca Baggett		106
3 year olds	Kayla McCord		100
4 year olds	Brook Gilbert	Seth Gilbert	103
Kindergarten	Jeana Piggott		107
1st Grade	Macey Korth		202
2nd Grade	Jason Bennett	Stacey Bennett	203
3rd Grade	Andy Milton		206
4th Grade	Andy Milton		206
5th Grade	Mae Fowler		208
6th Grade	Dave Piggott		210

#### Wednesday Night

Cradle Roll	Whitney Bowman		108
Toddlers	Cindy Mackie	Lauren Mackie	105
2 year olds	Olivia Simpson	Molly Chaffin	106
3 year olds	Stephanie Chaffin		100
4 year olds	Lynn Lane		103
Kindergarten	Pam Rawdon		107
1st Grade	Lisa Rhodes		202
2nd Grade	Sarah Lane		203
3rd Grade	Courtney Norton	Lindsey Norton	206
4th Grade	Courtney Norton	Lindsey Norton	206
5th Grade	Rick Gilbert		208
6th Grade	Glenn Binkley		210

### Teens Bible Class—Matt Collins—Downstairs

## ADULT CLASSES

#### Sunday Morning

- Harmony of the Gospels**—Don Viar-College (215)
- New Testament Fulfillment of Old Testament Prophecies**—Chad Gilbert-20s-30s (214)
- A Christ Centered Life**—Randy Chaffin/Bob Mackie-30s-40s (213)
- Gospel of John**—Charlie Moore/William Birdwell-Library
- The Life of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark**—David Fox-Fellowship Hall
- Confidence in Your Salvation**—David Whiteaker-SmallA
- Bible Word Studies**—Houston Bynum-(114)
- Revelation**—Laura Jackson-Ladies (115)

#### Wednesday Afternoon Class 1:30pm

**John**—David Vaughn-(115)

#### Wednesday Night

- Characters of the New Testament**—Brian Carver-College (215)
- The Message of the Minor Prophets**—Buddy Johnson-Large Auditorium
- The Promise Land (Ray Vander Laan)** - Joe Hill-(114)
- Empires: How God has used the Kingdoms of this Earth for His Purpose**—Jann Cupp-Fellowship Hall
- The Apostles**—Wanda Jared-Library (Ladies)
- Building Better Marriages**—Bill Flatt/Sean Flatt-(115)

## News & Announcements

### Remember in Daily Prayer!

**Joyce Williamson** is now back at home.

**Angela Leffew**, sister of **Johnny Bates**, requests prayer for strength and endurance as her low blood levels has postponed her chemo.

**Pam Roberts** requests pray for her mother, **Mary Cowan**, who was in a car wreck and has four broken ribs and a fractured vertebra. Also in the wreck was Mary's friend **Roy Mabrey**, who had neck surgery on Thursday.

**Wallace Davidson**, father of **Kim Morgan**, has been discharged and is now recuperating at home.

**Allison Burr** requests prayer for her mother **Sherrie McCormack**, as she continues her chemo. Cards of encouragement can be mailed to 3004 Knobdale Rd, Nashville 37214.

**Allison Burr** also requests prayer of speedy recovery for her grandmother **June McCormack**. She had triple bypass surgery Monday at Centennial, and Friday, had a pacemaker put in.

**Bobbie Locke** has been moved to room #313 at CRMC.

**Wilma Judd** has been readmitted to Cookeville Regional in room #632.

**Ed & Rosella Smith** request prayer for their daughter-in-law **Judy Loftis**, as she visits her doctor to discuss treatment for her colon cancer.

Visitation for **Thomas Todd**, Grandfather of **B.J. and Zac Matheney** will be Friday, October 13, from 1:00 to 3:00, at Presley Funeral Home. We will be preparing a meal for the family of about 40 people. See Jim Dale.

### Remember those who are dealing with cancer:

Kathy Adams, Linda Alcorn, Kenneth Allen, Dean Boles, Kaye Bowman, Rene' Canfield, Walter Fitzpatrick, Tim Jennings, Dave Leaf, Angela Leffew, Rhett Massey, Paula Palk, Jan Shepherd and Marty Smith

### Remember Our Shut-ins:

**Bethesda:** Jan Shuster, Cornelia Steakley & Lyda Taylor

**Heritage Pointe:** Peggy Cooper and Wilma Hayes

**NHC:** Evelyn Solt, Aletha Tino

**Signature Health-Algood:** Matilda Craighead

**At Home:** Hugh & Kathy Adams, Sue Clack, Margaret Cunningham, Mary Dyer, Geneva Glasgow, Peggy Mackie, Ralph Medley, Pat McCanness, Claudine Smith, Frances Smith, Marty Smith and Jordan Terry



Thank you again for your Christian farewell to our Mother, Neta Ford. She loved her church family, and they apparently loved her. We want to thank you for everything, and especially thanks to those who took time to prepare food. It gave us the opportunity to visit with long unseen family and friends. Your kindness has blessed us and the condolence message gave us much peace. Love, **Neta Ford Family**



**L2L Sign-ups:** Sunday, October 22, following the evening service, we will have sign-ups in the Fellowship Hall, and snacks! See **Dave Piggott**.



**Deacon Budgets 2018:** Deacons, please start your preparations for the 2018 budget. Your YTD expenditures are in your boxes. Budgets are due to Glenn Binkley or one of the other elders by Sunday, October 29, 2017.

**Ladies Bible Journaling Workshop:** If you are interested in attending a Bible Journaling Workshop, please call or text **Anna Gilbert** (931-265-0629). The date is **November 4 from 1-8pm** at Jan Kendall's Lake Camp. The day will be spent crafting (literally) spiritual truths that fight our strongholds. Lots of hand-on fun. Dinner provided. The fee is \$15 for supplies. Limited space is available.



Please bring individually wrapped candy for our Trunk-or-Treat which is **Saturday, October 28** in the upper parking lot. Last year we had more candy than we ever had and still ran out, very quickly. You can drop your candy off at Matt's office. **Also**, please sign-up on the Children's Bulletin Board for decorated cars, sandwiches, desserts, drinks and chips!

### Fall Family Fun, Food and Fellowship at Fowler Farms:

The entire congregation is invited to a Fall Fellowship on **Friday, November 3 at 5:30 p.m.** Come and enjoy the cool, crisp weather, the colorful leaves and family fun. Bring lawn chairs, blankets and your favorite campfire dishes for the pot luck meal. There is a sign up sheet on the family bulletin board; however, if you forget to sign up, come anyway! All of this is weather permitting, of course. See **Doug or Mae Fowler**. (FFFFFFF)

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**Say a good word for Jesus this week!**

<b>SHEPHERDS</b>		<b>DEACONS (cont.)</b>	
*Glenn Binkley	Phillip Burr	Brian Carver	Jason Fowler
Jann Cupp	Brian Carver	Randy Chaffin	Chad Gilbert
Doug Fowler	Ken Clark	Don Foy	Seth Gilbert
Bobby Lane	Jim Dale	John Mason	Jim Hicks
John Rhodes	John Rhodes	*Chairman of Month	Chuck Lankford
			Bryan Limer
<b>MINISTERS</b>	Buddy Johnson		Bob Mackie
Buddy Johnson	<i>Pulpit Minister</i>		Ken Mayes
Matt Collins	YOUTH MINISTER		Brian McDaniel
Bo Perez	Hispanic Ministry		Andy Milton
			Dean Olson
			Jimmy Patterson
			Dave Piggott
			Gaylon Presley
<b>DEACONS</b>	Jason Bennett		Bud Simpson
William Birdwell	Sam Brown		Pete Story
			Don Viar
			Donnie Westbrook

**Sunday, October 8, 2017**

Bible Class.....269  
Sunday Morning.....486  
Sunday Evening.....186  
Wednesday Night.....203  
Contribution.....\$16,953

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**Service Schedule**  
Sunday Bible Study.....9:00 AM  
Sunday Morning.....10:00 AM  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM  
Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM

# BIRTHDAYS

## October 15-21

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 15 – Lauren Clark  | 18 – Autumn Burr    |
| 15 – Harold Gentry | 19 – Kylie Frizzell |
| 15 – Andy Milton   | 19 – Stephen Stults |
| 15 – Jen Webb      | 20 – Ellie Simpson  |
| 17 – Jean Reeves   | 21 – Ryker Bennett  |
| 17 – Don Viar      |                     |



### This Week's Bible Reading October 11-17

- Wednesday, October 11—Matt 8:1-13, Luke 7  
Thursday, October 12—Matt 11  
Friday, October 13—Matt 12:22-50, Luke 11  
Saturday, October 14—Matt 13, Luke 8  
Sunday, October 15—Matt 8:14-34, Mark 4-5  
Monday, October 16—Matt 9-10  
Tuesday, October 17—Matt 14, Mark 6, Luke 9

# A News and Notes

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## OCTOBER

- 1-14—Fall Break  
15—T4C @ Smithville  
20-22—Fall Retreat at Cedar Lake Camp  
28—Trunk or Treat (bring candy now!)  
29—Devo @ Viar's  
18,25—W.A.S.

## NOVEMBER

- 19—Devo @ Mackie's  
22-24—Thanksgiving Break  
1,8,15,29—W.A.S.

## DECEMBER

- 2—Christmas Party  
21—Opry Mills  
21-1/2—Christmas Break  
6,13—W.A.S.

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