

Trunk or Treat



Saturday, October 29
from 5:30 to 7:30
in the upper parking lot.

Candy—Candy—Candy
Please bring your individually wrapped candy to Matt!!!

Help—Help—Help

There are sign up sheets on the Family Bulletin Board for decorated trunks, sandwiches, drinks, desserts, and chips.

See **Allison Burr**



Pumpkin/Movie Night: Friday, **October 28, at 5:30pm**, we will have a paint-a-pumpkin/movie night at the Mackie's. Hot dogs, chili, and pizza will be provided. Bring your own pumpkin and dessert or chips. Let Allison Burr know if you will be coming for the head count.

This Week's Lessons

Sunday Morning Worship

Buddy Johnson preaching

Sunday Evening

Buddy Johnson preaching

GOOD NEWS

We had a wonderful Super Sunday with 588 present for worship! Many of you stayed for the fellowship meal and second service. I want to thank all of you who cooked food for Sunday. The meal was delicious! More importantly, I hope you had the opportunity to visit with old friends and make new acquaintances. Relationships are so important in the family of God. As always, we want to thank Slade and Susan Stroud for coordinating the meal. What a great day!

WHY I LOVE THE CHURCH

Looking back over 20 years of ministry, I am more thankful than ever that I was blessed to grow up in a home with parents who taught and practiced New Testament Christianity. Being a part of the Lord's church thrills my heart and has benefited me in so many ways. I want to share with you three reasons why I love the Lord's church.

1. Simplicity

First, I have grown to appreciate the simplicity of biblical Christianity. You don't need a high IQ to understand it or be blessed by it. No seminary education is required to put it into practice. All that is needed is a humble heart ready to receive the teaching of Christ (James 1.21). The words of the Bible mean something and God created us with the ability to understand them and cherish them.

2. Practicality

Second, those who put Jesus' teachings into practice receive blessings in accordance with their obedience to His instructions. Jesus did not come to condemn (John 3.17). We were already condemned. He came to save us and make our lives better (John 10.10). Doing what He says makes life the best it can be. That is true for individuals and for congregations.

3. Indestructibility

Third, it amazes me that despite all the efforts over the centuries to stamp out Christianity, the church has persevered. The more she is attacked, the more she thrives. The more you count her out, the more she surprises you. This world will pass away, but the words of Jesus will last forever. That is why a church based on God's Word is indestructible (Hebrews 12.28).

It is not enough just to be religious. It is not enough just to profess faith in Christ. Jesus is Lord of His church and His church is the only church found in the Bible. I want to live and die in Jesus' church. How about you?

Buddy Johnson

THE POWER OF PRAYER

*Those Prayed for in
September*

Kathy Adams, Hugh Adams, Linda Alcorn, Kenneth Allen, Herman Bean, Becky Bean, Bible Bowl Participants, Dean Boles, Fay Borden, Kaye Bowman, Maggie Brown, Rene Canfield, Joy Carter, Karma Carter, Brian Carver, Peggy Cooper, Matilda Craighead, Margaret Cunningham, Mary Dyer, Walter Fitzpatrick, Jeremy Fortner, David Fox, Olar Fox, Geneva Glasgow, Opal Grissom, Anthony Hammock, Wilma Hayes, Blake Houston, Tim Jennings, Patsy Johnson, Dave Leaf, Angela Leffew, Virginia Mabry, Rhett Massey, Pat McCanless, Marian McDoniel, Ralph Medley, Rick Merina, Buddy Morgan, Diana Neal, Paula Palk, Ann Pangle, Ruth Payne, Bo Perez, Gaylon Presley, Lyman Schroeder, Jan Shepherd, Curtis Shinsky, Jan Shuster, Gladys Simmons, Leighton Sissom, Claudine Smith, Marty Smith, Evelyn Solt, Randy Spurlock, Cornelia Steakley, John Taylor, Lyda Taylor, Jordan Terry, Aletha Tino and Charles Williamson

Gospel Meetings

Area Meeting: On Tuesday, **November 8**, we will leave the church parking lot at 5:45 pm to hear **Gary Hampton** at Carthage Church of Christ. See John Mayher



Thanksgiving Singing this year will be here at Jefferson Avenue on **Sunday, November 20, 6:00pm**. Please make plans to join our brothers and sisters in Christ from the area to sing praises to God!

Collins' Corner

Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

These people have lived under a broken system of priesthood. The priest were intended to be the spokesperson for the people, the one who made the sacrifices, the highest office you could have. Instead, the priesthood had become corrupt, taking advantage of the people that they were supposed to be serving. Jesus comes as the exact opposite of that. Jesus does not deal in corruption, he deals in love. He is able to understand us, speak up for us, fight for us.

Why is this important? Because of what verse 16 says. I can, with confidence, live my life in a grace filled way. When I truly understand who Jesus is, I don't have to live a nervous and scared life. We see people every day who are spiritually scared. They don't trust their salvation and it makes them nervous. Maybe you know someone like that, maybe you've been there before, or maybe you are there now. You don't have to live that way. Jesus came, full of grace, mercy, and love. He wants you to experience that, he wants you to trust him. I can't truly experience the peace he offers if I live my entire life scared about my salvation. When we live that way, we make God smaller than he is. When we nervously live, we don't give God enough credit for being God! He can handle our lives, worries and problems.

Obviously, the grace God offers is not a free pass to live life however we want to. We live confidently in response to God's grace. The more I trust, the more confident I will be. The manner in which I live my life is a direct response to the trust I have in the grace God offers. Live well. Live confident.

Matt

News, Prayers & Announcements

Our Sick and Prayer Requests:

It was great to see **Sue Clack** with us in worship Sunday!

Randy Spurlock will have heart surgery in St. Thomas on Wednesday (26th).

Ruby Holloway will have carpal tunnel surgery at the surgery center on Wednesday (26th).

Bo Perez has requested prayer for his neighbor, **Robert Selby**, who will have surgery in Cumberland Medical Center in Crossville, Wednesday (26th).

Keep **Charles Williamson**, and his family, in prayer as his health is declining daily.

Leighton Sissom remains in CRMC, Room #634.

Clay Holloway will have knee surgery at CRMC on Wednesday, November 2.

Those who are dealing with cancer:

Kathy Adams, Linda Alcorn, Kenneth Allen, Dean Boles, Kaye Bowman, Rene' Canfield, Karma Carter, Joy Carter, Walter Fitzpatrick, Jeremy Fortner, Nathan Goolsby, Anthony Hammock, Tim Jennings, Dave Leaf, Angela Leffew, Rhett Massey, Buddy Morgan, Paula Palk and Jan Shepherd

Our Shut-Ins

Bethesda: Lyman Schroeder, Jan Shuster, Cornelia Steakley & Lyda Taylor

Heritage Pointe: Peggy Cooper, Wilma Hayes & Marian McDaniel

NHC Healthcare: Evelyn Solt & Aletha Tino

At Home: Hugh & Kathy Adams, Herman & Becky Bean, Sue Clack, Matilda Craighead, Margaret Cunningham, Mary Dyer, Geneva Glasgow, Ralph Medley, Pat McCannless, Opal Nichols, Claudine Smith, Marty Smith, Jordan Terry and Charles Williamson

NHC Worship Service: Sunday, **October 30**, Jefferson Avenue will conduct the worship service at **2:00pm**. The Wednesday PM Fellowship Hall class is scheduled to assist. All are welcome to attend.



Deacons: Your year-to-date budget reports are now in your boxes. Please have your 2017 budget turned in to Glenn Binkley by Sunday, **November 13th**.

Thank You! Dear Church Family, my family and I would like to thank everyone for their expressions of sympathy and friendship for the loss of our mom, Maggie Brown. It is heartwarming to know we are in your thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,
Randy Brown & Family



MOTHER'S DAY OUT

We need 13 volunteers to help with our Fall Carnival this Thursday, October 27. Call **Laura Fox** 260-7861 or **Stacey Bennett** 265-7693.



MAGI: The items we need for November are soap, toothpaste, play dough and bubbles.

Baby BOY Shower: All ladies are invited to a baby shower honoring **Wes & Katie Korth** on Sunday, **October 30th** from 1:30-3:00 in the fellowship hall. They are registered at Babies R Us & Target.



The Amazing Ladies will be going to Miss Marena's Tea Room in Sparta on Tuesday, November 8, for lunch. We will leave at 11:00am and transportation will be provided. If you would like to be a part of this outing, please sign up on the YAH board.



The children of **Bob & Nancy Jared** request your presence to celebrate fifty years of marriage with them on Sunday, **November 6**, from 2-4pm, in the Fellowship Hall.



Young At Heart Annual Catered Dinner

Friday, November 11 at 12 noon
In the Fellowship Hall - Sign up on the YAH Board to attend and to decorate a table. For questions or to volunteer, call: **Mary Alice**

Kinslow (931-854-1061), **Mickie Loyd** (931-432-0288) or **Dorisse Yokley** (931-854-1070).

BIRTHDAYS

November 6-12

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| 6 - Sandy Cupp | 8 - Frances Foley |
| 6 - Andrew Hamilton | 8 - Jim Lynn |
| 6 - Alfred Weaver | 9 - Michael McCord |
| 7 - Linda Lewis | 10 - Callie Gilbert |
| 8 - Robyn Carver | 12 - Kelly Kimbrough |



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<u>Sunday, October 23, 2016</u>	
Bible Class.....268	Church Office.....931-526-4605
Sunday Morning.....588	Information Line.....931-528-1006
Sunday Evening.....195	Fax Line.....931-520-8708
Wednesday Night.....279	Mother's Day Out.....931-260-7861
Contribution.....\$26,827	
	Email
	Church Office (Mary).....info@jacoc.org
	Church Office (Carol).....carol.hart@jacoc.org
	Buddy Johnson.....buddy@jacoc.org
	Matt Collins.....mattc@jacoc.org
	John Mayher.....john.mayher@jacoc.org
	Bo Perez.....bo@jacoc.org
	Mother's Day Out.....laura.fox@jacoc.org
	Service Schedule
	Sunday Bible Study.....9:00 AM
	Sunday Morning.....10:00 AM
	Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM
	Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM

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November

- 6 - Devo @ Mayes'
- 13 - T4C @ Smithville
- 16 - Friendsgiving
- 18-20 - Fall Retreat @ Indian Creek

December

- 9 - Christmas Party @ Mackie's
- 21-3 - Winter Break
- 22 - Opry Mills

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