

**Guest Speaker—April 9  
Al Behel**

Be in prayer for our  
upcoming guest  
speaker  
**Al Behel**,  
who comes to us from  
the Great Smokey  
Mountain  
Church of Christ in  
Pigeon Forge.



He will be with us Sunday, April 9 for morning  
class and worship service.

**BE SPIRITUALLY PREPARED**  
The First step in preparing to MEET God in  
Worship is to recognize that God is the  
**AWESOME** being that He is.

**This Week's Lesson**

**Sunday Morning**

*The Design of Baptism - I Peter 3.18-22*

**Sunday Evening**

*Be A Berean - Acts 17.11*

## A PROPER MOTIVATION FOR WORSHIP

James A. Garfield, the 20th President of the United States, took office on March 4, 1881. On his first Sunday in Washington, following his inauguration, a member of the Cabinet insisted that a meeting be called to discuss a looming crisis for the nation. The President refused, stating that he had a prior commitment. The Cabinet member insisted, telling the President that the matter was of grave importance and that he should break his prior engagement. Still, Mr. Garfield refused to do so.

Obviously frustrated, the Cabinet member remarked, "I would be interested to know with whom you have an appointment so important that it cannot be broken." Mr. Garfield replied, "I will be as frank as you are. My appointment is with the Lord, to meet Him at His house, at His table, at 10 a.m.—and I will be there."

What an example! May we, too, be so dedicated to the worship of God that we shall not forget we have a standing appointment every Sunday morning, Sunday evening and Wednesday night!

## SOME THOUGHTS ON SUNDAY NIGHT WORSHIP

Occasionally, a person will ask me, "Do I really have to attend Sunday night worship?" If you've ever asked that question, you are not alone. Our human minds are programmed to find time-saving, effort-reducing ways to do repetitive tasks. Eliminating waste is a good thing. The question is, "Are Sunday night assemblies a waste of time?" The word "waste" suggests a careless use of something. It implies that there is no purpose or benefit in an endeavor. Is a second hour of worship on the Lord's Day meaningless? Is it too much?

Here is my answer: Sunday evening services are clearly a matter of expediency, but the elders who watch over our souls believe they are profitable for three things: spiritual growth, church unity, and encouragement. What happens at evening assemblies? God is glorified, children are taught, friendships are strengthened, minds are transformed, and hearts are encouraged. Those who are not present cannot receive these benefits. So, "Do I really have to attend Sunday night worship?" No. Unless, of course, you want those blessings. Early Christians met daily rather than weekly because they wanted more fellowship, prayer and study rather than less (Acts 2.46). They could not wait to spend time with fellow believers. What about you? Will we see you on Sunday night?

**Buddy Johnson**

# Collins' Corner

## Senior Night 2017

Honoring our  
High School Graduates

*Michael Anderson*

*Jesse Bates*

*Adelia Birdwell*

*Parker Bohannon*

*Makayla Brown*

*Molly Chaffin*

*Emily Dowell*

*Riley Gilbert*

*Austin Lane*

*Mallory Mackie*

*Elizabeth Milton*

*Elizabeth Olson*

*Jacob Piggott*

*Olivia Simpson*

*Hallie Spurlock*

*Mitchell Williams*

May 7, 2017 @ 6:00 PM



March 31—Popcorn and Movie Night

Easter Egg Hunt—Please start bringing individually wrapped candy for our hunt.

**L** Art Says It for Lads to Leaders will be meeting this Sunday after church to work on art projects. (We will do a lunch, too) Bring your canvas or paper and we can provide art supplies. If you need a canvas let **Stacey Bennett** know asap. If you have already completed your project, you may drop it off. For any questions please contact **Stacey @ 931-265-7693**. Thank you!

**L** All Lads to Leaders in boy's song leading, speech and oral Bible reading are invited to use their talents at Netherland Church of Christ on **April 2** at 6:00pm, and at Cherry Creek Church of Christ **April 9** at 6:00pm. Please see **Steve Leddy** or **Jack Gaw**.

### PUTNAM COUNTY YOUTH CAMP REGISTRATION DAY:

Sunday, April 23 from 2:30-4:30  
Health insurance card, \$50 deposit

#### HOW TO REGISTER:

1. Fill out the online form ([www.shortmountain.camp](http://www.shortmountain.camp))
2. Turn in copy of notarized health form with copy of insurance card
3. Pay \$50 deposit

\$50 deposit and health forms are due back no later than April 30 to guarantee your spot at camp



Mark ■ Philippians ■ Colossians

## News & Announcements

### Thought in Prayer:

**Mary Frances Smith** remains at Cookeville Regional Room #423 recovering from open heart surgery.

**Glenda Johnson** will have gall bladder surgery on Wednesday at Cookeville Regional.

**Kaye Bowman** will start her chemo treatments this Thursday. Please keep her in your prayers.

### Those who are dealing with cancer:

Kathy Adams, Linda Alcorn, Kenneth Allen, Myron Anderson, Dean Boles, Kaye Bowman, Rene' Canfield, Joy Carter, Walter Fitzpatrick, Jeremy Fortner, 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

**Cookeville Rehab:** Sue Clack and Gaylon Presley

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

**NHC Healthcare:** Evelyn Solt & Aletha Tino

**His Place:** Lyman Schroeder

**Signature Health-Algood:** Kathy Anderson, Matilda Craighead and Opal Nichols

**At Home:** Hugh & Kathy Adams, Herman Bean, Margaret Cunningham, Mary Dyer, Geneva Glasgow, Peggy Mackie, Ralph Medley, Pat McCanless, Leighton Sissom, Claudine Smith, Frances Smith, Marty Smith and Jordan Terry

**Teacher Appreciation Banquet: Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm @ Nick's Restaurant.** This is for all current and past Bible class teachers and their spouse. If you have taught in our children's, teen's or adult classes or served in Mother's Day Out, this night is for you! Dinner provided. Michael Whitworth from Start2Finish publishing will be our keynote speaker.

**Teacher Training Session: Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am – 2:00pm** in the Fellowship Center. This is for all past, current, and future Bible class teachers at Jefferson Avenue. Teachers of children's, teen's and adult classes as well as Mother's Day Out invited to attend. Donuts and coffee in the morning with lunch provided. Michael Whitworth from Teaching Rocket will be with us to lead 5 sessions aimed at educating, equipping and empowering our teachers to reach new heights. Designed for prospective teachers and seasoned pro's. A sign-up sheet is on the Family Bulletin Board.



To Jefferson Avenue Church of Christ, we would like to thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy and thoughtfulness during the loss of our precious Dayton. We truly appreciate all the love, support and most of all, prayers. Please continue to pray for us as we are learning to live without him. Thank you again. Love,

**The Moss Family**

To Our Jefferson Avenue Family, your cards, visits, well wishes and especially your prayers during my recent surgery and hospital stay was overwhelmingly uplifting to me and to Brenda. The love and compassion of our Lord surrounded us through each of you. We are blessed beyond measure to be, along with each of you, a part of God's family. We Live all of you! **Chris & Brenda Holloway**

Thank you for the wonderful meal after Gene's service. Everything was delicious. It was the perfect way to end a day honoring Gene. We will never forget your kindness. Gene's great granddaughter, Vada, made her entrance into this world that afternoon, weighing 3 lbs. and 14 oz. She was nine weeks early, but is doing great!

**Jeff & Barbara Wilhite**

**Food Pantry:** We are in need of tuna, crackers, mac & cheese and cereal.

**Happy Haven 52nd Anniversary Celebration Banquet:** Come enjoy "Cash & Cline" as Happy Haven celebrates their 52nd Anniversary this Thursday, **March 30, 6:30pm**, at the Leslie Town Centre. Call **Houston Bynum** (931-526-2052) for reservations, sponsorships or to host a table.

**NHC Worship Service: Sunday, April 2,** Jefferson Avenue will conduct the worship services at **2:00pm**. **Laura Jackson's Class** is scheduled to assist.

**YAH Cincinnati Trip:** The deadline is getting closer to sign up and pay for our August trip to the Ark Encounter, Creation Museum, Aquarium, Zoo & Botanical Gardens.

*Ladies*  
**LUNCHEON**

will be at **Spankies** this **Thursday, April 6,**  
at **11:30 a.m.**

**The Amazing Ladies** will be meeting at Shoney's for lunch on **Tuesday, April 11, at 11:30am**. The back banquet room is reserved for us. We can either order from the menu or get buffet. Please sign up on the YAH Board.

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*Say a good word for Jesus this week!*

| <u>Sunday, March 26, 2017</u> |  |
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| <b>SHEPHERDS</b>              | <b>DEACONS (cont.)</b>                   |
| *Glenn Binkley                | Phillip Burr                             |
| Jann Cupp                     | Brian Carver                             |
| Doug Fowler                   | Randy Chaffin                            |
| Don Foy                       | Ken Clark                                |
| Bobby Lane                    | Jim Dale                                 |
| John Mason                    | Jason Fowler                             |
| John Rhodes                   | Chad Gilbert                             |
| Leighton Sissom               | Seth Gilbert                             |
| *Chairman of Month            | Jim Hicks                                |
|                               | Chuck Lankford                           |
|                               | Bryan Liner                              |
|                               | Bob Mackie                               |
|                               | Ken Mayes                                |
|                               | Brian McDaniel                           |
|                               | Andy Milton                              |
|                               | Dean Olson                               |
|                               | Jimmy Patterson                          |
|                               | Dave Piggott                             |
|                               | Gaylon Presley                           |
|                               | Bud Simpson                              |
|                               | Pete Story                               |
|                               | Don Viar                                 |
|                               | Donnie Westbrook                         |
| <b>MINISTERS</b>              |  |
| Buddy Johnson                 |  |
| Pulpit Minister               |  |
| Matt Collins                  |  |
| Youth Minister                |  |
| Bo Perez                      |  |
| Hispanic Ministry             |  |
| <b>DEACONS</b>                |  |
| Jason Bennett                 |  |
| William Birdwell              |  |
| Sam Brown                     |  |
| Bible Class.....277           | Church Office.....931-526-4605           |
| Sunday Morning.....546        | Information Line.....931-528-1006        |
| Sunday Evening.....242        | Fax Line.....931-520-8708                |
| Wednesday Night.....254       | Mother's Day Out.....931-260-7861        |
| Contribution.....\$15,623     |  |
|                               | <b>Email</b>                             |
|                               | Church Office.....info@jacoc.org         |
|                               | Buddy Johnson.....buddy@jacoc.org        |
|                               | Matt Collins.....mattc@jacoc.org         |
|                               | Bo Perez.....bo@jacoc.org                |
|                               | Mother's Day Out.....laura.fox@jacoc.org |
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|                               | <b>Service Schedule</b>                  |
|                               | Sunday Bible Study.....9:00 AM           |
|                               | Sunday Morning.....10:00 AM              |
|                               | Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM               |
|                               | Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM        |

# BIRTHDAYS

**April 2 - 8**

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|----------------------|-------------------|
| 3 - Andrew Gates     | 5 - Cameron Monks |
| 3 - Brandon Heinzman | 5 - Jesie Nance   |
| 3 - Faith Henshaw    | 7 - Janice Korth  |
| 3 - Seth Milton      | 7 - Adriel Stout  |
| 4 - Mary Dee Allen   | 8 - Erika Lewis   |
| 4 - Annita Young     | 8 - Ray Young     |



## A News and Notes

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### **MARCH**

31 - Spring Retreat

### **APRIL**

- 9 - T4C @ Netherland
- 23 - Cubb Creek Devo
- 30 - Devo @ Henson's

### **MAY**

- 2 - Campbellball Opening Night
- 7 - Senior Night (16 Seniors)
- 17 - 100 Percent Night

W.A.S. meets every Wednesday  
 (unless no school)

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