



## Adult Classes July – August 2016

### Sunday A.M.

- 20s (214) – Sean Flatt – Romans
- 30s-40s (213) – Doug Fowler – 2 Corinthians
- Library – Bobby Lane – 1 Corinthians
- Fellowship Hall – David Fox – Joshua
- Small Auditorium – John Mayher – Galatians
- 115 (Ladies) – Laura Jackson – Give an Answer
- 114 – Leighton Sissom – Revelation
- College (216) – John Nichols – At the Feet of Jesus

### Wednesday Afternoon Class – David Vaughn

### Wednesday P.M.

- Main Auditorium – Buddy Johnson–1&2 Peter
- 214 – Don Foy – Practical Christianity
- 114 – Joe Hill –Suffering and the Sovereignty of God
- Fellowship Hall – Jann Cupp– Singing Class
- 115 – Sean Kelly – Baptism
- Library (Ladies) – Caroline Vaughn–Solving Today's Problems with the Scripture
- Small Auditorium – John Rhodes/John Nichols – Q&A

### This Week's Lesson

Sunday Morning - Daily Bread

Sunday Night Sermon - A Different Kind of Prayer

### GOOD NEWS

We have an exciting lineup of Bible classes for July and August! We want every member of this congregation to be involved in Bible class. With that in mind, let me encourage you to read the list of classes on the front page of the bulletin and select a topic or textual study that will help you grow as a Christian. I will be teaching 1 and 2 Peter in the auditorium on Wednesday nights during July and August. However, I will miss the first two weeks due to preaching assignments in Celina (July 6) and Woodson Chapel in Nashville (July 13). In my absence, Sean Flatt has agreed to teach in the auditorium for the first two Wednesdays in July. If you have not heard Sean teach, you need to come and hear him. He does an excellent job.

### LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

This congregation has an amazing history of work in the kingdom of God. But what is God doing today? What does God want to do tomorrow in the life of this congregation? Although we have much to cherish in the great works of the past, we must never permit past success to encumber future progress. Nor should we become cynical and distrustful of the future. As Solomon warned, *"Do not say, 'Why were the old days better than these?' For it is not wise to ask such questions"* (Ecclesiastes 7.10).

We need to be strong in our faith, believing that in every generation God will raise up His people through the power of the gospel. We must never become complacent and permit the victory of past accomplishments to dull our hunger for a better tomorrow. Our Lord is not merely the God who *did* great things; He is the God who *does* great things. Never forgetting from where we came, we should always keep our eyes focused on where we are going. *"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing!"* (Isaiah 43.18). I believe God has great plans for this church. And every member has work to do and a role to play. I pray that God will work in us and through us to accomplish His work in the Upper Cumberland and around the world.

**Buddy Johnson**

# From John's Desk

**Galatians 1:6-18-24** *Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother. (In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie!) Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia. And I was still unknown in person to the churches of Judea that are in Christ. They only were hearing it said, "He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy." And they glorified God because of me.*

In this week's text, Paul continues to talk about his own story with Christ. In last week's text we noted that Paul's authority came from God. He used his personal transformation as evidence that God was working through Paul. As Paul completes telling his story he highlights meeting with Peter, traveling near and far, and using his former reputation to highlight God's grace. The story of Paul is useful for us today in helping us understand that our stories can be used in the world today to highlight God's work. It is when a believer considers where they were without God that they will begin to tell that story to others that are lost.

Why is Galatians 1:18-24 important? What do we do with a text like this?

1. There is nothing that God can't forgive. Many people live with the weight that they can't be saved or forgiven because of something in their past. That is a lie that Satan has told for many years. Unfortunately, many still believe that lie. Some within the Church that are exclusively "works based" people don't have the answer to this lie either. There is nothing that Jesus can't cover. His blood is so powerful and potent that he can save the worst of the worst, or the best of the best. He can save from the clutches of evil, and he can save from the front row of the pew. Regardless of what you have done, trust Jesus for your cleansing. Paul killed people, and Jesus still had the power to not only save him, but to use him for God's glory.
2. The transformation of Paul's life by God caused people to marvel and give God glory. Use the story of your life to point people to God. You don't have to have an edgy story to point people to Christ. Maybe you grew up in church your whole life and you were always a good person. **You still needed Jesus!** Tell people that through your functional, pure, and safe life that Jesus is still your Lord. Tell people how he has changed your heart. Your transformation is a powerful tool to point people to Christ.

God Bless, *John*

# Collins' Corner

**Sycamore Elementary School Supplies:** We will be taking the display table down this Wednesday but you can continue to bring in your bags.

This has been an exciting opportunity to serve our community. Our goal is to be able to provide every child at Sycamore a "starter kit" for the upcoming school year. The bags on average cost around \$15 to purchase every item. Every little bit will help! If you don't have the capability of going and buying the school supplies, but would like to donate money towards that cause, we would greatly welcome your donation. You can see John Nichols or myself with donations. Thanks in advance for your help and participation!

*Matt*



# News, Prayers & Announcements

## THANK YOU!

To My Church Family, I must say that I appreciate each act of kindness shown me during my recent illness. Your prayers, cards and visits were all up lifting and much appreciated. God Bless You, **Rubye Anderson**

\*\*\*We were so glad that **Rubye Anderson** was able to be back in church with us Sunday.

## Our Sick

**Karma Carter** will start her four-month chemo treatment next Tuesday for her Hodgkin lymphoma.

**Lyman Schroeder** has been dismissed from Cookeville Regional and is now at Bethesda for therapy.

**Jeremy Fortner**, son of **Ken & Marty Clark**, is still recovering from surgery. His family requests prayer for fast healing so he can continue his chemo treatments.

**Ronnie Anderson**, brother of **Donald Anderson** was dismissed Thursday from NHC and is now home.

The following are all now recovering at their homes: **Louise Flatt, Ann Judd, Renee Mayher, Cheri McCormick, Opal Nichols & Clarcie Bush** (back at her home).

**Sympathy** to the family of **Stacey Mott**, who passed away at the Life Care Center in Sparta on July 2. His family will receive friends at Hooper-Huddleston & Hornor Funeral Home Saturday, July 9, from 4:00 - 6:00 PM and again on Sunday, from 12:00 Noon until time for the funeral at 1:00 PM, to be held there in their chapel.

**Please see or contact Jim Dale if you could provide a meal to assist a couple of our members. 979-2895**

## Our Shut-Ins

**Bethesda:** Lyman Schroeder, Jan Shuster & Lyda Taylor

**Heritage Pointe:** Peggy Cooper, Wilma Hayes & Marian McDoniel

**Morningside:** Ann Judd

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

**At Home:** Hugh & Kathy Adams, Herman & Becky Bean, Maggie Brown, Matilda Craighead, Margaret Cunningham, Mary Dyer, Geneva Glasgow, Ralph Medley, Sterling & Pat McCanless, Gladys Simmons, Claudine Smith, Marty Smith, Cornelia Steakley, Jordan Terry and Charles Williamson

*Ladies*  
**LUNCHEON**

Ladies Luncheon will be at  
**Spankies**  
**Thursday, July 7, 11:30 a.m.**  
All women come join the fun!

*The Amazing Ladies* will meet at Mamma Rosa's on **July 11**, at 11:30 AM. Please sign-up on the Family Board. Contact **Marilyn Scott** for details.

**Gospel Meeting:** A church van will be going to Union Hill Church at Shepardsville Highway on Tuesday, July 12, leaving at 6PM to hear Bro. Sidney White.

**Bridal Tea:** There will be a bridal tea for **Bobby Allred & Allison Hamilton** Sunday, **July 17**, in the Fellowship Hall, from 1:30 to 3:00. They are registered at Walmart, Kohl's, Belk and Sears.



**MAGI Work Night:** We will have **work nights** on both **July 11th and July 25th** from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. Please let Paula Kelly or Lisa Rhodes know if you plan to attend. We have completed 300 boxes and still have 800 to go, and we are extremely low on all donations. Please consider helping this wonderful mission effort. Every little bit helps.

**Magi Items for July:** flashlights, jump ropes, stuffed animals and yo-yo's.

## Young at Heart:

### **Nashville Sounds Game July 23**

Sign up sheet is on the YAH board for the Nashville Sounds Game. Tickets are \$20 each. **Everyone is invited.** We will leave the parking lot at 5:00pm; game starts at 7:05pm. See **Curtis Shinsky**.



**Bible Correspondence Course:** Jefferson Avenue has been advertising a Bible correspondence course every other Friday in the Herald Citizen.

This course consists of eight lessons. We have several participants to date, both students and graders. If you are a relatively new Christian, this may be a fine way to begin a deeper study of the Bible. If you have a family member, a neighbor, a co-worker or friend that might benefit from a general study, please give **David Vaughn** a call at 646-0789 and give him the name and address of your student. He is administering the program. These people should be willing participants when their name is shared with David. Sharing the Word is a wonderful work.

**John Mayher**

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<u>Sundays, July 3, 2016</u>	
<b>SHEPHERDS</b>	<b>DEACONS (cont.)</b>
Glenn Binkley	Brian Carver
Doug Fowler	Randy Chaffin
Don Foy	Ken Clark
Bobby Lane	Jim Dale
*John Rhodes	Jason Fowler
Leighton Sissom	Chad Gilbert
*Chairman of Month	Seth Gilbert
<b>MINISTERS</b>	Jim Hicks
Buddy Johnson	Sean Kelly
Pulpit Minister	Chuck Lankford
John Nichols	Bryan Limer
Associate Minister	Bob Mackie
Matt Collins	Ken Mayes
Youth Minister	Brian McDaniel
Bo Perez	Andy Millon
Hispanic Ministry	Dean Olson
John Mayher	Jimmy Patterson
Visitation Minister	Dave Piggott
<b>DEACONS</b>	Gaylon Presley
Jason Bennett	Bud Simpson
William Birdwell	Pete Story
Sam Brown	Don Viar
Philip Burr	Donnie Westbrook
Bible Class.....302	Church Office.....931-526-4605
Sunday Morning.....551	Information Line.....931-528-1006
Sunday Evening.....196	Fax Line.....931-520-8708
Wednesday Night.....273	Mother's Day Out.....931-260-7861
Contribution.....\$19,235	<b>Email</b>
	Church Office (Mary).....info@jacoc.org
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	John Nichols.....john@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
	<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

## July 10-16

11 - Peggy Cooper	14 - David Fox
11 - Saul Lobato	14 - Corrine Johnson
12 - David Webb	15 - Tristen Hill
13 - Sarah Foy	15 - Haley 'Fitz' Teeter
13 - Macey Korth	16 - Randy Guidry
14 - Molly Chaffin	

# A News and Notes

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- ▶ JULY
- 7 Movie Night
- 11-13 Cookeville Service Week
- 14 Guys/Girls Night
- 23 Farewell Banquet
- 27 W.A.S.
- 28-30 Senior Trip

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