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Jefferson Avenue  
Church of Christ

## DISCIPLE

BECOMING DISCIPLES  
THROUGH BIBLE STUDY

September– October 2016

### Sun. A.M. Classes –

20s-30s (214) – Don Foy – *I John*

30s-40s (213) – Brian Carver – *I Kings*

Library – Bobby Lane – *II Corinthians*

Fellowship Hall – John Rhodes - *Luke*

Small Auditorium – John Mayher –  
*I & II Timothy*

114 – Leighton Sissom – *Holy Spirit*

Ladies (115) – Laura Jackson –

*James and I, II & III John*

### Wed. Afternoon Class – David Vaughn

### Wed. P.M. Classes

Main Auditorium – Buddy Johnson - *Proverbs*  
Room 114 – Joe Hill -

*The Role of the Church*

Fellowship Hall – David Vaughn -

*Qualifications of Elders and Deacons*

College 215 – Bobby Lane –

*How Do You See the Church?*

Library (Ladies) – Delores Wheatley and

Wanda Jared – *The Role of Women*

### This Week's Lessons

#### Sunday Morning Sermon by Bobby Lane

Servant Leadership - *Mark 10.42-45*

#### Sunday Night Sermon by Buddy Johnson

Daniel: A Trailblazer for Purity - *Daniel 6*

### GOOD NEWS

We are starting our new Bible classes in September! I am excited and grateful to see so many good classes and teachers. Pick a class from the list and enjoy!



### HOW MUCH FOOD DOES IT TAKE TO FEED THE FOOTBALL TEAM?

Our church is always looking for ways to reach out into the community and make a positive impact. We have volunteered many hours for Habitat for Humanity, handed out bottled water at the square on Veterans Day, parked cars for the Blue Cross Bowl, held a diaper drive for the Cookeville Pregnancy Clinic, just to name a few ways we have helped in the past. This week we will be feeding the Cookeville High School Cavaliers football team and cheerleaders in our Fellowship Center on Thursday night (September 8) at 5 p.m. We have fed the team for the past five years and it is always a lot of fun. Ken Matheney has organized this event and we appreciate his effort. If you would like to make a homemade dessert (or buy a dessert from the store) to help feed these boys and girls, I am sure Ken would appreciate it. If you would like to make a donation to help feed the team, please give it to Ken. This meal is paid for entirely by private donations.

### BIBLE BOWL IS HERE!

It's Bible Bowl time in Tennessee! Bible Bowl is this Saturday (September 10) at the Hooper Eblen Center at 8 a.m. This year our kids have been studying the book of Leviticus. After studying all summer, I guarantee you they know more about the book of Leviticus than most of us! It is always exciting to see the Hoop filled with kids and teens who love God and love His Word. We look forward to hearing the report from Bible Bowl on Sunday.



**Buddy Johnson**



**Renew Men's  
Conference:**  
**Saturday,**  
**September 17,**  
**Jefferson Avenue**

This conference is designed to encourage and challenge men to be spiritual leaders in their homes and in the church. What a great day of instruction and fellowship. Food will be provided so please sign up on the Family Board. There is no cost to attend.



### *Those Prayed for in August*

Kathy Adams, Hugh Adams, Linda Alcorn, Kenneth Allen, Vickie Ballard, Herman Bean, Becky Bean, Chris Bohannon Family, Dean Boles, Kaye Bowman, Maggie Brown, Rene Canfield, Joy Carter, Karma Carter, Brian Carver, Peggy Cooper, Tammy Crabtree, Matilda Craighead, Doyle Crosley, Margaret Cunningham, Geneva Davis, Mary Dyer, Earline Elkins, Jeremy Fortner, Geneva Glasgow, Opal Grissom, Anthony Hammock, Wilma Hayes, Hazel Holloway, Blake Houston, Tim Jennings, Luke Johnson, Patsy Johnson, Dave Leaf, Angela Leffew, Rick Merina, Rhett Massey, Pat McCanless, Marian McDoniel, Richard Moore, Roy & Doris Moore, Buddy Morgan, Eleanor Kate Neill, John Nichols Family, Paula Palk, Jean Pennington, Lyman Schroeder, Jan Shepherd, Jan Shuster, Gladys Simmons, Claudine Smith, Marty Smith, Evelyn Solt, Cornelia Steakley, Sylvia Tackett, Lyda Taylor, Jordan Terry, Jackie Tidwell, Aletha Tino, Ashley Viar, Charles Williamson and Shirley Zachery

## Collins' Corner

Luke 11:11-13

*What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know who to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!*

Most people, when they think about the goodness of God, they associate it with things that they enjoy that have come into their life. For example, when somebody wins an award, most of the time they start off their speech with "God is good." Or, when we get an A on a test that we've been nervous about we think, "God is good." Or, when we get in a wreck and we aren't injured we think, "God is good."

If our understanding of the goodness of God is tied to our circumstances, what happens when those circumstances change? Our misunderstanding of the goodness of God can impact every area of our lives. When things happen to us that aren't inherently "good", that does not take away from the goodness of God. That doesn't mean that God no longer loves us. At the same time, if I pass a test or don't die in a wreck, that doesn't mean that God is "rewarding" me.

If we really believe that God is good, then we have to believe that God is good regardless of circumstance. God doesn't operate on the same plain as we do. We operate with earthly thoughts and earthly motives and we see earthly things. God operates higher than us, he operates differently than we do. We have to view his goodness through that lens. The goodness of God doesn't look like the goodness of your parents or friends. We see here when Christ speaks about the goodness of God as it relates to the gifts he gives, he gives us the Holy Spirit. What's so good about that? There is much to be said on that subject, but for now, think about a few things that Spirit does for us that is "good." The Spirit can give us wisdom and discernment. The Spirit can give us peace, perspective, patience and contentment. The Spirit can give us eyes to see God in any and all situations. All of these things we can have access to when God gives us His Spirit. All of these things are good, and good for us.

**Matt**

## News, Prayers & Announcements

*It was great to see Hazel Holloway and Lyman Schroeder in worship with us Sunday.*

### Our Sick and Prayer Requests:

**Virginia Mabry** had brain surgery at Tri-Star Southern Hills in Nashville on Tuesday and is expected to come home Wednesday.

**Curtis Shinsky** will have surgery at Centennial in Nashville on Thursday.

**Brian Carver** had out-patient shoulder repair surgery Friday, at the Surgery Center and is home recovering better than anticipated.

**Patsy Johnson**, remains in Cookeville Regional, room #533.

**Cornelia Steakley** is now at Bethesda, room #105-B.

### Those who are dealing with cancer:

Kathy Adams, Linda Alcorn, Kenneth Allen, Dean Boles, Kaye Bowman, Rene' Canfield, Karma Carter, Joy Carter, Jeremy Fortner, Anthony Hammock, Blake Houston, 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 McDoniel

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

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

 **Lads 2 Leaders:** There will be an informational meeting on **Sunday, September 25**, after the evening service, for anyone wanting to participate and/or help with lads to leaders this year. There have been some changes to the program so make sure you come find out how you can be involved.

### Please note these changes in your directory:

► **Dylcia Cowan**, new work address, TTU College of Interdisciplinary Studies, Southwest Hall, Rm 141-A, 38505, 931-372-3366.

*Thank You!* Dear Church Family, thank you for the cards, phone calls and your prayers after my recent car accident. I am recovering and I love you. **Sylvia Tackett**

The Brown Family would like to extend a great big thank you for your hospitality. The love you showed our aunt and great aunt and for the delicious meal. It was greatly appreciated. Aunt Opal was a lovely Christian lady and we were honored and blessed to have her in our family. In Christian Love,

**Opal Grissom Family**  
**Virginia Brown Lustig**  
**Bobby & Veneeta Brown Davis**  
**Gail Davis Jones**

Dear Church Family, I would like to express my thanks for all the cards, visits and most of all the prayers that you extended to me before and after my surgery. God bless each of you.  
**Jean Pennington**

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 **MAGI:** The items we need for September are toothpaste, marbles, and flashlights.

**CHS Football Meal:** This Thursday, **September 8** will be our annual meal we prepare and serve the Cavalier Football team. Your monetary donations are greatly appreciated. See **B.J. Matheney**

**The Amazing Ladies** will be going to Cumberland Mountain State Park for lunch on **Tuesday, September 13**. Please sign up on the YAH Board. We will be leaving at 11am; transportation will be provided. Join the fellowship ladies, and invite a widowed friend!

**Healing Hands:** We will be going to Healing Hands on Friday, **September 16**, leaving at 8:00am. See Frances Bumbalough.



**Teachers needed** for Wednesday night:  
2 year old class and the 3rd-4th grade class  
See **Allison Burr**

**Women's Prayer Group:** We *will not meet* this Thursday September 8th, but look forward to seeing you next week on the 15th! **Laura Carter**

# BIRTHDAYS *September 18-24*

- 18 - Thurman Bradley      20 - Ken Standifer
- 18 - Adeline Mayes      21 - Ashleigh Hamilton
- 18 - Donnie Westbrooks      21 - Marti Neill
- 19 - Renee Mayher      22 - Steve Leddy
- 20 - Bill Hallcomb      24 - Sherry Binkley
- 20 - Lynn Lane      24 - Susan Fitzpatrick(Pat)
- 20 - Ken Matheny      24 - Virginia Simpson
- 20 - Kaden Smith      24 - Roy Tudor



# A News and Notes

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## September

- 11 - T4C @ Double Springs
- 17 - Men's Day @ JA
- 18 - Devo @ Lane's
- 30 - Bison Day & Harding

## October

- 3 - Fall Break
- 16 - Devo @ Simpson's
- 21 - FHU Visit
- 23 - Super Sunday

## November

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

## December

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

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<u>Sunday, September 4, 2016</u>	
<p><b>SHEPHERDS</b> *Glenn Binkley Doug Fowler Don Foy Bobby Lane John Rhodes Leighton Sissom *Chairman of Month</p> <p><b>MINISTERS</b> Buddy Johnson Pulpit Minister Matt Collins Youth Minister Bo Perez Hispanic Ministry John Mayher Visitation Minister</p> <p><b>DEACONS</b> Jason Bennett William Birdwell Sam Brown Phillip Burr</p>	<p><b>DEACONS (cont.)</b> Brian Carver Randy Chaffin Ken Clark Jim Dale Jason Fowler Chad Gilbert Seth Gilbert Jim Hicks Sean Kelly Chuck Lankford Bryan Limer Bob Mackie Ken Mayes Brian McDaniel Andy Millon Dean Olson Jimmy Patterson Dave Piggott Gaylon Presley Bud Simpson Pete Story Don Viar Donnie Westbrooks</p>
<p>Bible Class.....271 Sunday Morning.....553 Sunday Evening.....189 Wednesday Night.....280 Contribution.....\$18,037</p> <p>Church Office.....931-526-4605 Information Line.....931-528-1006 Fax Line.....931-520-8708 Mother's Day Out.....931-260-7861</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Email</b></p> <p>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</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Service Schedule</b></p> <p>Sunday Bible Study.....9:00 AM Sunday Morning.....10:00 AM Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September 4, 2016</u></p>