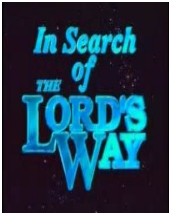


~ ~ ~ Those Privileged To Serve ~ ~ ~

<u>Sunday 1st Service</u>	<u>December 15, 9:00 A.M.</u>	<u>December 22, 9:00 A.M.</u>
Welcome ~ Announcements Scripture / Prayer Song Leader	Michael Hollis Patrick Brown Russ Baker	Michael Hollis Michael Curseen Russ Baker
Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer	Dylan Madden Greg Harp/Randy Harp Alfred Barnes Willie Green	Dylan Madden Greg Harp/Randy Harp Nathaniel Ferguson Donnell Robison
Prepare Communion	Donna Williams	Donna Williams
<u>Sunday 2nd Service</u>	<u>December 15, 11:30 A.M.</u>	<u>December 22, 11:30 A.M.</u>
Welcome ~ Announcements Scripture/ Prayer Song Leader Preside Communion Prayer Service Closing Prayer	Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Russ Baker Dylan Madden Alfred Barnes/Volunteers Russ Baker	Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Russ Baker Dylan Madden Nathaniel Ferguson Levi Madden
<u>Wednesday Evening 7:00 P.M.</u>	<u>December 18, 7:00 P.M.</u>	<u>December 25, 7:00 P.M.</u>
Weekly Assembly Schedule 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Worship 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM - Bible Classes 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM - Worship Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 PM (Some variation may be necessary)		 In Search Of The Lord's Way Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM 12/15/24 - "Grieving" 12/22/24 - "Because of Jesus" 12/29/24 - "The Way"

“ For Christ Do More In 2024 ”

<u>What Must I Do To Be Saved?</u>		
Realize I am lost	Rom. 3:23	*
Hear the Gospel	Acts 15:7	*
Believe the Gospel	Mk. 16:15-16	*
Repent of sins	Acts 17:30	*
Confess Christ	Rom. 10:9-10	*
Baptized to remit sins	Acts 2:38	*
Remain faithful	2 Pet. 1:5-11	*
<u>Record of Attendance</u>		
	<u>12/08/2024</u>	<u>Total</u>
	Sun. 1st Worship	39
	Sun. Bible Study	41
	Sun. 2nd Worship	44
	Wednesday Evening	25
	Contribution	\$4,955.00



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“The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.” Psalm 119:130

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

1st Worship 9:00 am
Bible Class 10:30 am
2nd Worship 11:30 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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The Balanced Life

Happiness Keeps You Sweet

Trials Keep You Strong

Sorrows Keep You Human

Failures Keep You Humble

Success Keeps You Glowing

But Only God Keeps You going

Are You Living
A Well-Balanced Life?



Roslyn Curseen—had tests done and the cancer has shrunk. We are elated with her results. Continue to keep her in your prayers.

Bush Denney—the brother of Jack Denney, will have his pancreas removed this Tuesday, as he was diagnosed with cancer. Prayers are requested for him, as he has a long recovery ahead of him.

Eleanor English—the sister of Susan Wellman has some health issues and needs our prayers.

Loyal Williams Jr—the brother of Nell Lockhart, needs our prayers as he has many health issues of concern.

Alfred Barnes Sr—has improved and has not had any seizures. The meds are working for him. Continued prayers as he recovers.

Bernice Harris—prayers the new medicine will work to help her immune system.

Brent Pollard—had a feeding tube put in this past week. Hopeful it will help him to be able to come off ventilator in the days ahead. Prayers are asked for him.

Havanna Goebel—continues with pain, Ericka Lee, Havanna’s daughter, continues to battle with her cancer. Her father, Ervin Lee, also has cancer.

Continued Prayer List: Vera Hannah, Jim and Maxine Howell, Veranetta Jones, Josiah, nephew of Maylene Lamy and her friends Pauline Noel and Leshon Cheely, Don Cheek, Donna Taylor, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Quenton Hogan, Vera Pollard, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison’s mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes, Betty Manning, mother-in-law of Jack Denney, Lynette Sumner, Mother-in-law of Steve Pollard, James Pollard

~ SEND A CARD ~ MAKE A CALL ~

Activities And Events

Today— 9:00 A.M. 1st morning worship service.
Today— Sunday Morning Bible Classes 10:30A.M.
Today—11:30 A.M. 2nd worship service.
Wednesday night Bible class– 7:00 P.M.
December 16— Monday for the Master: First Principles Class @ 7 PM in the home of Henrietta Murphy Jones. Please see the directory for her address.
2025 Sermon Topics Suggestions: Alfred Barnes would like suggestions from the Tara congregation on “Topics for Sermons” for the upcoming year. A sheet is placed on the bulletin board for you to add your suggestion(s).

2025 CALENDARS - The church provides wall calendars for our members and guests each year. They are available in the foyer for your taking and use. Please limit yourself to two until all who want them are able to get them. Use them to mark your personal and congregational appointments for the coming new year.

The **Tara Directory** will be completed by end of year.

We want to wish **Sister Donna Taylor** a very Happy “90th” Birthday. She has been a staple in the Lord’s work, and we are thankful many of those years have been spent with her Tara family. We are grateful for her Christian example and the way she ‘s stewarded to many with love and light. May God continue to Bless Donna in her daily walk.

Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. **Proverbs 31:10**

Elders’ Comments

The church of Christ is a praying church. The Tara congregation is made up of God's people who love Him, and who believe He hears and answers our prayers. That is why we are devoting our second service today to prayer and to praising Him in song.

We honor Him as our eternal and merciful heavenly Father who hears and answers our prayers. We express our thanks for the church Christ purchased with His own blood and for the Tara congregation. We pray for our elders, preachers, teachers, and for our men who serve in worship and in other ways. We pray for our ladies in the many things they do for the growth of the church, for our youth, for our sick and suffering, for our nation and her leaders, for our missionaries and for our own personal efforts to reach the lost with the saving gospel of Christ. We praise Him for that eternal home He has prepared for the faithful.

The Elder’s

From the Pen of Richard

SMALL THINGS ARE IMPORTANT!

We live in a day of big things. Big shopping centers, big buildings, big churches. Big appetites, supersized food items, which of course results in bigger bodies and bigger health problems. And how could we live without the Superbowl, the World Series and the Olympics? Some projects are described as world wide, global, or universal. We like to think big and we often try to act big.

Zechariah, the Old Testament prophet asked, “For who has despised the day of small things?” (Zech. 4:10) He was referring to the rebuilding of the temple by Zerubbabel in that the plumb line in his hand are the eyes of the Lord. Jesus spoke of being “faithful in what is least” (Luke 16:10) We must not forget the importance of little things, little deeds and little people. There are no “big shots” in the eyes of the Lord, just humble servants who are trying to do the work He has instructed us to do in keeping with the God-given talents we possess.

Consider the value of a few small things. The Kingdom (Church) would begin as a mustard seed that grows into a tree. (Matt. 13:31f) The widow’s two mites were greater than the abundance the wealthy put into the treasury. (Mark 12:41f) Bethlehem was little among the thousands of Judah, but it became the birthplace of the Savior. (Micah 5:2) David and his sling were little compared with Goliath and his spear. (I Sam.17) The same effort was expected of the one talent man as of the five talent man. (Matt. 25:14ff) Dorcus and her needle did a great work in helping the needy. (Acts 9:36ff) Every member of the Lord’s body is important just like every part of the physical body. (I Cor. 12:13ff) “A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver”. (Prov. 25:11) Jesus said, “And whoever gives one of these little ones only a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple...he shall by no means lose his reward”. (Matt. 10:42) He also said that whatever we do “to one of the least of these my brethren you did it to me” (Matt 25:40) God never overlooks the value of small things, neither should we.

Small things are important in the day-to-day work of the church. A friendly greeting of a visitor; a phone call to check on someone who is absent; a card to the sick, shut-in or bereaved; inviting someone to Bible study and worship; volunteering without being asked; reading your Bible every day; beginning and closing your day with prayer; smiling and spreading cheer; commending the good you see in a person’s life; encouraging a young person; lending a helping hand wherever needed; being on time for Bible study and worship; giving a selected tract to a friend; teaching a lost soul; trying to restore someone who has fallen away; providing transportation for someone who doesn’t have a way to go attending all services of the church enthusiastically. Such things may be considered little, but we should never underestimate their importance.

Richard Harp

Please remember to turn off your cell phone during Bible study and Worship!