South Green Street Church of Christ

Weekly Newsletter

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Don't "Just Say No!"

During the 1980's when the *War On Drugs* began, one of the phrases developed to deter teens & young adults to stay away from drugs was called, "Just Say No!" Of course the idea was if you were approached to partake in drug use, everyone was encouraged to "Just Say No!" If you did this, you would not become a user of drugs. Sometimes within the church we "Just Say No" when it comes to our participation & involvement. What happens when we "Just Say No?"

Saying NO to church participation limits our zeal to teach others. Romans 15:17-20 says *There*fore I have reason to glory in Christ Jesus in the things which pertain to God. For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ has not accomplished through me, in word and deed, to make the Gentiles obedient, in mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God, so that from Jerusalem and round about to Illvricum I have fully preached the gospel of Christ. And so I have made it my aim to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should build on another man's foundation. Paul allowed others to see Christ by his work. When we refuse to participate publicly to the best of our ability & talents in the work of the church, how will others see our love for the Lord?

Saying NO to church involvement prevents us from good works. Titus 3:8 says This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men. When we do not participate in service to God, what are we saying to Him?

Our service to the Lord requires work not rest. Our Father needs us to be zealous for good works. Can we say YES more and NO less?

CHRIST IN YOUth

Active Digital Parenting Seminar

Please make plans to attend a technology, internet, and social medial seminar on Sunday, February 11. More details to come.

Evangelism University

EU will be January 12-14 in Savannah, TN. It is a weekend dedicated to teaching our youth to share the Gospel of Christ. If interested, please see Nick.

Challenge Youth Conference

CYC will be February 22-25 in Pigeon Forge, TN. Please mark your calendars.

Lads to Leaders

Mass Media-Nov 19-4:00 Speech (Girls/Guys)-Nov 19-5:00

Bible Bowl-Nov 26 4:00 Song Leading/Songs of Praise-Nov 26-5:00

Registration forms are located in the foyer and near the rear entrance for those who will be attending the L2L convention. Everyone that plans to attend must complete a form, lodging will not be secured until forms have been completed and turned in to the office. Should you have any questions, contact Frankie McCoy or Chris Page.

Nov Devos

The K-6th grade devo will be held on Sunday, Nov 19 following the morning services.

The 7th-12th devo will be held Sunday, Nov 19, following the PM services at the home of Jeremy & Stephanie Prichard. All youth are asked to bring sides and/or desserts.

Christmas Parade Service Project

Saturday, December 2, we will be having our annual Christmas Parade service project. The youth will be handing out hot chocolate, hot dogs and popcorn before and during the Christmas parade. Teens should meet in the youth center at 5:00 p.m.

Lest We Think God Doesn't Care About How We Worship

by Adam Faughn

Worship is vital to the church. Reading the New Testament, we find the church coming together for worship each Lord's day (Acts 20:7) and Christians being encouraged not to fall into a habit of being absent (Hebrews 10:25). We find that worship was regulated and that God, through the inspired writers, gave five avenues of worship: singing, prayer, Bible reading/study, giving, and the Lord's Supper.

But we are living in times when we are told that Christianity is not about what you do on Sundays, but what you do during the week. In fact, we are living in times when many people claim that God does not really care how we worship, so long as we are sincere and living out our faith during the week.

Is that the case, though?

Many of us remember reading about King Jeroboam and how he chose to change worship. First Kings 12 teaches us that he changed the object of worship (from Jehovah to golden calves), the location of worship (from the temple in Jerusalem to Dan and Beersheba), the leaders of worship (not requiring priests to be from the tribe of Levi), and the time of worship (moving feast days to times God had not authorized).

I doubt any of us would excuse his actions, to say the least.

Interestingly, though, throughout much of the remainder of the books of Kings, Jeroboam becomes the acid test for how other kings were more or less faithful to the Lord. Some 23 times, a phrase will be repeated throughout those two books: "the sin of Jeroboam."

But what is most fascinating is that this "sin" has nothing to do with social justice or political reform. It does not deal with tax issues, immigration policy, or how the poor were cared for. In each and every case, it has to do with worship!

Does God care for the poor? Of course! Does he care how we deal with social justice or racial tension or other issues that we face in our work-a-day world? Absolutely.

But does that, then, give us the right to worship in any way we choose and cover it under the guise of sincerity? Absolutely not!

Even small things that slowly erode the primary place of God and His Word in our worship practices need to be not only avoided but destroyed from our lives. When we seek to put "what makes me feel good" or "what will draw a crowd" or "what is popular" over the teachings of God, we have, in effect, removed God from the throne and put ourselves there.

And that is the sin of Jeroboam: idolatry of self.

Does God care how we live our lives from Monday through Saturday? We need to never forget that He does.

But does God also care about how we worship on Sunday? He would not have told us how to do so in His Word if He didn't. So, may we never think we have a better plan than the One we are paying allegiance to each Lord's day.

God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.. (John 4:24)

Family Matters

Prayer List

- Verna Abston 1931 Coles Bend Rd., Smiths Grove, KY 42171
- Dickie Barrick, 105 Oak Leaf St., Glasgow
- Ruth Bradford, Room 154, 180 Scottie Dr., Glasgow
- Jimmy Briggs, 682 Wilson Rd, Cave City, KY
- Larry & Joyce Bushong 4871 Scottsville Rd., Glasgow
- Shirley Coffey, Skyline Medical Center, Nashville
- Laurie Frame, Matthews Mill Rd., Glasgow
- Sherian Gray, 409 Robin Rd., Horse Cave, KY 42749
- Marilyn Grider, 111 Kenwood Ct., Glasgow
- Doris Sharp, 294 Fox Ridge, Glasgow
- Rollin & Mary Ann Simmons, 300 Seay St., Glasgow
- Bill Speer, 1509 Beckton Rocky Hill Rd. Glasgow
- Melanie Vance, daughter of Eddie & Joyce Whitlow, 166 Eastern Valley Est., Glasgow

Additional Prayer Requests

- Courtney Benefield, granddaughter of Donald & Patt Edwards
- Sarah Bowman, niece of Mark & Nancy Bowman
- Stacy Byrd, niece of Charlotte Pruitt
- Jim Clark, son of Margaret Dubree
- Nona Jeffries, mother-in-law of Jesse Page
- Bob Lenhart, father of Cathy Bishop
- Danny Lowe, brother of Jimmy Lowe
- Norman Lyle, cousin of Sonya Hogue
- Norma Middleton, grandmother of Angela Kesslar
- Brenda Myers, cousin of the McCoy's
- Todd Page, brother of Amy Jones
- Charlie Strode, father of Charlotte Birge
- Ruth Waddell, mother of Janey Cline
- Betty Sue Walton Jaggers, sister of Stanley Walton and aunt of Sonya Hogue
- Perry Watson, friend of Brad & Angie Kesslar
- Bill Weaver, cousin of Cora Spear
- Christy Wheeler, NHC room 109
- Bobby Witty, brother-in-law of Ruth Stephens
- Scotty Wright, son of Carolyn Money
- Julie Younkin, friend of Carla Smith

Prayers Requested & Placed Membership

Jonathan McCain responded to the invitation Sunday evening and requested prayers on his behalf. He had met with the elders previously about placing membership. Please honor his request and keep him in your daily prayers and welcome him to the South Green family.

Teacher's Meeting

There will be a meeting for all teacher/assistants and others that are involved in the next teacher rotation. This meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 19, at 5:00 in the church basement. The new rotation will begin Sunday, December 3.

From the Elders

In order to accommodate families that will be traveling for the Thanksgiving holiday the elders have decided to move the mid week service to Tuesday evening, November 21. The time will remain the same, 6:30 PM.

Community Soup Kitchen

South Green will prepare the meal at the local soup kitchen on Tuesday, November 21. Volunteers scheduled are: Debbie Turner (leader), Peggy Pritchard, Covella Hare, Nancy Cline, Beverly Bonner, Kathy Lowe, Pat Spear, Patty Brown, Pat Walker, Sonya Hogue, Carol Weaver, Guy Simmons and Ronnie Turner.

Landscaping

We will be doing the fall maintenance on the landscaping at the building on Saturday, November 18. Volunteers are asked to meet around noon. If you can help with this work please see Christian Kaumanns.

Young N Heart

Dinner and show to see Diamond Rio at the Opryland Hotel on Friday, December 15, 2017. The cost is \$90/person. Sign up sheet is posted in the foyer. Should you have questions and to pay for this event, see Jerry Wood.

For The Record				
Sunday Morning Attendance	429			
Sunday Contribution	\$11,286.50			
2017 Weekly Budget	\$11,000.00			
2017 Weekly Average	\$11,552.45			
Responses Year To Date				
Baptisms	8			
Prayer Requests	20			
Placing Membership				

Sunday Mornin	g, November 19, 2017	Ushers	Mason Matthews	
Deacons in Charge	Michael Gill		Glenn Pritchard	
	Jackie Perkins	Usher & Serve Basement	Larry Baldock	
Scripture Reading	Leland Glass		Jerry Throneberry	
Song Leader		Count Contribution	Glen Birge	
Opening Prayer			Lloyd Isenberg	
Lesson			Zac Turner	
Communion Talk	Jeremy Prichard		Joe Prichard	
Presiding at the Table		Bake Bread		
	Stephen Floyd	Bus Driver		
Serving the Assembly		Pick Up Attendance Cards		
	Christian Kaumanns	•	Tate Pace	
	Kameron Bellamy			
	Gordon Kelsay IIÍ	Sunday Evening Service		
Serving the Balcony		Scripture Reading		
	Hugh England	Song Leader	Robbie Fudge	
	David McCracken	Opening Prayer		
Closing Remarks		Lesson	Bart Warren	
Dismissal Prayer		Presiding at the Table	Chris Page	
Greeters (Front Door)			David Alls	
	Patt Edwards	Dismissal Prayer	Shannon England	
Greeters (Back Door)		·	· ·	
	Sonya Hogue	Wednesday	Wednesday Evening Service	
Greeter (Side Door)		Song Leader	Billy Joe Cline	
Assistance (Back Door)		Opening Prayer	Roger Cline	
Umbrella (Back Door)		Dismissal Prayer		
	Brandon T./Kenneth G.	I		

Elders						
Mark Bowman	678-3632	Tommy Gumm	678-3957			
Scott Bradford	651-7244	Darrell Pitcock	678-4333			
Roger Cline	749-8893	Billy Pritchard	651-3304			
Leland Glass	453-3486	Rollin Simmons	629-4855			
Ministers						
Bart Warren 629-4427						
Allen Jones		670-8345				
Nick	Report of the Page 1 of the Page 2 of the	670-5698				
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Stephen Floyd	202-8911	Nick Pace	670-5698			
Doug Frasier	678-2330	•	678-8824			
Robbie Fudge	678-1062		678-4301			
Michael Gill	678-6851	Glenn Pitcock	678-4853			
David Gray		Joe Prichard	799-7996			
	670-8345	Kevin Redford				
Frankie McCoy						
David McCracken	678-1127	Ronnie Turner	678-6798			
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Worship Times				
Sunday Bible Study				
Sunday A.M. Worship	10:30 a.m.			
Sunday P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.			
Remember! All Worship Services Streamed Live at: www.sgcofc.com				
Wednesday Bible Study	6:30 p.m.			
Thursday Ladies' Class				

