

Weekly Newsletter

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What Are Your Goals?

Barely into 2018, we have an opportunity to review, reflect, and reset in regards to our spiritual lives. We have an opportunity to be better than we were. Challenges are inevitable, growth is optional. Setting *spiritual goals* is the first step to *spiritual growth*! **Choose to grow...**

Closer to Christ: 1 Peter 1:18-19 says *knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.* Being aware of Christ's sacrifice should motivate us to desire more knowledge about Him.

Closer to the church: Philippians 1:3-5 says *I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now.* Paul is appreciative of the team oriented approach that is shared between him and the church at Philippi. We are unified by one body, one Spirit, one hope, one Lord, one faith, and one baptism (Eph. 4:4-5). Realizing this should cause to grow together & work together in all matters of the church.

Closer to the lost: Mark 16:16 says *He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.* The goal to share the this message with others is pleasing to God and should be at the top of our list of spiritual goals.

Let's make 2018 productive for the Kingdom.

~Allen Jones

CHRIST IN YOUTH

Active Digital Parenting Seminar

Please make plans to attend a technology, internet, and social media seminar on Sunday, February 11. More details to come. The speaker will be Chad Landman. There will be an afternoon session on February 11 from 1:00-4:00. Should you have any questions regarding this Seminar please see Nick.

Challenge Youth Conference

CYC will be February 22-25 in Pigeon Forge, TN. There will be a meeting for everyone that plans to attend CYC on Sunday, February 4, following the AM services in room 204. See Nick for more info.

Lads to Leaders

Jan 31-Puppets-5:30

Feb 4-Bible Bowl-4:00

Feb 4-Song Leading-5:00

Feb 4-Girls Speech-5:00

Feb 11-Art Says It-4:00

Feb 18-Bible Bowl-Written Test following the AM worship services. Lunch provided for Bible Bowl participants.

Evangelism University

Due to inclement weather EU was postponed and has been rescheduled for April 27-29. If you would like to attend, please see Nick.

Looking for the Good in Grief

I am so thankful for Ron & Don Williams. The work that they are doing is a blessing to so many. I know that my family benefited from the time spent this weekend thinking biblically and deeply about suffering and loss. I am confident that the others who attended the seminar feel the same way.

As we experience grief and loss, we often hurt so deeply that we are beyond consolation—we are often beyond reasoned with. Not only do we ask “Why?” but we may also ask “How is this fair? How could anything good ever come from this?” I’ve asked those questions (and many more similar to them).

To use Ron & Don’s phrase: While we will never “get over” significant losses, what is it that may help us to “get beyond” them? Is it even possible, well after the fact, to find good? The following are things that I have been taught, and that I have found to be true in my own life:

Suffering should drive the child of God to pray. In 2 Kings 20:1, Hezekiah was told, “[Y]ou shall die; you shall not recover.” What was his reaction? “Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the Lord” (2 Kings 20:2). What did God do? He said to the king, “I have heard your prayer; I have seen your tears. Behold, I will heal you” (2 Kings 20:5). Remember: God loves, listens, and understands! Cast your burdens on Him (1 Peter 5:7)!

Suffering should drive the child of God to study. The Psalmist said, “It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I might learn your statutes” (Psalm 119:71). And again, “Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep your word” (Psalm 119:67). The answers to our questions are found in the revealed will of God, the Holy Bible (John 6:68).

Suffering should open the eyes of the child of God to his/her own weaknesses. It was the “thorn in the flesh” that helped Paul to realize his dependence upon the power of God and that “when I am weak, then I am strong” (2 Corinthians 12:10).

Suffering should lead the child of God to a more confident hope. “More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us” (Romans 5:3-5; cf. James 1:2-4). Our hope is in the God that rules...the God that wins. D.A. Carson stated the ideal when he said in his book, *How Long, O Lord?* that “Christians will take refuge from their questions about suffering not in bitterness, self-pity, resentment against God, or trite clichés and religious cant, but in endurance, perseverance, and faith in the God who has suffered, who has fought with evil and triumphed, and whose power and goodness ensure that faith resting in him is never finally disappointed” (Baker, Grand Rapids, 1990; 246).

—Bart

Taylor Christian Camp

Many are not able to come to camp, stay, and work the entire week, but there are things you can do. Here are a few things you can do. First and foremost, please be praying for this work. Secondly, if you are willing and able, we would love for you to consider attending and helping. Whether you want to spend the entire week at camp or come and work a few days out of the week, we would appreciate your help. Lastly, we are in need of donations. It takes a lot of items for us to successfully complete this work. If you are able to give, we are accepting monetary donations that will go directly to purchasing goods for camp. Items needed: *Plastic Utensils (forks & spoons), napkins, dinner paper plates, small paper plates, small bowls, cups (8 oz. & 16 oz), paper towels, toilet paper, zip lock bags (gallon, quart, snack) and aluminum foil.* Donations may be left near the rear entrance of the building in the bin with the camp label.

Applications for Camp Staff should be turned in as soon as possible.

Family Matters

Prayer List

- Dickie Barrick, 105 Oak Leaf St., Glasgow
- Shirley Birge , 34 Circle Rd., Glasgow
- Scott Bradford, 909 South Green St., Glasgow
- Jimmy Briggs, 682 Wilson Rd, Cave City, KY
- Larry & Joyce Bushong 4871 Scottsville Rd., Glasgow
- Shirley Coffey, Room 48, Diversicare, 300 Westwood, Glasgow
- Sherian Gray, 409 Robin Rd., Horse Cave, KY 42749
- Marilyn Grider, 111 Kenwood Ct., Glasgow
- Covella Hare, 304A Trista Lane, Glasgow
- Harold Moore P.O. Box 2, Smiths Grove, KY 42171
- Orvel Nunnally, NHC, P O Box 247 Glasgow
- Sara Peden, 5888 New Bowling Green Rd., Glasgow
- Marilyn Ray, 414C North Race St., Glasgow
- Doris Sharp, 294 Fox Ridge, Glasgow
- Rollin & Mary Ann Simmons, 300 Seay St., Glasgow
- Bill Speer, 1509 Beckton Rocky Hill Rd. Glasgow
- Wanda Staples, has been diagnosed with cancer, 168 Staples Way, Glasgow
- Debbie Turner, is recovering at home following hip replacement, 112 Country Lane, Glasgow
- Betty Walton is now at NHC for rehab

Additional Prayer Requests

- Sarah Bowman, niece of Mark & Nancy Bowman
- Stacy Byrd, niece of Charlotte Pruitt
- Jim Clark, son of Margaret Dubree
- Robert Garmon, husband of Margaret Garmon
- Kathy Giles, sister of Sherry Wood and Cherry Peden
- Steve Higginbotham recovering from recent surgery
- Nona Jeffries, mother-in-law of Jesse Page
- Janey Kirk, daughter-in-law of Brenda Kirk
- Danny Lowe, brother of Jimmy Lowe
- Jennifer Lyle, niece of Sonya Hogue
- Doug McPherson, father of Shara Page, has been moved to SKY Rehab in Bowling Green
- Coleton Parsley, 10 year old injured in a sledding accident, remains in the Vanderbilt Children's Hospital
- Mark Piper, friend of the Harp's
- Jamie Proffitt, husband of Diana Proffitt, Dianna is a friend of Nancy Cline
- Brenda Sue Walton Jagers, sister of Stanley Walton and aunt of Sonya Hogue

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the friends and family of Robert Lenhart. He passed away January 21. Funeral services were conducted Friday at the Kirby Funeral Home. Robert is the father of Cathy Bishop.

Baptism

Sara Bray was baptized Sunday evening after services. Cards may be sent to Sara Bray, 205 Leslie Ave., Glasgow.

Thank You Notes

Thank you so much for the calls, cards, flowers, and prayers after the death of my son, Gregory. I was touched by your kindness and thoughtfulness. I fell blessed to be a part of a loving church family.

Larry Bushong

Thank you so much for the cards, calls, thoughts and especially your prayers since my knee replacement. I hope to be back to church services soon.

Sara Peden

Community Soup Kitchen

Serving the meal at the local Soup Kitchen on Friday, February 2, will be Debbie Reneau (leader), Verna Abston, Dallas Cline, Beverly Elliott, Allene Miller, Joyce Witcher, Brenda Kirk, Betty Driver, Stephanie Prichard, Darrell Miller, Alan Beals and Fred Reneau.

For The Record

Sunday Morning Attendance	451
Sunday Contribution	\$11,406.90
2018 Weekly Budget	\$11,200.00
2018 Weekly Average	\$11,151.27

Responses Year To Date

Baptisms	1
Prayer Requests	4
Placing Membership	1

Sunday Morning, February 4, 2018

Deacons in Charge Allen Jones
 Frankie McCoy
 Scripture Reading..... Jimmy Lowe
 Song Leader Robbie Fudge
 Opening Prayer Jeremy Prichard
 Lesson Bart Warren
 Communion Talk..... Mark Bowman
 Presiding at the Table Zac Turner
 David Hammer
 Serving the Assembly Tim Beals
 Tommy Vick
 Mike Pruitt
 Chris Edwards
 Serving the Balcony Shannon England
 Jimmy Smith
 Ben Leftwich
 Closing Remarks Mark B./Leland G.
 Dismissal Prayer Jack London
 Greeters (Front Door) Monte Taylor
 Teresa Taylor
 Greeters (Back Door) Tommy Furlong
 Sherry Furlong
 Greeter (Side Door) Jerry Forbes
 Assistance (Back Door) David Gray
 Umbrella (Back Door) Todd Childress
 Control Room Kevin R./Garrison P.

Ushers Jesse Page
 John Steen
 Usher & Serve Basement Larry Estes
 Ronnie Turner
 Count Contribution..... John Gentry
 Stephen Floyd
 Jim Kessler
 Darrell Miller
 Bake Bread Denny Riddle
 Bus Driver Michael Gill
 Pick Up Attendance Cards Carter Alls
 Trace England

Sunday Evening Service

Scripture Reading Jimmy Lowe
 Song Leader Robbie Fudge
 Opening Prayer Billy Pritchard
 Lesson Bart Warren
 Presiding at the Table Jason Cline
 Glenn Pritchard
 Dismissal Prayer John Weaver

Wednesday Evening Service

Song Leader Wesley Cline
 Opening Prayer Leland Glass
 Dismissal Prayer..... Joe Prichard

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		

Ministers

Bart Warren	629-4427
Allen Jones	670-8345
Nick Pace	670-5698

Deacons

Stephen Floyd	202-8911	Nick Pace	670-5698
Doug Frasier	678-2330	Chris Page	678-8824
Robbie Fudge	678-1062	Jackie Perkins	678-4301
Michael Gill	678-6851	Glenn Pitcock	678-4853
David Gray	678-5602	Joe Prichard	799-7996
Allen Jones	670-8345	Kevin Redford	646-3260
Frankie McCoy	670-7876	Brandon Turner	646-3430
David McCracken	678-1127	Ronnie Turner	678-6798

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Worship Times

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
 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 10:00 a.m.



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