

South Green Street Church of Christ

Weekly Newsletter

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The New Birth

As we continue to settle in to a new year, it seems appropriate to consider once again the concept of the new birth. The following is a portion of a conversation Jesus had with a teacher of the Jews.

*Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, **unless one is born again** he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, **unless one is born of water and the Spirit**, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, '**You must be born again.**'" (John 3:1-7)*

Nicodemus did not understand. He asked, "How can this be? How is this possible?" With his limited vision and perspective, he had trouble seeing past the physical limitations of a new birth. Jesus wanted him (and us) to see things differently (cf. Matt. 16:23; Col. 3:2). Jesus needed him to see with spiritual eyes—to look with a vision toward eternity.

So, we approach the Lord with a similar question: Spiritually speaking, how is the new birth possible? The answer:

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

Evidently, there are three components to the new birth. In other words, there are three things that make the new birth possible:

1. **The sacrifice of Jesus**—We know we cannot save ourselves. We are sinners who deserve death (Rom. 6:23). However, thanks to the sacrifice of Jesus, we have hope (1 Peter 1:24)!
2. **The love of God**—We would be lost without the amazing and unending love of God. He chose to show us His love even though we were unlovable (Rom. 5:6-10; 1 John 4:19).
3. **The faith of man**—God loves us and provided a sacrificial lamb to take our place, but He still requires us to trust and obey Him (Heb. 11:6; John 14:15). We must be buried with Christ in baptism and continue walking with Him in faith (Acts 2:38; 1 John 1:7).

Jesus made it crystal clear that participation in the new birth is an absolute necessity. "You must be born again." Are you thankful for the sacrifice of Jesus? Are you in awe of the matchless love of God? Have you demonstrated an obedient faith by being washed in the blood of the Lamb?

—Bart

Christian Counseling Available

The elders have been working with Nick & Tiffany Secula over the last few months to work out a plan for them to come to Glasgow to assist the South Green Street family. Nick & Tiffany are both mental health professionals and offer Christian based counseling services. Bart and/or the elders are good to discuss situations with but at times, a professional Christian counselor is needed. The Secula's will be offering their Christian counseling services at the building on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM beginning in February. There will be eight individual sessions, each lasting one hour. The sessions will be confidential unless YOU decide to share with others. The elders or preachers will not know who is using the service or what is being discussed unless you want to share.

These services will not be covered by insurance. We ask, if possible, each client pay a minimum of \$20 per session or more depending on your financial situation. However, monies are available to help those who need assistance with the fees. No one will know you have asked for assistance except you and the Secula's. Please, please, please don't let the fees stop you from getting the help you need. We got you!

To set up an appointment, please contact Nick at 270-551-5015 or Tiffany at 270-681-5111. If you are sending information via text please send your name, email address and that you wish you schedule an appointment for South Green Street. If you choose to call, you may be directed to voice mail. Please leave your name and number and that you are a member at South Green Street. The Secula's will reach out and discuss the next steps in the process including paperwork.

Taylor Christian Camp Staff Meeting

The TCC staff meeting has been rescheduled for Saturday, January 27, at 10:00 AM at the Scottsville church of Christ. Please contact Jeremy should you have any questions.

Thank You Notes

Thank all of you who have prayed, called, texted, visited, sent FB messages, brought food, went to the grocery, sent cards, etc. while I have been recuperating the past 4 weeks. I think sometimes we take our Friends and Family for granted, but when you need them, they are always there. I can't thank my church family enough for all the kindness you have shown to me...thank you from the bottom of my Heart! I love South Green Street church of Christ!

Jewel Searcy

Thanks so much for all the prayers, cards, the plant and for the delicious meal after the funeral. It was all greatly appreciated and will be remembered.

Thank you,
The Bettye Edmunds family

Family,

Words cannot express our sincere love and appreciation for our South Green St. family for the cards, prayers and meals provided to us during the last 11 months. To say the past 11 months has been a trial is an understatement. However, it was easier to bear knowing we had so many praying for us. We look forward to being back in the assembly and doing His work. Thank you!

In Christian Love,
John & Susie Dove

L2L

Boys Speech and Debate teams will meet Wednesday evening at 5:30. should you have any questions, please see Bart.

Young N Heart

It's another winter time event for the Young N Heart. We will have lunch at 5-Chefs in Portland, TN on Saturday, February 3, 2024. The reservation is for 11:30 AM. We'll be ordering from the menu, so the cost is what you order. We plan to leave the church building at 10:15 AM to get there by the reservation time. Please sign up by Wednesday, January 31. Please see John or Carol Weaver for more information.

Young Adult Retreat

Lehman Avenue church of Christ will host a Retreat for Young Adults (ages 18-20 something) at Big Reedy Christian Camp. The dates are February 9-11, 2024. The speaker will be Hiram Kemp. The cost is \$50 includes meals, t-shirt, lessons and activities. More info is posted on the church bulletin board.

Pantry

Items needed: spaghetti sauce (no glass jars), mac and cheese, crackers, and breakfast bars. Donations may be left by the back door.

Family Matters

Prayer List

- Ernestine Beals, P.O. Box 124, Glasgow, KY 42142
- Dorothy Brake, 300 Westwood St., Rm 34, Glasgow
- Randell & Linda Bray, 175 Kino Rd., Glasgow
- Terry & Debbie Bunnell, 343 Winners Circle, Glasgow
- John Dove, 361 Dunedin Way, Glasgow
- Judy Dugger, 180 Scottie Dr., Apt. 152, Glasgow
- Kathleen Emberton, 119 Robin Dr., Glasgow
- Seth Thomas Groce 180 Scottie Dr., Glasgow
- Ray Guinn, 4771 Hiseville Park Rd., Horse Cave, KY 42749
- Thelma Harbison, 243 Wedgewood St., Glasgow
- Jeffrey Lynn Lile, brother of Sonya Hogue, 447 Lanny Harlow Rd., Hardyville, KY 42746
- Virginia Neville, 104 Ridgecrest, Glasgow
- Lula Belle Pickard, 656 Beaver Point Rd., Glasgow
- Billy & Peggy Pritchard, 117 Douglas Dr., Glasgow
- Bonnie Rich will undergo shoulder surgery on Friday, 308 Patton Terrace Rd., Glasgow
- Dottie Ritter, 207 Seay St., Glasgow
- Jane Rock 1630 Thurman Sexton Rd., Center, KY 42214
- Jewel Searcy, 117 Sheila Dr., Glasgow
- Ed Spear, 1038 Poplar Springs Rd., Glasgow
- Emogene Stephens, 480 Hollis Thomas Rd., Glasgow
- Sue Tooley, 186 Whitney Woods Rd., Cave City, KY 42127
- Lynn Vick, 111 Karakal Dr., Glasgow

Additional Prayer Requests

- Arnold Barnes, brother of Judith Pitcock
- Terri Barbee, friend of Shane Walton
- Junior Bowman, brother of Mark Bowman
- Janet Cole, mother-in-law of Josh Honeycutt
- Patrick Gaunce, friend of Bobby Steenbergen
- Courtney Insell, friend of the Gumm & Warren families
- Marianna Irving, aunt of Mike Martin
- Earl Jackson, husband of Runelle Jackson
- Brenda Sue Walton Jaggers, aunt of Sonya Hogue
- Stanley Russell Jewell, friend of Jeffrey & Sonya Hogue
- Roy Lanier, grandfather of Laura Warren
- Susie Lee, friend of Margaret Garmon
- Randell Lockett, father of Ancy Glass
- Kailey Riner, granddaughter of Brenda Kirk
- Paulette Ross, sister of Daryl Proffitt & Kathy Lowe
- Viktor Spaun, friend of Marcus & Nichole Franklin
- Richard Spear, son of Ed & Pat Spear
- Kim Turner, friend of Angie Kessler
- Larry Williams, friend of Tommy Gumm
- Susan Williams, friend of Frenchie Belcher
- Bobbie Wilson, brother of Bonnie Rich
- Martha Wilson, cousin of Doug & Frenchie Belcher
- Kristi Woodall, daughter of Raymond & Joyce Utzman
- Betty Wright, sister-in-law Becky Speer

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the friends and family of Mike Turner. He passed away January 17. Mike was the father of Zac Turner. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Prayer Request from the Elders

As we shepherd this flock, we will continue to use the Word of God as our guide and only guide. We are blessed with a loving, compassionate and unified church family. As leaders, we understand our awesome responsibility laid upon us to lead. As human beings, we are capable of making mistakes, but we are dedicated to serving to the best of our abilities. We solicit your continued cooperation and prayers on our behalf.

CYC Meeting

There will be a brief meeting for everyone that will be attending CYC on Sunday, February 4, following the AM services in room 204. Also, Sunday, February 4, is the deadline for CYC payments. Should you have any questions, please see Jeremy.

Dinner For Eight

Please use this QR code listed below to sign up for the next rotation for Dinner for Eight. Should you have any questions, contact Alison Prichard.



Ladies Bible Class

Thursday morning at 10:00 AM in the church basement.

Open House

Foundation Christian Academy will have an open house on Sunday, January 28, from 2:00-4:00. Visit our campus and meet our teachers. Enrollment for the 2024/2025 school year begins on February 1. FCA offers classes for K-3-12 grade.

For The Record

Sunday AM Attendance	343
Sunday Contribution <i>week of Jan 15</i>	\$19,270.25
2024 Weekly Budget	\$13,250.00
2024 Weekly Average <i>week of Jan 15</i>	\$15,202.83

Responses Year To Date

Baptisms	1
Prayer Requests	0
Placing Membership	2

Deacons in Charge.....	John Weaver
.....	Allen Jones
Song Leader/Welcome	Steve Birge
Opening Prayer	Tony Shirley
Scripture Reading.....	Jake Warren
Lesson	Bart Warren
Presiding at the Table	Scott Bradford
Serve Communion (Auditorium)	David Hammer
.....	Joe Prichard
.....	Asa Jones
.....	Ike Warren
.....	Jake Kessler
.....	Paul Lowe
Serve Communion (Balcony)	Mark Bowman
.....	Mike Burress
.....	Danny Johnson
Serve Communion (Basement)	Tarry Lockett
.....	Tim Adams
Closing Remarks	Jackie Perkins
.....	Frankie McCoy
Dismissal Prayer	Michael Gill
Ushers	Jeff Harp
.....	Jimmy Smith
Pick Up Cards	Bo Bishop
.....	Knox McGuire
Control Room	Christian Kaumanns
.....	Andrew Gilpin
Bus Driver	Patrick Wright

Song Leader/Welcome	Steve Birge
Opening Prayer	David Alls
Lesson	Bart Warren
Presiding at the Table	Billy Joe Cline
Dismissal Prayer	Doyle Coffey

Announcements.....	Bart Warren
Song Leader	Robbie Fudge
Opening Prayer	Brandon Turner
Lesson	Bryce Rudd
Dismissal Prayer	Doyle Coffey

Mark Bowman	Tommy Gumm
Scott Bradford	Frankie McCoy
Robbie Fudge	Jackie Perkins
Leland Glass	

Bart Warren—Pulpit Minister
Allen Jones—Associate Minister
Bryce Rudd—Youth Minister

Robert Bagby	Jeremy Prichard
David Gray	Joe Prichard
Allen Jones	Brandon Turner
Christian Kaumanns	Zac Turner
Tarry Lockett	John Weaver
Chris Page	Patrick Wright
Glenn Pitcock	

Bart's Email..... bart@sgcofc.com
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Sunday Morning Bible Class	9:30 a.m.
Sunday A.M. Worship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday P.M.	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Devo	6:30 p.m.

The following services are livestreamed on our website:
 Sunday 10:30 A.M.
 Sunday 5:00 P.M.
 Wednesday Devo 6:30 P.M.

