

**EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE**

Date:	AM	Bible Study	PM	Cont.	Wed	
DBR						
April 3	146	123	112	\$4102	92	33
April 10	141	115	219*	\$5312*	86	32
Goals	200	160	135	\$4695	130	100%

\*Denotes goals reached.. Mid-week stats are for March 30 & April, 3, 2016

*Look at the land with your own eyes, since you are not going to cross this Jordan. But commission Joshua, and encourage and strengthen him, for he will lead this people across and will cause them to inherit the land that you will see. (Deuteronomy 3:27b-28)*

Moses led the people of Israel out of Egypt and in the wilderness, but did not get to enter into the Promised Land because of his sin. Yet, for all those years, Moses nurtured and prepared the person who would do what he could not do. That person was Joshua. Who are you training, molding, encouraging, motivating, and calling to do what you won't be able to do? What successor will take your dreams farther than you can? Who is your Joshua?

-Today's Verse, by Phil Ware, via email, 3/28/2016-

**ASK A FRIEND TO ATTEND**

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*"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."(Matthew 5:16)*



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**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:**

Sunday Worship

9:00 A.M.

6:00 P.M.

12:30 P.M. (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

Bible Study

Sunday Morning

10:15 A.M.

Wednesday Evening

7:00 P.M.

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**"VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME"**



*For The Good Of  
Your Marriage*

## 10 Commandments For Husbands

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2. Thou shalt not let courtship die.
3. Thou shalt not make thy wife feel rejected.
4. Thou shalt not destructively criticize.
5. Thou shalt keep thy wedding vows.
6. Thou shalt not fail in daily showing love to thy wife.
7. Thou shalt not deprive thy wife sexually.
8. Thou shalt seek an ideal marriage.
9. Thou shalt have the right attitude in regard to thy wife (according to knowledge).
10. Thou shalt learn to communicate.

## 10 Commandments For Wives

1. Thou shalt regard being a wife important.
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**FROM THE PREACHER'S HEART:**

Welcome, VISITORS! The Lord's church at Carthage is so honored to have you visit with us. Your presence indicates an interest in spiritual matters. We, too, have great interest in things divine. We encourage you to study God's Word with us and if you have questions or comments about what you hear and observe, please feel free to approach us. You are cordially invited to return at your earliest opportunity.

I just learned this morning of the passing of Bob Spurlin, faithful Christian and gospel preacher, who had suffered with MS since 1995. Many have been blessed by his three inspirational books and his example of patience in suffering and loss. Four days after his diagnosis, he and Beverly lost their daughter in an auto accident. Keep this good family in your prayers.

Not very often do churches have more in attendance on Sunday evening than on Sunday morning, but such was the case this past Sunday with our hosting of Youth Unite. More than two hundred (219 to be exact), attended the 5:00 P.M. gathering. We were blessed by so many guests. Most of them were college age, high school, junior high, and elementary. And don't forget the toddlers and "crawlers"!! The future is bright and promising.

Many of you worked very hard in planning and in executing the plan. Thanks to Justin and others for organizing the devotional. He and Allen White iced down the drinks and set up tables and chairs. A big thanks is due Drew Milligan for presenting a wonderful lesson. It was very practical for all, but especially challenging for youth. The singing was superb. Thanks to Jeff Crockett for leading us in song. All the young men are commended for their roles in reading scripture, leading prayers, and presiding at the Lord's Table.

A very special "THANK YOU" is extended to all those who prepared food; those who served food and drinks; and those who cleaned up after the meal. Someone commented that we could have fed 500 or more! Our ladies always come through when it comes to hospitality. Thank you, ladies!

The annual fish fry is approaching – April 23 is the date. Maybe it will be warmer, but if it isn't, the food will be hot! I am sure the cooks are all lined up and ready to go. Fish, fries, and hush puppies will be provided. Just bring some side dishes and desserts, please. The youth group will again be delivering to the shut-ins. Please give Justin and Sarah the names, addresses, and phone numbers of those needing meals.

I am glad you are here for our mid-week gathering. I hope to see you Sunday, too, our Lord willing.

*Edward L Anderson*

**NEWS & NOTES:**

**BAPTISMS:** Kayla Fontenaugh and Melissa Hickman-Bennett were baptized Monday April 4. After much study and reflection, Barry Cook was baptized this past Monday morning. We congratulate all!

**SICK:** Irene Gregory spent a night in Skyline after suffering head injuries in a fall at her home. Cobie and Shirley Sadler have been ill. Rozelle Driver and her brother, Gerald Shoemake, grandmother and great uncle of Amanda Hicks, were injured in an auto accident last Monday. Janice Anderson is still unable to be with us. Debbie Felure had a large cyst (non-malignant), removed from her neck last week. Phronia Rose, Dennis Hackett's mom, spent a couple of days in RRMC and is now rehabbing at Kindred. Shirley Stamps, former member here, underwent surgery last week at St. Thomas Mid-town. Earl Carter, Frances Kemp's brother, has been in Cookeville Regional. Continue to remember Gary Lester in prayer. Jordan Tongate is doing well following recent surgery. Jean Whitaker, grandmother of Pam Morris and Sarah Mauldin, has been diagnosed with colon cancer. Kathy Kemp's mother is recuperating from recent surgery. Keep Scotty and Gaye Yeaman in your prayers. Ray Upchurch is still confined to home. Sherry Pritchett was expecting to begin a new experimental treatment, which may have already begun. Josh Dillard has begun chemo treatments in preparation for a stem-cell transplant. Prayers have been requested for the following: Judy Harris; Jennie Burnett; Angela Haynes, David's granddaughter; Pat Dixon's young grandson, Jay; Dick Marvin; Lisa Agee; Bob Harville; Walter Vanatta; Lisa Decker; Patsy Link; Jan Chaffin; Bob White; Brandon Powell; Glenda Hicks.

**NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:** Opal Agee; Lovell Chaffin; Huey Smith; Imogene Reeves and Jackie Spivey (The Palace – RBS); Shelton Marty (Huntsville, AL); Frank Williams (former member), Elm Croft in Lebanon; Vestle Gentry (White Oak Nursing Facility, Spartanburg, S.C.).

**SHUT-IN AT HOME:** Wilma Richardson; Shirley Holmes; Jerry Hackett; James Hall; and Pat Paysinger.

**IN MILITARY:** Jana Watson, Charles & Ann Carter's granddaughter (Army); Matt West, Linda Dicken's grandson (Marines); Zack Tongate, son of Scott & Debbie Tongate (Marines); Randy Carter's sons and Lacey Crockett's brothers, Derek (Marines) and Landon Carter (Coast Guard); Benjamin Gentry (Marines).

**THANK YOU:** The church has received thank you expressions and read notes of gratitude from the following: Cobie and Shirley Sadler.

**ELDERS/DEACONS/PREACHERS:** The monthly meeting will be conducted in the annex tonight follow services.

All of the ladies are invited to a  
*Bridal Shower*  
In honor of  
*Amanda Piper*

(Bride-elect of *Jayce Cowan*)  
Sunday Evening, April 24, 2016

In the annex - following the evening service.  
Jayce & Amanda are registered at Amazon,  
Bed Bath & Beyond, Target and Walmart  
(Ladies are asked to please bring finger-foods.)

**SYMPATHY:** Our sympathy is extended to the following families who have lost loved ones: To Shirley Sadler and family in the recent death of her step-mother, Louise Lewis; to the family of Erline Miller, who passed away last week at Kindred HC.

**YOUTH EVENTS: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, May 29:** Justin Mauldin will be speaking during the morning service. Following Bible study, there will be a meal to honor our graduates. A gift bag for each one will be available for cards and gifts. A second service led by the young men will begin at 12:30. For info, see Justin Mauldin.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2016:** *Annual Fish Fry:* Saturday, April 23, 4:00 PM; *Vacation Bible School:* June 6-10, 7:00 P.M.; Theme: "Fruit of the Spirit: Growing Our Spiritual Fruit"; *JSCYC:* July 17-23, 2016; *Annual Singing:* August 5, 7:00 PM.; *Bible Bowl:* September 10 (Leviticus is the book for study-NKJ); *Gospel Meeting:* November 6-9 with Gary Hampton.

**RELIGIOUS DISCUSSION:** A religious debate on "Water Baptism" will be conducted at Macon County Junior High School, May 27-28, 6:00 P.M. nightly with Michael Brawner and Jack Honeycutt participating.

**AREA EVENTS: Lectureship:** Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies, April 24-27, "GROW: Becoming Like Jesus" (We are planning to take the van on Monday); *Gospel Meetings:* Zion (Jackson Co.), April 17-21, 7:00 P.M., with John Pippin preaching; Lafayette (Macon Co.), April 17-20, 7:00 P.M., with Don Loftis preaching; Herren's Chapel (Putnam Co.), May 1-4, 7:00 P.M., with Ronald Strong preaching; *Ladies' Days:* Crossville (TN), April 23, 9:15 A.M., "Seasonal Walks with the Lord"; East Main (Murfreesboro), April 30, registration begins at 8:15 AM; Lori Boyd will speak of "Roots and Wings: Paul's Prayer for the Church"; *Elder/Preacher Appreciation Dinner:* Potter Children's Home, April 21, 6:30 P.M., with Jody Apple.

With TAX TIME looming remember: “Heaven’s riches are tax free!”