CONSIDERATIONS ABOUT CHRIST

He who was the bread of life began His ministry hungry.

He who was the water of life began His ministry thirsty.

He who was often weary is our rest.

He who paid taxes is the King of the universe.

He who was called a devil cast out demons.

He who wept dries our tears.

He who was sold for 30 pieces of silver redeemed the world.

He who was led as a lamb to the slaughter is our Good Shepherd.

(via Justin (TX) Church of Christ website)

"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Matthew 11: 28-30 KJV

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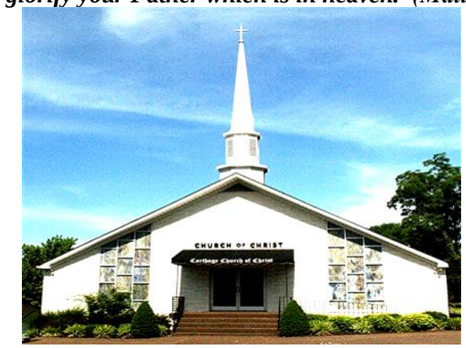

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"VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME"

TO DO LIST

(Note: With the holidays looming it might be profitable to take note of this little article.)

1. Spend time with Jesus (Psalm 27:8).

2. Let Him prioritize my day (Matthew 6:33).

3. Pray instead of worrying (Philippians 4:6).

4. Be honest about my sins (James 4:10).

5. Think of others (Philippians 2:3-4).

6. Wait patiently for God to act (Psalm 27:14).

7. Be willing to do hard stuff (Matthew 16:24).

8. Read God's Word (Psalm 119:9-16).

9. Do what it says (James 1:22).

10. Let Christ lead me (Matthew 11:29).

Copied from Wesconnett's Ladies' Bulletin.

Editor's Note: During this rush, rush season it is easy to forget the truly important things which need our daily attention.

FROM THE PREACHER'S HEART:

VISITORS! A warm welcome is extended to you. We are delighted you came our way. If you are traveling, may your travels be safe and may God cause His face to shine upon you (Num. 6:24-26). If you recently moved to this area, we hope you will be with us regularly. "Come now and let us reason together" (Isa. 1:18).

We had good attendance for all services this past Sunday. We were blessed to have visitors, but we also had some newcomers to the community as well as some of our college students. So many of you do a great job in greeting our guests. Let's keep showing ourselves to be friendly!

Attendance has been quite consistent this month. Your faithfulness is to be commended and we know it pleases God (Heb. 10:25; Rev. 2:10). The new schedule seems to be working out quite well: 9:00 AM – Morning Worship; 10:15 AM – Bible Classes; 10:45 AM – Young Children's Class; and 11:00 AM – Final Worship. On the last Sunday of each month (fourth or fifth), a meal will follow the Bible study period with the final service of the day following the meal at 12:00 Noon. NOTE: We will NOT host a meal in December due to the holidays. Don't wait until the New Year to make the resolution to GO, GROW, and GLOW for the Lord!

The elders, with input from the deacons, are formulating the budget and program of work for 2023. Let us encourage those who so serve. Please pray for them and the various mission, benevolent, and local needs works, that God may be glorified.

We are presently involved in a Wednesday night study of the Minor Prophets (Hosea – Malachi). We are currently perusing the book of Joel, which emphasizes "The Day of the Lord". There are numerous lessons for present day Christians from these "things written aforetime" (Rom. 15:4). It is eye-opening to consider how similar the trends and troubles of the present are to the past. Bring your Bible and join us!

Thanks for your continued concern for my injured finger (volar plate). I began a regimen of therapy on Tuesday in Cookeville. Your continued prayers are requested. Hope to see you and your family Sunday a little before 9:00 A.M.!

Edward L. Anderson

NEWS & NOTES:

SICK: Janice Hicks was unable to have the surgery previously scheduled, but will be undergoing more treatments. Dimple Hicks was sick Sunday. Marissa Spivey is dealing with a hand injury (basketball). Michael Wright, Hale and Elaine's son, has been very ill due to RSV. Sarah Davenport, Patricia Brooks' daughter has had the flu. Abigail Marvin, Carol Woodard's granddaughter, is now at home. Twin brother Henry remains in NICU but is expected to be home soon. Barbara Jenkins is better after a bout with bronchitis. Ken Hensley and Harper Whitaker are back with us. Steve Harper is undergoing knee injections. Sharon Halliburton, Tony Hackett's sister, is now at home. Joseph Law is also now at home. Betty Denning, Mark's mother, is recuperating at Quality Care (Lebanon) following recent hip surgery. Lola King continues treatments. Remember Lola and husband Bobby, in prayer. Faye Maberry continues to treatments with additional medication added. Continue to remember Jerry and Mary Phillips. Prayers are requested for little Henry & Abigail Marvin; Hudson Anderson; Hope Gibbs; Annika Oldham; Hannah McDowell; Betty Carter; Tom and Sherry Culver; Sharon Halliburton; Tish Clark (B. J.'s wife), who has cancer; Colton Ferrell; Denise Griffin, Jean White; Mark Goad (Bagdad); Janice Wilson (stroke); Ted Gaw; Mike Shoulders; Brenda Brawner; Dwight Fuqua; Drew Gallagher; Joy Conner; Scott Bane; Jerry Driver; Brenda Aikens; Janet Rose; Ruby Anderson; Joe Armistead; Wayne Hall; Brenda Forrest; and Bea Davis.

NURSING HOME/ ASSISTED LIVING/ SHUT-INS: Wilma Richardson; Mary Lou Smith; Ricky Branham (SCHR); Lonetta Bains (Pavilion – Lebanon); Robbie North, Barbara Billington (Pavilion – Carthage); Mary Searle, (Knoxville); Pat Paysinger (Shut-in).

IN THE MILITARY: Korrey King – USMC (Grandson of Bobby & Lola King); Jana Watson, Ann Carter's granddaughter (Army); Randy Carter's sons and Lacey Crockett's brothers, Derek (Army) and Landon Carter (Coast Guard); PFC Samuel Burton (USMC), Darlene Fariss' grandson; Benjamin Gentry(USMC).

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SICK & SHUT-INS: Please return signed cards by Wednesday, December 14.

"For it is better, if it is the will of God, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil." (1 Peter 3:17)

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY LIST:
Mary Phillips (1); Mary Pat Grim, Steve Bray (5); Katie Bennett (18); Jeffrey Maberry (19); Andy Rutherford, Elaine Wright (23); Brittany Birchett (28); Amy Apple (29); Madison Spivey (31). Jerry & Cheryl Hicks (12/11/1981); Will & Makenzi Galey (12/12/2020); Eddie & Kaylan Linder (12/15/2001); Nick & Pam Morris (12/16/2000); Brian & Peggy Denton (12/21/1991); Mike & Laura Piper (12/27/1988).

EVENTS CALENDAR: ***Smith County Health Care/Rehab Center Devotional*:** First Sundays of February, May, August, November. ***Fifth Sunday Pavilion Devotional***:1/29/2023, 2:00 PM; ***JSCYC 2023:*** July 16-21.

TEACHERS & TEACHERS' HELPERS NEEDED: We are in need of a teacher for the nursery class for the Winter Quarter (beginning next Sunday). Helpers are needed (one per quarter), for the 2-3 year old class due to the size and age of the class. See Andy Rutherford if you can assist.

"**AND YOU VISITED ME":** These words of Jesus the Savior recorded in Matthew 25:36 should be precious to us. Please contact Josh Brown for how you can help with greetings to newcomers to our community and those who are shut-in.

YOUTH EVENTS: ***Young Men's Seminar:*** East Main (Murfreesboro), "Choices", with Webb Williams, February 4, 2023, Registration begins at 8:00 AM; Lunch served; ***Smith County Youth Nights:*** Rome will host January 8, 2023 at 5:00 PM; Carthage will host March 5, 2023 at 5:00 PM; and Brush Creek will host May7 2023 at 5:00 PM. Gordonsville and Montrose hosted previously.

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MORE "BARBS…. WITH A POINT
By Mike Riley

Let us not look to psychiatry as the answer to our spiritual problems, but to the Word of God (2 Tim. 3:16-17; Acts 20:32; 9:26-31).

People who have "an ax to grind" don't cut it with the Lord (Rom. 12:18-19; Col.3:8).

Many times, the person who has the least to say is the most eager to say it (Proverbs 17:28; cf. 10:19; 11:12; 13:3).