

**EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE**

Date:	AM	Bible Study	PM	Cont.	Wed	DBR
May 26	112	89	71	\$3680	80	30
June 2	125	101	86	\$4563	78	32
Goals:	200	160	135	\$4756	130	100%

\* Denotes goals reached. Mid-week stats are for May 22 & 30, 2019

**All I Need to Know I Learned From Noah's Ark**

- \*\*\*Don't miss the boat!
- \*\*\*Remember ...we're all in the same boat.
- \*\*\*Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.
- \*\*\*Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.
- \*\*\*Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.
- \*\*\*Build your future on high ground.
- \*\*\*For safety's sake, travel in pairs.
- \*\*\*Speed isn't everything. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.
- \*\*\*When you're stressed, float awhile.
- \*\*\*Remember...the ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.
- \*\*\*No matter the storm, when you're with God, there's always a rainbow waiting. (Copied, EmoryChristians.org., Bulletin articles)

**ASK A FRIEND TO ATTEND**

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# SMITH COUNTY LIGHT

*"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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**Sunday Worship**  
9:00 A.M.  
6:00 P.M.  
12:30 P.M. (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

**Youth Minister:**  
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Sunday Morning  
10:15 A.M.  
Wednesday Evening  
7:00 P.M.

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**"VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME"**

**BE A BETTER PERSON**

Don't we wish that everyone would be a better person? Do we not hope that some bad people would turn their lives around and start doing good? Do we wish our neighbor would treat us better than before? Do we hope that the people we meet each day would show us respect and treat us fairly? If we expect others to be nicer and fairer, should we not make the effort as well? The Golden Rule is that we should treat others the way we would want them to treat us.

Be a better person now. Do not wait until next year and make a resolution about it. Do not put it off until next week or even tomorrow. Start right now. Look at the person closest to you and show them love. Pick up the phone and call someone who would appreciate a thoughtful consideration. Help someone who needs it, and even if they do not need help, help them anyway. Perhaps they will return the favor and help someone else. If we would just try, we could turn our society around and make it a pleasant adventure each day to interact with others. Smile. Wish someone a nice day. Be courteous. Encourage others to be good. Tell people about God and His promises. Read 1 John 3:17 and meditate upon it.

*"My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth."* (1 John 3:18). Don't just talk the talk, but walk the walk. Show your love to others.

*"If someone says, "I love God," but hates his brother, he is a liar' for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?"* (1 John 4:20).

One way to turn your life around is to change your focus. When you focus upon God you become a better person. When you focus upon helping others, you become a better person. Our goal is to get people focused upon God and become people that are better. Our community would be much better if more people were better.

(Scott Carey, via BulletinDigest, January 24, 2017)

## **FROM THE PREACHER'S HEART:**

WELCOME, VISITORS! We are honored by your presence. We seek to worship the one true God in spirit and truth (John 4:24). Study God's inspired Scriptures with us (2 Tim. 2:15). "Come, let us reason together" (Isaiah 1:18; Acts 17:11). If you desire a Bible Correspondence Course or home Bible study, please request either on the card in the Visitor's Packet.

Please note the change for our **fourth Sunday** services. Following A.M. worship and Bible classes we will enjoy a fellowship meal followed by a 12:30 P.M. service devoted primarily to singing. The **exception** will be months with five Sundays when the above schedule will shift to the fifth Sunday.

Vacation Bible School is here! Our theme is "**BIBLE SUPERHEROES**". Moses, Samson, Peter, and JESUS are the subjects for study. Sessions begin at 6:30 P.M. with classes in the basement for younger children and an adult class in the auditorium. We thank Stan Stevenson, Richard Bowman, and Larry Cole for teaching the adults Monday – Wednesday. I will speak tomorrow night on "JESUS: The Ultimate Superhero". Awards and Pizza are coming on Friday. Thanks to Justin and Jeremy and the many, many helpers! (More to come).

Sunday was the final day for making pictures for the new directory. Thanks to all who participated. A special "Thank You" is due Joe and Gayle Reeves for their work, time, and expertise in getting it all done. We look forward to the finished product!

We will be studying "**The Church We Love**" by Dan Winkler in our Wednesday Summer Series beginning June 12, with a week's break June 19 for the Area-Wide Meeting. Some of our own brethren will teach during the thirteen-week series. Make plans to study this important and always timely topic.

Camper applications are coming in for Jackson/Smith County Youth Camp (July 14-20). If your child or grandchild wants to go to camp, get the application back ASAP. **The deadline is Wednesday, June 12.** The church will pay the \$60 camp fee for our campers.

Bagdad, Brush Creek, Carthage, Gordonsville, and Montrose, will host an Area-Wide Gospel Meeting the evenings of June 16-20 at the Ag Center (Smith County Fair grounds). Allen Webster is the evangelist and Jeff Crockett the song-leader. Thirty minutes of singing will precede the 7:00 P.M. assembly.

Remember: It's hard to get in shape spiritually, if you only work out on Sunday. Have a great rest of the week! I hope to see each of you Sunday!

*Edward L. Anderson*

## **NEWS & NOTES:**

**RESTORATIONS:** Ricky Branham (5/26) and Donnie Herd (6/2) have requested prayers for forgiveness and restoration. We rejoice with both and may God richly bless. Welcome home!

**SICK:** Faye Maberry spent the weekend in Vanderbilt but came home Monday. Gaye Yeaman is now home after several days in Cookeville Regional. Scotty Yeaman remains in RRMC due to a UTI. Hale Wright is back with us after heart stent surgery and is doing outpatient heart rehab in Lebanon. Hattie Branham seems a little better. Dimple Hicks is back with us but she suffered a fall this past Saturday. Brenda Bowman is back with us following vein procedures (leg). Jerry Glenn, Justin Mauldin's grandfather, received a pacemaker last week. Shirley Sadler had hip replacement Tuesday at Summit. Cobie Sadler is to have the same type surgery June 25. Mike Lish (Bagdad) is in St. Thomas Mid-town after triple by-pass surgery. W. A. Gibbs continues to drive some, but continues regular dialysis. Cameron Spivey suffered a broken thumb in a football scrimmage. Jan Silcox is back with us after flu and strep. Steve Harper, Harper Whitaker, and Cathy Spivey have had respiratory problems. Prayer request for Shirley Henry, friend to Elaine Wright, and Jack Billington's sister (name unavailable), who suffered a recent stroke.

**PRAYER LIST:** Don Blackwell; Roy Hicks; Ricky Branham Bob & Donnieta White; John Conditt; Bruce Harville; Pat McCormick; Levi Halliburton; Mike Ruis; Duane Hesson; Billy Woodard; Tammy Bush; Jerry Glenn; Bentley Cowan; David Lipe; Horace Jones; Louie Gray West; Taylor & Spencer Keaton; Paulette Blackburn, Emily Allen; Judy Fox Jones; Dycus Carter; Will Gregory; Rick Blankenship; Debbie Flatt; Ken Miller; Lynn Vaden; Tom Brown; Alicia Haynes; Faye McKay; Joey Black; Joe Kemp; Susanne Tisdale; Tim Smith; Pattie Birdwell; Mark & Mary Ellen Lawrence; Faye Massey; Ray Hobbs; Wes Stafford; Sawyer Cole; Patsy Link; Richard Rhoten; Buddy & Jan Chaffin; Tim Loftis; Troy Spivey; Janice Anderson; Earl Carter; Sherry Pritchett; Jennie Burnett; Arnold Rich; and Steve Dowell.

**NURSING HOME/ASSISTED/LIVING/SHUT-INS:** Lovell Chaffin; Wilma Richardson; Judith Newberry; Mary Lou Smith; Frances Glosser; Ricky Branham (Concordia); Loneta Bains (Pavilion); and Pat Paysinger.

**IN THE MILITARY:** Jana Watson, Ann Carter's granddaughter (Army); Randy Carter's sons and Lacey Crockett's brothers, Derek (Army) & Landon Carter (Coast Guard); Benjamin Gentry (Marines); Camron Huff (Marines); Derek Brothers (Army National Guard), Ruby Fisher's grandson-in-law.

**JUNE BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY LIST:** Matthew Jones (5); Dalisa White, Jacob Mauldin (7); Miley Thomas (8); Jake White (10); Russell Vincent (12); Gayle Reeves, Kenneth Hensley (13); Denise Hackett (15); Melinda Spivey (17); Jaden Apple (20); Seth Hackett (21); Molly Jones, Patty Piper (22); Kristi Hassler (26); Tanner Austin (28); Barry Cook (29); Janice Silcox (30). Justin & Sarah Mauldin (6/02/2012); Chris & Courtney Washer (6/02/2012); Hale & Elaine Wright (6/5/1964); Jerry & Mary Phillips (6/10/1967); Jeremy & Kristi Hassler (6/16/2007); Joe & Gayle Reeves (6/17/1972); Eric & Casey Swann (6/19/2009); Michael & Denise Hackett (6/25/1994); Chris & Susan Klamm (6/26/2007).

**SYMPATHY:** To the family of Roy Gentry, a dear relative, friend, and brother of many of us.

**CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR:** *Concordia Devotionals:* First Sundays of May, August, November, 2:00 PM; *Pavilion Devotionals:* Each Fifth Sunday, 2:00 PM; *VBS*, June 3-7, 6:30 P.M.; *JSCYC*, July 14-20; *Annual Singing*, August 2, 7:00 P.M. (Meal, 5:30 P.M.); *Bible Lands Museum:* August 9-11; *Bible Bowl*, September 7; *Run4Don:* September 21 (in Gainesboro); *Gospel Meeting*, October 13-16, with Ben Flatt; *Retreat*, October 11-13, at TCC.

**AREA EVENTS:** *Gospel Meetings:* Corinth church of Christ (Tompkinsville, KY), June 9-12, 7:00 P.M.; Bussell church of Christ (Baxter), June 9-12, with Randy Bybee, 7:00 P.M.; Area-Wide Gospel Meeting, with Allen Webster, Smith County Ag Center, June 16-20, 7:00 PM with singing at 6:30;

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*"Come, let us reason together."*

AREA-WIDE

## **GOSPEL MEETING**

(Bagdad; Brush Creek; Carthage; Gordonsville; Montrose)

Smith County Fairgrounds Ag Center

**June 16-20, 7:00 P.M.**

(Singing begins at 6:30)

**Allen Webster, Evangelist**

(Editor of *House to House/Heart to Heart*)

**Jeff Crockett will lead singing**

*"The churches of Christ salute you."*

