

6-19-19 EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE

Date:	AM	Bible Study	PM	Cont.	Wed	DBR
June 9	130	96	88	\$3811	124	33
June 16	136	109	187*	\$4152	89	32
Goals:	200	160	135	\$4756	130	100%

* Denotes goals reached. Mid-week stats are for June 5 and 12, 2019

ABOVE all that we ask or think!

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think according to the power that worketh in us. (Ephesians 3:20)

1. Life – we are born from above (John. 3:3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God).
2. Gifts – good & perfect gifts (James 1:17 Every good and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.).
3. Wisdom – it makes us wise (James 3:17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.).
4. Priority – set affections (Colossians 3:1-4 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.).
5. Need – shield of faith (Ephesians 6:16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one). (Mark N. Posey, Pulpit Preview, February 14, 2015)

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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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10:15 A.M.
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7:00 P.M.

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“VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME”

HAVE YOU EARNED YOUR PLACE IN HEAVEN?

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After making a whopping \$50 million donation to a gun control initiative, and because of his work against obesity and smoking, former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg was quoted as saying: “I am telling you, if there is a God, when I get to heaven I’m not stopping to be interviewed. I am heading straight in...I have earned my place in heaven. It’s not even close.”

How does that sound to you? Presumptuous? Arrogant? The very idea that Mr. Bloomberg could think he could “buy” his way into heaven must be offensive to God. How less offensive is it when we believe and act like we can earn our way into heaven by:

Going to church three times a week.

Reading our Bibles daily.

Giving generously each first day of the week.

Helping the poor.

Being a good father/ mother/husband/wife/son/daughter.

The above list could go on and on. Do we, along with Mr. Bloomberg need to be reminded that after all we could possibly do, we are still unprofitable servants (Luke 17:10)? Do we also need to be reminded that our righteousness, the best we can offer, is as filthy rags to God (Isaiah 64:6)?

You see, heaven isn’t a matter of attainment, it’s a matter of atonement. If we’re in heaven some day, it won’t be because we earned it. It won’t be because we wowed God with our own morality and righteousness. And it won’t be because God’s indebted to us. On the contrary, it will be because we’re indebted to him!

Bulletin Digest, February 12, 2016. Steve Higginbotham, Calvert City church of Christ, Calvert City, KY

Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. (1 Peter 1: 18-19)

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.

Busy! Busy! Busy! That pretty well sums us the past few weeks and the next several weeks. Our "Father's business" should never be viewed as a burden or unimportant. Rather, it should be viewed as an opportunity for evangelism, edification, and personal growth by increasing our knowledge of His word and our service to Him.

First, we just concluded a very blessed and profitable Vacation Bible School (June 3-7). Attendance was good, interest was high, and the children were wonderful! So many worked so hard in organizing, teaching, crafting, puppets, food prep and serving, clean-up, moving furniture, etc. "Thank You" to all!!

Our Summer Series began last Wednesday. "The Church We Love" is the theme. Lessons are from Dan Winkler's book by that title. There will be thirteen lessons in the series. Come and study this highly significant theme.

The Area-Wide Gospel Meeting began at the Fair Grounds Ag Center Sunday evening and continues through Thursday. Five area churches of Christ - Bagdad, Brush Creek, Carthage, Gordonsville, and Montrose - are hosts. Allen Webster is preaching and Jeff Crockett is the song-leader. Thirty minutes of singing precedes the 7:00 P.M. service. The services are being broadcast on WUCZ-104.1 FM and Facebook.

July 1-6 we will have a booth at the Smith County Fair.

Jackson/Smith County Youth Camp (JSCYC) is almost here! July 14-20 is the date. Camper application deadline is past, but we are receiving a few more before developing a waiting list. The church will pay the \$60 camp fee for our campers. The final assignment meeting is Friday, June 28 at 6:30 P.M. at the Bagdad building and is for **Staff Only**.

Next comes our Annual Singing (August 2), and then the Bible Lands Museum display and lessons (August 9-11), which will be very interesting and enlightening. It will feature a Dead Sea Scroll reproduction, Roman soldier attire, and much more.

Remember: Live one day at a time. In other words, don't take tomorrow to bed with you! Have a great rest of the week. I hope to see each of you Sunday.

Edward L. Anderson

NEWS & NOTES:

RESTORATIONS: Eric Haney (6/7); Kim Sircy (6/9); and Susan Klamm (6/16), have requested prayers for forgiveness, strength, and restoration. We rejoice with all three and may God richly bless.

SICK: Darlene Hackett underwent a thyroid biopsy last week. W. A. Gibbs was admitted to Summit last week with much pain, but a heart attack has been ruled out. He came home Saturday. Sally Sue Smith, Joey Dillard's grandmother, is in RRMC, following surgery for a broken hip. Charles Bryant, brother-in-law to Ann Carter, had double by-pass surgery June 10. Faye Maberry resumed treatments last week. Gaye Yeaman has a few more treatments remaining. Scotty Yeaman has returned home from the hospital. Hale Wright continues his rehab. Hattie Branham seems a little better. It's good to have Dimple Hicks and Brenda Bowman back with us for all services. Shirley Sadler is recuperating from hip replacement surgery. Cobie Sadler is scheduled for the same type surgery June 25. Mike Lish (Bagdad) is now at home. Dennis Hackett has had the flu, but is doing better. Prayers are requested for Shirley Henry, a friend of Elaine Wright, who has been diagnosed with cancer.

PRAYER LIST: Don Blackwell; Roy Hicks; Ricky Branham Bob & Donnieta White; John Conditt; Bruce Harville; 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.

YOUTH UNITE: Sunday June 23 at McCoinsville church of Christ (Jackson Co.), 5:00 P.M. See Justin for more information.

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.

SYMPATHY: To the families of Darlene Hackett and Hattie Branham in the death of their cousin, Mattie Hankins (Lebanon, TN), and the family of Susan Law in the loss of her uncle, Dow Allison Burton (Clinton, TN).

THANK YOU: Tennessee Children's Home sent a "Thank You" for our assistance with the purchase of perishable items and supplies for the children. Thanks to everyone who contributed.

FIFTH SUNDAY SCHEDULE: Justin Mauldin will preach at the A.M. service, June 30. Following Bible classes we will enjoy a fellowship meal in the annex. Teddy Spivey will speak at the 12:30 P.M. assembly with other young men leading in other areas of the worship. Plan to be present for all services.

ELDERS/DEACONS/PREACHERS: The next meeting will be Sunday, July 7 at 4:30 P.M. (Changed from second Sunday due to JSCYC beginning July 14.)

CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR: *Concordia Devotionals:* First Sundays of May, August, November, 2:00 PM; *Pavilion Devotionals:* Each Fifth Sunday, 2:00 PM; *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 Meeting:* O'Conner church of Christ (White Co), June 23-26, 7:00 PM with Clarence Deloach, Jeremiah Tatum, David Lipe, Johnny Fox, and Edward Anderson preaching. *Friday Night Singing:* Herren's Chapel church of Christ (I-40 Exit 276), July 5, 7:00 P.M.

A PAUSE TO PRAY

Often during a busy day, pause for a minute and silently pray. Mention the names of those you love and treasured friends you're fondest of. Today devote a portion of your prayers to expressing sincere gratefulness to God for the privilege of enjoying friendships – with Him and with others. (Via The Broadcast)