

EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE

Date:	AM	Bible Study	PM	Cont.	Wed	DBR
July 21	141	95	86	\$5351*	59	34
July 28	137	108	93	\$3838	82	40
Goals:	155	125	100	\$4756	100	45

* Denotes goals reached. Mid-week stats are for July 17 & 24, 2019

WHO MOVED?

Though the Lord is on high, He looks upon the lowly, but the proud he knows from afar (Psalm 138:6).

Again I say it: "If God seems far away, who moved?" The lowly are not necessarily those who are pushing grocery carts all over town. God has a special interest in all of those who humble themselves and understand that worth is not measured by wealth or status or fame or beauty. Those in life who pride themselves in whatever it is that gives them a feeling of superiority are the very ones God looks upon with disdain. Make no mistake, church: meekness and humility do not carry the notion of weakness or lack of ambition or enthusiasm. It requires a child-like faith to humble ourselves before the awesome God who made us, and to obey and serve Him. Those are the ones who please our Majestic Father. Be sure you are one of His.

(Bulletin Digest, 1/23/17, Steven Clark Goad, Blythe, CA)

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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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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

Sunday Worship

9:00 A.M.

6:00 P.M.

12:30 P.M. (5th Sunday)

Bible Study

Sunday Morning

10:15 A.M.

Wednesday Evening

7:00 P.M.

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"VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME"

EXAMINE YOURSELF

As the Lord was eating the Passover with the twelve, He announced to them that one of them would betray Him. Upon hearing this, the twelve were deeply grieved, and each one began to ask. "Lord, is it I?" (Matthew 26:22). They were examining themselves.

The Scriptures make it clear that all of us have a continuing need to be doing the same thing. When we participate in the Lord's Supper, each person is to examine himself (1 Corinthians 11:28). When we try to help others we are to be watching ourselves, lest we also be tempted, and each one should examine his own work (Galatians 6:1, 4). The apostle wrote, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves" (2 Corinthians 13:5).

It is not hard to see practical wisdom of these instructions. For one thing, a person can not begin to draw near to God unless he can examine himself. One who can only excuse himself and blame somebody else will never see his own need for repentance. Remember that those on the Day of Pentecost who asked, "What shall we do?" were first "pricked in their heart."

Next, examining oneself is the first step toward improving any situation. It won't do much good to spend all your time evaluating the other person, because you can't do what he must do. You can, however, look at yourself and work on you.

Finally, when we examine ourselves we take the first step toward being able to help others. A man who removes the beam out of his own eye can then see clearly to take the speck out of his brother's eye (Matthew 7:5). One who looks at himself can meet his obligation to restore a brother who is overtaken in a fault (Galatians 6:1). We never have the right to simply ignore trespasses, either in ourselves or others.

Paul said, "So then each one of us shall give account of himself to God" (Romans 14:12). It behooves us to be examining ourselves now, rather than trying to fix the blame for our words and deeds upon somebody else.

(Bill McFarland, The Voice of Truth International, Vol. 1)

"A CHRISTIAN IS ONE WHO MAKES IT EASIER FOR OTHER PEOPLE TO BELIEVE IN GOD."

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.

Jackson-Smith County Youth Camp 2019 is now history. Three were baptized at camp – Hunter Holloway, Jason Spurlin, and Isaiah Dawson. Cameron Willcut was baptized on Sunday following camp. More than thirty responded for prayer for forgiveness of sin. "The Week that Changed the World" was a wonderful theme. We had a great group of campers this year. Our staff was fewer in number than usual, but did an excellent job providing food three times daily for nearly two hundred. Thanks to those who came and filled in for a meal and to all who helped unload and wash pots and pans on Saturday before camp.

Our Annual Friday Night Singing is this Friday! A meal will be served in the annex at 5:30. Your help is needed with food preparation. W. A. Gibbs will be the moderator. Let's all plan to be present to greet our guests, enjoy fellowship together, and worship God in song!

We will have a working/cleaning time this Saturday morning at 9 a.m. here at the building. All who can are invited to come and assist.

We are to host the devotional at Smith County Health Care and Rehab (formerly Concordia) this Sunday (August 4) at 2:00 P.M. in the upstairs dining hall. Please attend. Our members there and other residents appreciate it! You will be blessed.

The Bible Lands Museum exhibit will be set up in our annex August 9-11. Bob Stancell of Sandy, Oregon will be with us to display ancient artifacts and present interesting displays, models, etc. pertaining to Bible lands, places, and events. Everyone is urged to attend this very informative exhibit. Invite a friend. We need volunteers to greet guests and other tasks. Please sign up! Check with Jeremy Hassler for more information.

Our Wednesday Summer Series continues with lessons which will edify everyone. The theme - "The Church We Love" – is vital to our spiritual development. Attend; study; grow!

The Magi boxes are here! You may pick them up and register your name in the annex. Wayne Pruett will be here Sunday evening to report on exciting things in Guyana.

I hope to see you bright and early Sunday morning!

Edward L. Anderson

NEWS & NOTES:

RESPONSE: Caleb Harville was restored Friday, July 26. We rejoice with him. Jodie Morris, Dalisa White, and Matthew Jones

were among those responding at JSCYC requesting prayer for forgiveness and greater strength in service to the Lord.

SICK: Janice Anderson is in RRM, suffering with cellulitis. Horace Jones, Peggy Denton's father, is now in NHC (Cookeville) after a hospital stay. Shirley Sadler has improved and is at home after a hospital stay. Steve Harper is back with us but is still not back to par. Dimple Hicks has been able to be with us, but is not feeling well. Bobby King, Lola's husband, received a good report concerning his thyroid biopsy. Remember him in prayer. W. A. Gibbs is having treatments for skin cancer (nose) and continues dialysis. Faye Maberry became ill during services Sunday. She had a treatment last Friday. Scotty and Gaye Yeaman are still unable to be out. Hale Wright continues his rehab. Jacob Mauldin and Chris Hicks were sick Sunday. Joyce Jenkins, Edward Anderson's sister, will undergo tests tomorrow (Thursday) in Murfreesboro. Prayers are requested for Jack Gallaher, nephew to Eric and Susan Woodard Marvin, who is in the hospital in Memphis due to a broken femur and dislocated hip suffered in an accident.

PRAYER LIST: Ren Coker; Shirley Henry; Don Blackwell; Roy Hicks; Ricky Branham; Bob & Donnieta White; John Condit; 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; Donna Kemp; Ray Hobbs; Wes Stafford; Sawyer Cole; Patsy Link; Richard Rhoten; Buddy & Jan Chaffin; 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 (SCH&R); Loneta Bains (Pavilion); Hattie Branham and Pat Paysinger.

IN THE MILITARY: Jana Watson, Ann Carter's grand-daughter (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.

SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT: Copies are available on the stand in the foyer.

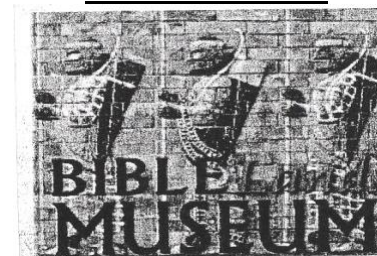


EVERYONE IS INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL SINGING

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2019, 7:00 P.M.
SONGBOOK "PRAISE FOR THE LORD"
FOOD SERVED AT 5:30 P.M.
MODERATOR: W.A. GIBBS



DON'T MISS IT!



August 9-11, 2019

(In the annex of our building)

Displays of scale models of ancient cities; Reproductions of Dead Sea Scrolls; Roman soldier attire; Crucifixion display; Models of Herod's temple and the OT tabernacle; and much more will prove most interesting and educational. Pick up a flyer and pass on the information to others.

AUGUST BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY LIST: W.A. Gibbs, (1); Cheryl Hicks (4); Maggie Beth Dillard (5); Hannah Rutherford, Gail Vincent (10); Larry Silcox (13); Harper Whitaker (21); Misty Smith (22); Lelani Faustina, Jacob Bray (24); Payton Azbell (26); Sarah Mauldin, Laura Piper, Gordon Jenkins (27); Gaye Yeaman, Barry Cohoon (30); Pat Paysinger (31). Chris & Amanda Hicks (8/5/2006) Jim & Kathaleen Replogle (8/6/1977); Rick & Melinda Spivey (8/30).

SYMPATHY: To the family of Mrs. Ruby Burton who recently passed away.

CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR: *Smith County Health Care/Rehab Center 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:* Bethlehem church of Christ (Putnam Co.), August 4-8, with Clarence Deloach preaching; 7:00 P.M.; *Elder, Deacon, Preacher Seminar:* East Main church of Christ (Murfreesboro), August 10 (8 AM – 1PM), with Alan Highers, Dan Winkler, and Glenn Colley.