

Happy Birthday!

Randy Duke 10-03
Alisyn Davidson 10-05
Kathy Trisdale 10-06
Frankie Wilson 10-08
Sheila Young 10-08

Hearing Assistance Devices Available:

Assistive listening devices are available for those in need for use during our worship services. Please see Jeremy Broome for assistance.

Quiet Bags Available:

Quiet bags are available for young children to use during our services. These are located in the nursery. Disinfectant wipes are also provided. Please return bags after services.

Bible Correspondence Course:

Delve into God's Word by enrolling in our correspondence course! Several course subjects are available including *God's Plan of Salvation*, *The Church*, and a 30-lesson *Studies in the Bible*. Contact Bill Coe or visit our website to enroll for free.

Upcoming Events:

*Please turn in your yearly report information to Tonya Strong. You can email to yearendreport@outlook.com

October 2-5: Gospel Meeting at Crossville church of Christ at 6pm with David Lipe speaking.

October 2-5: Gospel Meeting at Bagdad church of Christ with Ronald Strong speaking. Sunday at 6pm, Monday – Wednesday at 7pm.

October 12: Service Wednesday

October 16-19: Fall Lectureship Montrose church of Christ at 7pm with Drew Stafford speaking.

October 22: Wedding of Tiara Meador & Bryce Conner @ 5PM at the Jones Home in Red Boiling Springs

October 29: Wedding of Kendra Burris & Parker Harless @ 1:30 pm at the Center Grove church of Christ building.

November 6-9: Gospel Meeting here with Cliff Goodwin

November 12: Ladies Day at Findlay church of Christ at 8am with Sheila Butt speaking.

November 18-20: Center Grove Family Retreat in Smithville, TN.

November 22: Midweek Bible Study (Tuesday Night)

Requested Prayers: Rellon Burris

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Ronald Strong 267.5480
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To Be Saved, JESUS Said We MUST...

Believe Him (Jn.8:24; Heb.11:6)

Repent of our sins (Lk.13:3, 5)

Confess Christ (Rom.10:9-10)

Be immersed in water for remission of sins
(Mk.16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Rom.6:3-4)

Center Grove church of Christ

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Schedule of Services

Sunday: Bible Classes @ 9:00 a.m.
Worship @ 10:00 a.m.
Worship @ 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Bible Classes @ 7:00 p.m.

Radio: "The Lord's Word" on WLIV 920 AM
10:10 a.m. Monday - Saturday

(We broadcast Thursday, Friday, and Saturday)

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"The Shuffling of the Lord's Commands"

By Bill Coe

A six year old boy said to his parents, "I am stressed out." His words seemed strange since he was so young. How could such a boy be stressed? Could it be he was repeating what he had often heard his parents and other adults say in frustrated voices?

It is not necessary to read the headlines to know that our society moves at an extremely high speed. Many people are barely able to have rest, struggling to balance family, work, financial obligations, friendships, and personal time. Time management is emphasized very much in today's society. There is increased usage of computers and other technology that has led to life going faster than our make-up can handle, a pace that is life shortening.

Someone understands. Someone cares when our shoulders ache and our backs are tight with tensions. What did Jesus say? "Come unto me all you that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."

Not only those who labor heavily under the weight of sin will be motivated to surrender to Christ but His children who are burdened with pressures of being human. Even when we stumble and struggle, He is there to help us up to continue the Christian race.

In "The speed of trust," Steven M.R. Covey tells the story of a guide he hired to take him fly fishing in Montana. They looked out over the river, and he asked Covey what he saw. Covey replied that he saw a beautiful river with the sun reflecting off the surface. He said, "Do you see any fish?" Covey said "no." The guide proceeded to hand him a pair of polarized sunglasses. Once Covey put those on, he could see through the surface of the water and saw all kinds of fish. Those glasses provided a new perspective for him, and that changed everything.

One definition of perspective is: a specific point of view in understanding things or events, the ability to see things in a true relationship.

By reading 1 Peter 4:12-19, our understanding may be changed to a positive approach to life as a Christian.

Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you..." As a carpenter, Jesus surely knew how to fashion a yoke so as to fit the ox well and didn't hurt its neck. And as the Son of God, Jesus knew that each of us needs faith that fits us. We have enough burdens that cause anxiety attacks.

The burdens Jesus shares with us is not heavy but rather is a burden we can manage to carry. How to manage is powerful step in combatting whatever the burdens may be. The stresses and strains of the world around us suddenly take on a new meaning.

The inspired words of 1 Peter 4:12-19 deals with the subject in a practical manner by showing the good that results from suffering for inconvenience or righteousness sake.

We see in life today how far mankind has gone from God. In the 40s, every desk at school had a Bible that was actually used on occasion. Today it is against what the world stands for to read God's word. People were closer to God in the 40s and 50s but by the 60s the situation ethics doctrine came on the scene, slipping away steadily and surely from the sound truth of God's word.

There has been a shuffling of the Lord's commands to suit our convenience and it will continue. There is false knowledge being taught in our supposed preachers schools. No one is justified to establish truthful knowledge unless it will stand the test of Scriptures and does not go beyond the ones covered by the sacred writing, Acts 17:11 ff.

It takes more today to "hold fast the confession of our faith without wavering..." than it did in the 40s and 50s and there are multifaceted reasons why.

New in Rehabs & Hospitalized:

At Home & Asking for Prayers:

Our Condolences to the Families of:

Reba Taylor, Bill Clark

Area Rest Homes & Rehab. Centers:

Bethesda Rehab: Grace Sloan

Cedar Hill Senior Living: Jean Haney

Mabry: Lovena (Cricket) Wilson, Fred Heady, Ray Pippin

Hartsville Rehab: Sherry Arms

NHC: Paul Pippin, Connie Ballard

Michigan: Linda Lee Spivey

Vanderbilt: Denise Griffin, Revena Birdwell, Arlon Way

Those Battling Ongoing Health Issues- Prayer List:

Debbie Allen, Hillary Broome, John Mabery, Jeanie Thomas, James Montgomery, Jeanette Conner, Jean Johnson mom of Stephanie Jo Helen Brown, Lora Cravens, Marie Johnson, Margie Goodwin, Moydene Robinson, Peggy Anderson, Raymond Haney, Walker Padgett, Sandy Haney, Sherri Merwine, Velma Hix, Tim Mitchell, Shayla Kirby, Sharon Young Portelli, Ricky Johnson

BATTILING CANCER

Anna Lee Burchett, Ben Young, Carl Call Sr., Frances Luck, Jerry Wilson, Kinner Hawkins, Layla Ledbetter, Lori Davenport, Margie Dyer, Maibelle Dyer, Mike Hamlet, Rex Berry, Rosie Killian & Roslyn Stout sister of Ruby, Ruby Anderson, Vickie Pigg, Villary Campbell, Glenn Ramsey

Privileged to Serve October 9, 2022

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| Ushers | Chris Fox |
| | Roy Young |
| Announcements | Sjon Gentry |
| Song Leader | Titus Anderson |
| Scripture Reading | Steve Hensley |
| Speaker | Mike Martin |
| Opening Prayer | Jacob Martin |
| Closing Prayer | Roy Smallwood |
| Oversee Lord's Supper.. | Trent Jones |
| Prepare Trays | |
| Scripture Reading..... | Chris Martin |
| Serve | Jeremy Broome |
| | Jim Young |
| | Mike Birdwell |
| | Royce Jenkins |
| | Ben Gentry |
| | Donnie Mayberry |
| Alternate to Serve | Jeremy Kirby |
| | Carl Call |
| Dismiss Classes | Chick Ransom |
| Count Contribution | Harry Young |
| | Burton Young |
| | Jimmy Strong |
| | Mark Collins |
| Response Card | Roy Young |
| PowerPoint..... | Blake Maberry |
| Live Stream..... | Kevin Moss |
| Adult Bible Class..... | Chris Martin |

Sunday Evening October 9, 2022

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| Speaker | Chris Martin |
| Scripture Reading | Jonathan Conner |
| Song Leader | Mike Martin |
| Opening Prayer | Bill Coe |
| Closing Prayer | Burton Young |
| PowerPoint..... | Brian Trisdale |

Wednesday Evening October 12, 2022

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| Song Leader | Parker Harless |
| Devotional | Ronald Strong |
| Opening Prayer | Steve Hensley |
| Closing Prayer | Titus Anderson |
| Adult Bible Study..... | Ronald Strong |
| Powerpoint..... | Ben Gentry |

Let Rellon Burris know if you can't serve.
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