



Weekly Newsletter

June 28, 2015

#### Order of Worship

Song Leader Kerry Cole

#282 (1,2,4) #769 (1,3,4)

Opening Prayer
John Hulett

#627 #310

The Lord's Supper Barney Crawford

Contribution
Barney Crawford

#200

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#800

Announcements
Jerry Young

#429 (1,3)

Closing Prayer
Randy Blackburn

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. (Matt. 5:14)



#### Righteousness Exalts A Nation

Broken down walls. The house of the Lord burned. The people taken into captivity. None but the poorest left. All fleeing to Egypt in fear. It's heartbreaking to think of, isn't it? But it's what happened in Judah at the command of the Lord.

Most of us have thought about what sin does to <u>a person</u>. We know it disappoints and ruins. We should also consider what sin does to <u>a people</u>. As the proverb says, "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people" (Prov. 14:34).

The reproach which sin is to a people may be observed in the story of Judah (cf. 2 Kings 24:2-4). Decline into degrading immorality and injustice. Refusal to heed the warnings of the prophets. Willingness to tolerate leaders like Manasseh, who burned his own son as an offering to idols. Persistence in evil practices even when judgement had begun. The Lord would not pardon; he could not.

It came to the point that he cast them out from his presence (v. 20). He judged sin according to the word he had spoken. He did so after giving them more than enough time to repent. And, he did so in a way which he made clear that he rules in the kingdom of men. What happened demonstrated where evil ultimately takes a society.

Today we think of our own beloved country. Though we rejoice in its freedom and blessings, when we reflect on Judah's experience, we can't help but be concerned with the fabric of our culture. We wonder what the future may hold.

Remember that righteousness exalts a nation. If sin can have an effect upon a people, so can righteousness. The Lord's people can function as salt to preserve, leaven to influence, and light to guide. Above all, we can hold out the word of life which has the power to change lives for the better.

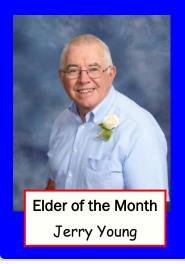
-Bill McFarland

# Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for your visit.

### For The Record June 21

Bible Study: 237
Morning: 328
Evening: 168
Wednesday (6/24): 213
Contribution: \$8,728



## Trayer List & Notes

- ◆ Continue to remember <u>Eula Compton</u>, <u>Dale Harp</u>, <u>Rachel Lilly</u>, <u>Jackie Buck</u>
- ◆ Carl Tindall was scheduled to go home from the hospital Friday
- ♦ <u>Thelma Pendergrass</u> is some better at this writing and is back at Elfindale
- <u>Marsha Bower</u> is at the Springfield Rehab Center at Evans Road and Hwy. 65 recovering from a stroke
- ♦ <u>Tim Timmons</u> will begin his treatments July 6
- ◆ Sandra Pengenot is back at Manorcare in good spirits
- ♦ <u>Brian Horton</u> may need wrist surgery
- ◆ **Shirlane Horton** is still dealing with shoulder pain and diabetes
- ♦ <u>Jo Baggett</u> will have hip replacement surgery on Tuesday
- ♦ <u>Thelma Fain</u> is not doing well; <u>Pat Harris</u> is having health issues
- ♦ <u>Shawna Stockdale</u> will have her next back surgery on July 6

#### Friends & Family

- ♦ Leah Freeze's mom, <u>Glynda Gardner</u>, will have chemo & pain blockers to improve quality of life; cancer is inoperable
- ♦ Coyeatte Ewing's dad is dealing with some health issues
- ♦ Barry Hannah's brother, <u>Lyman Hannah</u>, is having some health concerns
- ♦ Kerry Cole's uncle Skip is now under hospice care.
- ♦ Dennis' great grandniece, Nora Elaine Hilburn, remains in Barnes Hospital in St. Louis
- ♦ Jon Ewing's mom Joan Ewing, as they make decisions about her living arrangements
  - ♦ Continue to remember Ruth Reaves' brother, <u>Jimmie Hocker</u>, Bill and Pat Culley's daughter, <u>Valerie Larson</u>, who are all dealing with cancer; Billie Luna's daughter-in-law, <u>Karen Luna</u>, Carolyn Young's sister <u>Nita</u>

#### **Sympathy**

We extend our sympathy to Anita Cobb and her family in the loss of her sister, <u>Madena Lakey</u>, this past week. Funeral services were held in West Plains this past Thursday.

Daily Bible Reading
Schedules for the
Third Quarter are
available on the
Information Desk.



Don't forget you can listen to a familiar voice reading our Daily Bible Reading each day by going to www.watermillchurchofchrist.org and clicking on

Long Term/Shut-ins

**Kay Adams** 

**Shirley Bartlett** 

**Doris Burch** 

**Eula Compton** 

**Fern Davis** 

Thelma Fain

Ella Mae Findlay

Ann Freeze

**Chloe Gaddis** 

Mary Head

**Doris Iorg** 

Thelma Pendergrass Sandra Pengenot

**Nancy Snider** 

**Doris Tobler** 

**Judy Todd** 

Expectant Mom

Danielle Horton/

Nov./Boy

"Today's Bible Reading."



Thank you for our birthday and anniversary cards. We feel loved and blessed by your kind and caring words. We love you, *Bob & Leona Snider* 

Warm thanks to all of you who contributed supplies for this week's camp session at Happy Hollow! It was perfect – just what we needed.

Marty Stockstill

July Anniversaries
6 Dale/Pat Harp 52 yrs.
7 Jason/Beth Trogdon 12 yrs.
8 Tommy/Betty Grabber 48 yrs.
10 Clarence/Ola Jean Feeney 64 yrs.
11 John/Michelle Hulett 23 yrs.
24 Truman/Helen Coltrane 56 yrs.
27 Ethan/Mirian Mather 2 yrs.
Happy Anniversary

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

### News & Activities

### WEDNESDAY EVENING SUMMER SERIES

Many thanks to Michael Lance for doing a good job with our summer series Wednesday night. He reminded us to observe, stop, feel and then to do something to express tender mercy.

Our guest speaker this Wednesday night will be Danny Boggs. Danny is the preacher for the Hillcrest congregation in Neosho. He will do a great job. Don't miss the opportunity to be strengthened. Invite a friend to come be with us this week.



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#### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We are in need of the following items for the pantry:

Cereal Canned Fruit
Pasta Noodles Pasta Sauce
Canned carrots Jello
Canned mixed Vegetables
Canned meat (tuna, chicken)

Thank you for your continued support of this good work.



<u>Birthdays</u>
5 Ruth Lund
Tyler Thornton
8 Shawna Stockdale
10 Mike Thurlkill

Our services are now broadcast live!! You can watch live or later watch a replay. Go to www.watermillchurchofchrist.org and click on "Live Video." BECAUSE OF THIS, IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE COULD FILL UP THE FIRST SECTION OF PEWS. Thanks to those who have already moved up. It's not as scary as it

### IMPORTANT DATES

- Quilters meet July 7 and 21 at 10 a.m.
- \* Book Club Meeting July 13
- \* July 19—25/Bill's session at <u>Green Valley Bible</u> <u>Camp</u>
- \* 26-8/1/Travis Morrison's session at <u>Happy Hollow</u>
- \* 8/7-9 <u>Christ Quest</u> at Mountain Home
- \* 8/12 Blood Drive
- \* 8/29-30 <u>Show Me Youth</u> <u>Conference</u> at Conway

#### LADIES BIBLE STUDY

"Getting Along" by Nancy Eichman

Exploring the Jungle of Women's Relationships Each Thursday at 10:30

July 2 - "Queen of the Jungle" - Sara Stipp COME JOIN US!

## Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

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Bill McFarland 417-833-0110

#### Youth/Associate Minister

Adam Blaney 304-520-9800

#### Deacons

Scott Barton Russell Lilly
Tim Bowling Aaron Morrison
Tim Buckner Travis Morrison
Tom Davis James Simons
Jim Elliff John Stayton
Jon Ewing Mike Thurlkill
Matt Keener

#### Staff

Johnnie Elliff Secretary
Tim Bowling Custodian

#### **Hosting Opportunity:**

I have been made aware of a great opportunity to show kindness to some visiting students from Japan. This is a very short-term commitment: only ONE day! Thanks in advance if you'd like to participate. --Michelle Hulett

Please read the details below and check your calendar to see if you can host a couple of the 70 wonderful students visiting from our Japanese sister city in August. When: Saturday August 8th (8:30am-4:30pm). Where: Students are picked up at the MSU campus and from there, it's up to the family! The students do speak English (varying levels), but they are a little shy! The only requirement is that you show hospitality and keep the students safe. Signing up: RSVP via email to ELIspecialPrograms@Missouristate.edu or cell 417-766-8195 or feel free to talk to Michelle if you have questions.

#### **Schedule of Services**

Sunday Morning Bible Study ....9:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM Sunday Evening Worship......5:00 PM Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

#### **WORKS WE SUPPORT**

**CHINESE AGAPE Foundation** 

Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands Steven Ashcraft, West Africa Mission Voice of Truth International

Charles Renfro, Latin American Missions

World Christian Broadcasting Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Fair Haven Children's Home

"In Search of the Lord's Way" 7 AM Sundays KOLR TV 10

'KNOW YOUR BIBLE'
10:30 AM Sundays/Springfield 33/KSPR



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## Service Rosters

#### THIS MORNING

**Greeters:** Travis & Jill Morrison **Van Driver:** Adam Stipp/844-6564

**KYB:** Van & Barbara Barnes

**Serve** JJ Blevins/Brian Carroll **Communion:** Charles Crum/Jon Davis

John Dutton/Briley Ewing Eddie Currier/Tom Easterly William Downing/Trevor Kraus

#### THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Travis Morison
Opening Prayer: Aaron Morrison
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: James Simons

**Communion:** T. Jobes/Adam Barton

#### NEXT WEEK, July 5

AM

**Song Leader:** Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing Adam Blaney **Opening Prayer:** Luis Tovar Kyle Buckner

**Communion:** Eddie Currier J. Lynch/T. Morrison

Closing Prayer: Brendan Carroll Adam Barton

Greeters: Eddie & Donna Sanders
Van Driver: Team Hulett/889-5344

#### MONTH OF JUNE

Tim Timmons

AV Scott Barton/ Room: Bruce Tindall

Open Building

Secure Tim Buckner

Building:

#### Wednesday, July 1

**PM** 

Devotional Aaron Morrison
Song Leader: Adam Blaney
Prayer: Bill McFarland
Van Driver: Charles Crum/

840-2632