

Order of Worship

Song Leader Kerry Cole

Opening Prayer Barry Hannah

The Lord's Supper
J.J Blevins

Contribution
JJ Blevins

Lesson Bill McFarland

Announcements
Jerry Young

Closing Prayer John Hulett

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





Weekly Newsletter

September 20, 2015

A HEART, A BIBLE AND A DESTINY

The great prophet Jeremiah, contemplating the power and wisdom of the living God as opposed to the delusion and distress of his own people, observed, "I know, O LORD, that the way of man is not in himself, that it is not in man who walks to direct his steps" (Jer. 10:23). He meant both that no man is above the sovereign providence of God, and that all men need the guidance of the revealed will of God.

Jeremiah was dwelling on a thought which has always been at the center of the wisdom of the ages. How blessed we would be to have the same truth dawn upon us all over again!

Despite the cultural leanings of our age, the heart of a person does not determine reality for that person or any other, nor can one's heart alone guide him to life. Wisdom emphasizes the point by stating it twice: "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death" (Prov. 14:12; 16:25). Really, then, "whoever trusts in his own mind is a fool" (Prov. 28:26).

The word of the Lord, however, serves as a light to a man's path (Ps. 119:105). It introduces into human experience the dependable counsel of a wise and loving Father. When one seeks that Father with his whole heart, stores up His word in his heart, and delights in doing as it says, he discovers the way to life that lasts (Ps. 119:9-16).

A person's destiny may well be determined by whether that kind of delight in the Father's way finds a place in his heart. Morally, this requires something more than, "I don't see anything wrong with it." Spiritually, it calls for higher aspirations than, "The Bible doesn't say not to." Loving and respecting the Father means paying attention to what he <u>has</u> said.

May we ever be found "doing the will of God from the heart" (Eph. 6:6).

-Bill McFarland

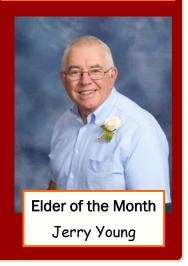
Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

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 September 13

Bible Study: 246
Morning: 362
Evening: 238
Wednesday (9/16): 181
Contribution: \$10,305



Trayer List & Notes

- ♦ Continue to remember <u>Eula Compton</u>, <u>Rachel Lilly, Shirlane Horton</u>, <u>Brian Horton</u>, <u>Jackie Buck</u>, <u>Tim Timmons</u>, <u>Jerry Gillespie</u>
- ♦ <u>Thelma Fain</u> is not doing well
- ◆ <u>Thelma Pendergrass</u> is dealing with pneumonia
- ♦ <u>Carolyn Young's</u> surgery went well
- ♦ <u>Marsha Bower</u> as she continues to recover from strokes
- ◆ **Dale Harp** with his ongoing serious health issues
- ♦ <u>Bill Culley's</u> surgery went well; he is in Barnes Hospital

Friends & Family

- ♦ Gail White's 25 year-old great nephew, <u>Hunter Ellard</u>, is still fighting pneumonia but things are looking better for him
- ◆ Greg Larimore's dad, <u>Clarence</u>, has bladder cancer but it is contained in the bladder; no ongoing treatment
- ♦ Betty Grabber's niece, Linda Holley, has cancer
- ♦ Leah Freeze's mom, Glynda Gardner, as she deals with cancer and a lot of pain
- ♦ <u>Pauline Redmon</u>, Bill's mom, was able to go home last Thursday
- ♦ Bonnie Cole's sister, <u>Linda Ward</u>; Ruth Reaves' brother, <u>Jimmie</u>
 <u>Hocker</u>; Bill and Pat Culley's daughter, <u>Valerie Larson</u>; and <u>Joyce</u>
 <u>Harmon</u>, Gaitha's mother-in-law, as they all deal with cancer
- ◆ Lance Griter's Aunt DeeAnn remains in Mercy Hospital but is getting better slowly; continue to remember Lance and Teresa as they are now caring for Lance's grandpa.

A group of our youth will be returning from Freed Hardeman this afternoon. Keep them in your prayers for a safe return.

Prayer Request: Dustin Stokes responded Sunday asking for prayers on his behalf.



Sympathy

We are saddened by the loss of our dear friend and brother, Clay Joseph. Clay passed away on September 11 after hitting his head in a fall. Memorial service will be held this afternoon in Franklin, TN. Clay served this congregation faithfully serving as a deacon from 1974 to late 1991 at which time he became an Elder.

Memorial donations can be made to Fair Haven in his honor.



Thank you everyone for all the beautiful anniversary cards. We were very surprised and pleased that so many remembered us. You all made it a special day for us. Thank you again for being so thoughtful. We love and appreciate you all so much. Clyde & Doris Iorg

Dear Church Family, Due to our many health issues and other circumstances beyond our control (like being 90 years old), I must cut back on my card sending. It truly hurts me not to be able to keep doing what I love to do, but as you all know, "the Spirit is willing but the body just won't cooperate." It has been such a pleasure to send cards to all of our "golden agers." Thank you all for making it possible for me to do what I did. We love you all and will continue to keep in touch as best we can. God bless you all, Doris & Clyde Iorg.



Thank you Doris and Clyde for the many, many cards that you have sent

over the years to members at Water Mill. We always knew the first card we would receive for an anniversary or birthday would be from you. Thank you for always being that bright spot in our lives. (Members at Water Mill)

Long Term/ Shut-ins **Kay Adams Shirley Bartlett Doris Burch Eula Compton Fern Davis** Thelma Fain Ella Mae Findlay **Ann Freeze Chloe Gaddis Doris Iorg Thelma Pendergrass** Sandra Pengenot **Nancy Snider Doris Tobler Judy Todd**



Expectant Mom

Danielle Horton/ Nov./Boy

News & Activities



Saturday, October 3 @ 8 a.m. here at the building.
Sign up by next Sunday,
September 27.

Sign up sheet is on the Information Desk!



Camping Trip
October 9-11
CAMP "TOKNOWHIM"
Alley Spring, MO
(Please sign up again as the original sheet was misplaced)

Water Mill Family

AREA EVENTS

9/26 Ladies Day at Highlandville (Speakers: Elizabeth, Rebekah and Debbie Meinsen) 9/27-30 Harding University Bible Lectureship 10/3 Ladies Day at Strafford 10/4-6 Oklahoma Christian Lectureship Flyers are on the Bulletin Board!



Danielle and Brian Horton

will be honored with a baby shower THIS

AFTERNOON beginning at 2 p.m. in the fellowship room. *They are expecting a boy* and are registered at Babies-R-Us and Target.



LADIES FALL RETREAT

God Made YOU (Psalm 139:14)

November 13-14

at the church building (details to follow)

Sign-up sheet is on the Information Desk!





For our next book club meeting, November 9th we will

be reading biographies. Three that are suggested and that can be found in our library are:

A New Season by Al & Lisa Robertson,

Every Life A Plan of God by Batsell Barrett Baxter,

Coach Wooden by Pat Williams



Birthdays

27 Ruth Essex Trenton Essex 28 Tim Stockstill Grace Trogdon 29 Mary Charlotte Lines





YOUTH GROUP FALL FEST

@ the Lunas

Saturday, September 26,

5 p.m.-???

Bring your lawn chairs, frisbees, balls, flashlights, etc.

<u>Sign up by Wednesday,</u> <u>September 23rd</u> or contact the Lunas at 417-894-8332

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

KEEPING YOUR BALANCE

Each Thursday at 10:30
Sept. 24 - "Choosing the Better
Part" - Ann Thiesen
Now would be a great time to
get involved!!



- ♦ 20 <u>Youth Night</u> at Mt. Vernon
- ◆ 26 Show-Me Christ
- ◆ 11/7 <u>Harding Football</u>
 <u>Tailgate</u> fellowship with
 AWY.

LTC BIBLE OUIZ

There is a signup sheet on the Information Desk for those interested in participating in Bible Quiz. Practice will begin soon. Students in Grades 3 and above are eligible.

* 10/18 Elders/Deacons/ Preachers Meeting at 3 p.m.

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 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

Joev & 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

Truman & Helen Coltrane **Greeters:**

AM: Luis Tovar Van Driver:

Van & Barbara Barnes KYB:

Serve Tim Marsolf/Charles Crum **Communion:** Kyle Mahon/Brock Snitker

> Adam Stipp/Jerry Stockdale Ron Stokes/William Downing

Luis Tovar/Kevin Westerman

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Jon Davis **Opening Prayer: Aaron Morrison** Lesson: Bill McFarland **Closing Prayer:** Barney Crawford **Communion:** John Dutton/V. Barnes

NEXT WEEK, September 27

PM AM

Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing Song Leader: Jon Davis Matt Keener Scott Nichols **Opening Prayer:**

Gene Lund John Dutton/V. Barnes **Communion:**

David Kern Steve Prewitt Closing Prayer:

Tim & Alice Buckner **Greeters:** Van Driver: Kevin Wuench/833-6134

MONTH OF September

Scott Barton/ ΑV Bruce Tindall Room:

Open Tim Timmons

Building

Secure Tim Buckner

Building:

Wednesday, September 23

Song Leader **Travis Morrison** Devotional **Byron Nichols** Praver Jonathan Pendergraft

Van Driver: Charles Crum/

840-2632