MOUNTAIN GROVE CHURCH OF CHRIST

FAMILY NEWS

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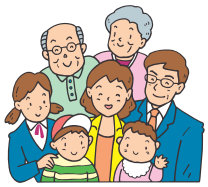
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WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY

Sunday:
9:00 AM **Bible Study**
10:00 AM **Worship**
11:15 AM **Assembly**(No Communion)
Tuesday:
10:00 AM **Ladies Class**
Wednesday:
7:00 PM **Bible Study**
Thursday:
6:00 PM **Men's Class**

Announcements: Tim Nicks
Scripture Reader: Jude Hicks
Minister: Keith B. Cozort

PRAYER LEADERS

Sunday:
9:00 A.M. **Phil Driskill**
10:00 A.M. **Brent LeBaron**
Jesse Howard
11:15 A.M. **Jeremiah Hicks**
Tim Nicks
Wednesday: **David Grow**
Kevin Cozort

SONG LEADERS

Sunday: 10 A.M. **Kevin Cozort**
11:15 A.M. **Richard Sciba**
Wednesday: **Brent LeBaron**

THE LORD'S TABLE

Preside: **Phil Driskill**
Assist: **Terry LeBaron**
Jeremiah Hicks
Max Schmollinger

LET US SERVE

Communion Prep **Sue Murphy**
Flowers: **Cheryl Cozort**

USHER/GREETER

Sunday: 10 AM **Ronnie Deaton**
11:15 **Phil Driskill**
Wednesday: **Tim Nicks**

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

Last Week:
Sunday: (BC, AM1, AM2): ?, 65, 58
Wednesday 30
Contribution $2904.00

NEED A RIDE?

Sunday: **Richard Sciba** 926-6416
Wed: **Phil Driskill** 259-4359

WELCOME! It is a delight to have you with us today! If you are a visitor, please fill out a visitors card & place it in the collection plate or leave it on the pew.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Others: Jamie Hensley (Howard's friend); **Dallas Samson** (Peterson employee);**Bill Yarber**; **Kelsey** (co-worker of Lilly); **Richard Colf** (Cheryl's stepdad-his issue was a polyp); **Keith Crum** (Rachel Sciba's father); **Bonnie Stephens**; **John Bergfels** (local mechanic); **Joe Wyrick** (Linda's brother); **Christin Cook**+**Cody Allen** (Deborah's family); **Mr. Graham** (Paytent's family); **Phyllis Coffman**; **Wayne Crosby** (health issues); **Mike & Betty Lane** (Tucker's friends); **Stephanie Turner** (cancer).
Our Family: Barb Reed cataract surgery; **Russell Robertson**; **Tinzie Mackey**; **Lori Lathrom** home recovering; **Dwain Murphy**; **Sheila Deaton**; **Buddy & Annette McCarty**; **Lois Schmollinger**; **Effie Hicks**.
Please contact Cheryl with any updates (417-349-2419).
OUR MILITARY: Derek Davis New Mexico**, Dusty Deaton** Arkansas

PRIVILEGED TO SUPPORT: On-line Academy of Biblical Studies (OABS); The Bible Institute of Missouri (BIM); Global School of Biblical Studies; Shaddy Chapel; Brent Green; Levi Hicks, David Bass (Instructor at the Jamaica School of Preaching);.

Worship Leaders, please use the microphone so all can worship with you! Please silence all electronics. Children, no running, please!

UPCOMING EVENTS:
*June 11th - Ladies class resumes - Hebrews chapter 1
*June 16th - Honoring Graduates, Sack lunch; Men's meeting at 1:00
*June 19th - Bible Bowl - lessons 76-83
*July 3rd - Bible Bowl - lessons 84-90, Ice cream to follow.

TEACHER NEEDED: We still need a teacher for the Sunday AM pre-teen class. (Listed as 'Primary') Please let Keith know if you can cover that class.

PANTRY ITEM: Pancake mix, pancake syrup, jelly. Thank - you!

GOD'S PLAN TO SAVE US: Hear the word - Rom. 10:17; Believe Jesus is the Son of God - Jn. 8:24; Repent of sin - Acts 17:30; Confess Jesus before men - Rom. 10:9,10; Be Immersed for the remission of sin - Acts 2:38; Mk. 16:16; Be Faithful unto death - Rev. 2:10.

27 And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,
28 so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation. Hebrews 9:27-28 (NKJV)

THE THREE BEARS

Once upon a time, there were three bears… No, no, no—that's the wrong three bears. Far from a fairy tale, the three "bears" listed in Galatians 6 are vital to living a fulfilling Christian life. Of course, you may have already figured out that these are not the furry animals, but the concept of carrying a responsibility. Now, let's look at the three "bears."

Bear One Another's Burdens (v.1-2). This means that we are supposed to help others, especially those in the church (v.10). Life is especially burdensome for some and, as we are able, we should help them carry their load. For ease of remembering, let's call this first bear "Share Bear."

Bear Your Own Burdens (v.3-5). This passage teaches the need for personal responsibility that another cannot carry for us: our personal decisions, the consequences of our actions, our own individual responsibilities, etc. We should not let others bear these for us. The words that follow in v.6-9 are a great admonition to just how individual this concept is. We will name this bear "Aware Bear."

Bear the Marks of Christ in Your Body (v.11-17). Paul bore in his body the marks of the Lord Jesus Christ (likely physically from beatings, mistreatment, etc.). But there is another indication in the word "marks" in the Greek text. It is the Greek word "stigma" and literally means "a mark pricked or branded upon the body." Paul may very well be saying, I am branded with the mark of Christ—not that he had a tattoo, but that he was totally dedicated to Christ—he was Christ's slave. This is why I believe Paul used the phrase "the Lord Jesus"—Jesus was Paul's Lord and Master (v.14). Thus we need to be willing to bear the marks (or stigma) that come from faithfully following Christ and telling others about Him. Thus, let's identify this bear as "Declare Bear."

My hope for all of us is what Paul's was for the Galatian Christians: "Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit" (v.18). And let us be reminded that it will be so if we bear in our bodies the marks of the Lord Jesus (be a Declare Bear), be responsible with ourselves and our lives (be an Aware Bear), and help others (be a Share Bear).

~Edd Sterchi, Broadway church of Christ, Campbellsville, KY, Bulletin Digest, May 2024

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Six Stewardship Principles

1. You reap what you sow (Galatians 6:7).

2. The attitude of the giver is more important than the gift itself (2 Corinthians 9:7).

3. The time to give/commit is now (2 Corinthians 9:5).

4. We must give ourselves to God first (2 Corinthians 8:5).

5. "Freely you have received, freely give" (Matthew 10:8).

6. Give God the "firstfruits" (Proverbs 3:9-10).

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