

MOUNTAIN GROVE CHURCH OF CHRIST

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FAMILY NEWS

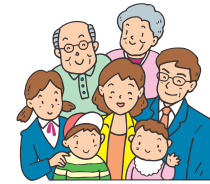
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WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY

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: Jace Howard

Preacher: Keith B. Cozort

PRAYER LEADERS

Sunday:

9:00 A.M. **Phil Driskill**
10:00 A.M. **Max Schmollinger**
Brent LeBaron
11:15 A.M. **Tim Nicks**
Brian Sherrell

Wednesday:

Wyatt Hicks
Tim Nicks

SONG LEADERS

Sunday: 10:00 A.M. **Richard Sciba**

11:15 A.M. **Wyatt Hicks**

Wednesday: **David Grow**

THE LORD'S TABLE

Preside: **Phil Driskill**
Assist: **Owen LeBaron**
Brian Sherrell
Jeremiah Hicks

LET US SERVE

Communion Prep: **Sandy Peterson**
Flowers: **Carolyn Turner**

USHER/GREETER

Sunday: 10:00 **Ronnie Deaton**

11:15 **Brent LeBaron**

Wednesday: **Phil Driskill**

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

Last Week:

Sunday: (BC, AM1, AM2):38, 60, 48

Wednesday 34

Contribution \$2002.00

NEED A RIDE?

Sunday: **Richard Sciba** 926-6416

Wed: **Phil Driskill** 259-4359

WELCOME! Thank you for joining us in worship today. If you are a visitor, please fill out a Visitors card & place it in the collection plate or leave it on the pew. You are our honored guests!

GOD'S PLAN TO SAVE US: HEAR-Rom. 10:17; **BELIEVE** - John 8:24; **REPENT**- Acts 17:30; **CONFESS** - Rom. 10:9-10; **BE IMMERSED** - Acts 2:38; **REMAIN FAITH even in death** - Rev. 2:10. Have you obeyed?

WORKS WE ARE 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; Coby Hicks, 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, please walk!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

*March 2nd - Potluck and Youth Class

*March 16TH - Young men speaking, Sack lunch, Men's meeting 1:00

*March 19th - First Bible Bowl

*March 30th - April 3rd - Memphis School of Preaching Lectureship.

*April 2nd - Second Bible Bowl

TEACHERS - Keith needs your questions for this quarter for the 1st Bible Bowl (lessons 121-128) by Sunday, March 16th. Thanks!

TEACHERS NEEDED: Please sign up for next quarter's classes.

NEW FAMILY - Please welcome Matt and Liz Lawrence and children: Grace and Jacob. Their new address: 14646 Dees Rd., Elk Creek, MO 65464.

PANTRY ITEMS: Sugar, brownie mixes. Thank you!



Jesus, Lover of My Soul, - Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Jesus lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly, While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high; Hide me O my Savior hide, Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none, Hangs my helpless soul on Thee; Leave, O leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me; All my trust on Thee is stayed; All my help from Thee I bring;
cover my defenseless head With the shadow of Thy wing.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, Grace to cover all my sin; Let the healing streams abound,
Make and keep me pure within; Thou of life the fountain art; Freely let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart, Rise to vast eternity.

(This song goes with the article on the back of the bulletin)

ALONE

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Dwain Murphy - MRI scheduled
Bonnie Wolfe
Tim Nicks
Ann Newton
Terry LeBaron
Sheila Deaton
Tinzie Mackey
Buddy & Annette McCarty
Lois Schmollinger
Effie Hicks

Our School of Evangelism plans
and participation

FRIENDS AND FAMILY:

Jeremy Sciba - back issues
Larry Hicks - Jeremiah's Dad
Betty Strain - Tim's Mother
Phyllis Coffman - Hartville Care
Center, room 305
Madison Cozort - improving
Ruby Bradd - 4th round of cancer
Don Gralike - (Lois's brother-in-
law. Kidney stone surgery)
Jodee Sherrell's family: William
and Lavone Wood & Carla Elkhorn
& daughters
Deborah Allen's family: Christin
Cook, Cody Allen, & grandchildren
Edna Miller (Bonnie's friend)
Robert Hart and Doroline Barnes -
(Ann's family)
Bill Yarber
Joe Wyrick (Linda's brother)
Wayne Crosby
Mike & Betty Lane (Tucker's
friends)
Viril & Alice Deaton

MILITARY FAMILIES:

Derek Davis family - New Mexico
Dusty Deaton family - Arkansas

"Jesus Lover of My Soul" is a well-known hymn penned by Charles Wesley and based on the words of the psalmist recorded on Psalm 142. King David of old, though a man after God's own heart and a great king in Israel, had times he felt all alone. If he experienced it, then we shouldn't be surprised when we hit such places in our life.

Jesus experienced it (Mk. 14:50). The record of that dark betrayal night says, "And they all forsook Him and fled." When the Lord needed support, even His disciples ran away. But Peter had proclaimed he wouldn't do such a thing (Mt. 26:33-35), yes, just as we do sometimes. In Mark's record he records Peter as following "afar off" (Mk. 14:54). This observation has both a physical and spiritual implication. His faith had been shaken to the core, he had never envisioned such happening to the Son of God. Jesus revealed to him and by inspiration to us, this weakness. Before ascending back to the Father, He asked Peter three times, "Do you love Me?" (Jn. 21:15-17). Yes, Peter failed himself in a time of temptation, but where were the others? All failed the Lord Jesus in a time when His fleshly man needed them most.

Peter would experience it, too! (Jn. 21:18). Jesus warned him of just such a day coming when he [Peter] would face persecution all alone. Did Peter think he would escape it? Perhaps he thought, "it won't happen to me," but it did.

The apostle Paul experienced it (II Tim. 4:16). One of the great heroes of faith, Paul had to stand the trial of mockery all alone. Even those like Demas, whom he had helped, were called away by the present world.

Christian leaders will experience it (Acts 20:36-38). Elders often feel very alone even in a crowd. They can feel very isolated in difficult times. Some would seem to want them to feel that way. Why? Because this is the age-old plan of the devil. Isolate and overtake is an old plan. No new tricks here, because it often works very effectively. Most godly gone before have experienced it. Preachers must learn to accept it, and most do. The ones who often pay the price are the preacher's family. Wives and children don't always understand it, and I'm afraid too often leave the Lord because of such hypocrisy seen in worldly members.

Christian, you will, too (II Tim. 3:12). It's a form of persecution. If you stand on the promises of God, then you're going to be isolated at times by the world. Children may have to go home alone while the crowd around them participate in sinful activities. Young adults will be chided and left alone for not being willing to "party" being labeled "too straight." This affects all ages. Older men/women can and will experience the same (1 Pet. 4:4). Why? Because your faith is being tested (Heb. 4:15). It is free will at work, and God desires us to decide for ourselves just how much we're going to love Him. His promises are proven (Mt. 28:29; Heb. 13:5). You can successfully navigate the treacherous times of loneliness by holding to His promises through Jesus Christ the Savior.