

*****PREPARE COMMUNION*****

May - Sonny and Pat Ingle
June - Ronnie and Sonja Mays

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

TODAY - Millie Dauck * May 26 - Cindy Burleson

CHILDREN'S HOME NEEDS

Country Gravy Mix * Corn Chips * Pre-Wash Spray *
Evaporated Milk * Sandwich Bags * Summer Sausage
(Pick up June 10)

OUR RECORD FOR LAST WEEK

Attendance - 155
Contribution - 4381

FOOD PANTRY

MAY ITEMS: CANNED SPAGHETTI SAUCE

Canned tomatoes, pork n beans. Cash donations also gratefully accepted

Happy Birthday:



May 21 - Justin Allen
Trish Baldwin
Angie Smith
May 23 - Cooper Karnes
Marietta Reams
May 25 - Mary Burke
Logan Northern

Happy Anniversary:

May 22 - Jerry & Rosemary McCoy
May 26 - David & LaRhonda Billingsley

Bible Trivia:

Adam called his helpmate woman and he named her Eve.
What did God call Eve?

Last Week's Answer:

Psalm 117 (two verses) is the shortest chapter in the Bible

SERVING TODAY

May 19, 2019

Song Leader.....Morris Karnes
Opening Prayer.....Joe Watson

LORD'S TABLE

Ron Garner.....Zack Tanner
Jason Karnes.....Jonathan Simmons
Mike Duley.....Jeff McGowan
Scripture.....Jerry Burleson
Prayer.....Jon Neely
Announcements.....Rodney Williams
Dismissal.....Jerry McCoy

Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....David Carson
Prayer.....Justin Allen
Scripture.....Jeff Rodgers

Matthew 24: 45-47

Dismissal.....Darrin Shipman

Wednesday, May 22, 2019

Song Leader.....Morris Karnes
Prayer.....Justin Allen
Dismissal.....Jeff Rodgers

May 26, 2019

Song Leader.....Joe Watson
Opening Prayer.....Ron Garner

LORD'S TABLE

Darrin Shipman.....David Carson
Marty Howard.....David Howard
Jacob Clayton.....Mike Duley
Scripture.....Wayne Reams
Prayer.....Jeff Rodgers
Announcements.....Jon Neely
Dismissal.....Zack Tanner

Sunday Evening

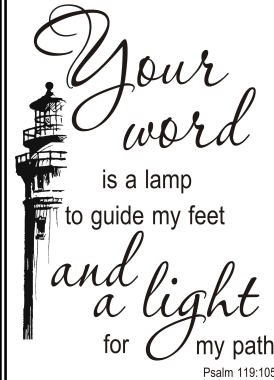
Song Leader.....Ronnie Mays
Prayer.....David Burleson
Scripture.....Sam Garner

Matthew 24: 48-51

Dismissal.....Rodney Williams

COUNT MAY CONTRIBUTION

Rodney Williams.....Jerry McCoy
Jon Neely.....Ronnie Mays



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:30AM
Worship.....10:15AM
Worship.....6:00PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00PM

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TRUE LIGHT

May 19, 2019

AVOIDING AN EVANGELISM CRISIS IN THE USA

Concern is mounting among mission workers about the crisis in evangelism in the USA. As we are busy doing mission work and raising funds, we continually pray for churches and Christians in the USA to remain strong in their faith. But too often we see tell-tale signs of a predicament emerging - one that is weakening churches and affecting mission work adversely.

Sadly, there is a problem becoming a catastrophe in too many of our churches in America because too many have neglected evangelism for a long period of time. At home and in India, we have taught that the work of the church is evangelism, edification and benevolence. These are basic - so what has happened to evangelism?

Consider this: If a congregation stopped helping the needy and responding to sickness and deaths in the community, the townsfolk would say, "Those people in the church of Christ don't care about others. Why should we listen to anything they have to say?"

Brothers and sisters, we would never be guilty of neglecting the needy, failing to send food to homes of grieving families, not visiting the sick, not checking on those in nursing homes, nor neglecting the shut-ins in our community - whether they are members of the Lord's church or not. It is who we are as Christians, and these things must be done in the spirit of Christ.

What if the community saw that we were not having Bible classes and worship on Sunday mornings? They would think the church had closed up. There may not be many cars in the parking lot, but as long as there are a few, the community knows the church still exists. Worship is the last activity we would stop.

If a congregation loses interest in evangelism, and it stops trying to win souls, gradually - without even noticing it - that church will shrink in membership.

The elderly pass away, some fall away, while other move away, and if these are not replaced with new members, the church shrinks. Suddenly, one day the congregation wakes up to realize their attendance and contributions are down, and they are in real trouble.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

TODAY: Widow/widowers/seniors luncheon in the fellowship room following morning worship. Hosts are Ronnie and Sonja Mays

May 20: Mary and Martha meeting at 6:30 in the fellowship room. We will be working on our service project. Bring a sewing machine if you have one. Also, we will be needing approximately 50 pairs of women's briefs in size small, 100 percent cotton, and in colors (no white, please). If you can help fill that need, bring them with you to the meeting.

Wednesday Fellowship Meal: BBQ, baked potatoes, baked beans and cole slaw. Desserts will be needed. This will be our last fellowship meal for the summer

Looking Ahead

Summit Youth Rally at North Heights Church of Christ in Batesville, AR May 31-June 2. The theme is "Ancient Words for a Modern Now." More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery

95th Birthday Party for Elwood Rush June 1 from 12-2 in the fellowship room. Lunch will be served

Summer Speaker Series starts June 5. Our first speaker will be Chase Almond

CRC Day June 9. A special contribution box will be in the foyer. The goal is \$100,000

Summer Sermon Series at Central Church of Christ June 9-12. The theme is "Jesus: Let Us Come to Know You." More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery

Children's Homes Fish Fry June 10 at 6 p.m. at the Dexter church of Christ Fellowship Building. More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery

Children's Home Grocery Pick-up June 10. Let's get the cart filled up

Ladies Lunch Out at 11:30 June 11 at Malden Country Club

Battle of the Youth Groups at Crowley's Ridge College June 12-14

BYC session 3 July 7-12.

Continued from front: What is it going to take for us to wake up? When attendance drops to 10? It will be too late by then! Now is the time to get back on track. All should be interested, and all can gain the skills. We can get proper training and materials to reach lost souls - Jesus said, "seek and ye shall find." Brother Clayton Pepper was famous for his work in personal evangelism. He recommended starting with the unsaved family members of the congregation and trying to reach them. Those who have recently experienced a "shake up" in their lives are often more open to God's Word.

Life-changing events like moving into a new community, the arrival of a baby, suffering a death in the family, the last child leaving home - or serious problems like divorce, unemployment, cancer, major surgery - all can open doors for new friendships. We need to be real friends to those who are seeking a better life. Small group Bible studies in homes are proving to be effective - find an approach that works. We can win souls today if we work at it (Acts 20:20). We must regain our evangelistic fervor - or else.

Written by Ben Renegar, reprinted from the Church of Christ India Missions newsletter

YOUR PRIVACY MATTERS

Understandably, we have had a few members express concern over the safety of their personal information in our upcoming online directory. Rest assured, your account will be protected by your own created user name and password which no one else has access to. In addition, search engines do not crawl any of the directory data located within the password-protected portion of the directory. In addition, the program we are using has top of the notch security for the entire site. Your personal information will be safe and protected. However, if you still have concerns please see Amy about having your name removed from the online portion.

Lifting up in Prayer...

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Max Snyder improving from a bout with pneumonia * DeeDee Burch has been experiencing some issues with her eyes requiring laser surgery * Darrell Zimmerman will get the results from his lung test May 28 * Amy Green (David Carson's mother) is having issues with fluid buildup * LaRhonda Billingsley's 4-month-old great-niece Azlynn Dicus has been having issues with seizures* Louella Akers got good results from her tests

CONTINUING PRAYERS

(congregational)

Louella Akers * John David Barnett * Mary Burke * David Burleson * Jerry Burleson * Pam Claeys * Billie Cooper * Scott and Judy Flannery * Sue Flowers * Grant Howard * Sonja Mays * Curtis McClard * Helen McGowan * Jeff McGowan * Ida Roberts * Gayle Rodgers * Elwood Rush * Jane Smith * Max Snyder * David Terrill * Max Terrill * Bettie Thurston * Joy Watson * Marty Watson * Woody Wood * Darrell Zimmerman * Pansy Zimmerman *

In Sympathy:

Sympathy is extended to Matt Mayberry in the recent loss of his grandmother, Lorene Mayberry, who passed away May 9. Her funeral was held May 12 in Dexter. Sympathy is also extended to Cathy Provance in the loss of her cousin, Debby Cook, who passed away May 14. Her funeral was held Saturday in Malden

*...Pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much..... James 5:16.
Prayer is a special blessing. Help us keep our prayer list up to date by letting Amy know of any prayer requests or updates you would like to have in the bulletin*

CONTINUING PRAYERS

(non congregational)

Cancer

Roxanne Carson
Sherry Chambers
Jackie Cooper
Debbie Chrisman
Bill Fitzpatrick
LeAnn Jacques
Tommy Jacques
Connie Lemmons
Annette Lumsden
Phil McKuin
Betty Nicholson
Jessica Payne
Donnie Rawlings
Gerald Robertson
Deanna Rogers
Norman Swafford

Other Health Issues

John Back (stroke)
DeeDee Burch (auto accident)
Renee Goodman (serious health issues)
Dakota Greer (Bell's Palsy)
Clyde Jacques
Beckie King (MS)
Nikki Lawrence (migraines)
Carter McGowan (premature birth)
Alvin Miller (poor health)
Tom Provance
Gene Rowland
Traci Suiter (poor health)
Paige Tanner (congestive heart failure)
Geraldine Tomah (poor health)
Kay Wright (declining health)

OUR SHUT INS

Central Garden: Fern Botsch #309
Mary Burke #303
Lois McKuin #117

Ridgeview Living/Malden:

Shirley Johnson
Bertha Skidgell #201
Max Terrill #207

Cypress Point: Joy Watson # 8

Winchester Place:

Isaac Wheeler
Travis Cooper, #7
Elwood Rush, #6

Winchester Nursing Home:

Sue Flowers, #208

AT HOME: Pam Claeys, Scott & Judy Flannery, Gayle Rodgers