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Sunday Bible Study 9:45 am
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Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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www.flatwoodschurch-
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-Virgil McIntosh
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-Alton Norman
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-David Howard
Boulder, Co.
-Dustin Bolks
Sioux Center, Ia.
-Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, So. America
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia

SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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You are invited to our
**Men's Day Seminar on
Leadership**

by Stephen W. Rogers,

**Freed-Hardeman College and David Lipscomb College B.A. and
minister at Washington Avenue church of Christ in Evansville,
Indiana for 25 years**



4 Sessions

- 1) Leadership And Commitment**
- 2) Leadership And Character**
- 3) Leadership And Communication**
- 4) Leadership And Cooperation**

-Lunch will be provided at no cost-

(FBI class will continue this study starting Sept 17- see flyer)

Please, sign up by September 6th

**Saturday, September 12th
9:00am to 2:00pm**

**We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail:
an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles"
by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the
20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!**

Paul's Work Ethic at Thessalonica

The apostle Paul lived in such a way that his life would be an example to others. There were some in the Thessalonian congregation that refused to work, who needed to imitate the work ethic of Paul. Paul wrote in 2 Thessalonians 3:7-9, "For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you; Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought; but wrought with labour and travail night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you: Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us."

Paul particularly mentioned that he did not eat any man's bread without paying for it. Now, Paul is not talking about simply going to someone's house for dinner; "to eat bread" is equivalent to our expression "put food on the table." "Bread" among the Jews was a term sometimes used for eating food in general (1 Samuel 20:34; 28:20; 1 Kings 21:5; Psalm 41:9; 102:9); moreover, "to eat bread" stood for making a living (Amos 7:12). The connection between working and eating has its roots early in the Bible going back at least to the principles of Genesis 3:19. The Old Testament touches on this principle time and again (Psalm 128:2; Proverbs 10:4; 12:11; 19:15). If one is able to work, then work should be done to support self and help others who are in legitimate need (Ephesians 4:28).

Paul, Silas, and Timothy were not motivated by greed when they came to Thessalonica (1 Thess. 2:5), but came to save souls. To demonstrate this lack of covetousness among them, they refused to be a financial burden on anyone (1 Thess. 2:9), but instead made their own living. While many of the social elite of the first-century Greco-Roman culture regarded manual labor as degrading, Paul did not underplay but in fact highlighted his own manual labor in establishing his upstanding character (1 Thess. 2:9).

Paul did teach that financial support for preaching and other Christian service was acceptable, but on several occasions he did not make use of this privilege (2 Thess. 3:9; 1 Cor. 9:7-14; Gal. 6:6; 1 Tim. 5:17-18; cf. Matt. 10:10). One is not fit to be supported for Christian service if his ministry is motivated solely by financial gain (Acts 20:33; 1 Tim. 3:3, 8; 6:9-10; Titus 1:7; Heb. 13:5; 1 Pet. 5:2; 2 Pet. 2:3). Many philosophers and religious leaders of the day looked for patrons to support them, but Paul, Silas, and Timothy avoided this practice, making themselves a model for the church to follow.

In the epistle of 2 Thessalonians, Paul returns to the teaching on work given at their initial visit: "For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, if any would not work, neither should he eat" (2 Thess. 3:10). God's response to one who could work but refuses is essentially, "You choose not to work? Then you choose not to have the necessities of life when you need them." Often there is a mistaken notion of charity today, where "the Christian thing to do is always provide for the needs of others" even when they could provide for themselves. This is not Christian; it is not what the Bible teaches. While 2 Thessalonians 3 commands that we be merciful and do good (2 Thess. 3:13), it also prohibits us from enabling someone in a life of freeloading (2 Thess. 3:10-11).

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons Today

AM- "Give Us A King"
 PM- "Paul's Finest Hour"
Scripture Reading: 2 Tim. 4:16-18

Dates to Remember

- Sep 1-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Sep 5-** Greasy Ridge Singing & Potluck- 6pm
- Sep 8-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Sep 8-** Ladies Devotional- 6:30p- host: Amanda Scott
- Sep 10-** Little School Orientation- 7pm
- Sep 12-** Men's Leadership training- Stephen Rogers- 4 sessions- lunch provided-RSVP
- Sep 13-** Potluck luncheon-12pm- annex
- Sep 13-16-** Gospel Meeting-Stephen Rogers
- Sep 17-** FBI fall class begins-annex- 7pm
- Sep 20-** Elders, Preachers, Deacons Meet-4:30
- Sep 22-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Sep 29-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Oct 3-** Audrey Wallace Wedding shower- 1pm - annex auditorium
- Oct 3-** Greasy Ridge Singing & Potluck- 6pm
- Oct 6-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Oct 11-** Michael Mayo (Thailand)- AM service
- Oct 13-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Oct 13-** Ladies Devotional- 6:30p- host: Sherry Sturgill
- Oct 18-** Elders, Preachers, Deacons Meet-4:30
- Oct 20-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Oct 25-** Trunk O' Treat & chili supper- 7pm
- Oct 27-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Nov 1-** Bring A Friend Day
- Nov 1-** Potluck luncheon- 12pm-annex
- Nov 3-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Nov 7-** Greasy Ridge Singing & Potluck- 6pm
- Nov 10-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Nov 10-** Ladies Devotional- 6:30p- cookie & candy recipe and sample exchange- annex
- Nov 15-** Elders, Preachers, Deacons Meet-4:30
- Nov 17-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Nov 24-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Dec 1-** Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Dec 5-** Pancake breakfast -8a- annex -host: Scotts
- Dec 5-** Greasy Ridge Singing & Potluck- 6pm

Prime-timers Resumes

Prime-timers group will resume again this Tuesday, September 1st and will meet each Tuesday morning at 10am in the annex .

Ladies Evening Devotional

On Tuesday, Sept. 8th, Amanda Scott will host this gathering at 6:30pm in her home. This is open to all the ladies of the church.

Ladies: Help Needed With Seminar

Carol Allen is asking for help with the lunch for the Men's Seminar on the 12th. She needs 5 ladies to make a salad from a recipe supplied, ladies to bake cookies (no store bought for this event), and some ladies to help during the event to prepare, serve and clean up after the luncheon. There is a sign-up sheet on the board. Thank you.

Save the Dates Sept. 12-17

Stephen Rogers from Washington Avenue church of Christ in Evansville Indiana, will be with us for 6 days of special meetings and lessons.

Saturday, Sept. 12- Men's Day Seminar on Leadership in the Church, 4 sessions with lunch provided. Please, RSVP by signing the sheet on the foyer bulletin board.

Sept. 13-16- Gospel Meeting on 'How to be a Good Follower' with 10am classes Mon.-Wed. on 'Life's Challenges'.

Sept. 17- FBI class begins on 'Leadership in the Church.' Classes will be each Thursday through Dec 12 and are a continuation of the seminar topic. A list of topics for the seminar and FBI class is available. Sign up on the foyer board. And, please, spread the word to all your friends!

Gauging Our Faith

	08/23/15	Goal	08/24/14
Bible Study	113	110	94
AM Worship	146	150	148
PM Worship	110	110	86
Mid Week	88	110	95
Contribution:	\$6923.90	\$5500.00	\$4441.77

☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Jerry Sturgill

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Tim Hammond

PM: Jordan Conley

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Mark Parks

Assisting: J.C. Hughes,
Greg Conley, Greg Hall,
Michael Perry, Darick Carter,
Mitch Stafford, Will Scott

Presiding PM: Nathan Parks

Assisting: Bob Tushay

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Steve Wallace

PM: Danny Stone

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Nathan Adkins

DEVOTIONAL: Jerry Sturgill

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

POWER POINT: David Castle

RECORDING ASSIST: Dan Maynard

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Jerry Sturgill

ATTENDANCE: Matt Vonderheide

COORDINATOR: Brad Morris

Welcome, Visitor!

We are so pleased to have you as our guest today.

If you are a *first-time visitor* with us, please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the foyer with **free tracts and literature**. We also have **Bible correspondence courses** you can sign up to receive by mail at **no cost to you**. Let our preacher know if you would like to set up an **in-home Bible study**.

Thank you for attending.

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★ Every Sunday ★

Pew Packers

at 5:45pm-

in the front of the auditorium
-geared to age 12 & under, but every
one is invited to attend.

Boys: have a song ready
to lead for the group.



Have you contacted
a shut-in lately?

Why not today?

