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Sunday Bible Study 9:45am Morning Worship 10:45 am Evening Worship 6:00 pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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-Michael Mayo **Thailand, SE Asia**

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Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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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!

Oh, How "We" Have Changed!

One hundred forty years ago, a brother named Moses Lard finished his commentary on the book of Romans. His comments on the first chapter of that epistle are particularly interesting in light of what is happening in our society today.

In regard to Romans 1:26-27, which says homosexuality is a sin which is "against nature," Lard had to refer to practices in Paris, France to conclude, "there is little doubt of its existence in other modern cities." He then referred to the writings of history and mentioned the disgraceful practices that were common in Greece and Rome during the time of Paul's writing, adding, "Nor were these vices rare, and viewed as we view them" (p. 61). How different this nation was back when Lard wrote! He had to mention foreign cities and ancient practices to even give examples of homosexuality. Then he mentioned how "we," that is the general public in this nation, view this vice. In Lard's time, even though there were religious differences, there was a public, united front against sexual sin.

A few pages later, in reference to the sin of murder, Lard says:

This crime, according to the Bible should always be punished with death. But in our day, especially in our country, it generally brings with it only a good deal of notoriety, and not death. But we may rest assured of this, that God will one day visit on the people of this country a fearful retribution for the indulgence which they show to the crime. Take the life of him who willfully and with malice takes the life of his fellow man- do this surely, do it in all cases, and murder will cease. Fail to do this, and you breed mobs" (p. 64).

God ordered such retribution for murderers early in the Bible (Genesis 9:6). Old Testament Israel was told that murder defiled the land with blood, and only the blood of the murderer could cleanse the land (Numbers 35:33). Governmental authorities are given by God as a terror to evil works (Romans 13:1-4). Christians are to respect those that keep the peace in our society, even though they sometimes abuse their power (1 Peter 2:13-17). If Lard thought murderers had notoriety in his day, then what would he say about them today? For years, certain popular music artists have made millions while boasting about killing police officers in their lyrics. Is there any wonder that we now see so many fatal attacks on police officers? Lard's comments on Romans were finished just a few years removed from the Civil War, an event so horrific that many Bible-believing government officials even up to the President viewed it as God's punishment on the United States for our sins. What punishment awaits this nation today for its atrocities, especially when we consider that the Supreme Court of this nation has authorized the murder of over 57 million unbom children since 1973?

To be sure "we" have changed in this nation, but God does not change (Malachi 3:6). May God's holy nation, the church, ever cling to His eternal truths laid out in the Bible (1 Peter 2:9; 2 Timothy 3:15-17).

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons Today

AM – Jerry Sturgill: "Redeemed, How I Love To Proclaim It!"

PM- Jerry Sturgill: "Is It Possible For A Child of God To Sin And Be Lost?" (cont. of 'Mark Your Bible' series)

Dates to Remember

Sep 20-23 - Ceredo church gospel meetingdetails on bulletin board in office

Sep 22- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

Sep 26- Men's Day- Rolling Hills church of Christ- RSVP- see office board

Sep 27- Parent/youth meeting in annex-7p

Sep 29- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

Oct 3- Audrey Wallace Wedding shower- 1pm

Oct 3- Greasy Ridge Singing & Potluck- 6p

Oct 5-8 – Main Street church Gospel Meeting, Hurricane, WV – 7pm

Oct 6- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

Oct 10- Ladies Day- Main Street church of Christ, Hurricane, WV- 9am

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 19-21 - Olive Hill church of Christ Gospel Meeting-7pm

Oct 20- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

Oct 24- Ladies Day- Rolling Hills church of Christ- RSVP- Sheila Butt, speaker

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- 6p

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

Elders, Deacons Preachers Meet

Today, this group will meet at 4:30p.m. in the annex large classroom.

Potter Home Donations

The Potter Children's Home needs the following: lemonade mix, Italian dressing, black olives, ranch dressing, & instant mashed potatoes. Pick up will be sometime between Sept. 27 and Oct 3.

Our Gospel Meeting Attendance

On Monday, we had 98 attend from about 7 different congregations. Tuesday night we had 105 from as far away as Jackson, Ky.

Library Help Needed

Please, speak with Jerry Sturgill if you can help in the church library. Short-term or long-term, all help is appreciated and needed.

Save the Date- Wedding Shower

On Saturday, October 3rd, at 1pm in the annex auditorium, you are invited to a wedding shower for Audrey Wallace and Daniel Goshom. They are registered at Target, JC Penney, and Walmart. To help, see Denise Smith, Jennifer Morris, Dottie Phillips, & Allix Smith. Please, RSVP to Denise or sign up on the fover board. Thank you.



Gauging Our Faith

	9/13/15	Goal	09/14/14
Bible Study	100	110	90
AM Worship	166	150	135
PM Worship	114	110	92
Mid Week	107	110	86

wToday's Servants cs

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER:

AM: Dan Stone PM: Chris Scott

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Brad Morris PM: Bob Tushay

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Chris Scott

Assisting: Bobby Edmonds, Lowell Parsley, Phil Degelia, Tim Hammond, Ernie Perry, Roy Murphy, Jacob Martin

<u>Presiding PM</u>: Greg Hall <u>Assisting</u>: Mitch Stafford

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Steve Wallace PM: Shelby Steele

> Wednesday Servants &

WELCOME: Greg Conley
SONG LEADER: Chris Scott

PRAYER: Brad Morris

DEVOTIONAL: Jeremiah Smith

₩ Weekly Servants

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks **BLDG. ATTENDANT**: Steve Wallace **ATTENDANCE**: Michael Perry **COORDINATOR**: Steve Wallace

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 everyone is invited to attend. Boys have a song ready to lead for the group.

★Sept. 27th★

Parents & Youth Meeting to plan the school year schedule-Meet in the annex classroom after evening service.

