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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

### WEB PAGES:

[www.flatwoodschurch-ofchrist.org](http://www.flatwoodschurch-ofchrist.org) and  
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-*"In Search of the Lord's Way"* TV broadcast

### SEARCH TV

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!

## Where Are You Banking?

Jesus said, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Matthew 6:19-21).

The desire to make lasting investments that will tremendously benefit us in the future is a goal of all forward-thinking individuals. What we accumulate in our lives must be properly managed. Jesus gives us wonderful guidance in making the proper investments now so as to yield the maximum benefits in the future. His instructions, however, are entirely different from investment plans that are confined to this life.

Jesus shows us that earthly wealth is insecure. As moth and rust corrupt costly clothing and precious metals respectively, so the value of many earthly possessions decreases. Even markets have bubbles that burst and leave investors with much less than they presumed. Add to that depreciation the fact that others are out to take what is ours and you have a very insecure situation in regard to physical wealth. The common way of storing treasures in the first century was not in a vault, but hidden in one's house, the walls of which were often made of mud. Thieves could literally dig through the wall to steal valuables. The twenty-first century has seen the rise of thefts that are committed not with the display of a weapon or the use of physical force, but from behind a computer screen through the anonymity of the Internet. The means have changed but the effects are the same: thieves will take what you have legitimately earned and saved. In contrast, heavenly treasures are immune to corruption and secure from theft (Lk. 12:33-34; 1 Pet. 1:3-4).

All of us need a certain amount of earthly wealth to live. If we are fortunate enough to avoid huge losses to what we have accumulated, there is still the danger of what wealth may do to our hearts. It can easily enslave us (1 Tim. 6:9). Our heart will be where our treasure is. How sad is the life of one who places his only hope in this world. If this life alone is all there is, then one's efforts and investments will ultimately come to a tragic end. We leave it all to someone else. However, the prospect of a future life provides a hope for which the human heart yearns, especially in the moments of loss that are part of this life. Jesus says to be only earthly-minded is foolish. We must be forward-thinking enough to prepare for heaven. Heaven will not be ours by default, but only after a life of proper preparation. "No man ever went to heaven whose heart was not already there." There are tremendous joys and wonders that this life has to offer, but if we aim only for them we will come up short, wanting something more, something permanent. Aim for earth and get nothing; aim for heaven and get its joys with what earth has to offer thrown in.

Am I investing in the life to come? Does heaven occupy a prominent place in my heart? Or do I have too much of this dying world in me? Beware of banking in the wrong place. You can come up very short when the bill comes due. -Mark Day

# News & Notes



## Sermons This Week

AM- Mark Day "5 Views on Mark 16:16"

PM- Mark Day & Jerry Sturgill  
"Answers to Your Bible Questions"

## 2017 Dates to Remember

- Jan 31**– Prime-timers– annex- 10a  
**Feb 5**– Super Bowl party– 7:15pm @ Nathan & Davonne Parks' home  
**Feb 5-9**– Freed-Hardeman U. lectureship  
**Feb 7**– Prime-timers– annex- 10a  
**Feb 11**– Couples Banquet -6pm– annex  
**Feb 14**– Prime-timers– annex- 10a  
**Feb 19**– elders/deacons/preachers-annex-4:30p  
**Feb 21**– Prime-timers– annex- 10a  
**Feb 24**– ladies luncheon– 12:30p  
**Feb 28**– Prime-timers– annex- 10a  
**Mar 26**–Potluck– noon– annex  
**Mar 26-29**– Gospel Meeting with David Lipe- 'Assurance In The Age of Skepticism'  
**Apr 10**– Potluck  
**May 13**– workday Saturday & barbeque- 8am/ Lunch between 11-12:00  
**Jun 14**– Coffee, tea, & cakes –annex- 8pm  
**Jul 2-8**– Ft. Hill Youth Camp week  
**Jul 15**– Church Picnic- on grounds-5pm  
**Jul 24-28**– Vacation Bible School here  
**Aug 6**– Ice Cream/dessert night– annex- 7pm  
**Sep 15-16**– Marriage Seminar with Alan Cole  
**Sep 23**–Cookout & singing @ the Scotts- time TBD later  
**Oct 28**– Trunk O Treats & Chili supper- 7pm

## Gauging Our Faith

	01/22/17	Goal	01/24/16
<b>Bible Study</b>	122	110	85
<b>AM Worship</b>	160	150	108
<b>PM Worship</b>	78	110	77
<b>Mid Week</b>	89	110	nc
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$3811.60	\$5600.00	\$4241.00

## Couples Banquet- Feb. 11

We will have a Couples Banquet on Saturday, Feb. 11 at 6pm in the annex. Mark Day will be in charge. Please, volunteer on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to help with food prep or decorations and games. Teens are especially encouraged to help decorate and come up with games or approved entertainment. Also, please, sign up on the foyer bulletin board if you plan to attend.

## Youth Devotional Hosts Needed

Each month we want to have an all youth and parents devotional in the annex or a place of your choosing. These are usually done Sunday following evening worship service on the date of your choosing, but you might choose to have it in the afternoon, and coordinate all with Mark Day. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside Mark Day's office for February through May. See Mark for questions & details.

## Recipes Needed

In case you haven't turned your recipes in by now, please, pick up the form and submit your recipes to the office. See Ann Hughes, Jane Isaacs or Patti Reaves for details. We need more recipes by the end of February.

## Prime-timers

Prime-timers is an open discussion Bible study group that meets on Tuesdays at 10am in the annex large classroom. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

**Have you contacted  
a shut-in lately?  
Why not today?**



## ☞ Today's Servants ☞

### WELCOME:

**AM/PM:** Greg Conley

### SONG LEADER:

**AM:** Brad Morris

**PM:** Dan Stone

### FIRST PRAYER:

**AM:** Greg Hall

**PM:** Nathan Parks

### LORD'S TABLE:

**Presiding AM:** Mark Parks

**Assisting:** Nathan Adkins,  
Daniel Goshorn, Lowell Parsley,  
Ernie Perry, Mitch Stafford,  
Jerrad Nickell, Jack Little

**Presiding PM:** J.C. Hughes

**Assisting:** Jordan Conley

### CLOSING PRAYER:

**AM:** Chris Scott

**PM:** Denny Deskins

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

**WELCOME:** Greg Conley

**SONG LEADER:** Steve Wallace

**PRAYER:** Nathan Parks

**DEVOTIONAL:** Jerry Sturgill

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☞

**POWER POINT:** David Castle

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** Mark Day

**ATTENDANCE:** Michael Perry

**COORDINATOR:** David Smith

## 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 front of the auditorium**

**-geared to age 12 & under,  
but everyone is welcomed.**

**Boys: have a song ready to lead**

★★★ Feb. 11 ★★★

**Couples Banquet**

**6:00pm- annex**

**Mark Day will need some help from  
the teens to make this great!!**

