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**SERVICES**

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

**WEB PAGES:**

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-Dahn Ramkelawan  
Suriname, So. America  
-Michael Mayo  
Thailand, SE Asia  
-*"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!

## Believers Are Added at Baptism

In describing the growth of the first-century church of Christ in the city of Jerusalem, Luke writes, "And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women" (Acts 5:14). This is not the first account of individuals being "added" to the Lord's church in the book of Acts. Acts 2:47 notes, "And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." To be "added to the Lord" (Acts 5:14) and to be "added to the church" (Acts 2:47) are the equivalent expressions. After all, the church is the body of Christ (Ephesians 1:22-23; Colossians 1:18). When one is baptized, one is united with the Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 6:3-8); one is baptized into the one body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:13). To be part of the church is to be part of the saved body of people (Acts 2:47) who have all spiritual blessings in Christ (Ephesians 1:3). To be outside of the church is to be outside of that sphere of blessings, not forgiven of sins, not united with the Lord's atoning death, not a child of God (Galatians 3:26-27).

When Acts 5:14 says that "believers" were "added to the Lord," it indicates that one must believe first before being added to the Lord, i.e. to His church. James 2:17 emphatically shows that faith without works is dead. A living faith is needed for salvation (2 Timothy 3:15). A living faith moves one to repent, confess, and be baptized. John 1:11-12 says of Jesus, "He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name." Faith gives one the right to become a child of God, but the moment one accepts the truth of the Gospel, believing it, is not the moment one is added to the Lord, i.e. added to His church.

Several on Pentecost day following the resurrection of the Lord Jesus heard Peter's sermon, and believed. They were pricked in their hearts because they recognized Jesus was the Christ, whom they were guilty of crucifying (Acts 2:36-37). It was not at this moment of believing these facts that they were saved, i.e. added to the Lord's church. They asked what they should do and Peter told them to repent and be baptized for the remission of their sins (Acts 8:37-38). Some three thousand gladly received the word and were baptized; at the point of baptism they were "added" (Acts 2:41). It was not at the point of believing the facts, not even at the point of gladly receiving the word, but at the point of baptism, where all that culminated into a commitment of obedience, that they were saved, added to the Lord, added to His church.

Jesus said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved" (Mark 16:16). Faith makes one a proper candidate to be added to the Lord, but until it manifests itself in obedience to the Gospel, salvation has not been secured (2 Thessalonians 1:8). If one believes in Christ, but because of social pressures will not confess that faith before others, one is not saved (John 12:42). If a man will not be baptized, then he rejects the counsel of God against himself as the Pharisees and lawyers did when they rejected John's baptism (Luke 7:29-30). The saved are a group of baptized believers (Acts 2:47; 5:14). One must be a true believer in order to be baptized, but one is not added to the Lord until one is a baptized believer.

-Mark Day

# News & Notes



## Sermons This Week

AM- Jerry Sturgill- *"Now Is The Accepted Time"*

PM- Jerry Sturgill- *"Difficult Passages from the Old Testament"*

## 2017 Dates to Remember

**Apr 23**- Rome church Tri-State Worship- singing @ 2:15p, lesson @ 3p

**Apr 23**- Ladies Day all committees meeting- 7p- front of auditorium

**Apr 24-26**- Olive Hill Gospel Meeting- 7p

**Apr 25**- Prime-timers- annex- 10a

**Apr 28**- ladies luncheon- 12:30p- Panera Bread

**April 30**- VBS Meeting- noon- annex large class

**Apr 30**- All Youth Parent Devotional- 7p- annex, hosts: the Vonderheides

**May 13**- workday Saturday 8a & barbeque 11a

**May 14-17**- Owingsville Gospel Meeting with Mark Day

**May 19-20**- Friendship Gospel Meeting with Mark Day

**May 21**- Elders/deacons/preachers meet-4:30p

**June 5-8**- Chapmanville, WV, Gospel Meeting with Glenn Colley- 7p

**Jun 14**- Coffee, tea, & cakes -annex- 8p

**Jul 2-8**- Ft. Hill Youth Camp week

**Jul 15**- Church Picnic- on grounds-5p

**Jul 24-28**- Vacation Bible School here

**Aug 6**- Ice Cream/dessert night- annex- 7p

**Sep 15-16**- Marriage Seminar with Alan Cole

**Sep 23**-Cookout & singing @ the Scotts- time TBD later

## Ladies Day Meeting Tonight

All ladies who are on a committee, or who would like to be, are asked to meet tonight in the front of the auditorium after evening worship to plan the November Ladies Day. Committees will meet that evening just before the entire group gathers for progress reports.

## VBS Meeting Next Sunday

Jeremiah Smith has requested that everyone attend a brief meeting next Sunday following morning worship to sign up for VBS tasks this year. Please, meet in the annex large classroom.

## Card Shower Requested

Alexandria Knipp (20), has an appointment April 24th at Cleveland Clinic with a neurosurgeon regarding brain surgery. She had to discontinue the semester at Western KY University, and is now at home with her parents in Olive Hill. We are requesting cards of encouragement be sent to Alex Knipp, PO Box 1166, Olive Hill, KY 41164

## Prime-timers

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

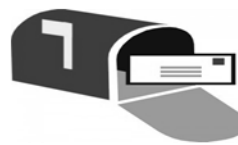
## Lawn Maintenance Schedule

The schedule is published and copies are on the foyer table. The team this week to complete their work by April 29th is Steve Wallace, Jeremiah Smith, Chris Scott, Will Scott and Ben Poling. Volunteers are still needed for fill-ins. See the bulletin board in the foyer to sign up. Thank you!

## Gauging Our Faith

|                      | 04/16/17  | Goal      | 04/17/16  |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Bible Study</b>   | 84        | 110       | 90        |
| <b>AM Worship</b>    | 138       | 160       | 137       |
| <b>PM Worship</b>    | 78        | 110       | 85        |
| <b>Mid Week</b>      | 86        | 110       | 84        |
| <b>Contribution:</b> | \$7845.09 | \$5600.00 | \$5497.75 |

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



## **☞ Today's Servants ☞**

### **WELCOME:**

**AM/PM:** Mark Parks

### **SONG LEADER:**

**AM:** Nathan Adkins

**PM:** Chris Scott

### **FIRST PRAYER:**

**AM:** Jordan Conley

**PM:** Tim Hammond

### **LORD'S TABLE:**

**Presiding AM:** Greg Conley

**Assisting:** Ben Poling,

Daniel Goshorn, Nathan Parks,

Jerrad Nickell, Lowell Parsley,

Mitch Stafford, Danny Stone

**Presiding PM:** Steve Wallace

**Assisting:** Jeremiah Smith

### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

**AM:** Bob Tushay

**PM:** Matt Vonderheide

## **☞ Wednesday Servants ☞**

**WELCOME:** J.C. Hughes

**SONG LEADER:** Chris Scott

**PRAYER:** Greg Conley

**DEVOTIONAL:** Greg Hall

## **☞ Weekly Servants ☞**

**POWER POINT:** Matt Vonderheide

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** J.C. Hughes

**ATTENDANCE:** David Castle

**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 find  
on the back of the pew. Please, put it in the  
collection plate or hand 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  
offer **free Bible correspondence courses**  
you can 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. Come back anytime!

## **★★★ 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**

**★★ April 30th ★★**

**All Youth/Parent Devo**

**Hosted by the Vonderheides-7pm**

**-bring snacks, soft drinks & friends!**

