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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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-Virgil McIntosh
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-Dahn Ramkelawan
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-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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For we are labourers together with God:

1 Corinthians 3:9



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!

Fellow Workers

During Paul's second missionary journey, he met a couple at Corinth who would become some of his closest associates. They are mentioned six times in the New Testament: three times in Acts (18:2, 18, 26), and three times in Paul's epistles (Romans 16:3; 1 Corinthians 16:19; 2 Timothy 4:19).

"After these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth; And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them. And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought: for by their occupation they were tentmakers" (Acts 18:1-3). Paul initially identified with Aquila and Priscilla because they worked in the same trade. The Jewish people took great care to teach their children a trade. In fact, a Jewish teacher, Rabbi Judah, is quoted as saying, "He that teaches not his son a trade, is as if he taught him to be a thief."¹ The inspired teaching of the New Testament shows that men ought to work to provide for their own. Second Thessalonians 3:10 says, "if any would not work, neither should he eat." Ephesians 4:28 instructs, "Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with *his* hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth." Paul set an example of honest labor. Paul could hold up his hands and honestly say, "Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me" (Acts 20:34).

Paul, Aquila, and Priscilla made tents. This was no easy task. Tents in those days were made of leather or goatskin. This trade was likely a natural choice for Paul, since he was from Tarsus in Cilicia, a province known for its production of goats' hair.²

Aquila and Priscilla were not only fellow-laborers with Paul in the trade of making tents, but more importantly they were fellow-laborers in ministering the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In Acts 18:24, when Paul had returned to Antioch, Apollos, an eloquent man from Alexandria, came to Ephesus where Paul had left Aquila and Priscilla. Apollos had a serious defect in his teaching. He knew only the baptism of John, which was then void because the Lord's baptism had replaced it (Mt. 28:18-20). Aquila and Priscilla took Apollos aside and taught him what he needed to know to complete his knowledge in the way of the Lord (Acts 18:25-26). This good teaching had positive effects that were far-reaching, even unto eternity. We may never know what sort of repercussions will come from us taking a little time to do a good deed.

To the church at Rome, Paul wrote, "Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus: Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles" (Rom. 16:3-4). It seems then that Priscilla and Aquila were able to return to Rome from which they had been banished by the decree of Claudius (Acts 18:2). No doubt, their exile from the capital city was not at first a pleasant experience, but look what great friends Paul gained by this occurrence. How many people do you know who would lay down their own necks for you? Priscilla and Aquila were such a couple. They obviously had brotherly love for the apostle Paul. They loved the Lord's church; a congregation of the Lord's church even met in their home (1 Corinthians 16:19). In the last letter Paul ever wrote, he greets this great couple (2 Timothy 4:19). Whether he saw their faces again in this life we cannot know, but they certainly were laborers together with the beloved apostle and desired to see each other in glory (1 Corinthians 3:9).

-Mark Day

1. Conybeare and Howson. *The Life and Epistles of St. Paul* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1984 reprint), p. 39
2. *Ibid.*, p. 40

News & Notes



Sermons This Week

AM- *"Performing Under Pressure"*

PM- *"If You Do Well..."*

Scripture Reading: Genesis 4:1-12

2017 Dates to Remember

Sep 12- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Sep 15-16- Marriage Seminar with Alan Cole
-sign-up sheet on foyer bulletin board

Sep 17- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p

Sep 19- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Sep 23-Cookout & singing @ the Scotts- 6p

Sep 24- Michael Mayo- Thailand report- AM

Sep 26- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Sep 29- Ladies Luncheon-12:30p-Corner
Cone in Wurtland

Sept 30- Girls Youth Rally- Fishingier &
Kenny Rd. church of Christ- 8:30a- RSVP

Oct 3- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Oct 10- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Oct 14- North Lexington Ladies Day- speaker:
Jane Washington- no time given yet

Oct 15- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p

Oct 17- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Oct 24- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Oct 28- Rolling Hills Ladies Day- speaker:
Becky Blackmon- 8:30a- lunch

Oct 28- Trunk O Treats & Chili supper- 7p

Oct 31- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Nov 4- Ladies Day with Sheila Butt- 8:30a

Nov 5- Bring A Friend Day & Potluck

Dec 2- Scotts' Pancake Breakfast- annex- 8a

Dec 9- Kathy Hall's Ladies Holiday Party- 6p

Gauging Our Faith

	09/03/17	Goal	09/04/16
Bible Study	108	110	91
AM Worship	154	160	154
PM Worship	95	110	88
Mid Week	85	110	91
Contribution:	\$6956.92	\$5600.00	\$5496.12

Condolences

Sympathy is expressed to John Gambill & family on the loss of his uncle Gene Gambill on 9/4. Also, sympathy to Greg Conley and family of Mitchell Ruben Ratliff, who passed away 9/6. And, sympathy is expressed to Elaine Faulk on the passing of her aunt, Juanita Hardiman on 8/9.

Marriage Seminar

Alan Cole, preacher at 26th Street church of Christ in Huntington, a national certified and licensed professional counselor, is conducting a seminar on Friday, the 15th, from 6:30pm to 8:00pm and on Saturday, the 16th, from 9:30am to 1:30pm. Childcare will be supervised by volunteers and lunch will be provided. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

Seminar Help Needed

If you can help with childcare either Friday or Saturday, speak with Ann Hughes or Greg Hall. If you want to help with the Saturday luncheon, meet with Carol Allen in the front of the auditorium today following morning worship or call her at 571-1437.

Little School Openings

Openings are still available in Little School, our preschool program for 4-5 year olds, that meets on Friday mornings at 9a.m. during the school year. Children need to be 4 by October 1. Please see Julie Parks for an application.

Lawn Maintenance Schedule

The schedule is published and copies are on the foyer table. The team this week to complete their work by Sept. 16nd is Steve Wallace, Jeremiah Smith, Chris Scott, Will Scott, and Ben Poling.

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



☞ Today's Servants ☞

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER:

AM: Steve Wallace

PM: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: J.C. Hughes

PM: Edgar Phillips

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: David Trimble

Assisting: Greg Hall,
Nathan Parks, Nathan Adkins,
Shelby Steele, Jason Fouts,
Jacob Martin, Michael Sprague

Presiding PM: Daniel Goshorn

Assisting: Bob Tushay

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: David Smith

PM: Matt Vonderheide

☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

WELCOME: J.C. Hughes

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Edgar Phillips

DEVOTIONAL: Mark Parks

☞ Weekly Servants ☞

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Greg Hall

ATTENDANCE: David Castle

COORDINATOR: Steve Wallace

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★ Every Sunday ★★

Pew Packers at 5:45pm

in front of the auditorium
-geared to age 12 & under, but every-
one is welcomed. Boys: have a song
ready to lead

★★ Sept. 15-16 ★★

Childcare help is needed for the
Marriage Seminar- see Ann Hughes
if you can help! Thank you.

★★ Sept. 23 ★★

Cookout & Singing

at the Scott family home- 6pm



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!