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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

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MISSIONS

-Dustin Bolks
Sioux Center, Ia.
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Suriname, So. America
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia
-“In Search of the Lord’s
Way” TV broadcast
-Stephane Maillet
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SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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*Now there was at Joppa a
certain disciple named Tabitha...*

Acts 9:36

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!

Dorcas

In Acts 9:36-37, Luke records: "Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did. And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, and died: whom when they had washed, they laid *her* in an upper chamber." Dorcas is described as a woman full of doing good for others and expending her energy in acts of charity. There are women like this in the church who silently go about helping others. They are not up front, but they are helping. They are unsung heroes that further the work of the Lord by their labors.

Acts 9:37 says of Dorcas, "she was sick, and died." We are not told the nature of the sickness nor what caused it. One wonders if she was like Epaphroditus who "because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life" (Philippians 2:30). Godly women who function as caretakers for others often take years off their own lives because of their toil and yet are focused on the health of others.

While a woman like Dorcas certainly embodied the selflessness of Christ to the extent that all who knew her were confident her death would lead to her eternal reward, they still grieved because she was no longer with them. All the widows stood weeping over her and showed the clothing she made (Acts 9:39). A loved one of ours who dies and is a faithful child of God provides us hope of a reunion but that prospect does not take away all sorrow (1 Thessalonians 4:13-14). "Precious in the sight of the LORD *is* the death of his saints" (Psalm 116:15). But the departure of saints from this life still leaves those on earth who will miss their presence.

Through Peter the Lord raised up Dorcas and presented her alive to the saints and widows who had mourned her death (Acts 9:40-42). The result of this miracle is recorded in Acts 9:42, "And it was known throughout all Joppa; and many believed in the Lord." Miracles were worked to produce belief (John 20:30-31). Today, there are many wonderful women like Dorcas who serve others. We are grieved when such individuals die. God has already worked sufficient miracles, including raising the dead, and recorded them in the Bible (Mark 16:16-20; Hebrews 2:3-4). But while miracles have had their time and served their purpose, the hope of a future resurrection is not out of the picture. Writing of the final coming of Christ and the resurrection of the righteous, Paul explained, "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord" (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17). If the Lord returns before our deaths we can be confident that those righteous individuals who have already died will be raised first and meet us and the Lord in the air. If we are living faithfully, we have this glorious expectation of Christ's return that can occur at any moment.

We are thankful for Christian women like Dorcas. Those who have gone on to their reward we hope to meet again. It is up to us to follow their example as they followed Christ.

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons This Week

AM: Hannah's Heart
 PM: Wonders of His Love
 Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:17-19

Condolences

Our deep sympathy is expressed to Brenda Campbell and her family at the loss of her aunt, Fanny Baldrige, on April 30th. Her funeral was at Martin, KY on May 4th. She was a member of the Prestonsburg Church of Christ.

VBS Volunteers Needed

If you can help with this year's Vacation Bible School in any way, please, speak with Jeremiah Smith about this. Thank you.

May Ladies Luncheon

All Ladies are invited to attend the luncheon on Friday, May 31st at 12:30pm. The location will be O'Charley's.

Dates to Remember

May 12– Second Sunday Bible study & Singing at Morning Pointe– 2pm
May 14– Prime-timers– 10a– annex
May 16– Participating Partners– 6p– annex
May 19– Graduate Honor Night 7p– annex
May 21– Prime-timers– 10a– annex
May 19– Elders/Deacons/Preachers meet-4:30p
May 28– Prime-timers– 10a– annex
May 31– Ladies Luncheon– 12:30p– O'Charley's
Jun 30– Jul 6– Ft. Hill Youth Camp
Jul 22-26– Vacation Bible School
Aug 16-22– Polishing the Pulpit, Sevierville
Sep 13-15– Our Seminar with Eric Lyons

Gauging Our Faith

	05/05/19	Goal	05/06/18
Bible Study	98	110	118
AM Worship	157	160	165
PM Worship	88	110	98
Mid Week	89	110	nc
Contribution:	\$7433.83	\$6200.00	\$7867.75

A New Brother In Christ

Last Sunday, Braydon Snell was baptized by Steven Wallace. Braydon is 16 years old. His address is 1008 Central Ave., Ashland, KY 41101.

Second Sunday Bible Study

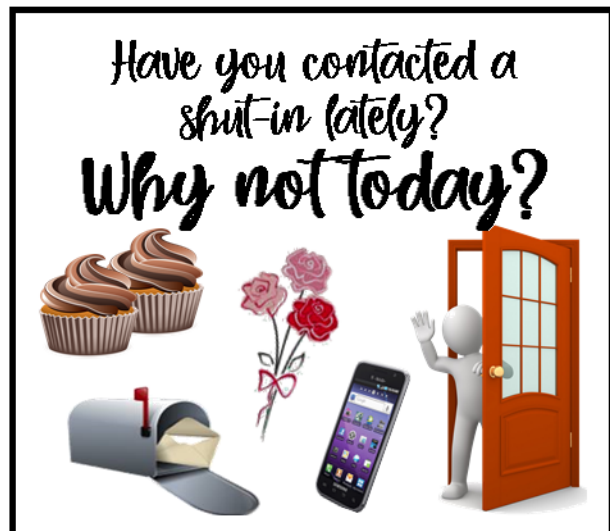
Today at 2pm, everyone is asked to meet at Morning Pointe Care facility on Addington Drive for Bible study and singing with Fred & Genevieve Obroff and their friends.

Ladies Evening Bible Study Group

The monthly ladies Bible Study group, Participating Partners, will meet in the annex large classroom on May 16th at 6pm. The group will be working on baby blankets and suggest, if you can, to bring any of the following: flannel or fleece, binding, thread, a sewing machine, scissors, pins, needles, or ruler. Or just come and help assemble the blankets for NICU.

Graduate Honor Night

Graduate Honor Night will be May 19th after evening service. This year's graduates are: Houston Adkins, Ellie Ridgeway, Allix Smith & Morgan Vonderheide. If you have a grad to add to the list please, see Jane Isaacs. Speak with Tabitha Wallace if you can help with the event.



☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Steve Wallace

SONG LEADER:

AM: Nathan Adkins

PM: Steve Wallace

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: J.C. Hughes

PM: George Wallace

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Mark Parks

Assisting: Greg Conley,
Jerry Sturgill, Chris Scott,
David Castle, Ernie Perry,
Jerrad Nickell, Jason Fouts

Presiding PM: Nathan Adkins

Assisting: Tanner Adkins

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Nathan Parks

PM: John Gambill

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

PRAYER: Greg Hall

DEVOTIONAL: Steve Wallace

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

POWER POINT: Matt Vonderheide

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Steve Wallace

ATTENDANCE: Michael Perry

COORDINATOR: Brad Morris

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★★ Every Sunday ★★★

Pew Packers

at 5:45 pm

in front auditorium

geared to age 12 & under,

but everyone can come

-Boys: have a song to lead-

★★★ Now ★★★

Ft. Hill Camp sign-up

begins now- paper applications

-tuition is free, campers pay

for your own snacks & shirt-

see Jeremiah 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 find on the back of the pew. Please, put it in the collection plate or hand it to one of the men at the 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.