#### 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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Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, SA
Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia
Herman Joseph
Guyana, SA
Mohamed Ally
Guyana, SA
"In Search of the Lord's
Way"
TV broadcast

#### Search TV

Sundays 7:30am (on Fox)

## FLATWOODS CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## Wednesday Night Summer Series Significant Chapters of the New Testament

July 2 John 3 Cedrick Goddard July 9 David Trimble Acts 2 **Daniel Goshorn** July 16 Acts 9 July 23 Matthew 5 **Brandon Foresha** Singing Night July 30 Luke Goulds Romans 3 Aug 6 Aug 13 1 Corinthians 13 Jack Gilchrist Aug 20 1 Corinthians 15 Rod Goddard Aug 27 Ephesians 5 Scott Judge

## 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.

There are free tracts and literature on the wall in the foyer. We also have Bible correspondence courses you can sign up to receive by mail at no cost to you. Let us know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study.

Thank you for attending. We hope to see you often!

#### The Work and the Worker

Under Nehemiah's leadership, and by the grace of God, the Jews rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem in fifty-two days! It wasn't time to rest, glorying in their achievements, however. They still had enemies outside the walls and a city to rebuild and run inside. Next, Nehemiah appointed workers to important tasks (Neh 7:1-4). Examining the jobs and the characteristics of those assigned to them, we can make applications today regarding the important work of the church and the necessary character of those who do it.

We need to make hay while the sun shines. While that is not what Nehemiah meant when he told the gatekeepers, singers, and Levites only to open the gates when the sun was hot, he was telling them they had a job that needed to be done, and there was an appropriate time to do it. The city needed protected. Enemies who planned to attack in the cool of the morning would lose the cover and comfort of darkness if they had to wait until the sun was well up. When the gates were barred, the townsfolk were to ensure that guards were appointed at specific parts of the walls, and that guards were stationed in front of their own houses (Neh 7:3). Such deployment would elicit the urgency and diligence that was required for the job. Vigilance was especially important, considering there were still few people in the large city (Neh 7:4), a deficit that a wily enemy would exploit.

Today, the Lord's church has the important task of sowing the seed of the kingdom. When Jesus was with the disciples, he encouraged them to see the potential of the work and "pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" (Matt 9:38). Jesus warned those questioning Him that His time on earth was drawing to a close, they should believe in the light while they had it (John 12:34-46). He was the light of the world and did the works of God while it was "day" (John 9:4-5). In other words, Jesus did what He should do when He had the opportunity to do it. God's people have an important job, and we need to do it while the sun is shining. "... the night is coming when no one can work."

Not so fast. Just because the work needs to be done while it is warm, it doesn't mean just any warm body is fit for the task. Sure, there are practical considerations. Do they have the skills necessary to accomplish the job they are given? But the more important question is, are they faithful? While Hanani was Nehemiah's brother, don't think it was nepotism that won him his job. Look, he gave him charge of Jerusalem because "he was a faithful man and feared God more than many" (Neh 7:2).

Our Creator does not need stand-ins for faithful servants. He set standards for those who do His work. In the case of those who were considered to care for widows, God didn't check to see if they had their food-handlers' cards or could balance a checkbook. The apostles said, "Seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business" (Acts 6:3). God calls those who worship and serve Him to be faithful. To be "filled with the Spirit" (Eph 5:18), someone must "let

the word of Christ dwell" in them richly (Col 3:16). Are you faithfully applying the Word of God in your life? Fearing God more than many? What is between you and being a good worker for God? - Van Sprague (Church of Christ at Houston Park, Selma, Alabama) **Today's Lessons** AM: Temptations to Evil - Nathan Adkins PM: Chris Scott **Notes** 

Attendance & Contribution			
_	6/22/25	Goal	6/23/24
Bible Study	65	90	74
AM Worship	106	130	109
PM Worship	55	90	84
Mid Week	54	90	<b>87</b>
Contribution			\$5,455.77

## Free Bible Correspondence Courses Available by Mail:

8 lesson series by Hurt "Studies in The Bible" (30 lessons)

"Acts of The Apostles" by Pharr (6 lessons)
"Getting to Know Jesus" by Pharr (20 lessons)

## **Sunday Servants**

Welcome: Chris Scott

## Morning

**Song Leader:** Brad Morris **First Prayer:** Nathan Adkins **Closing Prayer:** George Wallace

Lord's Table\*

**Presiding:** Greg Conley

**Assisting:** John Gambill, JC Hughes, Mark Parks, Mark Gullett, Jacob Brown, Gabe Scott, Ernie Perry

## **Evening**

**Song Leader:** Nathan Adkins **First Prayer:** Jackson Morris

Lord's Table\*

Presiding: Mark Parks
Assisting: Mason Morris
Closing Prayer: Alex Wells
Scripture Reading: JC Hughes

## **Wednesday Servants**

Welcome: Chris Scott

**Song Leader:** Brad Morris **First Prayer:** Jackson Morris **Closing Prayer:** Mark Parks

## **Weekly Servants**

Live Stream: Jackson Morris Power Point: Nathan Parks Bldg. Att.: Jeremiah Smith Coordinator: Jeremiah Smith Attendance: John Gambill

\*Gluten-Free Bread

#### **Dates to Remember**

June 29 - July 4 - Senior Week at WVCYC

July 6 - Family Gathering at 4pm

July 12 - Church Picnic

July 25 - Ladies' Lunch at 11:30am

July 26 - Men's Breakfast at 8:30am

July 27 - Potluck to welcome the Parsleys

Aug 2 - Vacation Bible School 10am-2pm

Aug 3 - Ice Cream Social

Aug 23 & 24 - Evangelism Training Workshop

#### Make Note!

- Genevieve Obroff has a new cell phone number, please update your directory: 606-369-7342
- We rejoice that Macy Vonderheide was baptized into Christ on June 12<sup>th</sup>! Please encourage and pray for our new sister in Christ
- Congratulations to Jacob & Taylor Brown on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Ann Brown. She was born Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup> and was 20 inches long and weighed 6lbs 10oz.

## West Virginia Christian Youth Camp

WHERE THE TRUTH AND YOUTH COME TOGETHER

Senior Week (ages 14 - 19): June 29 - July 4

Intermediate Week (ages 11 - 14): July 6 - 11
Junior Week (ages 7 - 11): July 13 - 18

All-Age Week (ages 8 - 18): July 20 - 25

Singing Emphasis Week (ages 12 - 21): July 27 - August 1

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
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