

THOSE TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS – February 26, 2017

Front Door – Olen and Diane Springer
 West Door – Jeremy and Katie Gargis
 East Door– Debbie Kidd and Vickie Hagan

AUDITORIUM CLASS PRAYER.....Olen Springer

MORNING WORSHIP – February 26

OPENING PRAYER.....Biff Helton

PRESIDE AT TABLE.....Mark Miller and Jeff Bass

SERVE AT TABLE

Mark Evans.....Danny Tice
 Mike Hughes.....JoJo Gieske
 Anthony Serrett.....Mike Purcell

USHERS

Doug Burns, Kenneth Kidd,
 Jackie Keaton, Mike Purcell

CLOSING PRAYER.....Reggie Holt

*If you cannot serve on Sunday morning,
 please call Reggie Holt at 629-8920 or Ricky Smith at 244-5982.*

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE – February 26

Ushers.....Joe Cook and Reggie Holt
 Front Door Greeters.....James and Betty Weeks
 Scripture Reading, Luke 2: 46-52.....Joe Miele
 Lead Prayer.....Jeff Smtih
 Closing Prayer.....Olen Springer
 Communion & Contribution.....Chuck Richardson
*If you cannot serve on Sunday evening, please call Eric Nutt at 242-3566
 or Jeremy Gargis at 231-9557.*

The elders ask that our Bible readings come from the King James Version, the New King James Version, or the English Standard Version.

WEDNESDAY EVENING – March 1, 2017

Scripture Reading, Isaiah 45:22-25.....Brent Thomas
 Lead Prayer.....Randy Britton
 Closing Prayer.....Shane Hughes
If you cannot serve on Wednesday, please call Reggie Holt at 629-8920.

VAN DRIVERS – February 26 and March 1

Call the driver listed below if you won't be riding the van.

SUNDAY MORNING.....Tim Miller: 931-244-6113.

SUNDAY EVENING.....NO VAN RUNS.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.....Steve Sisk: 931-215-3146.

If you cannot drive the van, please contact Scott Harris at 629-5994.

PROJECTOR & SOUND OPERATORS – February 26 and March 1

SUN. MORN. – PROJ. OP., Darrin McKamey. SOUND, Jacob Cothren.

SUN. EVE. – PROJ. OP., Shayne Adams. SOUND, Joe Cook.

WED. EVE. – PROJ. OP., Mark Miller. SOUND, Austin Serrett.

SERVING THROUGHOUT FEBRUARY

Baptismal Clothes.....Martha Britton and Mindy Markus

Auditorium Class Song Leader.....Billy Helton III

Sunday Morning Song Leader.....Eric Nutt

Sunday Evening Song Leader.....Jeremy Gargis

Wednesday Evening Song Leader.....Jim Donnelly

Prepare Communion.....Hazel Violet

Pick Up Cups.....Biff and Penny Helton

February 8 and February 12

Mid-Week Bible Study.....183
 Sunday Morning Bible Study.....238
 Sunday Morning Worship.....324
 Sunday Evening Worship.....113
 Contribution (Budget \$9,661).....\$9,450.00
 (Average through January).....\$9,641.93

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 247 Pulaski Street
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SCHEDULE of SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:25 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.*
 Wednesday night.....7:00 p.m.
 (*Each 4th and 5th Sunday evening service is at 1 p.m.)

SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES

◆ On WDXE AM 1370/FM 102.5 ◆ 12:45 p.m. ◆ Monday – Friday ◆
 The upcoming week of February 20-February 24 will be hosted
 by the **COUNTY LINE** Church of Christ.

PANTRY LIST

instant potatoes/8 oz. pkg.
rice/1 lb. bag
crackers/1 lb. box
macaroni & cheese/7.25 oz. box
quick oats/18 or 42 oz. **OR** boxes of individual packets
dried beans/1 lb. bag **ramen noodles**/3 oz. pkg.
 cans of: **tuna**/6 oz. **Vienna sausage**/5 oz. **salmon**/ 15 oz.
SpaghettiOs, ravioli, etc./15 oz. can
fruit or vegetable juice/46 oz. can or bottle
peanut butter/18 oz. jar **soup**/10.5 oz. can
canned vegetables/14.5 oz. can...
 (corn, green beans, peas, baked beans, pork & beans, etc.)
canned fruit/15 ¼ oz. (peach, pear, etc.)
canned meat/12-24 oz. (Spam, Treet, Chicken, etc.)
jelly, jam, or preserves/18-32 oz. jar

*Monetary contributions are always welcome!
 Make check payable to Pulaski Street Church of Christ,
 and please indicate "PANTRY" on the memo line.
 Thank you!*

PULASKI STREET BULLETIN
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How to Stunt the Church's Growth

In 1942, C.S. Lewis published a Christian apologetic novel entitled *The Screwtape Letters*. Written as a satire, the book takes the form of a series of letters from a superior demon named Screwtape to his nephew Wormwood, a junior tempter. The uncle's mentorship addresses the nephew's responsibility in securing the condemnation of a British man known only as "The Patient." Screwtape imparts wisdom about how to tempt, confuse, and ultimately destroy this hapless soul. Of course, Lewis's objective in viewing a typical human life from the demons' perspective was to underscore the importance of being diligent in protecting and maintaining one's faith.

Like Lewis, I would like to engage in a little satire. In this case, I want us to think about what Satan would have us do to stunt the growth of Christ's church in a given locality. It's no secret that Satan is actively seeking to dismantle Christ's church (cf. 1 Pet. 5:8), and he would certainly love for us to pursue his agenda rather than Christ's. Below is Satan's spin on Ephesians 4:1-16. If you desire to inhibit the growth of Christ's church, then do the following things:

- Be undisciplined, irresponsible, and apathetic in your daily walk (vs. 1).
- Cultivate a rotten attitude characterized by arrogance, rudeness, and intolerance (vs. 2).
- Be divisive and contentious (vs. 3).
- Don't stand for anything and seek to undermine those things that are supposed to tie you to your brothers and sisters in Christ (vs. 4-6, 14).
- Bury your talents (vv. 7-8).
- Be a leader who doesn't equip others, or be a follower who refuses to be equipped (vv. 11-13, 16).
- Don't speak the truth, but if you happen to do so, make sure it is not spoken in love (vs. 15).

I know that no Christian intentionally desires to impede the growth of Christ's church. I know that no Christian deliberately pursues Satan's agenda. But sometimes we slip into unhealthy ways of relating to our brothers and sisters in Christ, or we become lethargic in our service to God and others. Perhaps Satan's spin on Paul's words will provide the jolt you need to be a help rather than a hindrance to the growth of Christ's church.

JACOB EVANS

ELDERS: Tim Hammond, 852-4832 Biff Helton, 242-8785 Bob Markus, 762-9779 Eric Nutt, 242-3566

Please speak with the elder chairman regarding anything you'd like the elders to discuss or to arrange a time to meet with them. The elder chairman for *January and February* is **Eric Nutt**. The elder chairman for *March and April* will be **Tim Hammond**.

DEACONS: Shayne Adams Joe Cook Jacob Cothren Jim Donnelly Scott Harris
 Billy Helton III Reggie Holt Shane Hughes Mark Miller Brad Nielsen

MINISTERS: Jacob Evans, 731-343-5325 Jeremy Gargis, 931-231-9557 **AGAPE COUNSELOR**, 931-762-8502

MARCH 2017 - AUDITORIUM GREETERS LIST

Group 1	Melissa Haislip -- East Wing/Facilitator Theresa Brown -- East Outside Aisle Robert Morris -- East Center Aisle Joe Cook -- West Center Aisle Brittany Evans -- West Outside Aisle Harley and Victoria Pope -- West Wing Jacy Haislip – Visitors	Sunday, March 5
Group 6	Biff and Penny Helton -- East Wing/Facilitator Patrick Hughes -- East Outside Aisle Brandon and Mary Beth Snider -- East Center Aisle Shane and Denise Hughes -- West Center Aisle J. Fred Johnston -- West Outside Aisle Kathy and Emma Sisk -- West Wing Jackie and Beth Keaton – Visitors	
Group 2	Brian Robertson -- East Wing/Facilitator Kim Pope -- East Outside Aisle Brent McKamey -- East Center Aisle Jim Donnelly -- West Center Aisle TJ and Sammie Hughes -- West Outside Aisle Hazel Violet -- West Wing Billy Helton, Sr. – Visitors	Sunday, March 12
Group 7	Kristi Miller -- East Wing/Facilitator Tim Miller -- East Outside Aisle Dean Hughes -- East Center Aisle Brad Nielsen -- West Center Aisle Kerri Gambrell -- West Outside Aisle Sandi Cook -- West Wing Jack and Judy Butler – Visitors	
Group 3	Linda Snider -- East Wing/Facilitator Zoe Morse -- East Outside Aisle Sam Boyd -- East Center Aisle Billy Helton III -- West Center Aisle Judy Maggard -- West Outside Aisle Sharon Hendrix -- West Wing Abigail McKamey – Visitors	
Group 8	Joe Miele -- East Wing/Facilitator Coy Green -- East Outside Aisle Jolo and Vangie Gieske -- East Center Aisle Jeremy Gargis – West Center Aisle Anna Fisher - West Outside Aisle Bob Markus -- West Wing Allison McKamey – Visitors	Sunday, March 19
Group 4	Dustin & Amanda Maggard -- East Wing/Facilitator Mark Miller -- East Outside Aisle Kristen Mashburn -- East Center Aisle Mark Miller -- West Center Aisle Doug Burns -- West Outside Aisle Tammie Thomas -- West Wing Carolyn Kilburn – Visitors	
Group 9	Lakin Robertson -- East Wing/Facilitator James Weeks -- East Outside Aisle Chuck Richardson -- East Center Aisle Scott Harris -- West Center Aisle Tim Hammond -- West Outside Aisle Camry Harris -- West Wing Michael Mashburn – Visitors	
Group 5	Heather Hammond -- East Wing/Facilitator Lindsay Helton -- East Outside Aisle Randy Britton -- East Center Aisle Shayne Adams -- West Center Aisle Megan Shadrick -- West Outside Aisle Jennifer Springer -- West Wing Jeff and Christy Smith – Visitors	Sunday, March 26
Group 10	Jerri Harris -- East Wing/Facilitator Katie Gargis -- East Outside Aisle Amanda Brown -- East Center Aisle Shelley Boyd -- West Center Aisle Shirley Evans -- West Outside Aisle Maxine Anderson -- West Wing Will Baxter – Visitors	

MEMORIALS

A donation from **Mark and Kristi Miller** has been made to the Pulaski Street Church of Christ library in memory of **NORMA ALLEN**.

A donation from the **Paul Cheatwood family** has been made to the Pulaski Street Church of Christ benevolence fund in memory of **BOB BELEW**.

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A donation from **Mark and Kristi Miller** has been made to the Pulaski Street Church of Christ benevolence fund in memory of **GARY SPRINGER**.

A donation from **Mark and Kristi Miller** has been made to the Pulaski Street Church of Christ library in memory of **FRANCES TRIPP**.

THANK YOU

We want to thank you all for your prayers, cards, visits, food, phone calls, the singers at Bob’s funeral, the wonderful meal after the funeral, gifts to the benevolence fund, and Jacob for the wonderful job he did. May life bring you a reflection of the kindness you’ve shown to others. Thank you all for your thoughtfulness.

Martha, Greg, and Jeff

Thank you to everyone who donated the little Bibles to our class. We have plenty of them now, and we appreciate your help so much.

The 18-month-olds Class

To the church family,

Words cannot express my thanks to each of you in the passing of my brother. The cards received were beautiful and thoughtful. A special thanks to the elders for the letter sent. Your kindness will always be remembered. Sincerely,
Bertha Shelton

Special thanks to preachers, deacons, elders, congregation, and all who were and are still with me through the deliverance of my son back to Jesus and my trials, tribulations, pain, and suffering. I have always known where real love is, in all you at Pulaski Street Church of Christ. Thank you. **Mary Wilson**

YOUTH NEWS

February 16th – Tweens Activity! This will take place in the fellowship building from 3:30-4:45 p.m.

February 18th – Valentine’s Banquet! This will take place at the home of Shane and Denise Hughes. Special thanks to Shane and Denise Hughes for hosting this event at their home for the second consecutive year!

February 19th – Soul Food Sunday! This is for the 7th-12th grades. Plan on it!

February 21st – In-between Activity! Shayne and Sandy Adams are in charge of this event, which will take place in the fellowship building from 3:30-5:00 p.m. We will be doing a service project for A Kid’s Place! Make your plans to be there!

February 22nd - Songs Class! Join us for a time of learning, worship, and edification.

February 24th-26th – CYC! We are looking forward to this event that is always so uplifting! Those attending will need to bring money for six meals, plus any souvenirs and snacks you may want to purchase. Please pray for us as we travel to Pigeon Forge, TN for this great weekend!

March 3rd-5th – Family Retreat! This year’s family retreat is going to be great, as always! Devin Morris, who interned with us in the summer of 2013, will be our speaker this year, and we look forward to spending some time with him! Please sign up by no later than February 26th! Make your plans to be a part of this weekend that is always so much fun and so encouraging!

March 16th – Tween Activity! Emily Nielsen will be in charge of this event which will take place in the fellowship building.

March 17th – In-between Activity! This will be a St. Patrick’s Day-themed activity at the home of Shane and Denise Hughes. It is sure to be a great time! Plan on it!

Closing it out...

Has something on your calendar ever snuck up on you? I'm sure that has happened to us all at some point. For me, though, the most recent occurrence of this is the fact that my trip to Myanmar, Malaysia, and Sri Lanka is less than three weeks away! After making plans to go on this trip around the holidays and getting back to “normal life” after the holidays had passed, this trip has gotten right on top of me without me really noticing!

While this trip is something that I am very much looking forward to, I had allowed it to slip to the back of my mind while focusing on other things. We do that, don’t we? We let things that we really need to focus on go to the back burner while other things dominate our minds.

Scripture is filled with encouragement for us to keep our focus where it should be. Paul tells us to seek the things which are above (Col. 3:1). He also states that we should think about things that are true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, and commendable (Phil. 4:8). Our Lord said to seek God’s Kingdom and His righteousness first and foremost (Matt. 6:33). With these passages in mind, it certainly raises the question, “Where is our focus?” Don’t allow less important things to keep you from preparing for what is most important!

Until next time... **Jeremy**

OUTREACH EFFORT

Pulaski Street will be delivering food to community children during spring break; the probable date is March 15.

We will be collecting food and other items, so please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer or the classroom hallway. To donate money, see Brittany Evans.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

LANCE POPE was scheduled for surgery on Wednesday, February 15, at Vanderbilt Bone and Joint Surgery Center in Franklin to repair a torn meniscus. *332 Rabbit Trail Rd., Leoma, TN 38468.*

BARBARA SISK twisted her ankle recently and suffered a fracture in her foot. She is having a lot of swelling and pain and is having difficulty getting around. She is scheduled for more tests soon. **NO VISITORS** at this time, please. Cards may be sent to her at *247 Debus Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

ANGELENA STEWART will not be undergoing cardiac therapy; it has been determined that she is physically unable at this time. *343 Geri St., Apt. A-5, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

THOMAS TURNER had tests on Monday, February 13, related to his recent diagnosis of neurofibromatosis. *322 Deller Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

JAMES WEEKS is scheduled for skin cancer surgery on February 22. *297 Napier Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

KYSEN BRAUNER, six-year-old grandson of a neighbor of **Frances Chaffin**, was treated last week at Vanderbilt Children’s Hospital.

DANNY CARTER, nephew of **Joe and Rebecca Miele**, is scheduled for skull restoration surgery on February 28. *6039 Dovetail Drive, Agoura Hills, CA 91301.*

MARGARET DAVIS, sister-in-law of **June Bivens**, had hip replacement surgery on Monday, February 13; this was to replace a previously replaced hip joint. The surgery went well. *413 Beuerlein Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.*

SYMPATHY

We extend Christian love and sympathy to **Ricky Glass** (minister at Summertown Church of Christ) and family members on the death of his father, **JERRY JAMES GLASS, JR.** The funeral was held on Sunday, February 12, at Neal Funeral Home.

CAME FORWARD

MARY WILSON came forward on Sunday morning, February 12. She asked for prayers for strength and endurance as she copes with ongoing issues in her life.

Jeremy’s UPCOMING MISSION TRIP

Jeremy Gargis is preparing for his upcoming mission trip to Myanmar, Malaysia, and Sri Lanka. Jeremy and Joey Barrier plan to leave on Wednesday, March 8, and return on Saturday, March 25.

If you’d like to donate to help defray the cost of the trip for Jeremy, that would be much appreciated. You can give these funds to one of the elders, to **Billy Helton III, Linda Smith**, or any of the office staff, including **Jeremy**.

DISHES

There are many dishes that have accumulated in the fellowship building following recent funeral meals. Please go by and pick up your dish(es) at your earliest convenience. **Thank you!**

COMING SOON

February 20: Widows’ Breakfast, 9:30 a.m. at Hardee’s.

February 21: Dorcas Sewing, 10-3 in the FB.

February 22: Songs Class.

February 26: 4th Sunday, 1 p.m. service.

March 3-5: FAMILY RETREAT at Camp Meribah.