

# PULASKI STREET BULLETIN

## PULASKI STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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### A Tale of Two People

Part Two

In last week's article, we highlighted the two contrasting dispositions in Jeremiah 17:5-8. Some folks trust in man; others trust in God. In this article, we will consider their respective destinies.

The person who trusts in man is likened to a shrub in the desert (Jer. 17:6), while the person who trusts in God is likened to a tree planted by water (Jer. 17:8; cf. Ps. 1). What would you rather be? A naked shrub in destitute surroundings or a green tree in lush surroundings?

The *shrub-man* should not expect for anything good to come his way. Even if good does come his way, he will not see it, for it will pass him by. He can expect thirst, solitude, and uselessness. He will not be a blessing to others, for he will bear no fruit.

The *tree-man* can expect ongoing nourishment and vitality. Now, this is not to say that he will not face his share of hardships, but he "does not fear when heat comes," nor is he "anxious in the year of drought." Both the man who trusts in man and the man who trusts in God will experience the drought, but the shrub-man does not have any access to living water, whereas the tree-man does. The tree-man not only survives but thrives in the midst of the drought. He "does not cease to bear fruit"; he continues to be a blessing to others.

In God's mind, there is no middle ground. We can choose to place our trust in man, or we can choose to place our trust in God. If you place your trust in man, you will live in the desert, limited, shrunken, and shriveled. If you place your trust in God, you will enjoy a constant source of refreshment, and you will become a constant source of blessings to others, despite what pain, sorrow, anxieties, and hardships come your way.

We might summarize the teaching of Jeremiah 17:5-8 in this way: *In whom you deposit your trust determines your destiny.* This is true whether we are talking about a nation, a congregation, or an individual. In terms of salvation, we do not have any alternatives; there is only one clear choice. The New Testament emphatically teaches that my salvation is inextricably tied to where I place my trust. If I place my trust in myself or another person for salvation, I am cursed. But if I place my trust in Jesus and His blood, I am blessed. If you desire to live with God and His people forever, it is in Him and in Him alone that you should place your trust.

*Jacob Evans*

### UPCOMING WORSHIP INFO

For the time being, "those to serve" assignments will not be listed in the bulletin.

We will be meeting in person for Sunday morning worship on Sunday, August 30, with guidelines and parameters in place in order to keep us all as safe and healthy as possible.

The elders, deacons, and their wives who are attending will be wearing masks. The elders encourage you to wear a mask when you attend the Sunday morning worship service in person.

If you are sick in any way or running a fever, we obviously expect you to continue to worship with us online or on the radio. If you are especially vulnerable to the more drastic effects of Covid-19 and/or these safety measures will be difficult or impossible for you to follow, then we understand if you choose to stay home and worship with us online or on the radio.

#### safety measures:

- Enter through the open doors in the foyer.
- Pick up PCK(s) and mask(s) (optional, but strongly encouraged) as you enter.
- Find a seat for your family (every other pew is taped off).
- Maintain social distancing (e.g., no handshaking or hugging; no sitting next to another family on the same pew).
- Minimize use of nursery and restrooms.
- Refrain from using the water fountains (bottled water available).
- Deposit your contribution in a basket, and throw away your PCK(s) as you leave through the foyer.

### REMOTE ACCESS

#### SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Via Internet: Go to (1) [Pulaski Street's Facebook Page](#) or (2) [Pulaski Street Church of Christ's YouTube Channel](#).

Via Radio: The Sunday morning services will air at about 6 p.m. (6 p.m. is not an exact time; the broadcast should begin sometime between 6 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.) on Sunday evenings at 106.1 FM (Lawrenceburg), 93.1 FM (Loretto), or 590 AM (Lawrence County) and via X Radio App on both Apple and Android.

Sunday Evening Bible Class Livestream: Go to [Pulaski Street's Facebook page](#) or [Pulaski Street Church of Christ's YouTube Channel](#) at 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Devotional Livestream: Go to [Pulaski Street's Facebook page](#) or [Pulaski Street Church of Christ's YouTube Channel](#) at 5 p.m.

During church office hours (Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.), you may pick up personal communion kits and/or drop off your weekly contribution. You may also mail contributions/donations to 247 Pulaski Street, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

#### August 19 and August 23, 2020

Mid-Week Bible Study.....	—
Sunday Morning Bible Study.....	—
Sunday Morning Worship.....	111
Sunday Evening Worship.....	—
Contribution (2020 Budget \$10,635.48).....	\$8,038.00
Average (last available).....	\$10,069.48

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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 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> 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 August 31 – September 4 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!

Some services and events have been altered, postponed, or cancelled due to recommendations regarding the current coronavirus situation.

ELDERS: Tim Hammond, 931-852-4832      Biff Helton, 931-242-8785      Bob Markus, 931-242-3816      Eric Nutt, 931-242-3566

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 July, August, and September is Biff Helton.

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

MINISTERS: Jacob Evans, 731-343-5325      Jeremy Gargis, 931-231-9557      Hispanic Ministry: Rodolfo Espinoza, 615-516-0650      AGAPE COUNSELOR, 931-762-8502

## SYMPATHY

We extend Christian love and sympathy to **Allison McKamey and Melissa Woodson and families** on the death of their aunt, **CLARA FRANCES ("FRAN") NEWBILL**. Fran was the sister of the late **Jeanne Woodson**. A funeral service will not be held at this time.

Condolences may be sent to **Melissa** at 241 Admiral Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464 and to **Allison and Darrin** at 614 Aspen Court, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **GARY HAMPTON**. Gary was a former member here. He passed away on Wednesday, August 19, in LaGrange, GA, after battling Covid-19 for several weeks. A funeral service will not be held at this time.

## MEMORIALS

A donation from **Shelia and Sandy Thistle** has been given to the Pulaski Street Youth Group in memory of **BILL GRISHAM**.

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## CAME FORWARD

On Sunday, August 23, **DEBBIE GARLAND** came forward. Debbie, a visitor here, is struggling with various difficulties in her life, and she requested our prayers and help.

## COMING SOON

**Tuesday, September 8: Dorcas Sewing.** 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the fellowship building (IF the fellowship building is useable by this date).

**Saturday, September 12: 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Lawrence County Walk4Water.** Rotary Park Walking Track. Registration is at 8:00 a.m. Walk starts at 9 a.m. The goal is to raise money for drilled wells in Haiti, to repair previously drilled wells, and to support Haitians with various programs such as sustainable agriculture and disaster relief, while teaching them about Jesus, His love for them, and the everlasting, living water He provides. Please support this very worthy and fun event. Register online for a free t-shirt. Go to <https://www.hhi.org/walk4water/lawrenceburg-tn-2020> to register or donate.

**Tuesday, September 22: Dorcas Sewing.** 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the fellowship building (IF the fellowship building is useable by this date).

**Saturday, September 26: SPECIAL EVENT.** Please watch for more information in your e-mail and the overhead announcements.

We have your **"SENT" T-shirt order** ready!  
Don't forget to come by the church office and get yours!

## THANK YOU

Thank you so much to those who came to the shower, those who gave us the wonderful gifts, and those who fixed food and decorated. I am so blessed to be a part of the Pulaski Street church family. I appreciate you all so much, and I will miss you all when it's time for me to move to Madison.

Love, **Kaylie Pope**

We would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and words of concern. We miss everyone and wish we could, in person, thank and hug everyone!! **Carolyn Frazier**

Thank you for remembering us in the bulletin. We all need the prayers of our church family and friends. Hopefully we can get back to worship soon. We miss the services and our friends. Our love and best wishes to all.

**Mike and Macie Eckhart**

## NEW ADDRESS

**JUDY BRYANT** has a new address. She is now living at 25 Harris-Bryant Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464. Please make a note of this.

## Ten Facts About the Church of Christ

1. We read of it in the New Testament (Romans 16:16).
2. It exalts Christ as the only head of the church (Ephesians 1:22).
3. It has no creed but Christ and binds no name on its members but the divine name, Christian (Acts 11:26).
4. It speaks where the Bible speaks and is silent where the Bible is silent (1 Peter 4:11).
5. It pleads for the unity of all believers in Christ (John 17:20-21; 1 Corinthians 1:10).
6. It is not a denomination, nor a group of denominations, but simply the body of Christ (Ephesians 5:23; Colossians 1:18).
7. Its founder is Christ Himself (Matthew 16:18).
8. Its aim is to save souls by gospel preaching (Romans 1:16).
9. Its worship is patterned after the New Testament (John 4:24).
10. It teaches that scriptural unity can be attained on all disputed doctrinal questions (1 Corinthians 1:10).

From *House to House Heart to Heart* (online)

## YOUTH NEWS

Just because something is different doesn't necessarily mean that it's wrong. Obviously, the flip side of that is also true; just because something is different doesn't necessarily mean that it is right, or better. Just because you can do something doesn't mean that you should.

Over the last several months, people in various fields have been forced to come up with ways to go about life that are different than the norm. The church is no different. Rather than meeting for worship and Bible classes, we have been forced, at times, to revert to online services, Zoom meetings, online giving, and the like. These options, though not ideal, are not wrong because they are different. In fact, I believe that they show wisdom and love by elderships and spiritual leaders on behalf of members of local churches so that they can continue to edify and equip those members, while also providing for their physical well-being. Certainly, sometimes doing things differently is not only good, but necessary!

In 1 Corinthians 9:19-23, Paul speaks to the fact that at various points in time he would change his approach in order to teach others. He stated in verse 22 that he became all things to all men that he might by all means save some. But there is a very important thing that he says directly after that in verse 23: "...this I do for the gospel's sake, that I may be partaker of it with you." Paul used the Gospel as his guide when doing this, and we should do the same when considering changes within our congregations or in our individual lives.

Not all changes are good, however. A few chapters earlier, in 1 Corinthians 6:12-20, Paul pointed out that even though we may have the freedom to do certain things, they are not helpful or fruitful. Just because we have the "freedom" to do something doesn't mean that it is a wise decision to do so. Rather, we should remember that we are bought with a price (the blood of Jesus!), that our body is the temple of God, and that we should glorify God with it!

There are a few simple questions that I believe will help us make good decisions when pondering potential changes in our lives and within our local congregations:

- Is it helpful or necessary?
- Does the Bible clearly speak for or against it?
- Will this help others learn more about Christ?
- Is it being considered for the sake of the Gospel?

If we allow these questions and others like them to help guide us through changes, we will undoubtedly make wise decisions that do bring glory to God and provide opportunities for growth within the body of Christ!

Finally, if your eldership has carefully considered making changes for your local congregation, regardless of the circumstances, follow the Hebrews writer's instruction from Hebrews 13:17! Make it easy for them to lead by following their example! After all, they watch out for your souls! Pray for them. Keep them aware of your feelings in a healthy manner. Support them in every way you can. Follow them.

Until next time, **Jeremy Gargis**

## PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

*As of Tuesday, August 25:*

**TONY ALLEN** had LVAD (left ventricular assist device) surgery on Monday, August 24, at St. Thomas Hospital. The surgery went well. Tony will probably be hospitalized for about two weeks following the surgery. After three months, he will return to have the pressure checked in the damaged artery. If the pressure is down after the three months, he will hopefully be able to have the heart transplant. 77 Crawfish Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

**CAROLYN FRAZIER** is back at home after a stay in NHC Scott following a femur fracture and surgery. She will continue with physical therapy as she recovers at home. 416 Douglas Drive, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

**BIFF HELTON** is doing much better after recently being diagnosed with Covid-19. P.O. Box 601, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

**DEAN HUGHES** is scheduled for outpatient surgery on Thursday, August 26, at Maury Regional. This neck surgery (involving two spinal disks) will hopefully correct some shoulder problems Dean has been having for a while. 532 Admiral Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

**PATSY LEE** is now considered to be recovered from Covid-19 by the department of health. 3040 Hwy. 43 S., Loretto, TN 38469.

**MICHAEL MASHBURN** had surgery on Monday, August 24, at Vanderbilt UMC to remove cancer from inside his mouth. The surgery went well, and the doctor was optimistic. 250 Wesley Chapel Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

**DAVID and ANNA-LEIGH BROWN** are the son-in-law and daughter of **Joey and Barbara Killen**. (Joey and Barbara are neighbors of **Biff and Penny Helton**, and Barbara works at Lawrenceburg Federal.) **David and Anna-Leigh** (positive for Covid-19) are both doing better. They expect to be able to return to work and school soon. 5050 Villa Place, Apt. 913, Spring Hill, TN 37174.

**ARTIE COLLINS**, longtime gospel preacher, suffered a brain bleed on Sunday, August 23. As of Monday, August 24, he was hospitalized in Florence, AL, in ICU. He has not been responsive.

**SHANNON COTTON**, granddaughter of **Jean Caperton** (neighbor of **Jean Parrish**), is having serious respiratory problems. She is not doing well. c/o Jean Caperton, 206 Lafayette Ave., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

**CONNIE GAMBLE**, sister of **Tommy Lee** and aunt of **Sandi Cook** and **Andy Lee**, is doing much better after a diagnosis of Covid-19. 63 Gamble Rd., Five Points, TN 38457.

**DOROTHY GLASS**, mother of **Ricky Glass** and close friend of **Penny Helton**, has fluid around her heart and lungs. She was scheduled to go to St. Thomas Hospital on Wednesday, August 26, to have an endoscopy. If no blood clots are detected, a procedure in which electrical shocks are sent to the heart will be done. 2795 Buffalo Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

**FRANKLIN and REVA LEE**, parents of **Tommy Lee** and grandparents of **Sandi Cook** and **Andy Lee**, are continuing to make progress in their recovery from Covid-19. 131 Evans Rd., Five Points, TN 38457.

**RICK LUCAS**, longtime friend of **Jenifer Hughes and family**, is in Centennial Medical Center in Nashville. He has been on a ventilator due to Covid-19 for the past six weeks. His condition has not been good, and his lungs are now hardening due to a bacterial infection. His wife has requested prayers. 169 Chippendale Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075.

**WILLIE MAE RIGGINS**, mother of **Tammy Foster**, has continued to improve after suffering multiple strokes and hip and ankle fractures last week. As of Monday, August 24, it was hoped that she would be transferred to a rehab facility sometime this week.

*Please continue to pray for all those recently mentioned.*