

UPCOMING WORSHIP INFO

If you need to ride the church van to our services, please contact **Scott Harris** at 931-629-5994.

We will be meeting in person for Sunday school classes at 9:30 a.m., and we will be meeting in person in the auditorium for worship at 10:30 a.m. on **Sunday, February 5, 2023**. Please go directly to your class when you arrive.

DOOR GREETERS (front foyer) for **Sunday, February 5:**
Kristen Mashburn

Masks are available for your use as you arrive. Hand sanitizer is available. On Sunday mornings, we are continuing to use individual/personal communion kits (PCKs). Please place your empty PCK back into the plastic bag and discard it as you exit.

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.

CONSOLE and PROJECTOR OPERATORS

Sunday, February 5: **Mark Evans** and **Caleb Evans**

Sunday, February 12: **Mark Evans** and **Caleb Evans**

Sunday, February 19: **Tommy McClaren** and **Ethan Cooper**

Sunday, February 26: **Tommy McClaren** and **Ethan Cooper**

We are **meeting in person** for Wednesday evening Bible classes at 7 p.m. Everyone (adults and children), please remember to assemble in the auditorium FIRST to hear announcements and further information.

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** at 10:30 a.m.

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.

Wednesday Evening Adult Bible Class Livestream: Go to **Pulaski Street's Facebook page** or **Pulaski Street Church of Christ's YouTube Channel** at 7 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.

January 25 and January 29, 2023

Mid-Week Bible Study.....	157
Sunday Morning Bible Study.....	193
Sunday Morning Worship.....	255
Sunday Evening Worship.....	n/a
Contribution (2023 Budget \$11,909.00).....	\$12,356.00
Average (last available).....	\$12,994.46

Pulaski Street Church of Christ
247 Pulaski Street
Lawrenceburg, TN 38464

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SCHEDULE of SERVICES

Sunday Bible Classes.....	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.....	10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening.....	5:30 p.m.*
Wednesday Evening.....	7:00 p.m.

*4th Sundays, 1 p.m. song service. 5th Sundays, no p.m. service.

SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES

♦ On WDXE AM 1370/FM 102.5 ♦ 12:45 p.m. ♦ Monday – Friday ♦
The upcoming week of February 6 – February 10 will be hosted by the SALEM 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. jars

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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A Paradox in Proverbs About Words

Words are powerful. The power of words springs mainly from two qualities. The first quality is *permeation*. The old adage "sticks and stones may break my bones, but your words will never hurt me" is a load of hogwash and buzzard puke. Just because it's spouted by first graders doesn't mean it's true. A truer adage goes like this: "Sticks and stones can bruise your body for a few days, but words can scar your soul for life." What is done to you is of little account beside what is done in you, and the latter may be for good or ill. Words affect our feelings about ourselves (Prov. 12:18; 15:4b), our attitudes toward others (Prov. 18:8), and our convictions about God and reality (Prov. 11:9)

Words can hurt. Words can devastate. You can probably recall the pain of someone's harsh words scalding your soul. As devastating as words can be, they can be offset by words of truth, hope, and love. Words can heal. The right words at the right time can be helpful, healing, and life-transforming. You can probably recall the healing or help that came from someone's kind or comforting words to you at a difficult point in your life. Proverbs 18:21 reads, "The tongue has the power of life and death." What you say can give life to you and to other people, or it can take life away. "Upwords" can revive, heal, and change our lives. "Downwords" have the power to bind, imprison, and destroy.

The second quality is *proliferation*. Since words implant ideas in other people's minds, their effects intensify for good or evil. A worthless man's words are likened to a "scorching fire" (Prov. 16:27). A dishonest man spreads strife (Prov. 16:28a). On the other hand, a good man will find his words bearing fruit both in the good that finds its way back to him (Prov. 12:14a) and in the benefits that reach out to many others, as from a "fountain of life" (Prov. 10:11; cf. 18:4) or a "tree of life" (Prov. 15:4).

Words are puny. The weakness of words arises from three considerations. First, **words are no substitute for deeds.** In Proverbs 14:23, a contrast is drawn between "toil" and "talk": "In all toil there is profit, but mere talk tends only to poverty." It has been said that mankind seems to be divided into three classes: *dreamers* who have great ideas but never accomplish much, *talkers* who exercise their jaw muscles and vocal cords but not their hands and feet, and *doers* who talk little but with God's help turn their dreams into realities. Will Durant said, "Talk is cheap because the supply always exceeds the demand." Indeed, when all is said and done, there's a lot more said than done.

Second, **words cannot alter facts.** The most brazen denials (Prov. 28:24) and strongest excuses (Prov. 24:12) will make no impression on the final Judge.

Third, **words cannot compel response.** A teacher cannot influence the apathetic or the foolish. "By mere words a servant is not disciplined, for though he understands, he will not respond" (Prov. 29:19). "A rebuke goes deeper into a man of understanding than a hundred blows into a fool" (Prov. 17:10). The other side of the matter is that evil words are subject to the same handicap. The juiciest piece of gossip has no power over the listener unless his character is compromised: "An evildoer listens to wicked lips, and a liar gives ear to a mischievous tongue" (Prov. 17:4).

Jacob Evans

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 January, February, and March 2023 is **Eric Nutt**.

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

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

farewell

On Sunday, January 29, it was announced that **RANDY and MARTHA BRITTON** will now be worshipping at East Hill Church of Christ in Pulaski. Their grandson, **Case Britton**, is the pulpit minister there. We are thankful that the Brittons have been part of the Pulaski Street family for the past several years, and we wish them well.

coming soon

FEBRUARY

Sunday, February 5: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Tuesday, February 7: Dorcas Sewing. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the FB.

Wednesday, February 8: Songs Class. 6:15 p.m. in the auditorium.

Saturday, February 11: Men's Breakfast. 8:30 a.m. in the FB.

Sunday, February 12: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Sunday, February 19: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

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

MARCH

Friday, March 3-Sunday, March 5: Family Retreat. Maywood Christian Camp, Hamilton, AL.

Sunday, March 5: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Wednesday, March 8: Songs Class. 6:15 p.m. in the auditorium.

Sunday, March 12: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

March 13-March 17: LCSS Spring Break.

Tuesday, March 14: Dorcas Sewing. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the FB.

Sunday, March 19: F.E.A.S.T. 5:30 p.m. in the FB.

Sunday, March 26: 4th Sunday. 1 p.m. song service.

church directory 2023

We are planning to complete a **new church directory** in 2023. Photography is currently scheduled to take place during the latter part of March. If you have not already done so, **please fill out a roster information form** (located on the long white tables in the main foyer), and give it to any of the office staff. If we have not confirmed your updated information yet, you may expect a call from **Melanie Nutt** or **Sandy Adams** soon.

sympathy

We extend Christian love and sympathy to **Jim and Elizabeth Land** on the death of Jim's brother, **BILLY LAND**. Billy was a resident of Melvindale, Michigan; he passed away on Saturday, January 28. Final arrangements will take place in Michigan.

Condolences may be sent to **Jim and Elizabeth** at 227 Garner Lane, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to the family of **JANET STAGGS**. Janet was the grandmother of **Kasey Staggs Wyatt**. **Kasey**; her husband, **Dustin**; and their daughter, **Leighton**, have been attending here recently. Kasey is the daughter of **Maribeth Smith** and the late **Jeff Staggs**. The funeral was held on Friday, January 27, at Pettus-Turnbo.

Condolences may be sent to **Kasey, Dustin, and family** at 102 Delaney Court, Leoma, TN 38468.

We extend Christian love and sympathy to **Esther Gulley and family** on the death of her brother, **HUGH PRICE**. The funeral was held on January 5, 2023, in Loretto.

Condolences may be sent to **Esther** at 1345 Brannon Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

those in facilities

(This information was checked on Tuesday, January 31, 2023.)
Please send cards, make phone calls, and visit those who are shut in.

KEESTONE, 322 Kennedy St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.
931-766-4097

Bettye Holt, 306 (Pulaski Street member). Hospice care.

KEESTONE (cottage), 318 Kennedy St., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.
Dorothy Underwood, cottage (mother of Pam Snider).

NHC SCOTT, 2380 Buffalo Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.
931-762-9418

Jackie Osborn, 109 (aunt of Tim Clifton; temporary stay.)
Ronnie Thigpen, 127B (Pulaski Street member).

STONES RIVER MANOR, 205 Haynes Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37129.
615-893-5617

Mae Roberson (Pulaski Street member).

THE SUMMIT, 186 Prosser Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464
931-762-3524

Nell Davis, B-8 (Pulaski Street member).

Hazel Violet, C-5 (Pulaski Street member).

in own homes

Gennie Adams, P.O. Box 363, Hazel Green, AL 35750.
Virginia Cole, 931-565-3331, 1557 Shores Rd., Goodspring, TN 38460.

Robbie Guthrie, 931-201-8058, c/o Debbie Baker, 200 Bumper Crop Lane NW, Madison, AL 35757.

If you or someone you know should be added to one of these lists, please let us know.

youth news

Sunday, February 5th - Maury County Area-Wide! This month's area wide will take place at the Highland Church of Christ. Meet in the south parking lot at 4:00 p.m. to head there. Supper will be provided.

Wednesday, February 8th - Songs Class! 6:15-6:45 p.m. in the auditorium. Please join us as we familiarize ourselves with some new/new-to-us songs!

Saturday, February 11th - Lambs Activity! This will take place in the Fellowship building. More details will be made available soon.

Sunday, February 12th - Lions Super Bowl Party! For those who are interested, we will go to the Lions' Den after FEAST to watch the Super Bowl! (Yes, we will be starting the game from the beginning and fast-forwarding through the beloved commercials until we get caught up.)

Monday, February 13th - Breakfast Bible Study! We will meet at Jack's at 6:45 a.m. If you have turned in your order to me by Sunday, February 12th, you can wait until 7:00 a.m. to get to Jack's. **Sunday, February 19th - Lions Activity!** This will take place after FEAST at the home of Shane and Denise Hughes. Make your plans to attend!

February 23rd-26th - Challenge Youth Conference! Keep our group in your prayers as we travel to Pigeon Forge, TN, and for all attendees to be benefitted spiritually!

Monday, February 27th - Breakfast Bible Study! We will meet at Jack's at 6:45 a.m. If you have turned in your order to me by Sunday, February 26th, you can wait until 7:00 a.m. to get to Jack's. **March 1st - Good Works Wednesday!** Lions, meet in the south parking lot at 5:00 p.m. to go make a visit and then eat supper before coming back for Bible class.

March 3rd-5th - Family Retreat! We have had to postpone this event multiple times, but the time for Family Retreat is here again! Please come! All are welcome to attend. The cost is \$30 a person (but no more than \$150 per household), and that will include a t-shirt. This will take place at Maywood Christian Camp in Hamilton, AL. Ryan Gallagher will be joining us for a few sessions on "Jesus: the Lion and the Lamb."

March 8th - Songs Class! 6:15-6:45 p.m. in the auditorium. Please join us as we familiarize ourselves with some new/new-to-us songs!

Closing it out:

Do we have to be right? In some cases, yes. But at other times, we might be better served to let something go or to be okay with being wrong. When we get into arguments, we frequently refuse to see something from another person's perspective. At times, we can also have a problem with being insistent about something that doesn't matter very much. I recently read the following quote from Paul Faulkner: "Don't invest \$100 in a \$1 argument." There is wisdom in that.

Obviously, there are some things, especially biblical things, that we must uphold. However, our attitude in holding to these things could be the difference between turning someone off or turning someone around with what we have to say. It is possible to disagree without being disagreeable. We should strive for that, especially when it comes to teaching others about Christ and His Gospel!

Until next time,
Jeremy Gargis

prayers are requested

Addresses are included (when possible) in case you'd like to send cards.

RANDY BRITTON received the report from his recent bladder cancer surgery. Thankfully, the cancer has not invaded the muscle. Randy is scheduled to begin BCG (immunotherapy) treatment on February 16. 365 Chicken Creek Rd., Pulaski, TN 38478.

JACK BUTLER's cardiac ablation went well last week, and he is improving at home. 1000 Pine Circle, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

LISA PARRISH, has been informed that she needs to have both a liver transplant and a kidney transplant. As of Tuesday, January 31, she was still in Vanderbilt UMC, but she was expecting to transfer back to NHC-Maury Regional this week. **TONY PARRISH** had an appointment with his urologist in Columbia last week. Treatment for his prostate cancer will be determined soon. 230 Jackson Avenue, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

DAN PINCKLEY, husband of **Nita Pinckley**, is home and recovering well after having hip replacement surgery last week. 299 Waldon Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

CONNIE POWELL was scheduled to have a CT scan of her stomach, abdomen, and pelvis on Wednesday, February 1. Connie is recovering from recent surgeries and procedures, and she is coping with recent diagnoses of skin cancer and breast cancer. She is scheduled to have skin cancer surgery on Wednesday, February 8, and she'll be having breast cancer surgery soon. 66 Jordan Road, Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

STEPHANIE TAYLOR and **KATHRYN TAYLOR** have been diagnosed with Covid-19. As of Tuesday, January 31, Kathryn's temperature was quite elevated. 1880 Fall River Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

DANNY CASE, father of **Tommy Case**, was scheduled to have an MRI and an appointment with his surgeon on Thursday, February 2. 215 Smith Circle, Loretto, TN 38469.

SHIRLEY FUTCH, daughter of **June Bivens**, had foot surgery on Tuesday, January 31, in Columbia. Everything went well. Shirley will be staying at June's house for a few weeks during her recovery. Cards may be sent to her at 7 Horseshoe Bend Road, Leoma, TN 38468.

BETTY LAND, sister-in-law of **Jim and Elizabeth Land**, is suffering with stomach cancer. Prayers for her comfort are requested. Betty is staying with her daughter, and cards may be sent to her at this address: 1049 Aire Court, Murfreesboro, TN 37128.

JACKIE OSBORN, aunt of **Tim Clifton**, is now in NHC Scott, Rm. 109. Jackie is continuing to recover from recent colon surgeries. She will be undergoing rehab and hopefully regaining her strength. 305 Redhill Center Rd., Lawrenceburg, TN 38464.

Please also continue to pray for: **Ginny Chapman, Ricardo Diaz, Pistol Marston, Debbie Phann, Larry and Bonnie Pope, Bertha Shelton, Stephanie Taylor, Colby Bryan, Jerry Carden, Jamie Casteel, Wayne Clayton, Pattie Clevenger, Doyle Cooper, Mike Cummings, Keith Faulkner, Susan Fisher, Marissa Grigsby, Katie Holman, Steve Kelley, Tim and Renee Miller, Oliver Morrow, Robert Osborn, Gearldean Reedy, Phil Reedy, Kade Shultz, Sarai Sockwell, Charley Staggs, Randall and Cathy Staggs, Darlene Surratt, Don Sweeton, Mark Vaughn, James Weeks, Rachel Workman**, and all those mentioned recently.