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Bible Classes 9:00 a.m.
AM Worship Svc. 10:00 a.m.
PM Worship Svc. 5:00 p.m.*
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
(Attended Nursery at all svcs.)
*No 5:00 p.m. service on the third
Sunday of the month

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“Apologetics for Life”

Our special apologetics series is scheduled to begin the last Wednesday night of this month (August 29). Dr. Ralph Gilmore, professor of Bible at Freed-Hardeman University will be here for a total of six Wednesday nights to present lessons on apologetics.

On August 29 and September 5 the lessons will focus on the existence of God.

On September 19 and 26 the lessons will focus on the inspiration of the Bible.

On October 17 and 24 the lessons will focus on the Deity of Christ.

Brother Ralph has done some recent study on ways in which these topics impact our lives. He is considering labeling this series of lessons “Apologetics for Life.” The study of apologetics often focuses mostly on the defensive position. He intends to present a more practical approach to this topic of study.

See you Sunday, believing...

David

Interesting Teen Statistics

David South

At the beginning of this year, the Barna group released the information gathered from a survey (done in late 2016) of “Gen Z.” (“Gen Z” refers to those born between 1999 and 2015). This particular survey was limited only to those who were already teenagers (ages 13-18). In order to put their results into perspective, one must understand how they use certain labels. “Unchurched Christian” refers to those who have identified themselves as Christian but have not attended a church assembly in the past six months. “Churched Christian” refers to those who have identified themselves as Christians and have attended a church assembly within the last six months, but do not meet the other qualifications of the label “engaged Christian.” “Engaged Christian” refers to those who have identified themselves as Christians, attended church within the past six months, made a personal commitment to Jesus, believe strongly in some of the basic principles of Christian faith, and participate with their churches in more ways than just attending assemblies. (The statistics on this page came from www.barna.com/research/gen-z-questions-answered/).

Of those surveyed, here are the categories of current teenagers:

- 9% Engaged Christian
- 33% Churched Christian
- 16% Unchurched Christian
- 7% Other faith
- 34% No religious affiliation

This survey also revealed that 29% of non-Christian teens find the problem of evil to be a significant barrier to faith. 23% of non-Christian teens find hypocritical Christians to be a barrier to faith. 20% of non-Christian teens believe science refutes too much of the Bible.

All these are interesting statistics that ought to cause us to try to evaluate how better to reach the teenagers with the gospel of Christ. This last one, however, really caught my eye. The fact is that science has not refuted ANY part of the Bible. What this tells me is that someone is so teaching science to these teens as to make it appear as though it refutes the Bible. (If they are non-Christian, just how do they know what is in the Bible in order to be able to think science refutes it? Is someone misrepresenting the Bible to them)? Just as concerning is the related statistic that “Christian” teens also struggle with the perceived barrier between science and faith. Of those who fit the “engaged Christian” category, 37% say that the church seems to reject much of what science has revealed. 53% of those who fit the “churched” category agree.

Science and the Bible do not contradict. Inaccurate interpretations of one or both will cause contradictions (cf. 1 Tim. 6:20-21). The same God who made nature produced the Bible. If there appears to be some sort of contradiction between the two, either we have misinterpreted our research of science or we have misinterpreted our research of the Bible.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Our Woodland Hills Members:

Clemmie Allison, Dwain Coleman, Norma Davis, Sharon Estes, John Greene, Pat King, John Knight, Bill Lewelling, Jerry Mathis, Mary Ann Morrison, James Wilson

Our Friends/Relatives:

Jim Adams, Lillie Baker, LaVerne Baxter, Jan Burks, Shelby Callahan, Garrett Carroll, Ramona Carter, Dan Clemenz, Byron Coleman, Todd Collier, Gabbi Cook, Colby Cresswell, Van & Dorothy Criswell, Corrine Crowell, Brittney Daily, Tom Davidson, Sharon Davis, Eleanor Donald, Rose Franklin, Roy Ghormley, Kristy Hearn, Eleanor & Jordan Herron, Dr. Heather Blackburn Irizarry, Bill Joshlin, Molly Kelly, Christian Krogh, James Langston, Judy Long, Carol Lynn, Haley McCommon, David & Wayne McMillan, Sheryl Menz, Sharon Olsen, Arthur Lee Poor, Keith Ricks, Selina Rivieria, Charles South, Amanda Spears, Anita Thomsen, Connie Waddell, Ron Waddell, William Wilson

In Assisted/Senior Living/Homebound:

Clemmie Allison is at 1730 Dorchester Dr, Southaven, MS 38671, Essie Brown at Germantown Plantation, 9293 Poplar Ave, Germantown, TN 38138, Dwain Coleman, 335 Fisherville Rd, Collierville, TN 38017, John & Jackie Greene, 308 Briarbrook Cv, Collierville 38017 new phone 854-2182, Mary Ann Morrison, 10083 Cross Valley Drive, Cordova 38018, Jane Nolen #205 & Clara Shipman #160 at 7820 Walking-Horse Cr., Germantown, TN 38138, Ruth Sain is at Carriage Court of Memphis, 1645 W. Massey Road, Apt. #314, Memphis, TN 38120, phone 365-9095.

August 12, 2018

Song Leader	Dennis Sangster
Welcome & Announcements	Thomas Williams
Opening Prayer	Bob Karr
Sermon	David South
Communion Preparation:	Charlie & Kathy Bryson
Pick Up Cards	Caleb Sanders & Creede Criswell
AM Closing Prayer	James Wilson
Nursery	Kathy Bryson & Brenda Renner

5 PM SERVICE

PM Song Leader	Dennis Sangster
PM Opening Prayer	Pat Patchell
Report on Malawi Mission	Mike Linkous
PM Closing Prayer	Jerry Thompson
PM Nursery	Kathy Hillis

Pew Packers Tonight at 5:00 PM



**3rd Sunday
Pot-Luck Meal**

**...
is going
Mexican!**

Bring your favorite Mexican dish and join us for a great pot-luck luncheon next Sunday!

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY !

**We need "YOU"
to sign up for your photo!**



Sign up now...Appointment sheets in lobby or on-line or call the church office!

September 6 – 7 from 2:00 – 8:30 PM

September 8 from 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM

September 18 – 20 from 2:00 – 8:30 PM

We want every member to be a part of this directory, so please make your plans. Each family photographed will receive a free 8 x 10. No purchase is necessary and every family photographed will receive a free directory. If you do wish to purchase photos, we will have coupons available at photo session for 20% off your purchase.

You can also sign up on-line at:

<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ydr116.cm/>

**Please sign the
back of your
attendance
card the
number in
your family
that will be attending the meal.**



Back To School Supplies

Each year we like to help our Woodland Hills teachers with supplies they will need for their children. This year we have 8 school teachers.



*24 count Crayola crayons
Blunt Scissors
Glue Sticks
Ticonderoga or USA Gold
Pencils
Folders with pockets
Box of Kleenex
Baby Wipes
Sanitizer*

*Place your donations in the little Red
Schoolhouse please!*

YOUTH CORNER

Thomas Williams

Hello Everyone! I hope you have had an absolutely fantastic week! This week has been filled with blessings from the youth group and I am excited to share them with you all.

I believe I have talked about this before, but still, it is truly amazing how God will change your plans into something better than you ever were expecting. Let me explain: this last week, we had a day trip planned to a water park in Little Rock. In my head, this was going to be the HUGE end-of-summer event. I wanted/expected the whole youth group to be there, for us to have to take the church bus to fit everyone in, and for it to be *the* thing everyone would remember from the summer. But as we got closer to the day, I discovered that more and more people were not going to be able to go, or some that weren't even interested in going. I even debated calling the whole thing off. I'm sure glad I didn't.

What ended up happening was this: We only had seven people go. But all but one of them were 7th graders, brand new to the youth group. The big blowout I expected became a chance to build new relationships and memories with the youth who most needed it. It helped the new kids become comfortable around me, and vice versa. It truly came to serve a better, and more spiritual, purpose than I ever had planned. I am so thankful that God has better plans than I do.

Before we end, I would just like to ask your prayers for the fall semester. Many of our students are starting middle school, high school, or college for the first time in the next few weeks, and your prayers that it goes well for them are greatly appreciated. Thank you and God Bless!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HELPING?

With our new directory coming up, we will need some help with checking people in and processing the paper work and leg work for photographers and their assistants. If you can give some of your time with this special need, please contact Mary Rigney.

We have received a call from the Getwell church looking for a full time church secretary.. If anyone is interest, they should contact one of their elders, Ransom Reaves at 755-4504.

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