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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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Every once in a while, I think again about just how spoiled we Americans can be. We live in a service-oriented society. We sometimes tend to focus on how well we are served. Consider, for example, how we talk about restaurants. We rank restaurants on whether the food is good and whether the service is acceptable. Have you ever heard or said something like this: “Well, the food was pretty good, but the service was so bad I’ll never go back?” I understand we are paying for something, and we want to receive our money’s worth. But, can we think about it differently for a moment? We are able to go somewhere to eat food prepared by others. We do not have to grow, hunt, or gather it. We do not have to clean or cook it. We do not have to clean up the mess afterward. And still, if the food or the service is not top notch, we complain about it. This is one reason I wonder sometimes if we are just too spoiled.

Here is one danger – we can bring that mentality with us into the church. We can become disillusioned or frustrated because we feel like “the church” is not serving us well enough. I can’t help but think about how often Jesus tried to teach that his kingdom is not about being served, but serving others (Mt. 20:20-28; Jn. 13:1-16).

See you Sunday, looking to serve... David

Alliteration Gone Amok

David South

I have in my library a book that once belonged to our beloved (and missed) brother Marvin Allison. In it is a story about a seminary student who was told by a professor of preaching that alliteration was very important in a sermon. That student might have gone overboard with his subsequent rendition of the story of the Prodigal Son. See what you think:

Feeling footloose and frisky, a feather-brained fellow forced his fond father to fork over the farthings and flew far to foreign fields and fabulously frittered his fortune with faithless friends.

Fleeced by his fellows in folly and facing famine, he found himself a feed-flinger in a filthy farmyard.

Fairly famishing, he fain would've filled his frame with foraged food from fodder fragments.

"Fooley, my father's flunkies fare far finer," the frazzled fugitive forlornly fumbled, frankly facing facts.

Frustrated by failure and filled with foreboding, he fled forthwith to his family.

Falling at his father's feet, he forlornly fumbled, "Father, I've flunked, and fruitlessly forfeited family fellowship and favor."

The farsighted father, forestalling further flinching, frantically flagged their flunkies.

"Fetch a fatling from the flock, and fix a feast."

The fugitive's faultfinding brother frowned on fickle forgiveness of former folderol.

But the faithful father figured, "Filial fidelity is fine, but the fugitive is found. What forbids fervent festivity? Let flags be unfurled! Let fanfares flare!"

Father's forgiveness formed the foundation for the former fugitive's future fortitude!

(From *The World's Greatest Collection of Church Jokes*, published by Barbour Publishing, Inc. Used by permission).

I wonder if your present preacher could produce a preponderance of prose padded with proximate parroting of letters?

All alliteration aside, your heavenly Father will forgive you if you will repent and come home to him.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Our Woodland Hills Members:

Clemmie Allison, Dwain Coleman, Norma Davis, Sharon Estes, John & Jackie Greene, John Knight, Bill Lewelling, Jerry Mathis, Kay Michael, Mary Ann Morrison, James Wilson

Our Friends/Relatives:

Jim Adams, Lillie Baker, LaVerne Baxter, Jan Burks, Shelby Callahan, Garrett Carroll, Ramona Carter, Dan Clemenz (bro-in-law of Brenda Renner, cancer), 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, Regina Loring, 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, Eli Williams and 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.

July 22, 2018

Song Leader	Dennis Sangster
Welcome & Announcements	David Close
Opening Prayer	Steve Grantham
Sermon	Philip Slate
Communion Preparation:	Bill & Robi Seward
Pick Up Cards	Elliott Norwood & Kaleb Amar
AM Closing Prayer	Mitch Bradshaw
Nursery	Kerry Mitchell

5 PM SERVICE

PM Song Leader	Dennis Sangster
PM Opening Prayer	Jim Hubbert
Sermon	Stan Adams
PM Closing Prayer	Larry Knox
PM Nursery	Regina Brittain

No PewPackers Tonight at 5:00!

NEW DIRECTORY COMING SOON!

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



Sign up now...Appointment sheets in lobby!
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.

42 of our members are at the Family Retreat this weekend!

Pray for their safety in travel



5th Sunday Night is a Singing Night!



Let's sing praises to God together!

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



SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Chris Kramer and family in the passing of his brother, Michael Kramer. Cards may be sent to 8496 Farley Ave., Cordova, TN 38016.

YOUTH CORNER

Thomas Williams

Hello everybody, hope the week is going well! One thing I've discovered that you have to get used to as a Youth minister is a general lack of sleep. All this week, I've been saying as soon as I caught up on sleep from Honduras, I messed it up all over again with our lock-in on Friday! But, I have to say, it was totally worth it. We had an awesome time together this past Friday night.

First, there's just the numbers. We had 19 teenagers there, 3 of whom were visitors. Then there's the activities. We played night games, and other group games, ate pizza, hung out in the YAC, and just had fun all night long.

I am thankful for Lock-ins. I am thankful for the fellowship they bring, for the excitement it puts in the teens, and for the crazy stories we gain. But I am especially thankful for the chance to stop in the middle of the craziness and talk about Jesus. To encourage these young men and women to contemplate the life he lived, and what he did for them.

It was a good night, and I am thankful! Please keep our youth group in your prayers as we come into the home stretch for summer!



***Bloodmobile will be in our
parking lot on
July 29th 8:00 – 10:30!***

Sign Up Sheet in Foyer.

The Bloodmobile will be here at the building on Sunday, July 29th from 8:00 – 10:30. Be sure to sign the appointment sheet in the foyer. You may see Mark Mitchell for any further details.

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