### **GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING US**

God's Grace - Ephesians 2:8 God's Love and Mercy - Ephesians 2:4 Christ's Blood Shed – Romans 5:9-11 The Gospel – Romans 1:16

### Our Response of Faith:

Believe - Acts 16:31; Mark 16:15-16 Repentance – Luke 13:3 Confession – Romans 10:10 Be baptized for remission of sins – Acts 2:38; I Peter 3:21 Be faithful, committed, walk in light – Revelation 2:10: I John 1:7-10

# HORSE CAVE CHURCH OF CHRIST 120 Cave Street Horse Cave, KY 42749





### Prepared For the Bridegroom

### by Rob Albright

Attending Bible classes and worship assemblies is vital for our spiritual growth. But it is also a time when we are encouraging one another. So, we come together not just for our own benefit, but for the purpose of building up one another. If you are not meeting together you are missing the opportunity to encourage others, as well as missing the opportunity to grow spiritually.

The inspired writer of Hebrews recognizes the dual purpose of glorifying God and encouraging one another in our assemblies. Hebrews 10:24-25 says, "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." [ESV]

We need to be attending Bible classes and worship assemblies to become disciples who grow to be more like Jesus and honor the One who saves us. But, let's not be selfish and forget that our presence in the classes and assemblies is also a time we can help others. As you begin the New Year of 2020 why not make it a priority and commitment to meet regularly for classes and worship assemblies)? Think seriously about improving our attendance pattern. May each of us take thought and try to improve our presence and involvement for the glory of God and concern for one another.

### Jesus Borrowed . . .

- a place for His birth
- a house to sleep in
- a boat to preach from
- an animal to ride on
- a room to meet with friends, and
- a tomb to be buried in.

2 CORINTHIANS 8:9



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We gladly welcome you to our congrega-

tion, trusting that - if you are seeking

Christ you will find Him here, if sorrowing

you will receive comfort and strength here,

if troubled in spirit you will gain the bless-

ing of peace here, if discouraged you will

rejoice in encouragement and hope here,

if friendless you will find companionship

and Christian love here. That these and

other blessings may be yours is our prayer.

# ATTENTION You Are Invited To Our 4<sup>th</sup> Summer Series

"Practical Christian Living
In Today's World" - A Study of James

July 7 Marty Edwards Coping With Trials & Temptations

July 14 Darrell Wallace Proper Treatment of Others

July 21 Robbie Fudge Proper Faith That Pleases God

July 28 Edd Sterchi Controlling Our Tongues

Aug 4 Bart Warren Seeking True Wisdom From Above

Aug 11 Danny McCain Warning About Friendship With the World

Aug 18 Tom Hall Beware of Taking Life for Granted

Aug 25 Allen Jones Beware of Materialism

Sept. 1 John Board Be Patient & Prayerful Till Jesus Returns

\*Each Wednesday evening at 6:00 CST

### **NEWS & NOTES...**

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Becky Hatcher continues further treatment and rehab at home. Wayne is serving as her caregiver. Home Health comes abt. twice a week; Lori Brewer recuperating at home after back surgery; Mike Thompson received good news from recent tests; Lisa Schuler recuperating from a broken ankle; Sue Bunnell; Lois Edwards; Bonnie Turner; Joyce Dye; Helen Edwards; Fran Mears; Mark Hatcher; Laura Brooks; Tom & Mary Whittington; Agnes Seaton; Jerry Ann Logsdon; Joey Palmore; Parker Bybee; Mary Thompson; Gayla Graham; Bobby Pedigo; Steve Higginbotham; James Johnson member at Coral Hill Church of Christ Friends in our community: Jerry Cherry; Seaborn Elzev; Joev Johnson; James Gardner; Dana Reagan (CHS. friend of Janice Bybee; Billy Frank Hunt (CHS classmate of Billy Bybee); sympathy to Andrew & Leia Tucker in the tragic drowning of their 3 yr. old daughter, Carsyn.

### **RESPONSE TO THE LORD'S INVITATION**

Theron Shultz responded to the invitation on Wed. night. He made a heart-felt confession of sin, admitting struggles and failing to live as a Christian should. We love and appreciate him. Lift him up in your prayers.

### PRAY FOR MISSIONS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks The Barnabas Journey - Ed Bass House To House/Heart To Heart mailing

### HIGHLAND RIDGE in Glasgow

Wanda Proffitt

NHC in Glasgow Jean Turner

### BARREN COUNTY HEALTHCARE

**Ruth Bradford** 

### SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

Today is our 3nd lesson in the Summer Quar-

ter on the theme: "Peter's Epistles" Today's topic: "Christian Metaphors" | Peter 2:1-12 Wayne Hatcher continues to serve as teacher.

### TUNE IN TO OUR RADIO PROGRAMS

on WLOC-FM on Sunday mornings to hear our radio broadcast: on 101.7 FM or 1150 AM or from their webpage: wloconline.com

8:30-8:45 a.m. *Words of Truth* - Billy Bybee 8:45-9:00 a.m. *Truth In Love* - Wayne Hatcher

### **RECOMMENDED TV PROGRAM**

We recommend GBN (Gospel Broadcasting Network) seen 24/7 on channel 113 on SCRTC cable.

### PREACHING THIS MORNING

Darrell Wallace will be preaching today. 11:00 worship: Sermon: "Joseph" He also will bring the lesson at 5 pm.

### POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME

We are collecting the following items for their pantry needs:

Yellow Cake Mix All Purpose Flour Canned Vegetable Soup Pancake Syrup Peanut Butter & Cheese Crackers

They will be here the week of July 11 to pick up ours donations.

### **TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ**

Name the city that the bible says Cain built.

The answer to our question last week: Caiaphas Matt. 26:3-4



A father is neither an anchor to hold us back nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way.

—Unknown

### A Father or a Daddy

by Bill Brandstatter

As I think of Father's Day, I think of my father. He has now left this world, but I learn more about his wisdom every day. We all honor our dads on Father's Day. There are various honors that fathers receive, but perhaps the greatest is respect.

The writer of Hebrews tells of the respect of our earthly fathers and connects it to respecting our heavenly Father. The writer states, "We have had human fathers who corrected us and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live?" (NKJV) One way of showing respect is the way we speak to or about our father.

I would not think of calling my earthly father by his first name. Even though I am a lot older, when my dad was living, I still showed him respect. Likewise, we should show our heavenly Father respect. Jesus gives us an example of the respect for God. He stated that when we pray, we should address the prayer to the Father. Jesus illustrated by stating, "Our Father in heaven..." (Matt. 6:9) God is not "daddy." God deserves respect and honor. The Psalmist says "holy and reverend is his name." (Psa. 111:9 KJV). Our Lord tells us that no earthly person should be addressed in a religious manner by using the term "father". Jesus asserted, "Do not call anyone on earth your Father; for One is your Father, He who is in heaven." (Matt. 23:9) God deserves special respect and honor; therefore, as a preacher, I wear no religious title. I would not dare to have anyone call me father in a religious sense. That term is reserved for God

Almighty.

Let us honor him on this special day as well by obeying Him and showing our respect and love for Him. When Jesus addressed the Father, after saying, "Our Father in Heaven," He then said, "Hallowed be Your name." (Mt. 6:9) God's name is to be respected, honored, and held as something special. God is special. His love transcends our thinking. His mercy is beyond our comprehension. His grace is great. He sent His son to die for us that we could have eternal life. (John 3:16) Let us honor our heavenly Father every day we live by obeying Him and living for Him. (Matt.7:21; Titus 2:11,12)

# Waging the Good Warfare (I Tim. 1:18) by Ron Thomas

The greatest battle a Christian has to engage in is the battle with self; it's never-ending. There is knowledge about what to do, how to do it, but weakness in making it happen. The Christian knows what to do because the Lord revealed it; the Christian also knows how to get it done because, again, the Lord revealed it. Yet, the application is difficult when the person engaged in the battle struggles with the weakness of the flesh, it's such a powerful warrior.

When Paul used the expression he counseled the preacher, Timothy, to prepare himself for the battle ahead. Herein was how he was to engage.

First, he had God's gift (1:18).

Second, the faith he had was to be fully in place with a good conscience (1:19).

Third, he was reminded of those who threw away their first love, using their failure as an example of what not to do (1:20).

We can learn from this.