



A Weekly Publication of the



120 Cave Street
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We gladly welcome you to our congregation, 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 blessing 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.

TIME OF SERVICES (CST):

Sunday: Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. **Wednesday:** Bible Study 6 PM

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"In Jesus' Name"

by Ronald Bartanen

It is disturbing to so frequently hear of chaplains and others being cautioned against praying "in Jesus' name," supposedly so as not to offend those of religious persuasions that do not believe in Jesus. Living in a country that was founded upon the teachings and principles of Jesus Christ as recorded in our Bibles, it is difficult to understand how, in such a short time, we have become such a pluralistic, multicultural nation that the very mention of the name of Jesus becomes anathema. While there is more involved in praying or doing anything in Jesus' name than simply repeating the words, "in Jesus name," yet it is a public acknowledgement, as well as a reminder to ourselves of the importance of the name of Jesus as we would approach the throne of God. Some would excuse omitting reference to Jesus by saying something like, "I pray to God directly." Some may, indeed, attempt to do whatever they want, but the question is, "According to the Bible, what works?"

The Bible says, *"Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him"* (Colossians 3:17). Jesus Himself said, *"No man comes to the Father but by me"* (John 14:6). Some may find that to be narrow-minded and even offensive, but truth is often both. The fact is that true Christian faith regards Jesus as our one-and-only mediator between sinful man and sinless God. In writing to the young evangelist, Timothy, the apostle Paul made it plain that *"There is one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus"* (1 Timothy 2:5). No priest, preacher nor pope stands between you and God. Not even angels or "saints" who have departed from this life are worthy as our intercessors. Paul made it plain: there is one mediator between man and God through whom, as Christians, we must approach Him.

It should be noted, however, that the employment of the name of Jesus was not to be seen simply as a phrase tacked on to the end of a prayer. Paul's admonition was for the name of Jesus to be honored in both "word" and "deed" (Col. 3:17). The basic thought is that not only must we approach the heavenly Father's presence through the virtue and authority of Christ alone, but that we also be cognizant of His virtue and authority in our personal lives and in the conduct of His spiritual body, the church. Increasingly, however, we see His authority set aside as man insists on the right for self-government, apart from God. As erring Israel of old, of whom it was said, *"Every man did that which was right in his own eyes"* (Judges 17:6), political correctness has surpassed scriptural correctness even in the pulpits of America. One example among many is the acceptance of same-sex marriage by many preachers and denominations. Conforming to the world's standards, they would be hard-put to find authority for such in Jesus Christ and His word.

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**FOCUS
on one
Luke 15:4**

What man of you,
having a hundred
sheep, if he loses
one of them, does
not leave the
ninety-nine in the
wilderness, and
**go after the one
which is lost**

NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Mark Hatcher's back surgery has been moved back to Friday, June 6 thanks to a cancellation; Mike Thompson reoccurring problem after surgery; Becky Hatcher dialysis three times a week; Phillip Perkins will have a repair procedure early Monday at Vanderbilt; Mary Whittington; Dennis Hatcher is being treated for a bad UTI; Joyce Dye is home with occupational therapy; Lori Brewer and Fran Mears; Joey Palmore; Connie Campbell; Becky Bush; thankful Ken & Carolyn Russell are safely home from their trip to Hawaii, except Carolyn has a fracture in her foot J. Larry Smith is still having reoccurring issues; Mary Hatcher; Parker Bybee; Rebecca Napper Higdon;

Freddy Proffitt & Billy Joe Cline members at South Green St.; prayers for the family of Mark Isenberg.

Prayers for Marty Pennington, member of the church of Christ at Center is now on a waiting list for a heart transplant. Bennie Stephens also a member at Center diagnosed with prostate cancer will have surgery June 17 at Greenview in B.G. Address on bulletin bd.

FRIENDS IN OUR COMMUNITY Tim Shipley; April Arms; Brittany Smith; Darrell Wilkerson

PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks

World English Institute (WEI) - Darrell Wallace

Manna Project

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10 A.M.

The auditorium class is studying the book of *John*. We are in chapter 17. It is an enriching study that builds our faith in what our Savior did for us. Dennis Hogan is the teacher

PREACHING TODAY

11 am Dennis Hogan *Is This On the Test?*

5 pm Dennis Hogan *Christian Graces 7 - Patience*

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 6:00 PM

This past Wed. night we were blessed to hear an outstanding report by Bryon Henbest from Potter Children's Home & Family Ministries of the great good that is being done. We will resume our study from the book of Genesis this week. Dennis Hogan is teaching.

AWAY PREACHING

I will be away again this morning to fill in for Todd Lockett at the Fairview church of Christ in Hardyville, KY. I will teach bible class and preach at 11:00. Anyone in the area, stop in and worship with us.

OUR LOCAL RADIO PROGRAM

We encourage you to listen to our radio program *"In Search of the Lord's Way"* heard on WLOC 101.7 FM or 1150 AM here in Horse Cave each Sunday morning from 8:30--9:00 with **Phil Sanders**.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

If you are visiting with us today, we are very thankful for your presence. Please use one of the QR cards on the pew or back of the pew as we would like to have a record of your attendance.

ELDERS DEACON MINISTER MEETING

this afternoon in the library downstairs at 3:00

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

is postponing class in the morning until next Monday June 9th at 10 a.m. in the Annex

Don't Settle for AVERAGE

If a man were to stand with one hand on a hot stove and one hand in a freezer, some statistician would assert that, on average, he's comfortable.

This reminds me of some who seem to feel that they can come to church services on Sunday and yet live like the devil during the week. They say that they are, on the average, pretty good people.

Such a person cannot be comfortable any more than the man with one of his hands on the stove and the other in a freezer. He is "a doubleminded man, unstable in all his ways" (James 1:8). He has only enough religion to be miserable, but not enough to go to heaven.

Jesus does not want average; average nauseates Him. He will vomit out of His mouth those who are lukewarm (Revelation 3:15-16).

Let us all get all the way on the Lord's side now, lest we spend eternity with the devil.

—Anonymous

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"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

Proverbs 3:5-6 NKJV



You may listen to his previous sermons!! Check it out!!

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