



A Weekly Publication of the



120 Cave Street
Horse Cave, KY 42749

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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Life Is Too Short

As people get older they often remark about “how time flies.” Time is the same for young and old, but the older we get, the more conscious we become of the swift passage of our lives.

Job said, “My days are swifter than a weaver’s shuttle” (Job 7:6). The Psalmist observed, “For He remembered that they were but flesh, a breath that passes away and does not come again” (Psa. 78:39). James wrote that life is “even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away” (Jas. 4:14).

Yes, life is short, but it can also be considered too short for those who are neglectful. Consider:

- **Life is too short to neglect the opportunity for joy.** It is not so much that others deprive us of happiness, but that we deprive ourselves. It is tragic that some miss so many of the good things of this world simply because they will not allow themselves the pleasure.
- **Life is too short to neglect the opportunity for better family and friendship relationships.** No one has too many friends and no friendship is of negligible value. And no one has family ties that couldn't use a little strengthening. There are opportunities everyday for making and making better relationships with others.
- **Life is too short to neglect the opportunity of fellowship with fellow Christians.** The public and private occasions God’s people have to be together ought to be precious times indeed. These are times we share interests, laughter, and encouragement.
- **Life is too short to neglect the opportunity to do good for others.** The building blocks of the meaningful life are kind words and helpful deeds. There are so many in the world who could use what we can offer. Our own selfishness can rob us of great blessings.
- **Life is too short to neglect the opportunity for spiritual enrichment.** One who feels he can live a consecrated life without much help simply does not understand the Christian life. Bible classes, gospel literature, and private study are crucial for spiritual growth and success.
- **Life is too short to neglect the opportunity to speak to others about the Savior.** Too many are lost and you can help them to be saved.

Life is full of opportunities and is too short to neglect any of them. “So teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom” (Psa. 90:12).

- David Pharr (adapted) via Broadway Church of Christ Campbellsville, KY

[I had the privilege of associating with David Pharr when I preached in North Carolina. He was a great gospel preacher known and respected in the Carolinas wielding a tremendous influence for good. He also served as Director of the East TN School of Preaching in Knoxville, TN, now the Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies. David went to be with the Lord in May of 2023. His influence will live on and on.] - Wayne

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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

Becky Hatcher dialysis 3X times a week; Mark Hatcher, Billy Bybee and Joey Palmore recovering from back surgeries; Ken & Carolyn Russell returned a week ago from a trip out west and have tested positive for COVID; Becky Bush had surgery for a detached retina and has to be very cautious; Fran Mears; Mary Whittington; J. Larry & Barbara Smith have been sick with COVID; Mike & Vickie Thompson; Jackie Coop; Robin Wallace's brother Daniel Smith; Linda Lewis (Diana Proffitt's sister undergoing treatments); Carl Thomas; Steve Seaton; Mary Hatcher; Parker Bybee; Diane King undergoing treatment for cancer; Bobby Pedigo; Mark Isenberg (a friend since childhood) who lives in Murfreesboro, TN is having some health issues, undergoing treatments

continued prayers for those who have lost loved ones recently; the Sydney Bunnell, Laura Brooks and Julia Crain families

FRIENDS IN OUR COMMUNITY: Jerry Cherry; Tim Shipley; Brittany Smith; Melinda Grant; a lady ask for our prayers for her husband Doug Ready and for Darrell Wilkerson (throat cancer); prayers for our local schools; the severe aftermath of Hurricane Helena throughout the Southeast, many deaths and destruction

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.

We are studying the *Gospel of John*. Be sure and be a part of this valuable study. Dennis Hogan is the teacher. We are in chap. 8

PREACHING TODAY:

Today is a 5th Sunday. Robbie Fudge will be our guest speaker this morning at 11:00

11 am "God and Water" Genesis 6:5-7:24

5 pm Dennis Hogan - "Lessons From Joseph!"

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY 6 PM

A new study in *Genesis* is underway on Wed. night. Dennis Hogan will be teaching. Bring your bibles and be a part of this good study.

OUR LOCAL RADIO PROGRAM

We are very pleased to sponsor "*In Search of the Lord's Way*" heard on our local radio station WLOC 101.7 FM or 1150 AM each Sunday morning from 8:30 - 9:00 with **Phil Sanders**. Please pray for this great ministry as the gospel is being proclaimed. Phil Sanders does an excellent job!!!

NOTE: If you are unable to pick up the radio signal or do not live in our area, you can go to wloconline.com

and then choose to listen on your computer or use the **tunein** app on your mobile device.

THANK YOU CARDS

Church family,

Colby and I are so grateful for the love we felt from this whole congregation not only for Sydney's but also Sue's funeral. The kind words, hugs & acts of service were such comfort in a difficult time. The meal afterward was wonderful, but the fellowship alone meant more than we can express. This congregation always makes you feel at home & loved & we can't say thank you enough. We look forward to filing that back row up again any chance we can & seeing you all soon.

With love, Colby & Madelaine Long (grandkids)

During a time like this we realize how much our friends really mean to us....Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered by the family of Julia Crain

Thank you so much for all the food brought to the funeral home and all the members that came to visitation. Roses were beautiful! Appreciate you all!

Julia & Terry Williams & The Crain Family

Dennis Hogan's Podcast

<https://jesus360degrees.podbean.com/>



You can listen to previous sermons!! Check it out!!

WEI is the good work that Darrell Wallace is involved in around the world. He is in charge of teacher training and recruitment.



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