

## 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; 1 Peter 3:21  
Be faithful, committed, walk in the  
light - Revelation 2:10; 1 John 1:7

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## Fruit Production

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basis to gain the fellowship, harmony, and encouragement necessary to be productive in the Lord's vineyard. This will put us in a position where the heavenly vinedresser will "prune" our lives so that we may become even more mature and productive for Him.

Christian, how much fruit are you bearing? What could you be doing to bear more fruit for the Lord? What would it take for you to bear even much more fruit than you ever thought? The Lord will help you get there if you will let Him.

"Those who are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bear fruit in old age; they shall be fresh and flourishing" (Psa. 92:13-14).

## OUR FINEST HOUR

On June 18, 1940, Winston Churchill stood before the crowded benches of the House of Commons.

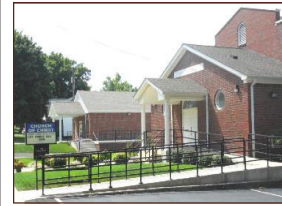
It was a desperate moment in British history. English armies had been flung back on the continent. Vast quantities of arms and ammunitions had been lost. Enemy bombers were overhead.

In this desperate moment, Churchill was called to take his place as a leader of his nation. Standing before those benches, he finished his memorable utterance with these words: "Let us brace ourselves to our duties and so dedicate ourselves that if the British Empire and Commonwealth last for a thousand years, men will still say this was their finest hour."

Perhaps this was their finest hour. Many believe the British were never better than they were at that moment in history.

What will history record of the church in this generation? Did we stand for God? Did we take the gospel to the world? Did we love and lead?

Were we people of character and conviction?



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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.

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## You have a special invitation to our Fall Gospel Meeting October 15-18, 2023

with

John Board



Pulpit minister with the E-town Church of Christ  
Elizabethtown, KY

### Time of Services and Sermon Topics:

Sunday 10 am - Faith Comes By Hearing"

Sunday 11 am - Does Jesus Amaze You?

Sunday 5 pm - Listening To God: A Fish Story

Monday 6:30 pm - Seeing, Listening, and Believing: The Miracles  
of Jesus

Tuesday 6:30 pm - Is God Calling Out To You?

Wednesday 6:30 pm - Psalm 89: Is God Listening?

Theme:



## NEWS & NOTES...

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Wanda Proffitt suffered a stroke, she will be under Hospice Care and prayers for comfort; Sue Bunnell; Becky Hatcher continues with dialysis 3X a week; Wayne dealing with A-Fib; Becky Bush has been cleared for back surgery; Rex & Doris Wallace; Fran Mears; Jackie Coop; Laura Brooks; Mike Thompson; Joey Palmore; Dixie Napier's son Randy; Don Waddell (member at Center); Don Nims; Terry Bunnell; Mary Hatcher; Parker Bybee; Bobby Pedigo; Pat Thomopson; Sue Underwood (neighbor of Danny & Janet McCain; prayers for our schools that are back in session

NHC Glasgow

Wanda Proffitt (see note above)

BARREN COUNTY HEALTHCARE Glasgow

Ruth Bradford 100 on Oct. 15

SPECIAL CELEBRATION FOR RUTH BRADFORD

Ruth's family is hosting a celebration for this special milestone on Sat. **Oct. 14th from 2-4 p.m.** at South Green Church of Christ in Glasgow. Sis. Bradford was a faithful member here at Horse Cave. She later moved to Glasgow to live. She is a sweet and positive Christian lady.

PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks House To House/Heart To Heart local mailing Manna Project

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

We are in our Fall Quarter studying the theme "The Godhead" Today is lesson 5: "God the Holy One" Psalm 99:5-9 Isaiah 6: 1-5; Habakkuk 2:18-20 Wayne serves as teacher.

PREACHING TODAY

Wayne at 11 a.m. "Stand and See" Habakkuk 2 (God's response to Habakkuk's complaints and questions in chapter 1) Danny McCain preaches at 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT 6:00

We are studying the book of Colossians.

Wayne is scheduled to teach this week the later verses of chapter 2.

OUR RADIO PROGRAM

We are pleased to sponsor "*In Search of the Lord's Way*" heard on our local radio station WLOC 101.7 FM and 1150 AM each Sunday morning from 8:30 - 9:00 with **Phil Sanders**. Please pray for this work as we sow the seed of the gospel

NOTE: If you are unable to pick up the radio signal, you can log on to **wloconline.com** There are choices to listen on your computer or use the **tunein** app for you mobile devices.

OUR NEXT GOSPEL MEETING

**October 15-18** with John Board, Pulpit Minister with the E-town Church of Christ. Theme: "*Listening to GOD*" Mark your calendar. Be in prayer for this effort.

AREA GOSPEL MEETING

Oct. 22-25 Elizabethtown Church of Christ with George Jensen Wasilla, AK Theme: "*Christian Life Lessons*" See bulletin board

ELDERS DEACON & MINISTER MEETING

This afternoon at 3:00 in the library.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

meets in the morning at 10 in the Annex. They will be starting on Chapter 5 - "*The Angels in Heaven*"

LADIES DAY

Oct. 14 Coral Hill Church of Christ 3303 Coral Hill Rd. Glasgow, KY with Kim Higginbotham See bulletin board

Oct. 14 Broadway Church of Christ in Campbellsville, KY with Paula Bault

Oct. 14 North Lexington Church of Christ with Cherie Vestal Theme: "Take My Life and Let It Be" See bulletin board

*I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord. Psalm 27:13-14 NKJB*

## There Was No Plan B

by Joe Slater

We cannot fully comprehend the horror Jesus faced that night in Gethsemane. A merciless scourging awaited Him, followed by nails being driven through His hands and feet. For six endless hours searing pain would wrack His battered body as He struggled for every breath.

But that scarcely begins to describe our Savior's woe. Who can fathom the agony of taking the whole world's sins and bearing them in His body on the tree (1 Peter 2:24)? No wonder He cried out, "O My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me" (Matthew 26:39a). Yet even as He pleaded, He knew there was no Plan B. Unless He stayed the course all the way to the cross, no sinner could be saved. Therefore, He continued, "nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will" (26:39b).

Jesus had no Plan B when He sent His apostles to preach His gospel to the world. Not that long ago they had scattered like a covey of quail when Judas brought the Roman soldiers and temple police to arrest Him. Peter had denied three times that he even knew Jesus, much less that he was His disciple. Would you entrust those men with the most powerful and desperately needed message the world will ever know? Jesus did! And ten days after He commissioned them, they demonstrated that His confidence in them was fully justified. About 3000 souls believed and obeyed the glad tidings that the apostles proclaimed boldly. From that point on, the church grew by leaps and bounds.

You and I are still part of Jesus' Plan A. He is still the one and only way anyone can come to the Father (John 14:6), and His gospel is still God's power to save (Romans 1:16). He has no Plan B, so don't bother looking! Just follow Plan A, the plan "ordained from the foundation of the world!" (1 Peter 1:20). -

## Fruit Production In the Lord's Vineyard

by Edd Sterchi

I was reading John 15 the other day when I noticed a progression of the description of fruit-bearing the follower of Christ is to have. See if you notice it, too (I have condensed the text and emphasized portions for ease of detection): "I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser...every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit...I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit..." (John 15:1-5).

Did you notice that not only are we expected to...

...bear fruit...

...but also to bear more fruit...

...and even to bear much fruit!!!

Bearing fruit is something that is expected of Christians. And the secret to bearing fruit, bearing more fruit, and even bearing much more fruit is abiding in Christ (v.4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10). It is vital that we are fully attached to Christ and receiving all the nutrients He provides through His word and His people. It is important to be spending much time in prayerful study of the Scriptures. It is also important to be living, defending, and proclaiming the true will of God. Furthermore, it is very important to be associating and working with the saints of God on a regular