

## 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:

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 light -  
Revelation 2:10; 1 John 1:7-10

## LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS

for today - October 22

READ SCRIPTURE  
Malon Schuler

OFFICIATE LORD'S TABLE  
Willie Cyphers

SERVE COMMUNION  
Phillip Perkins  
Mark Hatcher Eugene Campbell

PREACHING  
11 a. m. - Mike Thompson  
6 p. m. - Mike Thompson

LEAD SINGING  
Scott Huff

GREETERS THIS MONTH  
Rex & Doris Wallace

## What Will Your Answer Be?

by Nina F. Thorn

If God should call you home today,  
What would your answer be?  
Would you be so happy or would you say,  
"I knew not you were coming to take me."  
He gave you the Holy Bible,  
To show you the only way.  
Do you take time to study it or  
Think you don't have to obey?  
God will let you choose,  
Where you spend eternity.  
Will your choice be heaven,  
Or will fire be your destiny.  
You can't live like the world,  
And have a life of peace.  
Judgement day is coming,  
So, what will your answer be?



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CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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### TIME OF SERVICES:

**Sunday:** Bible Study 10 AM; Worship 11 AM & 6 PM  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study 7 PM

**CHURCH WEB PAGE:** [www.horsecavecoc.com](http://www.horsecavecoc.com)

Focused on Christ - Thankful for our Salvation - Glorifying the Lord - Serving through Love - Preaching Christ to the World

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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*Please accept an invitation to our*

# Family & Friends Day

Sunday, October 29, 2017

## Horse Cave Church of Christ

our guest speaker:

**Robbie Fudge** Glasgow, KY



### Schedule of Services:

Bible Study 10 am; Worship 11 am & 6 pm

\*After morning worship, you are cordially invited to be our guest for a meal in our Annex.

We are looking forward to a special day! Come and be a part of it.

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**NEWS & NOTES...**

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Leon Seaton; James & Cathy Horton (James has ask us to remember him in prayer for healing and forgiveness); R.T. Turner; Martha Russell; Jenny Thompson; Bill & Bessie Brooks; Parker Bybee; John Carter; Judith Howell (Sydney Bunnell's sister); Lori Brewer; Brianna Sturgeon

**FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY**

Sherian Gray (chemo again); Gail Coats; Frankie Walters; Doug Isenberg; Brad Terry; Jimmy Briggs; Joey Chaney; Kim Hatcher; Roger Davis; Stanford Matthews; Randall Trowbridge

**PRAY FOR MISSIONS WE SUPPORT**

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks  
The Barnabas Journey - Ed Bass

**NHC**

Jean Turner

**HIGHLAND RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING**

Ruth Bradford

**SIGNATURE HEALTH CARE**

JoAnn Wallace

**SUNDAY A. M. AUDITORIUM CLASS**

Today is lesson 8 in our Fall Quarter on the theme: "Preaching and Ministry" This morning's lesson: *Peter on Pentecost* Acts 2:22-39 Wayne serves as the teacher

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY**

Billy Bybee is currently teaching a good study on Wed. nights from 2 Tim. 3  
\*Note this Wed. night (the 25th) will be our monthly singing and devotional.

**THANK YOU LETTERS**

We received a nice thank you letter that was signed by the members of the Garth Rd.

Church of Christ. We recently sent them a donation to help with their recovery from Hurricane Harvey.

We received a letter and report from Ed Bass and also the Highland Park congregation thanking us for our mission support.

(See the bulletin board)

**TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ**

What was the largest number of people to whom Jesus is recorded as appearing after his resurrection?

The answer to our question last week: Hebrews 4:12

**A special welcome to our visitors  
You are always appreciated!!!**

**Resolved**

To be about my Father's business.  
To keep a pure heart, a clear head, and a hand willing to do good.  
To set my affections on things above.  
To keep myself from idols—those things which hinder me in service to God.  
To fear nothing but sin and the danger of displeasing my Father.  
To forget and forgive all injuries rendered me.  
To be more intent in finding good than evil in others.  
To refrain my tongue from evil.  
To be my brother's keeper, lifting him up when he falls, supporting when he is weak, and restoring him when he strays.

by Frank L. Cox

## Your Father Called

by Joe Slater

Years ago I saw a clever TV ad by a religious group: "Your Father called, and He wants you to come home." God, our Heavenly Father, has, indeed, called us. He did this through the gospel (2 Thesalonians 2:14), not through human traditions. As the parable of the lost son teaches us, the Father wants his wayward children to come home (Luke 15).

Primarily, the lost son in Luke 15 stands for the child of God who has fallen away. There is a sense, however, in which all people are children of God, having been made in His image (Acts 17:28, 29). Either way, God desires that sinners come home. He is "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).

Why won't children come home? Sometimes it is because they don't like the rules of the house. "Nobody's going to tell me what to do!" Rebellion prompted the young son in Jesus' parable to leave the Father's house; and it kept him away until he came to his senses. Only when he was willing to submit to his father did he return home.

God our Father has some rules for His family, too. They are contained in the New Testament. Self-willed people leave when they don't like the rules. Tragically, they stay away until and unless they come to their senses and submit to the Father's authority.

Sometimes children won't come home because they don't appreciate the bless-

ings of their father's house. The young son in the parable obviously thought he would be much happier on his own, doing as he pleased, spending his inheritance on whatever tickled his fancy. For a time, it appeared that he was right. Why would he come home when he was having so much fun?

Then the famine struck; finally, the boy realized how foolish he had been. He was impoverished while his father's servants enjoyed plenty. Now he understood how blessed he had been as a son in his father's house; he was willing to return, even to a lesser station.

Few people comprehend the blessedness of being a faithful child of God. The world pulls at us, tempting us with the deceitful pleasures of sin. We foolishly allow ourselves to believe we'll be better off doing the works of the flesh than bearing the fruit of the Spirit. Eventually, we discover that Satan makes big promises, but doesn't deliver. We find ourselves starving in the barren wasteland of sin. Why, oh why, did we ever leave the Father's house?

Are you away from God? Do you see the tragic mistake you made? Why not change your mind and change your ways? Your Father called, and He wants you to come home. - Justin, TX

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**GOLDEN NUGGETS :** If you're far from God in life, you'll be far from Him in death.

God's commandments are never multiple choice.

Giving our best today is the recipe for a better tomorrow.