

### GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING MAN

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:*  
 Faith - 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

### LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS

for today - Dec. 13  
 READ SCRIPTURE  
 Scott Huff  
 ANNOUNCEMENTS  
 Sydney Bunnell  
 OFFICIATE LORD'S TABLE  
 Willie Cyphers  
 SERVE COMMUNION  
 Theron Schultz Phillip Perkins  
 Malon Schuler  
 PREACHING  
 11 a. m. - Wayne Hatcher  
 5 p. m. - Wayne Hatcher  
 LEAD SINGING  
 Ken Russell

### Trust

I know not what waits on the morrow, my friend,  
 Whether sunshine or sorrow will come my way;  
 But I know that Him on Whom all things depend  
 Will be there for me all my fears to allay!

I can't see what waits 'round the corner for me  
 Whether laughter and joy, or heartbreak and tears;  
 But I'll be all right for from my sins I'm free  
 And my Savior will be there to calm my fears!

I know not when my time in this world will end  
 Or how it will happen or where I will be  
 But I know that I have an Heavenly Friend  
 And He's promised that He will be there for me!

- H. L. Gradowith



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 Worship 11 AM & 5 PM Wednesday: Bible Study 6 PM

**CHURCH WEB PAGE:** www.horsecavecoc.com

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

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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### As the Year Ends

As the year 2015 rapidly draws to a close, we should remind ourselves once again of this gift of God we call "time." How quickly the year has passed! Time has been described as "a section cut from the great circle of eternity," and "the uncertain boundaries of life on earth." Ben Franklin said, "Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of." Someone else once said, "I have no yesterdays. Time took them all away. Tomorrow may not be, but I have today." Time has great value. Although you may not be paid an hourly wage, you cannot limit the value of time.

If you would burn a \$100 bill, you would be destroying more than the paper and ink of which it consists. You would, in essence, be taking bread from your table, medicine from the sick, and books from the scholar. Likewise, the value of time is not in itself, but in what time offers us—the blessings, privileges, and opportunities of life.

Time is NOW. Not yesterday—all of the yesterdays have passed on, and its opportunities are no more. Tomorrow has not yet come—and it may never be. You are left with only today. This must have been in the apostle Paul's mind when he admonished, "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time because the days are evil" (Ephesians 5:15-16, NKJV). Time well-spent is time spent in the will of God.

- Ronald Bartanen

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## NEWS & NOTES...

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Bessie Brooks on dialysis; R. T. Turner; Leon Seaton; Renee` Perkins; James Horton; Linda Forbes; Parker Bybee; Christian Shadburne; Wrendle Jones (Becky Hatcher's dad) confined at home; Geraldine Glass; Dennis Hatcher; Connie Campbell recuperating from a broken bone in her ankle

### THE TRIBUTE FOR DONNIE EDWARDS

Last Tuesday evening, we held a special service in tribute and remembrance of our Donnie Gale Edwards. Our building was filled and running over with people who came to pay their respect and express their love and support to his family. The tribute was outstanding. Donnie is another member that we will miss beyond words. We continue to pray and offer words of encouragement to his family and the other families who have lost loved ones in recent days.

### EXPRESSING OUR SYMPATHY

We were sorry to learn that Bill Brooks lost another brother on Thursday. Norman Brooks passed away in Indianapolis. We extend our sympathy to the Brooks family.

We also express sympathy to the family of our Russell Brunt. He passed away Sat. around noon at the home of his daughter Eugenia in Chicago. Russell will later be buried beside his wife, Betty in the Ky Veterans Cemetery Central near Fort Knox. We are so thankful that Russell became a Christian on June 4, 2015.

### FRIENDS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Joey Chaney; Randy Scott; Ruby Whitlow; Freddie Richardson (Lois Edwards' brother); Stella Downs (teacher at Park City Elem.); Sherian Gray (member at S. Green St.)

### HIGHLAND RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING

Ruth Bradford 180 Scottie Drive Glasgow

### HART COUNTY HEALTH CARE

Mildred Briggs (member at Cave City)

### GLASGOW HEALTH CARE

Elizabeth Alexander (Dennis Hatcher's mother-in-law)

### HOMETOWN MANOR ASSISTED LIVING

Jean Turner 201 Trista Lane Glasgow, KY

### THANK YOU NOTE

Dear Horse Cave Church of Christ Family, Thank you for your sympathy, thoughtfulness, prayers, and standing by our family during this difficult time. Thank you so much for the beautiful basket.

With much appreciation and Christian love,  
the Schuler Family

### TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

What two former enemies became friends as a result of the indictment of Jesus?

The answer to last week's bible question:  
James & John Matt. 4:21-22

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*Read the Bible. It is user-friendly, and we offer tech support here on Sundays and Wednesdays.*

**VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!!!**

## A message from the Elders

2015 saw the passing of more dearly loved members of our congregation. We understand that we should not be sad for those who have died in the Lord, but we are sad that we no longer have that physical friendship we have enjoyed. We all miss them dearly.

We have been encouraged by those who have come our way to worship recently. The personal relationship we have with friends is one way we can see our congregation grow. We also understand the need for growth in families to fill our classrooms with children.

2016 will bring some changes in areas of involvement, most noticeable being changes in the pulpit. After some months of discussion among ourselves and more recently with Wayne, we have come to an agreement for him to preach part-time with emphasis on personal work, visitation, and Biblical counseling. Wayne will continue to preach the first two Sundays of each month both morning and evening and Mike Thompson will be preaching the last two Sundays of each month morning and evening. Wayne will continue to teach the Sunday morning adult Bible class and Billy Bybee and Mike will share responsibilities for the Wednesday evening adult class. Other responsibility changes will mostly be unnoticed.

We have listed duties that take place in the congregation of which you may not think about or be aware. We have left copies of that list on the stairwell for you to pick up if

you choose. Responsibilities have a member's name(s) attached to that duty. If your name is not listed, we hope you will find an area you would like to be involved and volunteer to help see that duty completed.

We look forward to a new year where we desire growth-spiritually and numerically. We believe with the entire congregation working for the Lord together, both goals will be achieved.

In Christian Love,  
Elders: Billy Bybee, Willie Cyphers, Ken Russell

## Reading the Bible

by Raymond Kelcy

A young lady was once given a book to read. She tried reading it and found it to be quite dull and boring. Later, she fell in love with a young man who was a writer. In a conversation with him, she found out that he was the author of that book. She could then hardly wait to get to her room so that she might read it again. This time she found it to be a very interesting and fascinating book. What was the difference? She knew and loved the author.

Some think the Bible is dull and dry. But if they would read it with the idea in mind that here is a book written by their God and Creator, they would find it to be a challenging message. They need to come to love God. When they do, they will find His book to be both interesting and meaningful.

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