



A Weekly Publication of the



WHERE WE MEET

120 Cave Street
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WHEN WE MEET (CST):

Sunday: Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. & 2 p.m. **Wednesday:** Bible Study 5 PM

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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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**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**

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Holiday Compassion

I hope you have the happiest holiday in history! (How's that for alliteration?) Seriously, I want nothing, including this article, to detract from your genuine enjoyment of the whole holiday season.

That being said, please show compassion toward the many for whom holidays are, to say the least, difficult. The anniversary of a loved one's death may come at holiday time. Even if they passed away at some other date, unwelcome feelings of loss and loneliness may flood aching hearts during holidays.

That doesn't mean you should feel guilty for enjoying family, food, and fun. Make those precious memories! As you do so, remember those who feel empty. A loving look, a sympathetic smile, a hug or pat on the arm may accomplish more than you realize.

An understanding word of encouragement could be helpful. That definitely excludes tacky remarks like "get over it!" or "just move on!" Such cruel comments show the opposite of a Christ-like spirit!

Sometimes no words are needed. Your mere presence tells the person you are there for them. Think of Job's three friends when they came to visit him in his profound suffering; the best thing they did was remain silent an entire week. Then they started talking and things went downhill from there!

In no less than a dozen places the Gospels specify that Jesus either showed compassion or taught His disciples to do so. May God help us to be like Jesus not only during this holiday season, but every day!

Joe Slater

NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Becky Bush at home from recent heart procedures; Joey Palmore is recovering from knee replacement, also hamstring sprain and suffering with a lot of pain; Becky Hatcher dialysis 3X a week; Joyce Dye still suffering with a lot of pain; Connie Campbell; Mary Whittington; Mark Hatcher; Dennis Hatcher; Fran Mears; Lori Brewer with dementia, she is in the Medical Center in BG; Rebecca Higdon; Dixie Napier family members; Linda Lewis (Diana Proffitt's sister); Heather Seng (Lisa Schuler's daughter); Donnie Alexander (Dennis Hatcher's brother-in-law); John Gray; Mary Hatcher; Fred Proffitt member at South Green St. cancer; Marty Pennington, member of the church in Center has been undergoing PT in Glasgow, and trying to requalify for the heart transplant list. Marty's mother-in-law Martha Hurt is taking dialysis in Glasgow where Becky Hatcher also goes; Francine Strode, formerly of Cave City, is in Greenwood Rehab Center in Bowling Green

PRAYERS FOR FRIENDS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Wayne Ballard (husband of Jennifer Ballard, who serves on the Caverna School Board with Wayne Hatcher) is in great need of our prayers

George Sturgeon

Daisy Haydon (neighbor & friend of Wayne & Becky)

Tim Shipley

PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks

World English Institute (WEI) - Darrell Wallace

Manna Project

SIGNATURE HEALTH CARE

Lori Brewer had to go back last week because Fran and Jamie can not take care of her, Room #203
NOTE: She was taken to Caverna Hospital, and later transferred to the Med Center in Bowling Green.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10 A.M.

We are studying the book of Luke and are in ch. 5

PREACHING TODAY

11 am Dennis Hogan - Just Let Go!

2 pm Dennis Hogan - The Antidote #3

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 5 PM

NOTE: This week we will meet on **Tuesday** and not on Wed. due to it being Christmas Eve. We are studying through the great book of Genesis. We will be in chapter 39 where our focus will now be on Joseph. Dennis Hogan is our teacher

WELCOME VISITORS

If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guests, and we are very thankful for your presence. Please use one of the QR cards on the pew or back of the pew so we may have a record of your attendance.

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**. This is an **excellent** program! It is also aired on Cable tv across the US.

Are you listening to any of the great lessons??

AFTERNOON SERVICE TODAY

Remember we meet at **2:00** for our Sunday evening services during the winter months of Dec. Jan and Feb. This is being done to accommodate those who don't feel safe driving at night.

POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME & FAMILY MINISTRIES

We are participating again in helping stock their pantry. Checks or Cash also accepted.

The items requested for us to collect are:

Cooking Spray Laundry Stain Remover

Snack Crackers Individual Juice Boxes

4T/5T Pull Ups Girls and Boys

The Greatest Question In Life:

If You Were To Die Today

Where Would You Spend Eternity??

Don't Delay Another Moment



You may go back and listen to his previous sermons!!


Check it out!!

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CHRISTMAS
and Happy New Year!**