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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Morning Worship
9:00 a.m.

Bible Classes
10:15 a.m.

Evening Worship
5:30 p.m.

1st & 3rd Monday

Monday Night For
The Master
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Ladies' Bible Class
10:00 a.m.
(Sept. - May)

Step It Up 3:15

Devotional
6:30 p.m.

Bible Classes
6:45 p.m.

2011 Theme
"Do all in the name
of the Lord"

How I See It. By: Brian Gregory

The summer has finally arrived! It is time for flip flops, swimming pools and Bible camp. This summer has been rather different from most in recent years. It has been punctuated by the unwanted emergence of a "few" (insert sarcasm) cicadas. These creepy looking locusts have been laying dormant right under our feet, amazingly for the past thirteen years. Some species even take seventeen years to emerge. Once the ground reaches the right temperature (usually around 62-65°F) they make their way to the surface, hatching from their exoskeleton, and beginning their lives as adults. During this brief 6-8 week period, they must eat, mate, lay their eggs and die. Having been viciously attacked a few times by these beasts, I am thankful they do not sting or bite. Aside from being loud and everywhere, they are rather harmless. Before we write off the cicadas as a nuisance, I am convinced we can actually learn a lot from them about faith. Considering their life cycle and behavior observe the following.

As they lay dormant for some thirteen years, they are forgotten about and for all practical purposes as good as dead. Although inactive they are technically alive. Is this not a description of the faith of some brethren? Their faith is lying dormant. They either have stopped attending worship altogether, come occasionally or they only come for an hour a week. For all practical purposes their faith is as good as dead. Jesus gave similar warning to the church at Sardis (Rev. 3:1-2).

When the cicadas emerge, they suddenly show themselves alive. Faith once thought dead can be revived and made alive again (Rev. 3:2-3). Once the cicadas develop into adulthood they are fully committed and intent on fulfilling their purposes. Overall they are highly successful in achieving their goals. Our faith must also be focused and committed on fulfilling the purposes of Christ (Mt. 28:18-20; 1 Pt. 1:14-16; Rm. 8:29). Too often we are so easily distracted and ensnared by worldly pursuits that we forget our purposes as Christians and allow Christ to take a backseat in our priorities (Mt. 5:16). It does not have to be this way (Mt. 6:33; Heb. 12:1-3).

Finally, at the end of a few short weeks once these cicadas have lived out their days and completed their life cycles they simply die. When they do we see they have made adequate preparations for the future and the future generations. Our faith must also do the same things. We too must make adequate preparations for our future home in Heaven (Phi.3:20-21; Rev.2:10). Our faith should leave a clear path for future generations to follow. Indeed there is much to learn from these insects (Pro. 30:24-28).

June 5, 2011

A.M. "Be Thankful" (Colossians 3:15) Brian Gregory, Speaker

P.M. "Armed With The Same Mind" (1 Peter 4:1-6) Brian Gregory, Speaker

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Recovering from surgeries/procedures: Natalie Thomas (rib removal); Clint Fitzgerald (Kim's dad) pacemaker; Doug Brown (Barry's brother) pacemaker; Ruby Prince (Sarah Churchwell's niece) back; Tommy Hight, Sr.-home (hip replacement); Barbara McNeese (knee replacement); Herman & Willene Willis (Charlie's brother & sister-in-law); Patsy Long Rieves (Sarah Churchwell's niece) (cancer); Beverly Dawson

Various illnesses/health/personal problems:

Martha Wilson; Charline Gossett; Darlene Church NHC-Hillview 111-A; Hazel Holder (mother of JoAnn Coleman) stroke; Peggy Caskey Home; Barney Roland NHC Hillview 101-B; Robert Norman living with youngest son at 4804 Campbellsville Pike, Columbia (931-379-0739 - cell 931-215-8792); Bill & Mable Smith-Life Care Center Rm. 216; John & Sarah Churchwell, Joan Graham-home; Linda Bell treatments for bone cancer (Clyde Farris' sister); Coleen Pilkinton (undergoing cancer treatments); Alfred Pagel; Linda Hardy; James Ed Pollard; Larry Derryberry (Libby Moss' brother & Lisa Kelley's uncle) clinical trial drug program; Tracy Chappell (JoAnn Anderson's son); Margaret Johnson; Pauline Thurman (Wanda Jones' mother) NHC Hillview Rm. 220-A; Brenda Manz (brain tumor); Irene Stevenson (Martha Wilson's sister); Betty Allen (Mary Chumbley's daughter); Cherry Bolles 221 Turnbrook Ln. Franklin, TN 37064; Allen Mercer (brain tumor); Mary Jo Anderson; Paul Burgin

In the Hospital: Edith Rummage MRMC 101-B (Ray's mother)

Pray for our Servicemen & their families:



Kevin Mick (Afghanistan)
 Kevin.eric.mick@us.army.mil
 CPT MICK, KEVIN
 TNARNG JFHQ FWD 83
 APO AE 09355

Brandon Hubbard, (Afghanistan)
Clayton & Myrna Jett's grandson
 LCpl Brandon Hubbard
 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines
 WPNS CO 81's, Unit 73245
 FPO AE 09510-3245

Brad A. Morgan, (3rd time to Iraq)
Nell Hood's grandson
 Maj. Brad A. Morgan,
 HHC, 326 ENG.BN.,
 A.P.O. AE 09391

Clay Morgan, (2 trips to Iraq now in Afghanistan)
Nell Hood's grandson
 Maj. Clay Morgan,
 HHC, 25TB 2/4 ID., FOB SARAH,
 A.P.O. AE 09382

The Mission Committee will be collecting non-perishable light weight items to send to our servicemen for the next 3 wks. A barrel with a flag on it will be in the foyer to put items in. See Gary Boyd if you have any questions.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



June 5th - Baby Tea in annex 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. for Landry Jones, son of Trent & Jill Jones. Registered at Itty Bitty, Fisher Pharmacy and Target.

June 8th - Summer Series, Thomas Frierson, speaker Topic: "Jesus our Example in Worship".


June 15th - Summer Series, Kenny McFarlen, speaker-Topic: "Jesus our Example in Love".

June 19th - 22nd - VBS - Theme: "Noah's Ark" Volunteers are needed. Sign-up on bulletin board in lobby.

June 22nd - Summer Series-Daniel Hayes, speaker. Topic: "Jesus our Example in Compassion". Homemade ice cream and Cookies served in annex after classes.

VBS GOAL: 1200 people to come through our doors !

Don't Miss the Boat!




You're Invited to:

June 19, 2011
5:30 pm
Pizza Party after evening services

June 20-22, 2011
6:30pm - 8:45pm

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES
Nursery thru Adult



EASTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The elders are requesting a meeting with each and every family at Eastside to discuss the building project plans. Meetings will begin June 5th with appointment times each Sunday and Wednesday through the month of June. Please schedule your appointment by writing your name on the sheets in the lobby on the selected date and time that will best suit you and your schedule. Feel free to email or call the office to schedule your meeting if you prefer. *******It is very important that each family take the time to meet with the elders.*******

THE RECORD SPEAKS

May 29, 2011

Morning Worship.....	224
Bible Study.....	153
Afternoon Worship.....	145
Wednesday Evening.....	128
Budget.....	\$7,000.00
Contribution.....	\$7,340.46

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER



Next Date to Meet is June 26th or 27th



Summits of the Psalms

By: Joe Macer

Psalm 73

73:17 till I entered the sanctuary of God; then I understood their final destiny.

The writer of this Psalm wanted to impart some wisdom to his readers including even today's reader. His problem is still today observed by people of God. He had been trying to serve God and was doing the right things but nothing was going his way. As he looked around, he saw people who were not righteous and yet they were carefree and trouble free. They were guilty of violence, evil, malice, arrogance, oppression and denied God. This did not make sense to him. He thought, "Surely in vain have I kept my heart pure; in vain have I washed my hands in innocence." If you have ever questioned your Christianity based upon the success of the sinners, then you are walking in this man's shoes. While in this thought process he would later refer to himself as a brute beast that was senseless and ignorant. Thankfully he regained his senses.

Life regained its proper perspective when he went to the sanctuary to worship. Life is not all about wealth and possessions. Neither is it about having no troubles. In worship, he understood their final destiny. He stated, "Surely you pace them on slippery ground; you cast them down to ruin." Worship helps us keep the proper perspective in this life. How sad when God's people fail to take advantage of meeting together to worship God. The sinner may look like everything is perfect but his day is coming. God's people will be guided by his counsel and then "afterward you will take me into glory." After worshipping he proclaimed, "And earth has nothing I desire besides you." May each of us get our priorities right and may our focus be upon God and not upon possessions. "Surely God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart."

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD FARRIS

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AT THE MARRIAGE OF THEIR DAUGHTER

Blair Elizabeth Farris

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Blake Andrew Beckham

SATURDAY, THE ELEVENTH OF JUNE

TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN

AT FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

OAKLAWN PLANTATION

SPRING HILL, TENNESSEE

Reception immediately following

Please R.S.V.P. to Rhonda Farris

Directions to be posted on bulletin board

At water fountain.

Youth News by Jody Pritchett



June 5th - 10th - Maury Christian Camp Week 1
June 12 - 17th - Maury Christian Camp Week 2
Sept. 10th - Bible Bowl in Cookeville. (Revelation)



Eastside members,
Words cannot express our appreciation for all you did for us during mom's illness and death. Thank you for all the cards, visits, food and words of comfort. Eastside singers, you did a wonderful job and you sounded beautiful. Ladies, thank you for the delicious meal. We all enjoyed it very much. Joe and Brian you were wonderful through it all. You comfort and support kept us going. Elmer your visits and support, we can't thank you enough. May God bless each and everyone of you.
The Hickman family

Building Fund Contribution
In Loving Memory of
Audrey Hickman
Given by Mike & Wanda Andrews

June Theme: Reflect and be thankful.
Goal: Share with your fellow member how the peace of Christ dwells in your life and how it has changed your life.



Happy Birthday

June 3rd - Shelby Anderson
June 4th - Trevor Gilmer & Reba Jones
June 7th - Keyton Kodatt
June 8th - Sam Skelley & Dana White
June 9th - Darrell Brown, David Upchurch, Jr.
June 10th - Mary Chumbley & Kinsey Kodatt
June 11th - David White

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WORSHIP LEADER June 5, 2011

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

Welcome & Song Leader.....Greg Lusk
 Prayer.....Gary Boyd
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....John Kodatt
 Serving:
 Ronnie Skelley
 David Gray
 Jason Snyder
 Offering
 Read (Colossians 3:15)Tommy Hight
 Sermon: "Be Thankful".....Brian Gregory
 Invitation
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Jody Pritchett

Jonathan Macer
 Trent Thomason
 Dennis Thomason

SUNDAY 5:30 p.m.

Welcome/Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson
 Prayer.....John Thomas
 Read (I Peter 4:1-6).....Jim Pollard
 Speaker "Armed With The Same Mind".....Brian Gregory
 Invitation
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Boyd Wood
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Mike Lyle



VBS June 19th - 22nd

Ushers: Danny Lasater, Ray Rummage, Ed Hargrove
 Greeters: Benny & Alice Bolton; Tammy Kodatt
 Audio/Visual Room: Joel Skelley

If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (379-5560) or Joe Williams (388-9183).

NURSERY CARE

A.M.....Rita Gray
 Lori Patterson
 P.M.....Teresa Lyle
 Diane Upchurch

WEDNESDAY 06/08/2011

Song LeaderSam Quirk
 Prayer.....Jimmy Dawson
 Announcements.....Randy Jones
 Summer Series Speaker.....Thomas Frierson