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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

In recent weeks I after completing another reading of the entire New Testament, I decided to focus my personal study upon the Old Testament for a while. So often many people fail to understand and appreciate this portion of the word of God. I have even heard people say they do not like it very much. While it is true it is greatly neglected, it is important to know and understand the Old Testament for several reasons. Consider the following.

First, it is inspired scripture and this alone makes it important for us to study and understand (2 Tim. 3:16-17). **Second**, it gives us a fuller and deeper understanding of all of God's revelation. It helps us understand and see the big picture. **Third**, it helps us better understand and interpret the New Testament. Many of the customs and events in the New Testament have their origins in the Old Testament. **Forth**, it helps us better understand and appreciate Jesus. Jesus comes from an Old Testament context. It contains over three-hundred prophecies about Jesus, written hundreds of years before He came to earth. For example, they predicted His lineage (Isa. 11:1,10), His unusual birth (Isa. 7:14), His death (Psa. 22) and even His being sold for thirty pieces of silver (Zec. 11:12). We must also remember, since the New Testament was not written until several years after His death Jesus never read it. So, the Old Testament was the Bible He read and the stories He knew. If for no other reason but to learn more about Jesus, this alone would be a sufficient cause to study the Old Testament. **Fifth**, it reveals to us how God deals with His people as a whole (Israel) and individually (David and Abraham). There are many connections made by New Testament writers such as Paul and Peter between the church and Israel. There are many lessons for the church to learn from Israel's mistakes (Rom. 15:4). As individuals we can learn much about being faithful to God and how He will reward a life of faith from David and Abraham. **Finally**, we can see the relevance of God's word in our lives today. Although these stories and events took place thousands of years ago, their message still reads much like a modern day newspaper. There is still violence, people turning away from God, drunkenness, mocking God, social injustice and oppression, etc. . . The truth is, times have changed but people have not. So as you read the Bible, be sure you take time to read, understand and appreciate the value of the Old Testament. You will be greatly blessed when you do.

February 20, 2011

A.M. "Rid Yourselves Of _____" (Romans 6:1-7) Joe Macer, Speaker

P.M. "P.M. "Keeping your conduct honorable" (1 Peter 2:11-12) Brian Gregory, Speaker

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Recovering from surgeries/procedures: Tal Gray (hernia); Gail Baker (sister-in-law of Lorene Hickman); Roy Enoch (brother-in-law of Faye Pollard) stent; Donald White (knee replacement); Tom Bills (Cindy Hickman's dad); Clyde Farris; Roberta Bolton (neck); Ned Pollard; Beverly Dawson ; Cornelius Robert Norman; David White (quad heart bypass); Willene & Herman Willis (sister and brother-in-law of Charlie and Cecelia); Bill Harris (Melissa Jones' dad) Life Care Rm. 119; Sue Ayers (Linda Lasater's mom) Scott Healthcare Facility in Lawrenceburg for therapy

Various illnesses/health/personal problems:

Martha Wilson; Peggy Wilson (back surgery 3/8); Buddy Hardison (Brother-in-law of Bill Jones) Signature with broken hip; Linda Hardy; James Ed Pollard; Opal Smothers, mother of Rick Lukens (wife Barbara Mayse) (friends of Donnie and Sharon Davis); Delma Earlene King (home under hospice); Kristi McKee (hospice); Barbara McNeese; Mike Kessler; Larry Derryberry (Libby Moss' brother & Lisa Kelley's uncle); Tracy Chappell (JoAnn Anderson's son); Margaret Johnson; Pauline Thurman (Wanda Jones' mother) NHC Hillview Rm. 200-A, Terry Dunn; Brenda Manz (brain tumor); Bob Dugger; Irene Stevenson (Martha Wilson's sister); Betty Allen (Mary Chumbley's daughter); Connie Blackburn (liver and kidney cancer); Cherry Bolles 221 Turnbrook Ln.Franklin,TN 37064; Allen Mercer (brain tumor); Larry & Mary Jo Anderson; Paul Burgin

Maury Regional Medical Center: Alfred Pagel- Rm. 366
Williamson Medical Center: Retha Jett (knee replacement)
Vanderbilt: Gilbert Cathey-friend of Gail Baker (leukemia)
Centennial Medical Center: Richard Bell (back surgeries)

Pray for our Servicemen:



Kevin Mick

**Brandon Hubbard, (Afghanistan)
 grandson of Clayton & Myrna Jett**

LCpl Brandon Hubbard, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines,
 WPNS CO 81's, Unit 73245 FPO AE 09510-3245

**Brad A. Morgan,
 Nell Hood's grandson**
 Maj Brad A. Morgan, HHC, 326 ENG.BN., A.P.O. AE 09391

****Pray for the Andy Carpenter family** Marine shot in Afghanistan Feb. 14th****

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



February 23rd - Ladies' Bible Class 10:00 a.m. in the annex. 4th Wednesday Prayer Service 6:30 in small auditorium, Children's Bible Hour 6:30 in the annex.

February 26th - Prayer Sisters' Revealing in the annex 9:30 a.m. Please bring brunch type foods and a \$5 gift for your secret sister.

March 10th - Life Line Screening in the church building. Pre-registration is required. Call 1-800-324-1851 today to schedule your stroke prevention screening, use Code: HSC5961. These tests can help you avoid a stroke. Stroke, Vascular Disease & Heart Rhythm Package; all 4 tests for only \$139. Add an osteoporosis screening for \$10 more; all 5 tests for \$149 (\$126 savings!) Visit their website at www.lifelinescreening.com.

March 11 & 12, 2011- Ladies' Retreat at the Franklin Marriott. Theme: "Lord Move, or Move Me" Speaker: Sarah Hibbett.

March 26th - Primitimers' Banquet in the annex.

DIRECTORY UPDATES UNDERWAY!

New Directory forms are on the table in the lobby. Please fill one out and place it on the round table in the foyer. See John Parker if you have any questions.

THE RECORD SPEAKS

February 13, 2011

Morning Worship.....	259
Bible Classes.....	185
Evening Worship.....	140
Wednesday Evening.....	Cancelled
Budget.....	\$7,000.00
Contribution.....	\$6,929.34



SUNDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

February 13, 2011

Total Attendance.....	70
Cards Written.....	70
Visits Made.....	N/A
Calls Made.....	N/A
Bags of Cookies.....	20

Next meeting Monday, February 21st

*******Updates requested for Eastside's Bulletin Distribution*******

In an effort to save money on postage and printing costs, we are in the process of making changes to the way our bulletin is received. Currently the bulletins are available via, direct mailing, e-mail and our website (www.churchofchristateastside.com). If you wish to continue to have the bulletin mailed to your home or you would like to discontinue it and/ or receive it by email, you must contact the church office at 931-388-7334 or by email (office@escoc.us). Please enter the subject line, Remove or Continue Bulletin. Please realize it is **your** responsibility to inform the office of your wishes concerning the bulletin. Bulletin distribution to you will be **discontinued** if we **do not** hear from you by March 20, 2011

The Elders



Summits of the Psalms

By: Joe Macer

Psalm 58

58:11 Then men will say, "Surely the righteous still are rewarded; surely there is a God who judges the earth."

One bothersome aspect of life is to observe wicked rulers being successful in all that they set out to do. They are not just or fair men. Violence and injustice are resorted to in order to accomplish their desires. They care not who gets in their way. This passage compares them to a cobra. A charmer had captured the cobra and charmed the snake by his music. Eventually the cobra stopped his ears and in doing so he is ready to strike and to kill. What an easy illustration to understand. These men were evil and their entire life is summed up as wayward and wicked.

The Psalmist called upon God to confound their ways. He asked God to break out their fangs. A cobra without fangs is powerless and he is not dangerous. As the king of the beasts – lions – he asked that their fangs be removed. As a slug melts away, he wanted the wicked to disappear. And again as a stillborn child does not see the sun he wishes the same for these wicked leaders. Wickedness can make life difficult. The writer was waiting for God to act on behalf of the righteous. The righteous will be glad when they are avenged by God. Still today it is hard to understand why evil is so prevalent in this world. As Christians we must realize that God is in control and he will in due time make everything right. The Psalmist concluded with two thoughts. First, the righteous are still rewarded. They are not forgotten. And second, there is a God who judges the earth. God is the judges who sees all and knows all and he will judge everyone according to the things done while in the body. Evil may appear to have the upper hand but in truth it never will.

Youth News by Jody Pritchett



February 23rd - Step It Up 3:00 p.m.

February 25th - 27th - CYC in Gatlinburg

April 15th - 17th - Teen's Spring Retreat at Deer Run. Applications can be downloaded at the youth web page at www.teenescape.org Cost is \$45.00 per person.

Jody wants to be involved with **all** Eastside kids' activities. Please give him a copy of activities such as school and ball schedules. You can hand him a copy, email him at jodypritchett2002@hotmail.com, text it or call him @ 931-982-9109.

****Check out the new youth web page at www.churchofchristateastside.com****



Thank you notes:

(posted on bulletin board)

Dear Eastside, Thanks so much for remembering my dad on his 80th birthday. He continues to enjoy the visits and loves to receive cards. Thanks for the candy from the Ladies' Bible Class for Valentine's Day. Love, Jadonna Hight

An Invitation:

The teachers and staff at Graymere church of Christ Tuesday-Thursday School would like to invite former staff members, former students and their parents to join us for a "Farewell Reception" on February 20th between 2:00-3:30 in the church fellowship room honoring "Miss Cathey" Green's 23 years of dedication to the Christian education of or pre-school children. Cathey and her husband, Shane, will be moving to New Hampshire at the end of the month



Happy Birthday

Feb. 19th Shelby Lentz & Charlie Willis

Feb. 20th - Robert Childress

Feb. 25th - Jimmy Dawson & Rita Gray

Feb. 26th - Bill Carroll & Kristi Mick

RESPONSES

Jo Ann Coleman responded to the Lord's invitation Sunday morning asking for the prayers of the church for encouragement, for strength, and to have more faith and trust in God. She had been hospitalized last week and had a lot of time to think and realized she relied on her self too much.

February Theme: Put to death earthly nature.

Goal/Challenge: To examine ourselves and repent of and remove all sin from our lives.



PANTRY NEEDS

Pantry Items Needed: Peanut Butter, and any type cleaning/laundry products

Congratulations to **Blake and Carrie (Armstrong) Hight** who were married February 12th.

A reception will be held this Saturday to celebrate their marriage. Their address is 209 3rd Ave.

Blake's phone number 931-334-3071

Carrie's phone number 615-788-4911.



Weddings

Brian Gregory has published a book entitled Major Lessons from the Minor Prophets. It is available to any Eastside member for \$6.00. See Brian for your copy.

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WORSHIP LEADERS February 20, 2011

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

Welcome & Song Leader.....Greg Lusk
 Prayer.....Richard Farris
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Randy Jones
 Serving:
 Johnnie Johnson Joel Skelley
 Sonny Hargrove William Warf
 Zayne Parker Bobby Hunt
 Offering
 Read (Romans 6:1-7).....Jesse Gilliam
 Sermon "Rid Yourselves Of _____".....Joe Macer
 Invitation
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....John Thomas

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson
 Prayer.....John Kodatt
 Read (I Peter 2:11-12).....J.D. Davis
 Speaker "Keeping Your Conduct Honorable".....Brian Gregory
 Invitation
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....DeWayne Hickman
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Greg Lusk

Ushers: Dave Coleman, Ray Rummage, Johnny Massey
 Greeters: Byran & Rachel Farris; Paula Gilliam
 Audio/Visual Room: Jason Snyder

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.....Cindy Hargrove
 Debbie Massey
 P.M.....Kay Johnson
 Connie White

WEDNESDAY 02/23/2011 (Prayer Service)

Song LeaderJoe Macer
 Prayer.....Gary Boyd
 Announcements/Speaker.....Brian Gregory