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## Happy Anniversary!

Here is a little history as we think about homecoming. The Mapleash church of Christ had its beginning in a little store building on Mapleash Avenue on May 10, 1953. Approximately 50 people were present and the contribution was approximately \$150. Earlier in the year, the Riverside congregation (now North View) made the decision to go to Ninth Street and vicinity with the Gospel. Brethren Wayne Ball, Clarence Holman, J.C. Cheek, Howard Maxwell and Jimmy Wilson volunteered to go to do the work.

In October, 1953, the site of the old Eastside building was purchased. The congregation name was changed to Eastside church of Christ. Dedication of the new building took place in December, 1954. Because of continued growth, additional classrooms were added in 1958, and a 500-seat auditorium was dedicated in 1968. In 2012 a new campus was built on Pulaski Hwy. and the Eastside congregation started meeting in the new building in November under the name South Gate. There have been name changes and structural changes here and there but the purpose and dedication of the people have been unwavering. This congregation has been built by the active work of many faithful Christians through these past 63 years, but our greatest goal and aim is to simply be the church that Jesus Christ our Savior came to build almost 2000 years ago. To Him be all the Glory.

John

## We Stand Alone

Matthew 25:8 The foolish ones said to the wise,  
'Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out.'

This verse comes in the midst of the parable of the ten virgins. Ten women were to attend a wedding feast. They were waiting for the bridegroom to arrive. All ten became drowsy and eventually fell asleep. About midnight the bridegroom arrived. Five of the women had not prepared fully and realized they needed more oil to keep their lamps burning. The other five women had thought ahead and had what they needed at the moment but not enough to share. When the request to share oil came, the answer was no. The five left to buy more oil. When it became time to start they were not present. Due to their lack of preparation they were not allowed into the wedding banquet when they arrived late. The major lesson of this parable is to be prepared. A second lesson is that each will give an account for only his/her life.

The day will come when we will answer for the things done while in the body - whether good or bad. Our life and ours alone is what we will give an account for before the great Judge. It does not matter how good and faithful your parents or your grandparents were. It does not matter how hard working for the church your spouse has been. You will not be able on the day of judgment to ask your husband or your wife for a few of his/her good deeds. You will not be able to say "My mother was such a godly woman." Each of us will give an account personally. There will be no borrowing or sharing of good deeds. Revelation tells us that those who die in the Lord are blessed. It adds, we will rest from our labor and our deeds will follow us. Will you have any deeds as you stand before the Lord? God's people are expected to be prepared and to have deeds.

Joe

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**OUR MEMBERS:**

- Alice Bolton - chemo
- Roberta Bolton
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Ruth Childress - NHC Hillview, Rm. 200
- Mary Chumbley
- John Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox
- Vera Daniels
- Corrine Goetz
- Eric Hill
- Margaret Johnson
- Reba Jones - recovering from surgery
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Linda Luna
- Frances Petty - NHC Columbia, Rm. 111-A, 375-4887
- Jimmy Quirk
- Virginia Ragsdale - Poplar Estates, The Gardens, Rm. 6
- Barney Roland - Tests Thursday at St. Thomas
- Melissa Stutts - chemo & radiation
- Myra Thomas - recovering f/knee replacement surgery
- Donald White - undergoing radiation
- Elaine Whitehead

Sympathy is extended to Robin Weaver in the death of her aunt Joan Hermsdorfer who passed away Sunday.

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

Cynthia Cheek Spicer, sister of Myrna Jett recovering from stroke at Vanderbilt, JoAnn Anderson - mother of Katherine Nicholson - under hospice, Ray Kuykendall, Herman Willis - brother of Charlie - home, Greg Grissom, Barbara Norton - NHC Hillview, Rm. 108, Mildred Voss, mother of Jackie Hargrove - home, James Garner-uncle of Terry Burgess, Wanda Nix, sister of Debbie Massey, Dot Martin, sister of Linda Weaver - Life Care, Rm. Rm. 210, Bob Churchwell-brother of John Churchwell, David Phillips, Laurie Ann Beever - cousin of Kim Fitzgerald and Baileys Christensen - friend of Kim, Tracy Worley, Patricia Luna - aunt of Jason Kelley, Austin Long - uncle of Phillis Churchwell, Susan, Alex and Evan Rector, Shirley Sharp - lung cancer, Doug Wilson - brother of Peggy Jones, Debbie Spears, Norma Boyette - sister of Bill Jones & Elaine Whitehead, Roiki Phillips, Juanita Boyd - stepmom of Gary, Kathy Reed - friend of Linda Mabry, Dora Bolton - mother of James, Ginger Chesnut, Elvis Frierson - friend of John Mayberry, Glenda Collins - sister of John Mayberry, Katherine Jones - mother of Alice Bolton, Mike Primm, Nick Tank - student at Baker - leukemia, Clara Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage, Clarence Weaver - Poplar Estates, Rm. 219, Stacey Brown - cystic fibrosis, Dorothy Rea - sister/Elmer Lusk, Evelyn Felker - sister/Benny Bolton, Ann Graham - Morning Pointe, Rm. 113, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Jane Davis - sister of Nell Hood, Ronnie Springer-leukemia - friend of John & Debbie Massey, David Luther, Jacqueline Potts, Mary Blocker, Mary Robb - Poplar Estates - The Gardens, Rm. 8, Sanai Pettus, 5th grade student at CA - cancer - 8041 Fenwick Lane, Spring Hill, TN 37174.

**WORSHIP LEADERS MAY 22, 2016**

**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M**

Welcome.....Jerry Wilson  
 Song Leader.....Greg Lusk  
 Prayer.....Gary Boyd  
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Charlie Willis  
     Conner Arnett                      Dave Coleman  
     Jacob Pollard                      J.W. Gilliam  
     Bobby Daniels                      Sonny Hargrove  
     Terry Burgess                      John Massey  
 Read: John 5:28-30.....Boyd Wood  
 Sermon: A Congregation Who Cares.....John Thomas  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Jerry Wilson

**SUNDAY 12:30 P.M.**

Welcome/Song Leader.....Sam Quirk  
 Prayer.....Richard Farris  
 Read: Luke 6:32-36.....Daniel Thomas  
 Sermon: Love Your Enemies.....John Thomas  
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Jerry Ballard  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Jim Pollard

**You are invited to the wedding of Mallory Elizabeth Newsom & Matthew Trent Thomason Fourth of June, 2016, 2:00 PM at West Dyersburg Church of Christ, 840 Hwy. 51 Dyersburg, TN 38024, Reception to follow.**

Ushers: Bill Fuller, Danny Lasater, Corey Massey  
 Greeters: Lori Lee, Rosemary Macer, Jason & Brecca Snyder  
 Visual: Chase Thomason

Security Team: A.M. Greg Lusk, Corey Massey P.M. Jason Kelley, Benny Bolton

**If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (446-0668) or Joe Williams (388-9183) Or go to our website and follow the "Unable to Serve" link and submit the information.**

**NURSERY CARE**

**WEDNESDAY MAY 25, 2016 - 6:30 P.M.**

A.M.....Kim Morgan, Edith Burgess  
 P.M.....Rhonda Farris, JoAnn Coleman

Song Leader .....Greg Lusk  
 Prayer.....Jerry Ballard  
 Announcements/Sppeaker.....Joe Macer