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STAFF

Pulpit Minister:
Richard O'Connor
Youth Minister:
Travis Byrd
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Karley Byrd
**Family Life &
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Dr. Eben Gilbert
Secretary:
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MISSIONS

Baja, Mexico
Romanian
Boyd Christian School
McMinn. Hs. Authority
TN Children's Home
New Pathways for
Children
Orphan's Lifeline Int'l
Dominican Republic
Honduras

MORNING WORSHIP

Song Leader: Dr. Jeff McKinley
Song #1018 Joy to the World
Welcome: Jerry Davenport
Shepherd's Reading: II Corinthians 4:16-18
Jimmy Priestley

Song Lord Reign In Me
Song Wonderful Merciful Savior
Prayer: Travis Byrd
Song#329 What a Savior

Lord's Supper Preside: David Britton
Prayer: Corey Morris, Jeff Golden
Serve: Joe Martin, Paul Moore
Serve: Mark Seymour, Sloan Seymour

Lord's Table Nursery: Bunker Brock
Alternates: John Rasori, Randy Rice,
David Simpson
Song #1001 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Offering & Children's Food Offering
Children Dismissed for Wonder's Worship
Song #1012 Go, Tell It On the Mountain
Sermon: Richard O'Connor
Invitation: Elders/Minister

Song #989 Soon and Very Soon
Youth Announcements

Announcements & Prayer: Tim Deason
Song #1018 Joy to the World
Nursery Attendants: Paula Smith and
Caroline Crabtree
Nursery Coordinator: Shea Thompson
Serve Coffee: Cal & Connie York

PM SERVICE:

Welcome & Opening Prayer: Tim Deason

Worship in Songs
Song Leader: Dr. Jeff McKinley
Closing Prayer: Aaron Jones

Lord's Supper Room 207: David Hall and
Windell Little

Nursery Attendant: Kim Hollandsworth

WELCOME

Visitors, please sign a visitor's card and send it to the center aisle. One of our young men will pick it up.

A nursery is available for young children. Ushers in the back will gladly assist you.



SUNDAY MORNING

Nursery thru the 6th grade classes are on the 2nd floor.

Grades 7-12
Location: Teen Room

Adult
Location: Auditorium
Teacher: Morris Womack
Topic: 1st Peter

Adult
Location: Room 108
Teacher: Eben Gilbert

Young At Heart
Location: Room 104
Teacher: Richard O'Connor
Topic: Book of John

SUNDAY EVENING

Ages 2 & 3 yrs.
Location: Room 201
Adult - Life Groups

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Primary classes are the same as Sunday mornings.

Adult
Location: Auditorium
Singing

Location: Room 207

Young At Heart
Location: Room 104

Ladies Classes
Location: Room 112
Location: Library

The Good News of Christmas

Without Christ's birth into humanity there is no gospel - no good news. The reason the incarnation of Jesus is good news for us today, is because this Man is on our side. Paul wrote to Timothy in 1 Timothy 2:5, "***There is one God and one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus.***"

Jesus is a mediator for us, and that kind of means what we think of when we think of an attorney representing a client. An attorney, in a court of law, if he is a good one, is interested in the well-being of his client. Christ is interested in us.

All reconciliation demands a mediator, or a go-between -one who has the ability to identify with and to bring together both the offended and the offender. **In His Godhood**, Jesus is qualified as a mediator from the divine side of things. As God, He is associated with God Himself, the One offended by our sins. Thus, He is called, "***The mediator of a better covenant***" (Hebrews 8:6). And **In His Manhood**, Jesus is qualified as a mediator from the human side of things. As man, He is attached to the offenders, the offspring of Adam, who have sinned against God. In this light, as the God-Man, Christ is the only One Who can join the great expanse between God's holiness and our unholiness. You see why this is Good News!!

So let's be sure that we use this time of year wisely, and preach the Good News of Christmas to our friends and family.

God is Good all the Time!

Richard

WYG Announcements

December 17th WYG Christmas Party @ the Seymour's TODAY!
 January 7th: WYG Parent Meeting/Winterfest Chaperone Meeting
 January 7th: Winterfest Forms and Money Due!
 January 7th: High School Devo @ The Byrd's 6pm
 January 12th: Prayer Breakfast @ The Store 7am
 January 17th: Teen Life Groups will start back 7pm
 January 19th: Prayer Breakfast @The Store
 January 21st: Middle School Devo @ The Byrd's 6pm
 January 26th: Prayer Breakfast @The Store 7am
 February 16th-18th: Winterfest

WYG!

Get excited for our Christmas Party! It is today!

1. Find an Ugly Sweater and Wear it! The ugliest sweater will be voted on and the winner gets a prize!
2. Bring a Gift! You don't even have to spend money on this gift if you don't want to. Look around your house for items that you would like to give as a present. If you do spend money do not spend more than \$5.
3. Bring a delicious holiday treat to share! If you can't make one then bring some drinks!

We hope that you plan on joining the Christmas fun. This party is today at 6pm. Our location will be 170 Saint Andrews Court McMinnville TN 37110. We hope to see everyone there!

In Christ,

Travis Byrd

Our cultural world has become increasingly sceptical in the last few decades. Scepticism is a self-refuting view of reality. Those who try so hard to avoid truth find it anyway. They would have to ask themselves: "Did I avoid it truthfully?" If they did, they have a measure of truth in their method. How strange that even avoiding truth is a way of finding it.

In fact, it's impossible to be a complete sceptic. A total sceptic must say: "There is no truth at all," which is impossible to affirm because the proposition itself claims to be true. He would be saying: "It is true that there is no truth." The assertion contradicts itself. A sceptic can't even affirm his skepticism without undercutting himself.

Imagine what you would think if a horse came up to you and said: "Horses don't talk." Remember Mr. Ed of TV fame? Similarly, the total sceptic's scepticism must be false in order for him to assert any true proposition.

How revealing it was when Jesus told us in John 8:32, "You will know the truth and the truth will set you free."

Reminder: Wonders will be on holiday break December 17, 24 and 31.

Save the date: January 14th- 5th and 6th grade hang out. More details to come.

Verse for the week:

Deuteronomy 6:5-7

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."

"*Impress them on your children.*" There are so many other factors and words being "impressed on our children." From cereal boxes to TV shows, commercials, songs, books, friends, teachers, tablet games and more they are hearing so many different viewpoints on life. In his book "Raising Wise Children," Mark Matlock asks, "Whose perspective on life will most powerfully shape their version of reality?"

Matlock also shares that Christian parents are capable of power because they have the "Source" of all wisdom that comes from the Spirit. God's wisdom is more powerful than what the world will tell them. They need to hear it. They long to hear it whether they realize it or not- we all do.

Let's talk to our kids about what they hear. Ask them how it relates to what we learn in Bible class and if it lines up or is contradictory. We all need help navigating through different voices and opinions. Thankfully we have the power of the Spirit to help us!

Matlock, Matt. "Raising Wise Children: Handing Down the Story of Wisdom," Zondervan: Youth Specialties, 2012.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mon.: Thomas Cantrell

Syd Prater

Tues.: Anne Madewell

Wed.: Kathryn McKinley

Thurs.: Caitlyne Hutton

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Tommy & Kay Foster, 47yrs.—12/17

Bill & Myrtice DeMonbreun, 62 yrs.—12/19

Kirk & Tonya Mullican, 26 yrs.—12/21

Randy & Glenda Rice, 34 yrs.—12/23

CONGRATULATIONS to the following December graduates, we're proud of you!

Lacey Griffith, B.S. in Nursing from MTSU

Chelsey Simerly, B.S. in Nursing from MTSU

Hannah Mason, Surgical Technology from TCAT

BLESSED! There is a thank you/Christmas card from The Cantrells, TJ, Alex & Leo on the bulletin board outside the church office. They want everyone to know what an incredible year it's been & thank you for being a part of it!

THANK YOU! Dear Westwood family, Thank you so much for your continued support for the children of public housing. From the Vacation Bible Schools, school supplies, summer field trips, big screen movie picnics and Christmas Angel sponsorships. Your church family is such a wonderful blessing to us. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas. "Mrs. Lady"



Richard & Kim O'Connor invite everyone to their Christmas Open House today from 2-4pm.



Next Sunday, Dec. 24th, we will have our worship service at 9:30am and no Bible classes or PM service. All children will remain in the auditorium during our morning worship service.



REMINDER: Our Clothing Room will be open on Tuesday, Dec. 19th, from 8-10am.



Due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays, the church office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 25th and 26th, and also Monday and Tuesday, January 1st and 2nd.

UPDATE your information! There are information sheets on the table in the vestibule for updating our records for anyone attending Westwood. If your information has changed or you have not filled one out, please pick one up for each family member.

SUBSTITUTES NEEDED! Westwood Day School is in need of subs whenever our teachers are sick or have to be out. Anyone who would like to be a substitute in our 3 yr. old, 4 yr. old or Kindergarten classes, please contact the church office.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

CONDOLENCES: Our deepest sympathy to the family of Faye Hickey. Her service was held last Sunday. Mrs. Faye was a beloved member of Westwood and taught Sunday School and Kindergarten for our Day School for 42 years. She will be greatly missed.

REMEMBER: Shelley Adams, James Baker (father of Glenda Rice), Craig Bankston (friend of John Tubb), Kendrick Bean (son of Kim Tubb), Pete Blankenship (recovering from rotator cuff surgery), Douglas Bond, Jr. (nephew of Janie Phifer), Hubert Boyd (home), Cliff Brown (home), Phillip Buckner, Alisha Byford (gall bladder surgery 12/20), Faye Byford (mother-in-law of Alisha), Ken Campbell (brother of Jean Martin), Jean Cantrell (mother of Thomas), Larkin Cantrell, Jacob Cantrell, Paul Cantrell, Linda Daniel, Bill DeMonbreun, Andy Dunn, Don Dunn (father of Darryl), Jim Eisler, Betty Ferguson, Barbara Fraley (mother of Dawn Griffith), Carolina George (friend of Sheri Garrett), JC Gillentine, Robert Green, Jerry Gribble, Linda Thomison Hale (aunt of Judy Kelsey), June Haley, Eloise Hillis (mother of Teresa Cope), Lesa Hillis, Bailey Hyder (grandson of Terry & Patty Boyd), Alan Jakes, Tim Jennings, Chizo Jones, Sandra Jones, Don Kelsey, Annette Wilson Kilgore, Tara Lee, Elisa Cooper Luna, LeeAnn Miller, Avery Nixon, Ben Nixon, Brian Olive (cousin of Pansy Gant), Billy Patrick (friend of Carla Craven), Debbie Pearsall, Maxine Pittman, Geneva & Wayne Prater, Notie Ramsey, Mary Reynolds-Guatemala, Cindy Rhea, Jason Simmons, Ralph Smith (cousin of Becky Surles, Martin, TN), Renee Smith (sister of Thomas Cantrell), Shawn Stewart (son of Bill & Janie, would love cards: 1200 Ancient Crest Circle #12107, Franklin, TN 37067), Angie Surles, Emma Walker, Annis Womack (mother of Lynette McKinley), Sandra Yates, and Matt Young (son of Judy Payne)

TREATMENTS: Briggs Davis, Jackson Dunlap, Staphna Gay, Meghan Higgins, Elmer Honeycutt, Sid Hudson, Vicki Jordan (friend of Cindy Phifer), Kyle Phillips (friend of Cindy Phifer), Bobbie Powell (mother of Janet Cantrell), Teddy Prater, Mary Ralph, Dale Randolph, Ken Smith, Eileen Southard (sister of Kathy Thomsen) and Rad Spivey

Continue to remember shut-ins, military personnel & their families and the leaders of our nation.

NHC: Jerry Haston, 412; Irene Stembridge #106; Jo Stewart, 100; Betty Redmon (mother of Day School teacher, Tina Hobbs) #109A; Carl Thomison (cousin of Judy Kelsey) #405A

Fannie B's: Ruth Taylor (Emma Hoover's sister)

Raintree: Hannah Davis, 301; Joyce Griffith, 502; Carolyn McBride, 115

Riverview Terrace: Frances Garrison,C3; Nora Belle Chambers,D5

Webb House: Mertie Clemons, 303; Leon Gillentine, 406; Martha Hughes, 309; Howard & Louise Locke, 201; Judy Moore, 108; and Clareta Wilcher, 104

NHC Murfreesboro: Muzzle Green

MISSION FIELD: Kara Deason-Dominican Republic



for the upcoming Men's Leadership Training set for Saturday, January 13, 2018 from 8am -4pm. Lunch will be provided.

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Youth Website: www.westwoodyouthgroup.com

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:30
Sunday Morning Bible School: 10:30
Sunday Evening: Life Groups
Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00

SUNDAY'S RADIO BROADCAST

WCPI FM 91.3 at 11:00 AM and 11:00 PM
WBMC AM 960 at 11:00 AM

Wi-Fi

Network: Westwood Public
Password: Love1another
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WESTWOOD DAY SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

3 yr., 4 yr. olds and Kindergarten
Monday—Friday
(during school months)

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

MONTH OF DECEMBER:

Prepare Lord's Supper: David Aycock
Prepare Coffee: Cal & Connie York
PowerPoint: Leon Yoder
Outside Sign: Andrew Williams

Greeters & Positions 9:00 a.m.

Front Doors: Jason Cripps
Auditorium Doors, Left: Jim Durham
Auditorium Doors, Right: Dale Jaco
Vestibule Top: Carson Malone

Ushers: Jerry Blankenship, Josh Chandler, Don Alexander,
Bunker Brock, Alex Stinson, Jax King

Pick Up Visitor's Cards: Hank Crabtree, Walker Beaty,
Jaxton Smith

WEDNESDAY, December 20, 2017

Announcements: Rudie Thomsen
Devotional: David Hall
Prayer: Larry Boyd
Song Leader: Jerry Davenport
Nursery Attendant: Nancy Golden

SUNDAY, December 24, 2017

-MORNING WORSHIP-

Welcome: Jerry Davenport
Shepherd's Reading: Jimmy Priestley
Song Leader: Dr. Jeff McKinley
Opening Prayer: Byron Chambers
Sermon: Richard O'Connor
Closing Prayer: Tim Deason
Lord's Table Preside: David Britton
Prayer: Danny Jones, Bob Deason
Serve: David Aycock, Pat Carr
Serve: Andrew Williams, Charles Hale
Lord's Table Nursery: Andy Dunn
Alternates: Todd Willmore, Tim Woodlee, Chris Sullens
Nursery Attendants: Paula Smith, Alisha Byford
Nursery Coordinator: Shea Thompson
Serve Coffee: Cal & Connie York

Family Life and Counseling Ministry Counselor, Dr. Eben Gilbert 931-507-3236

Counseling Services:

- Individual Counseling
- Counseling for children, teens and adults
- Pre-marital Counseling
- Marriage Counseling
- Family Counseling
- Grief Counseling
- Anger Management
- Personality Testing
- Dependencies Counseling
- Divorce Recovery
- Seminars

All services are completely confidential

For the Record

Sunday, December 10, 2017

AM: 574 Bible Study: 377
PM: 130 Offering: \$8,635.00
Weekly Budget: \$8,600.00

MISSION KITCHEN!

Wednesday night, Dec. 20th
Time: Beginning at 5:45pm
Cost: Donations

Menu: chicken casserole, corn, salad, drink and dessert



These funds will be used to share the Good News of Christ. This will be the last Mission Kitchen until Jan. 10th.

SPECIAL NOTE:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, WE WILL HAVE OUR WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:30am. WE WILL NOT HAVE BIBLE CLASSES OR AN EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE.

IF UNABLE TO SERVE CONTACT:

John Hanson at 686-4072