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- Jerry Blankenship
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- Nathan George
- Clint Gribble
- John Hanson
- Bob Heffington
- Craig Jaco
- Dale Jaco
- Kirk Mullican
- John Rasori
- Michael Simpson
- Joseph Stotts
- Rudie Thomsen
- Curtis Triplett
- Jeff Vance
- Leon Yoder

STAFF

- Pulpit Minister:**
Richard O'Connor
- Youth Minister:**
Travis Byrd
- Children's Minister**
Karley Byrd
- Family Life &
Counseling Minister:**
Dr. Eben Gilbert
- Secretary:**
Pat McClarren
- Assistant:**
Glenda Kell

MORNING WORSHIP

- Welcome/Song Leader:** Brian Carr
- Song #718 We Shall Assemble
- Shepherd's Reading:** John 14:1-6
- Song: We Fall Down
- Song: Holy, Holy, Holy
- Prayer:** Chuck Mullican
- Song: Wonderful, Merciful Savior
- Lord's Supper Preside:** Rudie Thomsen
- Prayer:** Jim Eisler, Danny Jones
- Serve:** Josh Baker, Christ Sullens
- Serve:** David Simpson, Randy Rice
- Lord's Table Nursery:** Andy Dunn
- Alternates:** Jamie Stinson, Craig Jaco, Nathan George
- Song: Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
- Offering & Children's Food Offering**
- Children Dismissed for Wonders Worship**
- Wonders' Teacher:** MaKayla Savage
- Song #221/264 Jesus, Name Above All Names/
O Come, Let Us Adore Him
- Sermon:** Richard O'Connor
- Invitation:** Elders/Minister
- Song: Mighty to Save
- Youth Announcements:** Travis Byrd
- Closing:** Tommy Foster
- Song #1005 Beautiful Star of Bethlehem
- Nursery Attendants:** Christy Green, Stacey Simpson
- Nursery Coordinator:** Shea Thompson
- Serve Coffee:** Neal & Norma Cox
- Raintree:** Larry Williams, John Carter

SUNDAY EVENING
5:00 PM

- Song Leader:** Brian Carr
- Opening Prayer:** Tommy Foster
- Sermon:** Richard O'Connor
- Closing Prayer:** Alan Jakes
- Lord's Supper—Room 207:** Larry Boyd, John Rasori
- Nursery Attendant:** Beth Blankenship

WELCOME

Visitors, please sign a visitor's card and drop in the collection plate as it is passed.

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

- NURSERY REMINDERS:**
- Our nursery is for children 2 years and under.
 - Parents, when you drop off your child in the nursery, please sign them in and leave your cell number so that you can be reached by text if needed.



SUNDAY MORNING

Nursery thru the 5th grade classes are on the 2nd floor.

Grades 6-12
Location: Teen Room

Adult
Location: Room 207
Teacher: Jimmy Priestley
Topic: Bible History

Adult
Location: Room 110
Teacher: Eben Gilbert
Topic: Book of Romans

Youth At Heart
Location: Auditorium
Teacher: Richard O'Connor
Topic: Book of John

SUNDAY EVENING

5:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Primary classes are the same as Sunday mornings.

Adult
Location: Auditorium

Singing
Location: Room 207

Ladies Classes
Location: Room 112
Location: Chapel

Richard's Reflections

Christ in My Christmas, #1

You can choose to celebrate Christmas or not, it's your choice. In fact, you can, like others, celebrate Christmas without Christ. With that thought in mind, I have chosen to celebrate Christmas with Christ in it. I am not saying my way makes me holier than your way - just my prerogative.

To those well-meaning folks who say Christ has never been in Christmas I would say He has always been in my Christmas. I can remember as a child my dad singing in the church choir and us all attending Christmas Eve services. From a very early age my brothers and I were taught that Christmas wasn't simply about opening presents and eating, it was about God's great gift to us all. So Christ is in my Christmas and over the next few weeks I want to share a few reasons why:

Christ is in my Christmas because *Christmas is about Family* - When God, at "just the right time" (Gal. 4:4) decided to send Jesus into this world, He sent him into a family. Mary and Joseph, with a deep faith and sense of awe, reared Jesus in a godly home. John 1:3 tells us that nothing that was made was made without Jesus. That being said, it was Jesus who created the home and blessed us all with the opportunity to be part of a family. And although I enjoy family every day - it is around Christmas that we are able to take time to enjoy each other more. With grown children, in different locales able to come home, we cherish the old memories while we make new ones. Thank you Jesus for family!

More next week...

**God is Good
Richard**

Byrd's Eye View



WYG Christmas party will be held at the home of Mark and Darla Seymour. Each student is encouraged to bring a gift. You can buy it, you can re-gift it or just pick something up around your house you don't want. We will have food, games and a lot of fun! Don't miss out!
Parents are invited as well!



The Youth Group is going Christmas Caroling! Friday, December 21st, meet at Westwood at 5pm. We will then head to houses in the community to sing songs and spread Christmas cheer. We will end the night at Pat and Julie Carr's house for hot chocolate and treats! We will have a brief meeting on Sunday December 16th for those interested.



If You are a student and have not turned in your Winterfest form grab one from the teen room today! Cost is \$100. Forms and Money are due by December 16th.

Eben's Essentials

Human life, even at best, is full of trials and tribulations. I think it likely that God is too quickly blamed for the difficulties and bad things that happen on earth. James addresses this issue in James 4:1-8. He makes it clear that war, crime and the like always have a human origin. The diabolical fire that ignites these sorts of things is human desire. James warns us to be careful of this!

He declares that the evil desires at war within us cause the quarrels and fights among us. We want what we don't have, so we scheme and even sin to get it. We are jealous of what others have, but can't get it ourselves, so we fight (in some sense) and wage a campaign to take it away from them. James says we don't have what we want because we don't ask for it. And even when we ask, we don't get it because our attitudes and motives are all wrong - our desires are based only on self-gratification.

Making friends with the world (i.e., the world's values) makes us an enemy of God. But if we resist the devil, he will flee from us. If we come close to God, He will come close to us, and give us the grace to stand against evil desires. The bottom line is: God opposes the proud, but favors the humble.

Karley's Kids

This Week's Gospel Project lesson is: Unit 4, Session 2: Joseph Explained Dreams

Breakfast with Santa: Thanks to everyone who helped make this a success! And a special thank you to Aubrey and June Haley for the Barbie and Hot Wheels donation.

Wonders: Our Wonders Class will be on Holiday Break December 30. We will return January 6.

Event: Friday, December 21st the Youth Group (6th-12th grade) will go Christmas Caroling. They are inviting our children's ministry to attend, but each family must provide transportation for their kids. This could mean you drive your own car or your child can ride with a family friend, but it must be arranged before you get there Friday. We only have space in the van for the teens. We will meet at the church building at 5 pm.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mon.: Karley Byrd
 Tues.: Diane Odom
 Kathryn Phifer
 Wed.: Dwayne Jaco
 Jennie McDowell
 Lucas Prater

Thurs.: Bettye Haston
 Lexi Sullens
 Fri.: Duane Brooks
 Sat.: Logan Casey
 Janie Stewart

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Larry & Janice Boyd, 29 yrs.—12/10

MISSION KITCHEN December 12th

Time: Beginning at 5:45pm

Cost: Donations

Menu: Potato Bar, salad, drinks and desserts

These funds will help our members make trips around the world to share the Good News of Christ



Special Thanks! Such a special time of year with all the beautiful decorations. Thank you to the Eisler's for making our building so festive on the outside.

THANK YOU! Westwood Church of Christ to all you good Christian people. Our dinner was really, really good. My grandchildren really enjoyed it and I also did so much. In Christian Love, Dorothy Brown

REMINDER! Our Elders and Ministers will have a meeting this Wednesday, Dec. 12th, following Bible Study.



Ornament & Cookie Swap—Today

All ladies are invited to an Ornament & Cookie Swap which will be held in the fellowship hall at 3:00 p.m. Please bring a Christmas ornament valued between \$5-\$10. Have the ornament wrapped or in a gift bag. Also, please bring 2 dozen of your favorite cookies.

They can be homemade or store/bakery bought. This will be a great time of fun and fellowship.



Westwood "Bells & Beaus" are invited to a Christmas Outing next Sunday, Dec. 16th, 11:30am. Our outing will start with lunch immediately after services in the Westwood gym. We will then travel to the Cannon County Center for the Performance Arts where we will watch a performance of the Ultimate Oldies Christmas Classic. Sponsored by the "Belles & Beaus" Committee.



Christmas Open House - next Sunday, December 16th Richard and Kim are hosting their annual Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 16 from 2-4 p.m. Please drop by at your convenience to enjoy some treats and some time together. Everyone is invited to attend! 505 Morrison St.



All **Angel Tree gifts** need to be brought to the church no later than Wednesday, Dec. 19th, as we will be delivering them that evening. We have blue totes in the hallway to the right of the auditorium for the gifts.



Mark your calendars: Sunday, January 6, 2019, is Friends & Family Day at Westwood. Invite your friends and family to join us for worship, Bible study and potluck lunch!



It's that time of year again to help support Tennessee Children's Home. The coin boxes are here and you may pick them up in the front foyer.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

REMEMBER: Jim Barks (father of Christy Green), Cliff Brown, Phillip Buckner, Larkin Cantrell (father of Thomas), Leonard "Shorty" Cantrell, Paul Cantrell, Andy Dunn, Don Dunn (father of Daryl), Wanda Dunn (mother of Daryl) - nursing home in Ohio, "Tiny" Durham (mother of Jim Durham & Twana Smith), Jim Eisler, Betty Ferguson, Alvina Ferrell (mother of Felena Rains), Barbara Fraley (mother of Dawn Griffith), Carolina George (friend of Sheri Garrett), Don Golden (brother of Janell Hawkins and Jeff Golden)-home, Vada Graham, Robert Green, Joyce Griffith (mother of Brent), Jeanine Hagar (former teacher at Boyd), Linda Hale, June Haley (now back at Morningside with Aubrey), Danny Hanson (father of John), Eloise Hillis (mother of Teresa Cope), Geneva Hobbs (mother of Waymon Hobbs & Theresa Durham), Emma Hoover, Johnnie Jaco, Alan Jakes, Chizo & Lena Jones, Sally Jones, Sandra Jones, Elisa Cooper Luna, Mitchell Madewell (Navy), Shirley Martin (sister of Bob Deason), Wally McClarren (recovering from shoulder surgery), William McCormack (father of Doug), Gordon Methvin (uncle of Kim O'Connor,—Clearwater, FL), Lilly Montgomery (10 yr. old friend of Ava Gregersen—recovering from heart procedure), Avery Nixon, Brian Olive (cousin of Pansy Gant), Marie Padgett, (sister of Janie Phifer), Scott Parkhurst (father of Wesley), Debbie Pearsall, Kyle Phillips (friend of Cindy Phifer), Tamara Newby Pryor, Chad Rowland, Isobel Smith (aunt of Dianne Gillespie and Ava Gregersen), Renee Smith (sister of Thomas Cantrell), Shawn Stewart (son of Bill & Janie), Laurel Todd (daughter of Dathan & Paige), Helen West (sister-in-law of Grace Reynolds), Amber Williams (sister-in-law of Andrew), Connie York (recovering from toe surgery), and Matt Young (father of Dyllon Young and son of Judy Payne)

TREATMENTS: Neal Cox, Briggs Davis, Thatcher Dunn (relative of Neil Helton), Staphna Gay, Meghan Higgins, Lesa Hillis, Darrell Hitchcock (brother-in-law of Debbie Haley, address is 1221 Viola Rd. , McMinnville), Elmer Honeycutt, Christine Khym (sister of Daryl Dunn), John Pettit (brother of Beth Gribble), Wayne Prater, Katelyn Smith (friend of Jackson Noblin), Ken Smith, Rad Spivey and Perry Stephens (brother-in-law of Linda Hale)

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

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

Raintree: Hannah Davis, #301; Carolyn McBride, #115; Audrene Sissom #310b; Irene Stembridge #106

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

Webb House: Mertie Clemons, #303; Martha Hughes, #309; Louise Locke, #310; Judy Moore, #108; Alene Southard, #601; Clareta Wilcher, #104

Sparta Life Care Center: Catherine Barnes (mother of Gayle Yates) - Room #320, 508 Mose Dr., Sparta, TN 38583—visitors and cards welcome

NHC Murfreesboro: Muzzle Green

NHC Cookeville: Lorea Brown (sister of Joyce Maybery, aunt of Patsy and Rick Davidson)



It is a tradition at Westwood to decorate our auditorium during the month of December with poinsettias. You may begin bringing them any time. Make sure to attach a card stating who the flower is in memory or honor of.

—Be a Daily Bible Reader—

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:30
Sunday Morning Bible School: 10:30
Sunday Evening: Life Groups
Monday Morning Prayer: 7:00
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, FM 97.7 at 11:00 AM

Wi-Fi

Network: Westwood Public
Password: Love1another

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: Kate Warrington
PowerPoint: Leon Yoder

Greeters & Positions 9:00 a.m.

Front Doors: Jason & Renee Cripps
Auditorium Doors, Left: Jim & Theresa Durham
Auditorium Doors, Right: Robert & Teresa Cope
Vestibule, Top: Joe & Dot Pearson

Ushers: Todd Willmore, Kelly Hillis, Pete Blankenship,
Jax King, Sawyer Seymour, Alex Stinson

Pick Up Visitor's Cards: Thomas Burks, Walker Beaty,
Parker Smith

Communion Room 207: Larry Boyd, John Rasori

WEDNESDAY, December 12, 2018

Announcements: Dale Jaco
Devotional: Neal Cox
Prayer: Terry Boyd
Song Leader: Jerry Davenport
Nursery Attendant: Lauren Hale

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 02, 2018

AM: 426 BS: 237

PM: 219 Offering: \$11,614.00

Weekly Budget: \$9,377.00

SUNDAY, December 16, 2018

Welcome/Song Leader: Dr. Jeff McKinley
Shepherd's Reading: to be announced
Opening Prayer: David Womack
Sermon: Richard O'Connor
Closing Prayer: Tommy Foster
Lord's Table Preside: Rudie Thomsen
Prayer: Terry Boyd, Jeff Golden
Serve: Carl Surlis, Joe Pearson
Serve: Charles Hale, Brad Hillis
Lord's Table Nursery: Brooks Helton
Alternates: Devin Mason, Clint Gribble, Neal Cox
Nursery Attendants: Jennifer Brooks, Claire Brooks
Nursery Coordinator: Shea Thompson
Serve Coffee: James & Fran Ware
Wonders' Teacher: Nathan & Brittany George

-EVENING WORSHIP-

5:00 PM

Faith-Fun-Food-Fellowship

Devo, games and finger foods in the Fellowship Hall

MISSIONS

Baja, Mexico
Honduras

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

IF UNABLE TO SERVE CONTACT:

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