



**ELDERS**

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**DEACONS**

- Jerry Blankenship
- David Britton
- Patrick Carr
- Josh Chandler
- Terry Connor
- Neal Cox
- Tommy Foster
- 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: Braden Miller**
- Song #997 O Come, All Ye Faithful
- Shepherd's Reading: Dr. Jeff McKinley Luke 2: 8-14**
- Song #999 The First Noel
- Song #1003 Silent Night, Holy Night
- Prayer: Bob Deason**
- Song #1017 Away in a Manger
- Lord's Supper Preside: Rudie Thomsen**
- Prayer: Brent Keeton, Neil Helton**
- Serve: John Tubb, Mark Seymour**
- Serve: Joe Martin, Eric Golden**
- Lord's Table Nursery: Alex Hollandsworth**
- Alternates: Ken Beck, Dale Bell**
- Song #998 What Child Is This?
- Offering & Children's Food Offering**
- Children Dismissed for Wonders Worship**
- Wonders' Teacher: Mendy Stotts, Ross & Lacy Garrison**
- Song #1002 Angels We Have Heard on High
- Song # 264 O Come, Let Us Adore Him
- Sermon: Richard O'Connor**
- Invitation: Elders/Minister**
- Song #1001 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
- Youth Announcements: Travis Byrd**
- Closing: Tommy Foster**
- Song #1018 Joy to the World
- Nursery Attendants: Paula Smith, Alisha Byford**
- Nursery Coordinator: Shea Thompson**
- Serve Coffee: Kelly & Gaye Hillis**

**SPECIAL NOTE:**

**There will be no evening worship service tonight.**

*Wishing you a very*  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS**



**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

**Young 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, #3**

You can choose to celebrate Christmas or not, it's your choice. In fact, you can, like others, celebrate Christmas without Christ. I have chosen to celebrate Christmas with Christ in it. We've noticed a few reasons already: First, **Christ is in my Christmas Because Christmas is About Family.** Secondly, **Christ is in my Christmas Because Christmas is about Joy.** And finally today: **Christ is in my Christmas Because Christmas is About Giving.** For me personally, Christmas is not about having all the shopping done, or receiving just what I might have wanted. Christmas is about reflecting on a God who loved me so much He sent the greatest gift heaven had to offer. **"For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord"** (Luke 2:11). God is a giver and we are never more like Him than when we are giving.

When you are a typical child, Christmas is about "getting". When you mature, hopefully Christmas and life begin to be about giving! Thank you for helping so many this year with your giving. There are children in Honduras and children in our own hometown who are feeling loved today because this church loves God and loves others!

**God is Good!**

**Richard**

**Have a Merry Christmas!!**

## Byrd's Eye View



Merry Christmas! We hope you all have a safe and blessed Christmas this year. We will be meeting in the teen room this Wednesday December 26th at 7pm. We would love for you to come and spend some time worshipping together as we celebrate our Lord and Savior. Hope you can make it!

## Eben's Essentials

Christian experience is not induced by belief in unrealities. It is not like the fraternity boy I read about who died of fright when he was tied to a railroad track one night during hazing. The story goes that he was told that a train would be coming in five minutes. He was not told that the train would pass on a parallel track. He thought there was only one track. When the train went by, he suffered heart failure. Jesus Christ is alive and He is near. He's really there, not like a coach in the bleachers or a distant relative we've never met.

It is a recorded fact that Jesus lived on earth and a historical fact that He rose from the dead. We were created to be directed and supported by Him, "to walk with Him," as the Bible expresses it. Our personal subjective faith experience is based on these objective facts.

Jesus Christ gives us purpose and direction in life. "I am the light of the world," He said. "Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12).

## Karley's Kids



**This Week's Gospel Project lesson is:** Unit 4, Session: Christmas-Jesus was Born

**Wonders:** Our Wonders Class will be on Holiday Break next Sunday, December 30. We will resume January 6.

**Attention 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade!** We will have a TOPZ frozen yogurt night Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. Meet at the church at 5:45 to ride the van or meet us there at 6pm.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tues.: Terry Smith                      Fri.: Owen Clark  
Wed.: Mary Ann Blankenship        Bethany Guthrie  
Thurs.: Tyler Cantrell                Deana Jones  
Mark Chambers                      John Rasori

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Randy & Glenda Rice, 35 yrs.—12/23

**THANK YOU!** Words cannot express how thankful we are for the cards, food, prayers and expressions of sympathy during our time of sorrow. We are truly grateful for the friendship and support of Westwood Church.  
Mike & Marsha Jacobs, April & Marty Nygard

**THANK YOU!** Thanks to our Belles and Beaus Committee for all the many kindnesses shown us this year and all the years past. Many of the Committee have come and gone and we want to thank each and every one. The lunch on Sunday was delicious, gifts appreciated and entertainment simply great. We appreciated each one able to attend our Christmas Brunch where we expressed our gratitude to you. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! In Christian Love, the Belles and Beaus



Due to the Christmas holiday, the church office will be closed tomorrow and Tuesday, Dec. 24th and 25th. We hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas!

**ATTENTION PLEASE:** There will be NO Mission Kitchen on December 26th or January 2nd. Meals will resume on Wednesday, January 9th.



We will start back with **Life Groups** on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2019. Sign-ups will take place next Sunday, Dec. 30th. During Bible class time, all adult classes will meet in the Fellowship Hall where you can sign-up. If you would like to be a leader in 2019, please contact Josh Chandler or Pat Carr.

**ATTENTION!** The new Nursery Schedule is available and may be picked up in the vestibule.



**NEW YEAR'S EVE!** Westwood's annual New Year's Eve Party will be held Monday, Dec. 31st, beginning at 7pm. Please bring finger foods, desserts, 2-liter drinks, card tables and your favorite table games. Everyone is invited! What a wonderful way to start the new year by being with your Church family!



Beginning Wednesday, January 2nd, and continuing each Wednesday thereafter, instead of going to the auditorium at 7pm, we will go directly to our Bible Classes and dismiss at 7:45pm. Every Wednesday night, we have our Mission Kitchen at 5:45 where we can fellowship together prior to our classes.



Tonight—No PM Service  
December 30th—No PM Service  
January 6th—"Friends & Family Day" (No PM Service)



**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.

**-Welcome, we're glad you're here!-**

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Thomas Cantrell and family upon the death of his aunt, Billie Frances Coppinger. Her service was held last Wednesday at High's.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Donna Carr and family upon the death of her cousin, Danny Paul Stewart. His service was held in Chattanooga last Wednesday, with burial in Smithville last Thursday.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Carla Craven and family upon the death of her brother, Larry McGee. His service was held last Thursday in Chattanooga.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mark & Debbie Haley and family upon the death of their brother-in-law, Darrell Hitchcock. His service was held last Thursday at High's.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mark Seymour and family upon the death of his grandmother, Fannie Mae Seymour. Visitation will be held on Saturday, Dec. 29th, from 11am until time of service at 1pm at Chattanooga Funeral Home with burial to follow in Hamilton Memorial Gardens.

**REMEMBER:** Jim Barks (father of Christy Green), Paula Barnes, Cliff Brown, Phillip Buckner, Larkin Cantrell (father of Thomas), Leonard "Shorty" Cantrell, Paul Cantrell, Bob Davenport, 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), Pat Grimes (friend of Ava Gregersen), Jeanine Hagar (former teacher at Boyd), Linda Hale, June Haley, 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, Abby & John Kuhns, along with unborn son, Henry (family of Sue Allison). Henry has two holes in his heart and family requests prayers, 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), 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, 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, Christine Khym (sister of Daryl Dunn), John Pettit (brother of Beth Gribble), Wayne Prater, Tamara Newby Pryor, 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 Stembidge #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, cards welcome

**NHC Murfreesboro:** Muzzle Green

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



## CONTACT INFORMATION

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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

Communion Room 207: Larry Boyd, John Rasori

### WEDNESDAY, December 26, 2018

Announcements: Jerry Davenport  
Devotional: Pat Carr  
Prayer: Byron Chambers  
Song Leader: Jimmy Priestley  
Nursery Attendant: Nancy Golden

### SUNDAY, December 30, 2018

Welcome/Song Leader: Dr. Jeff McKinley  
Shepherd's Reading: Jimmy Priestley  
Opening Prayer: Josh Chandler  
Sermon: Richard O'Connor  
Closing Prayer: Tommy Foster  
Lord's Table Preside: Rudie Thomsen  
Prayer: Travis Byrd, David Hall  
Serve: Kenneth Mason, Mike Jones  
Serve: John Cunningham, Paul Moore  
Lord's Table Nursery: Nate Newby  
Alternates: Larry Prater, Jerry Blankenship, Sam Martin  
Nursery Attendants: Kim Hollandsworth, Shelby Moore  
Nursery Coordinator: Shea Thompson  
Serve Coffee: Mike & Deana Jones  
Wonders is on holiday break—no class today  
Raintree: Curtis Triplett, Neal Cox

### SPECIAL NOTE:

There will be no evening worship service tonight.

### IF UNABLE TO SERVE CONTACT:

John Hanson at 931-743-4265

### 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 16, 2018

AM: 409 BS: 262

PM: 100 Offering: \$8,336.00

Weekly Budget: \$9,377.00

### CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS

*GOD HAS GIVEN TO THOSE WHO CARE  
ANOTHER YEAR OF JOY TO SHARE  
WITH HIM AND WITH EACH OTHER,  
WITH EACH SISTER, WITH EACH BROTHER.*

*SO MUCH HAVE WE TO THANK HIM FOR;  
OUR HOMES, OUR FOOD AND EVEN MORE.  
OUR FATHER'S WATCHING FROM ABOVE  
WHILE WE SHARE OUR FAMILY LOVE.*

*WE REMEMBER, THIS TIME OF YEAR,  
THE GLAD TIDINGS AND THE GOOD CHEER  
WE SHOULD SPREAD AROUND THE WORLD  
AND LET HIS BANNER BE UNFURLED.*

*A BANNER THAT SAYS, "PEACE TO ALL".  
WE SHOULD HASTEN TO HEED HIS CALL.  
HIS OWN SON'S LOVE OUR HEARTS DID TOUCH  
HE'S GIVEN US SO VERY MUCH.*

*WE THANK OUR LORD, HE'S LET US LIVE.  
AS WE HAVE MUCH, SO LET US GIVE.  
MAY WE BE BLESSED AS WE IMPART  
LOVE FOR MANKIND STRAIGHT FROM OUR HEART.*

*written by Christine Walling  
December, 1987*

### 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