

...From Andy Miller

**Bible Bowl 2012** - We are so proud of all our participants. They are working hard and studying well as we get closer and closer to Bible Bowl 2012. We want to invite the congregation to come out and watch the competition and join us for lunch. It is held at Tennessee Tech University and begins at 8am with lunch at noon. On the menu is Keith McKnight's famous barbecue. A sign-up sheet is posted in the foyer and on the bulletin board in the back.

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Important note for parents of ages kindergarten and up: We will be having a parent meeting Sunday, Sept. 16. We ask that parents with children in these ages make plans to attend.

It's back to school time again! We like to support our youth in all their endeavors. If your child plays sports, is involved in school plays, or other extracurricular activities, please email us at [mvalleyhaven@aol.com](mailto:mvalleyhaven@aol.com) with their schedule.

### Bible Bowl Practice Schedule

TODAY 4pm Chapters 13-24  
September 2 4pm Chapters 1-24  
September 5 Adult Bible Bowl Challenge

### COMING EVENTS

Sept. 5 - Adult Bible Bowl Challenge  
Sept. 8 - Bible Bowl  
Sept. 16 - Parents Meeting  
Oct. 13 - Fall Festival  
Oct. 21 - Miller's Thrillers  
Oct. 25-27 - Fall Retreat with Concord Road  
Oct. 31 - Trunk or Treat  
Nov. 9 - Sky High with Concord Rd.  
Jan. 18-20, 2013 - Ski Retreat

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#### ELDERS:

John Bufford  
Dan Cottrell  
John Cottrell  
Jerald Hill  
Joe Russell  
Stoney Warren

#### DEACONS:

Dale Alden - Education  
David Broome - Technology  
Ken Cooley - Senior Activities  
David Cost - Benevolence  
Chris Doughtie - Education  
Chris Graham - Office Admin.  
Herb Jones - Building & Grounds  
Len McKnatt - Family Assistance  
Michael Meade - Youth  
Jerry Pritchett - Edification Groups  
Jeff Rhodes - Missions  
Mark Sullivan - Family Life  
Dave Sweeney - Worship

#### MINISTER:

Dan Cottrell

#### YOUTH MINISTER:

Andy Miller

#### SECRETARY:

Pam Cost

## The Light of the World

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life" (Jn. 8:12). Two chapters later He added, "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world" (Jn. 9:5). First there is the affirmation: "I am the light of the world." Then the statement, both positive and negative, "He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness." This is followed by the positive promise, "...but have the light of life." Then the second affirmation, "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

However, Jesus is no longer in the world. He has "sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high" (Heb. 1:3). But Jesus, who rules and reigns over His church (Eph. 1:22-23), also works in the world through the church (Mk. 16: 15-16). That is why Jesus describes us as leaven (Mt. 13:33), salt (Mt. 5:13) and light (Mt. 5:14-16). The three words describe how the church is to function in the world.

Like leaven in meal, Christians are a leavening force for good in a world lost in sin. Like salt preserves meat, Christians preserve the truth (Jd. 3) and bring out the best in others. Like light, Christians dispel the darkness and show people the way to the One who is the light of the world. Like the moon reflects the light of the sun, we reflect the light of the Son.

~ Dan Cottrell

#### SUNDAY MORNING SERMON:

"The Light of the World"  
(Matthew 5:14-16)

#### SUNDAY EVENING SERMON:

"Light and Life"  
(John 1:4-5)

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**SICK/PRAYER LIST**

**Bobbie Wilhoite** says she is improving daily.

Charles & Ann Harris' daughter, **Jan Cyr**, is out of the hospital following back surgery, but her recovery is slow. Prayer and cards appreciated: **1148 Stonewall Jackson Court, Nashville 37220.**

**Albert Jones** had surgery for a broken leg. He's in Williamson Medical Center. Prayers are requested on his behalf, but **please-NO visitors.**

The mother-in-law of Rabbit and Beverly Smithson's daughter, Elizabeth, is to have open heart surgery at Baptist Hospital.

Remember our expectant Mothers: **Misty Fortner** and **Rachel Haedge.**

**Continue to remember:** Richard Marlin, John Faulkner, Joyce Taylor, Bob Bufford, Kelli Khristian, Kim Compton, John and Ruth Daines, Madelyn Gregg, Charlotte Haffner, Jane Davis, Mason McKnatt, Don Newhouse, Joe Russell, Stoney Warren, James Horne, Gabbi Cook, Clifford Holladay.

**Our shut-ins:** Evelyn Billings, Marie Oakley, Mary Allen, Nell Buttrey, Dorothy Eaves, Ramelle Patterson & Odessa Barnhill.

**GREETERS for September:**  
Stoney & Donna Warren

**Pick up Member/Visitor Cards:**  
**TODAY :** John Rhodes & Mason McKnatt  
**Sept. 2 :** Luke Johnston & Ben Meade

**~ EEM Benefit Dinner ~**

Remember the benefit dinner for EEM will be held on Thursday, September 20th at the Franklin Cool Springs Marriott Hotel on Cool Springs Blvd. Reception begins at 6:30pm with the dinner and program from 7pm-9pm. Please sign up. Talk to Donald Smith if you have any questions.

Most of our college students have left to begin their studies. We wish them a successful school year!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Today is our singing at **NHC Nursing Home** on Fairground St. in Franklin. It begins at 1:30pm.

Team C, the **Chris Doughtie team**, will meet tonight after the evening service.

Our Wednesday night Summer Series speaker will be **Taft Ayers** from the Peachtree City, Georgia Church of Christ.

The **Diana Singing** will be on September 14 & 15th. Their newsletter with additional information is on the board in the back hallway.

**~ Promotion Sunday ~**

The last ten minutes of our Bible Class this morning will be used to move our children up to their next class. They will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher and know where their new classroom will be.

**Ladies Bible Class and Mens Prayer Group will resume on Wednesday, September 5th at 10am.**

**~ SHARE Activity ~**

The SHARE group has volunteered to fix a meal at the Ronald McDonald House on Tuesday, August 28th. If you would like to volunteer to help prepare the meal, please let Wesley Fox know. The meal will be prepared at the church building and then taken to the Ronald McDonald house. See Ken Cooley if you have any questions.

**Financial Peace University**

Nine week course covering budgeting, tackling debt, working as a team and using money-based on biblical principles. Class consists of a 45-minute video and a 45-minute small group. Classes will begin on Thursday, August 30th at 6:30pm and continue each Thursday at this time. It will be here in the building. Cost is \$89 which includes class and membership kit. See Matthew or Jennifer Ensor if you have any questions. Sign up on back board.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL**

**On Wednesday  
August 29 ~ 5:45 pm**

**On The Menu:  
Baked Potato Bar, Garden Salad,  
Crackers, Chocolate Cake,  
Tea, Lemonade**

**Sign Up By Tonight**

**~ Fish Fry ~**

Our yearly Fish Fry is scheduled for Saturday, September 15th here at the building. It will begin at 5:30pm. So we know how many to prepare for, sign up sheets are out. Talk to Herb Jones if you have any questions.

**~ Resource Room ~**

The hot glue guns are missing from the resource room. If you have them, please return them as soon as you can, or you can talk to Beth Lincoln.

**~ Marriage Seminar ~**

The marriage seminar will be held on Tuesdays at 7pm, beginning September 4th through October 30th. The time is fast approaching, so if you are interested in attending, sign up as soon as possible. Supplies will need to be obtained. If you have questions, talk to Michael or Laura Meade.

**~ Ladies Day ~**

Remember to mark your calendars so you won't miss our Ladies Day on Saturday, September 22nd from 9am-12pm. Our speaker will be Carolyn Tucker from Nashville. Sign up sheets are out if you plan to attend.

**THOSE TO SERVE**

**TODAY ~ SUNDAY, August 26, 2012**

**Ushers:** Bill Davis, Wesley Fox, Trey Pratt  
**Preside at Lord's Table:** Bob Terry  
**Serve the Lord's Supper:** Ken Cooley, Dewayne Johnston, Tony Tucker, Jeff Rhodes  
**Reader:** Will Harrub  
**Opening Prayer:** Desmond Sumereel  
**Closing Prayer:** James Vanderpool

**TONIGHT'S SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE:**

**P.M. Preside/Lord's Supper:** Jerry Pritchett  
**P.M. Reader:** Will Harrub  
**Opening Prayer:** John Cottrell  
**Closing Prayer:** David Cost

**THIS WEDNESDAY, August 29, 2012**

**Opening Prayer:** Matt Ensor  
**Closing Prayer:** Ken Hardison  
**Song Leader:** Desmond Sumereel

**THE RECORD**

<b>Last Sunday (8/19)</b>	Morning Worship	<b>289</b>
	Sun. School	<b>218</b>
	PM Worship	<b>176</b>
<b>Wed. Night (8/22)</b>	Bible Study	<b>170</b>
<b>Contribution Last Sunday</b>		<b>\$ 14,963.00</b>
<b>Contribution YTD</b>		<b>320,325.00</b>
<b>Contribution Goal YTD</b>		<b>363,264.00</b>

**NURSERY - TODAY: August 26, 2012**

**AM:** Carolyn Pratt & Norma Cost  
**PM:** Linda Cottrell & Mary Anne Hall



**NURSERY - NEXT Sunday, September 2, 2012**

**AM:** Sonia Rhodes & Mary Lee Caldwell  
**PM:** Rachel Haedge & Judy Russell

**COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS - September**

Joanne Clark & Elizabeth Haley

**BUILDING LOCK-UP - September**

John Bufford & Dave Sweeney

**KITCHEN CLEAN-UP - September**

Linda Cottrell, Barbara Jones, Judy Pritchett

**FOOD GROUP LEADERS - September**

Carol Terry - 595-0184  
Pat Poston - 931/489-5813

**QUARTERLY ELDER CHAIRMAN (July-Sept.)**

Joe Russell