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What Is the Goal of Studying Christian Ethics?

Christian ethics is not merely about learning how to avoid sin or behave better. At its heart, it is about glorifying God with our lives. Before any command was given, God created people for His glory (Isa. 43:7). Salvation itself points in the same direction—that our lives would reflect Him in everything we do (Eph. 1:12). This means ethics reaches beyond church settings and major decisions; it touches ordinary moments like work, speech, and even daily routines (1 Cor. 10:31). Living for God's glory can sound abstract, but Scripture brings it down to earth. God is not only concerned with outward actions. He cares about the heart behind those actions and the fruit a life produces over time. A faithful life, then, cannot be measured by behavior alone. It includes character that is being shaped, habits that are forming, and obedience that flows from love rather than obligation.

Christian ethics is about who we are becoming. Scripture repeatedly calls believers to grow in virtue—not as a replacement for faith, but as its natural outcome (2 Pet. 1:5). These virtues are not isolated good choices; they are settled patterns of thinking and responding that reflect Christ. Becoming like Him is the ongoing aim of the Christian life (1 John 2:6). That growth often happens through obedience under pressure and even through suffering, as God uses hardship to mature and refine His people (James 1:2–4; 1 Pet. 2:21). In the end, obedience still matters. Jesus tied love directly to keeping His commandments (John 14:15). Christian ethics, then, is not about perfection in a moment, but direction over a lifetime—learning to live in ways that consistently honor God and reflect His glory in all things.

- Freddie Klein

OUR ELDERS:

Dan Cottrell

John Cottrell

Clint Oppermann

OUR DEACONS:

Joe Burns

Steve Ellis

Jon Ferrie

Ryan Haedge

Matt Lyndoe

Zeb Macer

Blake McDaniel

Mike Pope

Trey Post

Marv Sowell

Tony Tucker

Thomas Waggoner

Daniel Winkler

OUR STAFF:

Freddie Klein - Minister

Cy Warren - Youth

Mary Grace Warren - Office

AM – The Distortion of the Design Genesis 2:16–17

Children's Bible Time: Front of auditorium at 5 PM

PM – Guard Your Heart - Proverbs 4:23

Read the Bible in 1 Year:

Sunday - Genesis 29-30, Matthew 9:1-17

Monday - Genesis 31-32, Matthew 9:18-38 **Tuesday** - Genesis 33-35, Matthew 10:1-20 **Wednesday** - Genesis 36-38, Matthew 10:21-42 **Thursday** - Genesis 39-40, Matthew 11 **Friday** - Genesis 41-42, Matthew 12:1-23 **Saturday** - Genesis 43-45, Matthew 12:24-50

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PRAYER LIST and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST

Ralph Hogg is at home, and doing well. Please keep both Ralph and Mary Nell in your prayers as he recovers

Dave Sweeney is gradually improving. He needs to get stronger and is taking PT. Please remember them in your prayers.

Laura Weathers, Sabrena Sowell's friend, is doing well overall but would appreciate extra prayers to recover from her lung infection

Please pray for **Sue King**. She is ill with the flu.

Continue to Remember: Jerry Breeden, Bill & Wilma Davis, Barbara Dees, Jim Duty, David Elliott, Lester Elliott, Joanne Hallford, Kathy Hinson, Ralph Hogg, Beverly Jenkins, Barbara Jones, Herb Jones, Tina Kelso, Rebecca Jones Kent, Richard King, Gail Krech, Jimmy Lincoln, Betsy Lucas, Joseph Lucas, Lillian Lynch, Janice Martin, Janice Maynard, William Morrison, Mickey Petty, Kendall Redmond, Holly Richardson, Bryant Rimmer, Clinton Robnolte, Matt Shelton, John & Melba Sims, Jimmy Smithson, Dave Sweeney, Mike Vice, Laura Weathers, Tony White, Bobbie Wilhoite, Diane Winkler, Holly Winkler

Our Shut-ins: Patricia Marsh, Lois Pratt

New Members

We are blessed to welcome Adam and Angel Eckard along with their children, Elliott and Josette, to the Southern Hills Family.

MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY

Michael Richardson will be leading a mission trip to Port Antonio, Jamaica, January 30 - February 7. See Kyle Richardson if you are interested in joining.

VISITORS: Please fill out a card from the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the collection plate so we may have a record of your attendance. ❤️

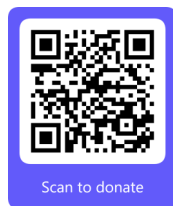
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THOSE TO SERVE

TODAY - SUNDAY

Ushers: Joe Burns, Trey Burns
Song Leader: Matt Lyndoe
Reader and Opening Prayer: Cy Warren
Scripture: Genesis 2:16-17
Preside at Lord's Table: Randy Hunt
Serve the Lord's Supper: Matt Lyndoe, Trey Post, Noah Oppermann, Tony Tucker
Closing Prayer: Kyle Richardson
Nursery Attendants: Cheryl Pope

TODAY'S EVENING SERVICE

Song Leader: Jeff Rhodes
Opening Prayer: Marshall Post
P.M. Preside Lord's Supper: Cy Warren
Closing Prayer: Blake McDaniel

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2026

Devotional Speaker: Cy Warren
Song Leader: Matt Lyndoe
Opening Prayer: Jon Ferrie
Closing Prayer: Mike Pope
Sound for 1/11 Week: Noah Oppermann
Projector 1/11 Week: David Broome

THE RECORD

Last Sunday (1/4/2026)	
Morning Worship	130
Sunday School	102
Evening Worship	NC
Wednesday Night (1/7/2026)	64
Contribution Last Sunday:	\$9,793.00
Contribution YTD:	\$9,793.00
Contribution Goal YTD:	\$9,793 .00

PREPARE COMMUNION - JANUARY

Beth Lincoln

COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS - JANUARY

McDaniel Family

BUILDING LOCK-UP - JANUARY

Warren Family

MONTHLY ELDER CHAIRMAN - JANUARY

Clint Oppermann

ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPCOMING EVENTS

Please contact the church office to schedule an event.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Church Wide

Today - Youth Committee/Parent meeting,
immediately following class

Lads to Leaders practice, 2:30pm

Deacon and Ministers meeting, 3pm

Jan 22 - Share Group Outing Tullahoma BBQ

Jan 25th - L2L practice 2:30pm

Feb 6th - KFC bowling at Tenn Pin Alley, 5:30 pm

Feb 7th - Valentines Banquet

Feb 20-22nd - CYC

Youth Committee Meeting

If you are on the youth committee or have a child in the youth group. There will be a Youth Group meeting held today in room 100 immediately following class.

Valentines Banquet

The Share group is invited by the youth group to the Valentines Banquet on February 7th. If you are interested in going there is a sign up sheet in the back.

Deacons & Ministers Meeting

In 2026 the Ministers and Deacons will meet every second Sunday at 3:00 PM. The first meeting of the year will be January 11, 2026.

SHARE GROUP

If you're 55 or better, we'd love for you to join our Share Group! We enjoy monthly outings filled with food, fun, and fellowship. Come connect, laugh, and make memories together.

For more information, contact Joyce Alley or Cherie Warren

Tullahoma BBQ

The Share Group is going on an outing to a Tullahoma BBQ on Jan 22. We plan to leave the building around 10am. If you are interested in going there is a sign up sheet in the back.

MISSIONS MEMO...

World Christian Broadcasting • Franklin, TN

World Christian Broadcasting is a non-profit organization supported by concerned Christians whose purpose is to take God's Word—through mass media—to people who may have no other means of hearing the Good News.

Our official Mission Statement: "World Christian Broadcasting exists so that people in places best served by broadcast media become aware of the Good News of Jesus Christ and want to know more."

The message of God is relevant to all time, yet the ways that message is delivered must stay current. World Christian Broadcasting's international shortwave broadcasting communicates the Good News to millions every day. KNLS, located at the top of the world in Anchor Point, Alaska, has been on the air since 1983.

A new station, located on the island of Madagascar in the Indian Ocean, has produced tremendous positive feedback helping spread the Gospel around the globe. In addition, each of our seven languages offers its own website, so that people out of broadcast range can still read important, life-giving messages.

Through these shortwave transmissions, we can blanket virtually the entire inhabited world. By speaking in people's own language, forming friendships, and creating bonds of trust, World Christian Broadcasting sparks hope, interest, and curiosity among listeners. Programming encourages a personal study of the message of Jesus. By the grace of God and the technology He provides, many will hear the Good News, perhaps for the first time, and respond to the life-changing invitation of Jesus.

Thank you so much for helping us share our mission. We're passionate about sharing the love of Jesus and the Bible with people everywhere on our planet. Our journey began with a simple idea: to utilize shortwave radio to connect hearts around the globe. Thank you, Southern Hills, for joining us in this wonderful adventure of faith!





UPCOMING EVENTS

February 7th - Valentines Banquet

February 20th-22nd - CYC

This year the cost for each participant will be \$100. This covers housing, food and registration. Please contact Cy with any questions you may have.

Lads to Leaders Practice Schedule :

Today- 2:30pm

Jan 18th - No practice

Jan 25th - 2:30pm

Feb 1st - 2pm

Feb 8th - 2pm



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 6th - KFC will be going bowling at Tenn pin alley! The cost for dinner and activity is \$20 dollars. We will ride in the bus from the church building to the venue. We will be leaving the building at 5:30pm.

TIMES SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - 9 AM
BIBLE CLASS - 10 AM

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP - 5 PM

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE - 6 PM
Classes for all Ages

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