

## GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING MAN

God's Grace - Ephesians 2:8  
God's Love and Mercy - Ephesians 2:4  
Christ's Blood Shed - Romans 5:9-11  
The Gospel - Romans 1:16  
Sinner's Faith - Acts 16:31; Mark 16:15-16  
Sinner's Repentance - Luke 13:3  
Sinner's Confession - Romans 10:10  
Sinner's Baptism - 1 Peter 3:21; Acts 2:38  
Christian's Hope - Romans 8:24-25  
Christian's Faithfulness and Endurance - Revelation 2:10; 1 John 1:7-10

**HORSE CAVE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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## LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS

for today - Jan. 17

### READ SCRIPTURE:

Leon Seaton

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Willie Cyphers

### OFFICIATE:

Bryan Denison

### SERVE COMMUNION:

Rob Bybee Donnie G. Edwards  
David Houk Leon Seaton

### PREACH:

a.m. - Wayne Hatcher  
p.m. - Wayne Hatcher

### LEAD SINGING:

a. m. - Phillip Carter  
p. m. - BA Fudge

## FIGHT ONE MORE ROUND

When James J. Corbett was asked what was the most important thing a man must do to become a boxing champion, he replied: "Fight one more round."

Our Lord has promised great rewards to those who, in the battle of life, show a never-say-die spirit. If you hope to accomplish worthwhile things for God and others, time and time again you will have to "fight one more round."

Thomas Foxwell Buxton said, "With ordinary talent and extraordinary perseverance, all things are attainable." The Scriptures say, "...he who endures to the end will be saved" (Matthew 10:22).

-Bill Dillon

*"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" 2 Tim. 4:7*



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Worship 11 AM & 6 PM **Wednesday:** Bible Study 7 PM

**CHURCH WEB PAGE:** [www.horsecavecoc.com](http://www.horsecavecoc.com)

We gladly welcome you to our congregation, trusting that - if you are *seeking Christ* you will find Him here, if *sorrowing* you will receive comfort and strength here, if *troubled in spirit* you will gain the blessing of peace here, if *discouraged* you will rejoice in encouragement and hope here, if *friendless* you will find companionship and Christian love here. That these and other blessings may be yours is our prayer.

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## Have You Insured Your Soul?

A little boy once asked his father this heart-searching question: "Daddy, do you have your soul insured?" His father inquired what made him ask such a question and what he meant by it. The child replied, "I heard the preacher at church last night say that the soul is worth more than all the world, and I heard you tell Uncle Tom this morning that his house is worth too much for him not to carry insurance on it. I was just wondering if you had insured your soul."

This little boy was not old enough to understand all about when and how souls are really insured, but he was sharp enough to put two and two together and realize that insuring one's soul must surely be important. He father had taught him that one should insure his valuables, and the preacher had taught him that the soul is the most valuable of valuables.

*What kind of answer would you have given if that little boy had been your son?*

You realize the importance of carrying insurance to protect you and your loved ones against the loss of your valuables. Your house represents a sizeable investment and you carry insurance to protect you in case of an accident. You keep your health insurance premiums paid up to protect you from having to pay a huge hospital bill in case you get sick. You pay life insurance premiums to protect your family's security in case you are no longer around to provide for them. Yes, your house, car, business, health and life are important to you, and you think they are too valuable for you to fail to carry insurance on them.

*"For what will a man be profited, if he gains the whole world, and forfeits his soul? or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matthew 16:26).*

Do **you** have **your** soul insured? Have **you** obeyed the gospel of Jesus Christ to have **your** sins forgiven and to be added to the Lord's church? Are **you** living right should **you** die tonight? Is it well with **your** soul?

- James E. Cooper

## PERSONAL NEWS & NOTES...

### **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:**

Linda Forbes; James Horton; Parker Bybee; Chris Burchett; Dennis Hatcher; Malcolm Eastridge; Jean Turner; Pat Bradford (Ruth's son); William E. Estes (Vickie Thompson's dad); Frankie Walters; Buddy Logsdon; Faye Guinn; Gary Hogan; Kay Carter; Bonnie Turner received good news from test results; Joe & Maxine Turner; Brenda Jagers had cataract surgery last week.

### **SYMPATHY:**

Our brother Doug Edwards passed away a few minutes before noon on Sat. at Hart County Health Care. He has many family members in this congregation and elsewhere to whom we send our deepest sympathy. We rejoice that Doug maintained his faith and commitment to the Lord through all his trials and sufferings. Now he can rest (Rev. 14:13).

### **FRIENDS FROM OUR COMMUNITY:**

Oscar Crain; Jim Reed; Leslie Witty; Roger Lile; John Branstetter; Sue Trowbridge; Diane King; Hilda Wolff; family of Mary Ann Nichols; family of L.T. Jolly

### **SHUT-INS AT HOME:**

Alma Reynolds Sally Marshall

### **HART COUNTY HEALTH CARE:**

Hallie Davidson Mary Edwards Helen Stanley Berdine Hogan Alma Stilts

### **HIGHLAND RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING:**

Ford Smith

### **NHC HEALTHCARE** in Glasgow:

Robert Allen Edwards

### **MISSION WORKS WE SUPPORT:**

Al Horne in South Africa  
Mike Brooks in Bangladesh/Nepal  
Patinya Thitathan in Thailand  
Sammy Flanary – work in Europe

Danny McCain - Green Co. KY  
Mid-South Bible Institute in Glasgow, KY  
Jerry Carmichael — Grant Co. KY  
Dhan Ramkelawan – Suriname, South America  
International Gospel Hour – Fayetteville, TN  
Gospel Broadcasting Network – Dalton, GA  
HTH/HTH ministry here in Horse Cave  
Local Radio programs over WLOC-1150 AM  
Darrell Wallace Southeast Satellite Schools

### **MID SOUTH BIBLE INSTITUTE:**

New classes resumed on Thurs. Jan. 14th at 6:30 p.m. Danny Wyatt will teach a class on Spiritual Renewal and Don Smyth will teach a class on the Holy Spirit. See the flyer on the Bulletin Board.

### **CONGRATULATIONS!!**

We are happy that Doug Edwards became a proud grandfather this week. **Jacqueline Marshall** arrived Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 10:20 pm in FL. She weighed 7 lbs. and 12 ozs. We are thankful Doug got to see pictures and knew that everyone was fine. Proud parents are Dean & Sarah Marshall

Hilda Russell also has a new great-granddaughter **Madeline Grace Russell**  
Proud parents: Anthony & Melanie Russell  
Grandparents: Bobby & Debbie Russell

### **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT!!**

Dylan Denison, a Senior at Caverna High School, was one of 22 area students recognized and honored Jan. 6 by Western Ky University for her academic achievements. Congratulations Dylan!! She is the daughter of our Bryan & Temisha Denison and granddaughter of our Bill & Janice Bybee.

### **TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ:**

Of what medical problem did Jesus heal both Peter's mother-in-law and a nobleman's son?

The answer to last week's question was: three months, Acts 20:2-3

## Burden Bearing

by Curtis Pope

In the New Testament, the Holy Spirit uses many different illustrations to indicate to us the privileges, responsibilities, and relationships inherent in being a Christian. One of the most thought provoking to me is the illustration of a man walking down the road under the weight of a heavy burden. Although we live in a highly mechanized age in which most of our physical burdens have been eased, we have all experienced the fatigue of carrying heavy groceries, packages, children, etc. and have longed for a place to lay our burdens down.

In a spiritual sense, Christ saw every one of us weighed down with the load of sin that our own iniquities had brought upon us. Therefore, in compassion, he came to the world and died to remove the heavy load of sin from all who would come to him in faith and obedience. Peter expresses this very idea in 1 Peter 2:24: *"He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed."* What a wonderful blessing it is to have someone offer to take our burden of sin.

There are some responsibilities that we have, however, if Christ is to bear our burdens. In Matthew 11:28-29, Christ invites us to *"come unto Me, all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me, for I am gentle and humble in heart; and*

*you shall find rest for your souls."* In putting our burdens on Christ, he demands that we take His yoke upon us. This means that we must yoke ourselves with Christ through obedience of the gospel and continue through life in reverent submission to Him. Because our sins have been carried, the Lord rightfully expects that we now joyfully bear the yoke of total commitment and dedication to Him and His cause. Another responsibility involved in being a Christian is that *"each one shall bear his own load,"* (Galatians 6:5). This means that in addition to bearing the yoke of commitment we have the obligation to carry our own weight among the brethren in serving the Lord. Christ expects, and our brethren have the right to expect, that we do our best to grow and mature in the Lord by studying God's word and putting it into practice by activity in the kingdom.

One reason for this growth is so that we can *"bear one another's burdens,"* (Galatians 6:2). This is seen when we take time to encourage and instruct weaker brothers and sisters. It means being sensitive to needs and thus serving God by helping others on the road to heaven.

Being a Christian means that we have exchanged one load for another. Even the yoke of being a Christian can be difficult. However, when we look back on the futility of our bearing the heavy load of sin and compare that with the future in store for those who bear Christ's yoke, we truly see what the Lord meant in saying, *"My yoke is easy, and My load is light"* (Matthew 11:30). -via Gospel Power