



A Weekly Publication of the



WHERE WE MEET

120 Cave Street
Horse Cave, KY 42749

WHEN WE MEET (CST):

Sunday: Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. & 2 p.m. **Wednesday:** Bible Study 5 PM

Newsletter Editor: Wayne Hatcher

Church Webpage: www.horsecavemcc.com

Focused on Christ - Thankful for our Salvation - Glorifying the Lord - Serving through Love - Preaching Christ to the World

Horse Cave Church of Christ

Email:
church@horsecavemcc.com

SHEPHERDS:

Willie Cyphers
Ken Russell
Rex Wallace

DEACON:

Phillip Perkins

MINISTER:

Dennis Hogan
dennis.hogan@mac.com

FOCUS on one Luke 15:4

What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and **go after the one which is lost**

Vol. 57

February 1, 2026

Number 5

The Word Among Us

The apostle John began his gospel: *"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God....and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten, full of grace and truth"* (John 1:1, 14).

The Bible, the inspired written word of God, tells us of the personal living Word of God coming and dwelling among us. Jesus didn't come into the world simply to deliver some message—prophets frequently had done that throughout the Old Testament period. The world was in need of someone greater than a prophet—one who would reveal to us the fullness of the glory of God, embodying totally His "grace and truth." Jesus came as the living Word of God, *"the image of the invisible God"* (Colossians 1:15), in Whom dwells *"the fullness of the Godhead bodily"* (2:9).

God, the Father, has not only *"spoken to us by His Son"* (Hebrews 1:1) with oral and written messages, but also His Son is the message. He personally is *"the Truth"* (John 14:6). He is personally God's greatest message to an alien world, conveying the love of God and offering hope to man. It is one thing to read God's message (which is good), but it is another thing to be led by that word to see, by faith, that message embodied in a Person—Jesus Christ.

In Jesus we are able to see not only God above us, but also, as John declared, God *"among us."* Or, as it was prophesied in Isaiah 7:14, and quoted in Matthew 1:23, *"A virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Emanuel, that is, God with us."* He came among us, bearing our griefs and carrying our sorrows (Isaiah 53:3). He, too, had to struggle with the same temptations to which we are heir, in that *"He was tempted in all points like as we are, yet without sin"* (Hebrews 4:15). In our darkest hours we can take comfort in the words of one of my favorite hymns: in answering the question, "Does Jesus Care?" the reply is:

*"Oh yes, He cares, I know He cares;
His heart is touched with my grief.*

*When the days are weary, The long nights dreary,
I know my Savior cares."*

Have you put your trust in the Word among us? --Ron Bartenen

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.

NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Mary Whittington; Becky Bush had surgery to repair broken bones in her wrist; Janice Bybee had a procedure on her leg a few days ago in BG; Joey Palmore recovering from knee replacement; Becky Hatcher's temporary permacath is being used as her fistula is no longer working; Candice Eastridge ask for our prayers; Joyce Dye; Connie Campbell; Mark Hatcher; Fran Mears; Rebecca Higdon experiencing health issues; Linda Lewis (Diana Proffitt's sister); Mae Coop has had tests lately; Heather Seng (Lisa Schuler's daughter); Donnie Alexander (Dennis Hatcher's brother-in-law); John Gray; Mary Hatcher; Fred Proffitt member at South Green St. cancer; Marty Pennington is trying to requalify for the heart transplant list. Marty's mother-in-law Martha Hurt is taking dialysis in Glasgow where Becky Hatcher goes; Francine Strode, formerly of Cave City, is in Massey Springs Assisted Living in Bowling Green

PRAYERS FOR FRIENDS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Daisy Haydon (neighbor & friend of Wayne & Becky)
George Sturgeon resident of Horse Cave
Tim Shipley, close friend & neighbor to our late Sydney Bunnell

PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks
World English Institute (WEI) - Darrell Wallace
Manna Project

SIGNATURE HEALTH CARE

Lori Brewer is in Room #203

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10 A.M.

We are studying the book of Luke and are in ch. 6

PREACHING TODAY

11 am Dennis Hogan - From Pig Pen to Palace
2 pm Dennis Hogan - Small Things Matter

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 5 PM

This Wed. Feb 4, we will be studying in Genesis 43

WELCOME VISITORS

If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guests, and we are very thankful for your presence. Please use one of the QR cards on the pew or back of the pew so we may have a record of your attendance.

OUR LOCAL RADIO PROGRAM

We encourage you to listen to our radio program "*In Search of the Lord's Way*" heard on WLOC 101.7 FM or 1150 AM here in Horse Cave each Sunday morning from 8:30--9:00 with **Phil Sanders**. This is an excellent program! It is also aired on Cable tv across the US.

Are you listening to any of the great lessons??

SPECIAL THANKS

As we all realize, this past week has been extra ordinary due to the horrible weather conditions with snow and ice along with extreme cold temperatures. For the first in a long time, it became necessary to cancel services last Sunday and Wed night. We appreciate Eugene Campbell, Malon Schuler and Ken Russell for answer-

ing the call to clear the snow & ice on our side walks and the ramp. We appreciate Les & Andrew Neville for using their skid steer from Neville Family Dentistry to remove the thick layer of ice and snow from our parking lot—both sides and back. We anticipate and look forward to being able to meet Sunday for services.

CONGRATULATIONS 2ND ANNIVERSARY

This month marks two years that Dennis Hogan has served as our preacher. Congratulations!! You are doing a great job!! Prayers for many more years together.

Your Choice

In the Canadian Rockies is a stream called Divide Creek. At a point in its course the creek divides around a large boulder. Waters which flow to the left of the boulder rush on into Kicking Horse River and finally into the Pacific Ocean. Waters which travel to the right flow into the Bow River which courses into the Saskatchewan River, on into Lake Winnipeg, the Nelson River, Hudson Bay, and to the Atlantic Ocean. Once the waters divide at the rock, there is no turning back.

How like life this is! Decisions are made daily. Life a series of decisions. Some are very difficult, complicated, with far-reaching results. What we wouldn't give sometimes to have an opportunity to make a certain decision again. It behooves all of us to weigh our decisions carefully. Things of seemingly immediate value will not necessarily be of ultimate value. Always take the long-range view!

We choose our priorities and lifestyles. Should we not ask, "What sort of person do I want to be?" Every person must accept or reject the demands and offers of God. "Choices are the hinges of eternity." The option remains the same: "Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve" (Joshua 23:15).

— Charles V. Cash



You may go back and listen
to his sermons!!

Check it out!!

WEI is the good work that Darrell Wallace is involved in around the world. He is in charge of teacher training and recruitment.



Church Website



New Facebook
page

"Where you can do evangelism
from your kitchen table or desk"