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CHURCH OF CHRIST

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TIME OF SERVICES (CST):

Sunday: Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.

Wednesday: Bible Study 6 PM

Church Webpage: 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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What Is In Your Hand?

The Lord said to him, "What is that in your hand?" And he said, "A staff."—Exodus 2:2

We have before us one of the many great questions found in the Bible. God's people are slaves in the land of Egypt and the time has come when God is going to deliver them from that bondage. God has chosen Moses to be the one to lead the people out of Egypt but Moses, feeling inadequate to take on this task, says "they will not believe me." To this the Lord asks this simple question, "what is that in your hand" to which Moses replies, "a staff." That which was just a stick of some kind in Moses' hand when placed in the hand of God became the staff of God (Exodus 4:20) that by the power of God became the force that brought the plagues on Egypt, divided the Red Sea and brought water from a rock.

As I think about this event in the life of Moses, the thought occurs to me that our God can take whatever we are willing to put into his hands and make them into something that will be great and mighty. I think about David who once held in his hands only a sling and five smooth stones as he went out to fight the giant, Goliath (1 Samuel 17:20-51). I hear David as he says to Goliath, "you come to me with spear, sword and javelin but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel" and with that said, he placed a stone in the sling and slew Goliath. In the hands of God, that sling and those stones became the force that put the Philippian army to flight.

I think about a little boy who had only 5 loaves and 2 fish (Matthew 14:12-21). In the hands of that little boy nothing more than a simple lunch just for him but when placed into the hands of the Lord, that simple little lunch fed 5000 men besides women and children with 12 baskets left over. On another occasion 7 loaves and a few small fish placed into the Lord's hand fed 4000 men besides women and children.

Sometimes I fear that we may look at ourselves and begin to think that we are just small, weak, frail, insignificant individuals with very little to offer the Lord. Yet we hold our life in our hands and both our present and future life are going to be what we make them to be. Time is a precious gift that has been given to us and it is priceless. Time is our greatest friend or enemy, depending upon how we use it. We hold influence in our hands and it will bless us or bring harm to us. We have talents and abilities in our hands that we will one day be held accountable for as to how we have or have not used them.

— Charles Hicks

[I came across the above article and thought it fits well into one of the points I was making Wed. night in the Parable of the Mustard Seed & Leaven. As citizens in God's Kingdom, we are leaven, and we each have influence no matter how small or insignificant we may think of ourselves. Do what you can with what you have. - Wayne]

NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Becky Hatcher undergoing dialysis 3X times a week. She goes Thurs. in BG to remove staples in her arm; Doris Wallace got a good report, begins therapy Tues.; Mary Whittington; Billy Bybee; Joey Palmore recuperating at home from orthopedic surgery; Becky Bush's back surgery is still planned for Feb 16 depending upon recent tests. She also ask us to pray for her son Tony Bush as he is having cardiac issues and cannot seem to find what's wrong; Mark Hatcher; Connie Campbell; Mike Thompson; Jackie Coop; Joyce Dye; Dixie Napier's son Randy; Helen Edwards in Bowling Green; Don Waddell; Carl Thomas; Steve Seaton; Terry and Debbie Bunnell; Mary Hatcher; Parker Bybee

BARREN COUNTY HEALTH & REHAB

Brenda Jagers Room #47

PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

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

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10 a.m.

We began studying the *Gospel of John*. Dennis Hogan is serving as the teacher.

PREACHING TODAY

11 a. m. Dennis Hogan "*I Surrender All*"
5 p. m. Dennis Hogan "*Seven Passages of Faith to Memorize*"

WEDNESDAY NIGHT 6:00

We continue our study of the *Parables of Jesus*. Wayne Hatcher was the teacher last week. His lesson was on *The Mustard Seed* and *The Leaven*. This Wed. Darrell Wallace is to be the teacher.

OUR RADIO PROGRAM

We are very pleased to sponsor "*In Search of the Lord's Way*" heard on our local radio station WLOC 101.7 FM and 1150 AM each Sunday morning from 8:30 - 9:00 with **Phil Sanders**. Please pray for this great ministry as the seed of the gospel is being sown by means of this biblical program. Phil Sanders does an excellent job!! It is produced in Edmond, OK

NOTE: If you are unable to pick up the radio signal, you can log on to **wloconline.com** You may choose to listen on your computer or use the **tunein** app for you mobile devices.

ELDERS DEACON & MINISTER MEETING

Will meet this afternoon in the library at 3:00

SPECIAL THANKS

A very special thanks to the congregation for such a wonderful Retirement Reception last Sunday!!! It was truly magnificent!! A lot of work and planning went into making this happen. I appreciate the leadership of our shepherds who set this in motion. They and men in the congregation did a lot to help with various areas of decorating and advertising. Our sisters in Christ did a phenomenal job of decorating, preparing refreshments and finger foods!!! We appreciated the retirement cards, gifts cards, the money tree, the frame with all your signatures!!! Becky and I were deeply touched. The past 21 years and 10 months have been such a blessing being a part of the Horse Cave Church of Christ.

So many people came which meant so much! As early as 2:00, our Annex was packed. Some who were unable to stand very long could not stay. So many friends from area churches, community members and leaders, friends from school, several family members....thanks so much for everyone's support and love!!!

Wayne and Becky Hatcher

PLACED MEMBERSHIP

John Eastridge informed our elders last Sunday that he and Candice are returning here to Horse Cave along with their two lovely daughters, Allison and Emily. We are happy they are back with us. Their address is 4598 South Jackson Highway Horse Cave, KY 42749

HOUSE TO HOUSE/HEART TO HEART

There are copies of the newest publication of HH/HH on the banister in the back of our auditorium.

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