

## 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**  
120 Cave Street  
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## LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS

for today - March 29

### READ SCRIPTURE:

Bryan Denison

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

John Eastridge

### OFFICIATE:

Bobby Bybee

### SERVE COMMUNION:

Donnie Edwards Bill Brooks  
Rex Wallace Les Neville

## THOSE TO SERVE IN APRIL:

### READ SCRIPTURE:

5 - Sydney Bunnell  
12 - Our Gospel Meeting  
19 - Bill Brooks  
26 - Bryan Denison

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Leon Seaton

### OFFICIATE:

Bryan Denison

### SERVE COMMUNION:

Phillip Carter John Eastridge  
Rob Bybee Willie Cyphers

## Something to think about...

The best way to succeed in life is to act on the advice we give to others.

Some people will believe anything that is whispered to them. -Sparks



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**TIME OF SERVICES:** Sunday: Bible Study 10 AM;  
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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## The Farmer and His Hound

A farmer had an old hound dog that he cherished. One day the dog disappeared and several weeks passed without his return. In spite of this, the farmer continued to set out fresh food for the dog each day. Finally, in curiosity, one of the farmer's neighbors asked why he continued to set out food for the dog when he obviously wasn't returning.

"He'll be back," replied the farmer, "because he knows I'm here waiting for him, and when he gets here I want him to know he's welcome back."

Today we wait for Christ's return with great expectancy. We don't know the day nor the hour of His return, but we are confident that He is coming back. We know this because we have this promise: "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also." (John 14:3).

As we wait for Christ's return, we prepare ourselves each day to meet Him. We want to be ready, watching, and waiting when He comes so He will know that we welcome Him!

The first day of the week is the day on which Jesus arose from the dead to become our Savior. It is the day of the week the early Christians assembled together to worship the risen Savior and remember His death, burial and resurrection.

It's obvious from reading passages such as Acts 2:42-47, Acts 20:7 and Hebrews 10:19-25 that this is what God expects of us. If we do what God expects of us, we can be assured that God is pleased with us, and the expectation of the return of His son Jesus will fill us with joy and not terror. Paul said regarding the Lord's Supper, "For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes." (1 Cor. 11:26).

- via "Daily Bible Studies"

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## PERSONAL NEWS & NOTES...

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Doug Edwards; Linda Forbes; James Horton; Parker Bybee; Becca Napper; Blake Morris; Dennis Hatcher; Marilyn Ray; Gerald Watt; Pat Bradford (Ruth's son) chemo and radiation treatments; Maxine Turner; Harold Underwood; Mary Piercy; Keith Dyer (Debbie Adams' dad) had triple by-pass surgery and has developed complications; Phillip Perkins' mother; Amanda Dugger; Jiraporn Tim (Thailand); Bob Toohey; Buddy Logsdon (undergoing treatments); Larry Glass Sr.; Frankie Walters; Kay Bush (George & Becky Bush's sister-in-law)

### ASK FOR PRAYERS:

Doug Edwards responded at the Lord's invitation on Wed. night to ask for forgiveness. He also ask our prayers for his health. We love and appreciate Doug for the faith and courage that he displays in his life.

### FRIENDS FROM OUR COMMUNITY:

Leslie Witty; Susanne Wintsch; Joyce Robinson; Oscar Crain; Sarah Lou Wilson; Tony Bush in Iraq; Jim Reed; L. N. Deweese; Jerry Greer; Billy Ross

### SHUT-INS AT HOME:

Alma Reynolds Sally Marshall Johnalene Lancaster

### HART COUNTY HEALTH CARE:

Hallie Davidson 403; Mary Edwards 502; Helen Stanley 707; Lucy Byrd Every 402; Alma Stilts 501

### HIGHLAND RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING:

Ford Smith 164 Golda Livesay 121

### 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  
Doka Obadiah in Nigeria, Africa  
Jason Freed family going to France  
Mid-South Bible Institute in Glasgow, KY  
Jerry Carmichael — Grant Co. KY  
Dhan Ramkelawan – E. TN School of Preaching  
International Gospel Hour – Fayetteville, TN  
Gospel Broadcasting Network – Dalton, GA  
HTH/HTH ministry here in Horse Cave  
Local Radio programs over WLOC-1150 AM

### LADIES BIBLE CLASS:

Plans are underway to start a Ladies Bible Class this summer. If you are interested, be sure and sign the sheet on the banister at the back of the auditorium.

### CONGRATULATIONS:

Bonnie Turner was recognized this week in Louisville for her 38 years as a teacher and sponsor of FCCLA in Hart County (formerly known as FHA). Congratulations on the many young people's lives you have touched.

### AREA EVENTS:

April 5-8 Gospel Meeting at Larue County Church of Christ with James Long, 7 p.m.

**\*April 12-15\* Our Gospel Meeting** here at Horse Cave with Michael C. Shepherd of Pensacola, FL Mark your calendar. Be in prayer and prepare to attend and support this good effort.

April 18 Youth Rally at Refuge Church of Christ 9 a.m – 2:30 p.m. Singing, Classes, Activities Lunch will be served.

### TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ:

In what Samaritan town did Jesus meet the woman at Jacob's well?

The answer to last week's question was: ashes, Exodus 9:9-10

## Get On Track and Stay There

A man bought a new hunting dog. Eager to see how he would perform, he took him out to track a bear. No sooner had they gotten into the woods than the dog picked up the trail. Suddenly he stopped, sniffed the ground, and headed in a new direction. He had caught the scent of a deer that had crossed the bear's path. A few moments later he halted again, this time smelling a raccoon that had crossed the path of the deer. Then a turkey, a rabbit, and so on, until finally the breathless hunter caught up with his dog, only to find him barking triumphantly down the hole of a field mouse.

One of the things for which Paul prayed was for his brethren in Colossae to be able to "approve the things that are excellent" (Phil. 1:10). He used a word here that was common among metallurgists. As they tested the quality of metal, they "approved" in the metal that which was genuine. It is used in this passage of testing that which is good or evil. That is not always easy. Easy or not, it is the thing responsible Christians must do.

Our faith gets involved in this. We should test the excellency of our personal faith. Peter informed his readers that "for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials" but also told them how beneficial such would be. He concluded, that "your faith, which is more precious than all the gold in the world, may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed" (1 Pet. 1:6-7). The word "proved" here is the same as in Col. 1:10).

Often Christians start out with high resolve, putting the kingdom of God first in their lives, but their attention is soon diverted to things of lesser worth. One pursuit leads to another until they've strayed far from their original purpose. Let us do our best to put first things first. So, take the divine admonition and stay on track and let nothing cause you to deviate from the straight and narrow

way.

*"Let your eyes look straight ahead, fix your gaze directly before you" (Prov. 4:25).*

*"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you" (Matt. 6:33).*

- via Bulletin Fodder

## ONE DAY A FARMER'S DONKEY FELL DOWN INTO A WELL...

One day a farmer's donkey fell down into a well. The animal cried piteously for hours as the farmer tried to figure out a way to get him out. Finally he decided it was probably impossible and the animal was old and the well was dry anyway, so it just wasn't worth it to try and retrieve the donkey. So the farmer asked his neighbors to come over and help him cover up the well. They all grabbed shovels and began to shovel dirt into the well.

At first, when the donkey realized what was happening he cried horribly. Then, to everyone's amazement, he quieted down. A few shovel loads later, the farmer looked down the well to see what was happening and was astonished at what he saw. With every shovel of dirt that hit his back, the donkey was shaking it off and taking a step up.

As the farmer's neighbors continued to shovel dirt on top of the animal, he continued to shake it off and take a step up. Pretty soon, to everyone's amazement, the donkey stepped up over the edge of the well and trotted off!

Moral: Life is going to shovel dirt on you. The trick to getting out of the well is to shake it off and take a step up. Every adversity can be turned into a stepping stone. The way to get out of the deepest well is by never giving up but by shaking yourself off and taking a step up.

What happens to you isn't nearly as important as how you react to it.

-author unknown