

## 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  
Horse Cave, KY 42749

## LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS

for today - May 17

### READ SCRIPTURE:

Bill Brooks

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Rob Bybee

### OFFICIATE:

Sydney Bunnell

### SERVE COMMUNION:

Phillip Perkins David Houk  
Mark Hatcher Matt Forbes

### LEAD SINGING:

am - Ken Russell pm - BA Fudge

## LIFE'S GREATEST BLESSING

Oh, this life is full of trouble as we journey on our way. Trials and temptations face us each and every day.

But we have a blessed Lord Who died upon a tree; His blood He gave to cover the sins of you and me.

Oh, my Lord will care for me along life's weary way, If I only trust Him to help me every day.

Yes, He gave His life for us that we might have a way To climb life's troubled road and then with Him to stay.

If our sins have been forgiven and on Him we do depend - He will guide us safely to the very end.

The road may be rough and rocky, and our courage may grow thin. But with our Lord to guide us, we are sure to win:

A home beyond the Jordan where the streets are paved with gold.

Then, our troubles will be over, in the Bible—we are told.

- Bertha Haney



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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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## Doors and Adversaries

In 1 Corinthians 16:8,9, Paul speaks of his schedule...

*"But I shall remain in Ephesus until Pentecost; for a wide door for effective service has opened to me, and there are many adversaries."*

The word "*door*" is a figurative way to speak of opportunity to stand for the gospel. "*wide*" is literally the term "great" which refers to the magnitude of the opportunity. "*effective*" is a term that might be translated "energetic" and here has the sense that Paul will certainly take advantage of the opportunity for the gospel.

The astounding aspect of this statement is seen in Paul's recognition that there are "*many adversaries*." He plans to remain in Ephesus and teach the gospel in spite of the fact that there are many opposers who will cause him trouble. That takes courage!

Christians today are likely to find themselves in similar circumstances that Paul faced in Ephesus. Whenever we take a stand for what is right, we are likely to be opposed.

There may be "*many adversaries*" in our neighborhoods, or at school, or on the job. Yet, these should never hinder us from upholding God's truth.

Every day there are doors of opportunity opened before us and when we walk through them, we will meet not a few, but *many* adversaries. Will we have the courage to stand up and be counted on the Lord's side? Let us be, like Paul... one against many!

Guy Orbison, Jr.

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## PERSONAL NEWS & NOTES...

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Doug Edwards; Linda Forbes; James Horton is undergoing more treatments; Marilyn Ray; Parker Bybee; Becca Napper; Blake Morris; Dennis Hatcher; Gerald Watt; Pat Bradford (Ruth's son); Ilouise Bradford (Ruth's granddaughter); Keith Dyer (Debbie Adams' dad); Dennis Hatcher's father and mother-in-law (Royce & Elizabeth Alexander; Buddy Logsdon (undergoing treatments); Larry Glass Sr.; Frankie Walters; Amanda Dugger (member at South Green St.); Matt McKinney (cousin of David Houk); bro. Patinya's mother, Piroa Sukawaj, in Thailand

### FRIENDS FROM OUR COMMUNITY:

Jim Reed; Krista Harris; Leslie Witty; Peggy Spann; Oscar Crain; Tony Bush in Iraq; Jerry Greer; Billy Ross; Lela Penwheel (friend of Brenda Jaggars); Roger Lile suffered a stroke and is in Greenview Hosp.

### SHUT-INS AT HOME:

Alma Reynolds Sally Marshall Johnalene Lancaster

### HART COUNTY HEALTH CARE:

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

### HIGHLAND RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING:

Ford Smith 164

### 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

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**May 17** Mike Brooks will be here tonight to report about Bangladesh/Nepal. His lesson will be: *"Sowing With Tears"* (Text: Psa. 126:1-6). He will illustrate it with slides.

**June 10-13** is the dates set for our Vacation Bible School 6:30—8:00 p.m., Sat. morning 10-Noon Theme: *Fishing With the Master (Jesus)*

**June 28—July 3** Taylor Christian Bible Camp  
A camper must be 11 years of age on or before Dec. 31, 2009; Fee is \$100; Deadline for applications are Sat., May 30 \*See Wayne for an application or for more details.

### ADDRESS CHANGE:

Golda Livesay c/o Gary Warner 420 Gingee Rd. Glasgow, KY 42141 (Golda is Rex Wallace's sister)

### GOSPEL RESPONSE:

Valary Hillard came forward at the invitation Sunday morning asking for our prayers, for God's forgiveness and for strength to be the Christian she needs to be. We are thankful for her decision. Valary and Crystal Martin are sisters. She and her family have just recently moved to Horse Cave.

### TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ:

Which Gospel records Jesus as saying "Remember Lot's wife"?

The answer to last week's question was: liar and murderer, John 8:44

### **"I Just Want to Be Their Friend"**

There is a modern day philosophy that is sweeping its poisonous venom through naive and *worldly families*. It masquerades itself as intellectualism, but it will destroy the future of untold children. This poisonous venom is espoused by some of the most ignorant in society. Perhaps you have heard it and never realized the consequences of its teaching. Have you ever heard a parent speaking of their children saying: "I just want to be their friend?" It is a catchy phrase that sounds as if it is intellectual, but it is not. Children do not need their parents trying to be their friends! Young people need parents that will be parents. They need a father and a mother who will guide them through the maze of dangers that adolescents face on a daily basis. Children need parents who will reject their foolish ideas and guide them on the path of righteousness helping them to shun evil counsel. Solomon said:

*"My son, hear the instruction of your father, And do not forsake the law of your mother; For they will be a graceful ornament on your head, And chains about your neck"* (Prov. 1:8-9).

Solomon's instructions sounds as if parents should be parents guiding their children through the challenges of life, not seeking to be their "friend." Sometimes friends will hold back wise council because they are afraid they will harm their friendships. Not so with loving parents! They will never hold back anything that will protect and guide their children. Why? Because they love them enough to tell them when they are wrong.

The philosophies of men are extremely dangerous because they invalidate the doctrine of Christ.

It is written: *"And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the*

*training and admonition of the Lord"* (Eph. 6:4). Parents can be a detriment to their children or they can be godly parents, guiding them toward the moral standard of right and wrong established by God. What type of parent are you?

*Paul Vaughn  
Lewisport, KY*

### **Just A Moment**

by Olden Cook

Modern life is geared to the clock. It is futile to think we can evade the tyranny of the ticking time-piece. An early educational task is learning to tell time, but an even more valuable lesson is learning what time tells us. Some become slaves to the clock, and clock-watchers are not always the best workers, but those who long for eternity need to pay attention to the clock.

Clocks remind us that time only comes one second at a time, and that is how life is lived. If you want to be the person of the hour, learn first to make every second count.

"Look therefore carefully how ye walk, not as unwise, but as wise; redeeming the time, because the days are evil" (Ephesians 5:15-16).

### **Discernment**

A man had three sons.

He wanted to test their ability to discern.

So he gave each of them a piece of apple with a rotten spot in it.

The first ate the whole thing.

The second threw the whole thing away.

The third separated the bad and ate the good.

The father noted that the third was the wisest, and he explained, "When we receive instruction, some of us believe everything we hear; others reject everything because some is bad, but the wise separate the bad from the good and benefit from the good." - author unknown