

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

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LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS

for today - Sept. 20

READ SCRIPTURE:

David Houk

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Leon Seaton

OFFICIATE:

Bryan Denison

SERVE COMMUNION:

Rob Bybee Bobby Bybee
Mark Hatcher Chris Burchett

PREACH:

a.m. – Wayne Hatcher
p.m. – Wayne Hatcher

LEAD SINGING:

am – BA Fudge pm – Phillip Carter

Little Things

Little stones make big mountains,
Little steps can cover miles,
Little acts of loving-kindness,
Give the world its biggest smiles.
Little words can soothe big troubles,
Little hugs can dry big tears,
Little candles light the darkness,
Little memories last for years.
Little dreams can lead to greatness,
Little victories to success;
It's the little things in life
That bring the greatest happiness.

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AREA YOUTH RALLY:

Oct. 4 Coral Hill Church of Christ 3:00-7:30
Oct.. 9-10 E-town Church of Christ
(see Bulletin Board for all the details)



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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

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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How Much Do You Own In That Direction?

George Washington Truett was a preacher in Dallas for 47 years. He once visited a wealthy West Texas rancher and had dinner in his huge ranch home. After dinner, the rancher took Dr. Truett up to a veranda on top of his house, and lit up a big cigar. The sun was setting, and if you've ever been to West Texas, you know you can see a long way out there. The man pointed to the south toward some oil rigs and said, I own everything in that direction as far as you can see. He pointed east toward some cotton fields and said, And I own everything in that direction, too. He pointed north toward a huge herd of cattle and bragged, and preacher, I own everything as far as you can see in that direction. He turned to the west, and said, and I own everything you can see in that direction, except the sun, of course.

Dr. Truett turned to the man and pointed straight up in the sky and said, "and how much do you own in that direction" ?

It's a sobering question for all of us. We are surrounded constantly by the things of this world, and it is so easy to think that these things are the things that matter most a nice car, a nice home, nice clothes (and don't forget all the necessary electronic gadgets!). And so, if we are not careful, we may seek to accumulate more and more, without regard to our relationship with God. As the rich fool discovered in Luke 12, we will all one day be forced to recognize that the material things we have accumulated have no eternal value.

Jesus said, "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:19-21).

How much do you own in that direction?

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PERSONAL NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Doug Edwards; Linda Forbes; James Horton; Parker Bybee; Becca Napper; Chris Burchett; Lindley Hatcher; Blake Morris; Pat Bradford (Ruth's son); Vickie Thompson's dad, William E. Estes; Frankie Walters; Buddy Logsdon; Roger Lyons (Jean Turner's relative) in FL; Larry Glass, Sr. recovering in Vanderbilt Hosp.; Chris Hillard; Faye Guinn (member at Center); Alexis Faith Newman upcoming tests; Mary Hatcher to undergo treatments for leukemia; R. T. Turner will have a colonoscopy tomorrow; Renee Perkins fell last week and broke a bone just above her ankle; Phillip Perkins' mother has been in the hospital, but is now home

FRIENDS FROM OUR COMMUNITY:

Jim Reed; Leslie Witty; Billy Ross; Roger Lile; Mary Bush; Graham Rutherford (in Iraq); Evelyn Smith and John Branstetter are now in Hart Co. Health Care.

SHUT-INS AT HOME:

Alma Reynolds Sally Marshall Johnalene Lancaster

HART COUNTY HEALTH CARE:

Hallie Davidson 403; *Mary Edwards 207; Helen Stanley 707; Berdine Hogan 405 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 – 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

INFORMATIONAL DIRECTORY:

Be sure and fill out one of the data sheets for our updated informational directory. Please return it to Becca Napper.

BABY SHOWER:

You are invited to participate in a baby shower for Sarah Edwards Marshall. Sarah is flying up from FL and will be here Sept. 27. Since Sarah is registered at Target, it is being suggested that a Gift Card would be ideal since she will not be able to carry many items with her on the plane. Sarah, daughter of our Doug Edwards, is expecting a girl.

GOSPEL MEETINGS:

Sept. 20-23 Fairview Church of Christ near Hardyville, Ky with Jason Peden 7 p.m.

Oct. 11-15 Mt. Gilead Church of Christ near Tomkinsville with Charles Isenberg

MID-SOUTH BIBLE INSTITUTE:

A new Fall quarter will be starting **Oct. 1st** on the theme of: "*Christian Maturity*" Course 1: book of James Course 2: letters of Peter and Jude Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Cost of Study Guides \$12 each. See Bulletin Board for details.

TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ:

Who built the first temple (house of the Lord) in Jerusalem?

The answer to last week's question was: purple, Mark 15:17

Where Did It Come From?

by Ron Bartanan

A five-year-old girl from the city was visiting her grandparents on their farm during harvest time. She watched in wonder as they picked produce from their garden. The grandparents, thinking to use this experience as a means of teaching her about God's provisions, let her shuck some corn and break some beans, explaining to her that the corn and beans were blessings from God. She enjoyed doing something different for a while, but after a few minutes she looked at her grandmother and said, "You know you could buy these things in the grocery store, don't you?"

Such reactions from little children amuses us as we realize that the limited experience of children may not allow them to understand where the things they take for granted actually come from. Milk comes from jugs in the grocery store. Beans and corn come from the produce section. There is little if any thought as to how they got there. While their lack of understanding may amuse us, it is sad to realize that adults are oftentimes devoid of understanding. They take their environment for granted, with little or no thought as to how it got here. An evolutionary explanation becomes acceptable because that makes us without obligation to anyone. Even those who see God as Creator are prone to forget that He is the giver of every good and perfect gift (James 1:17).

God warned the people of Israel through the words of Moses: "*When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee. Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God in not keeping his commandments and his judgments, and his statutes which I command thee this day: lest when thou hast*

eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; and when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; then thine heart is lifted up and thou forget the Lord thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage;... and thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth. But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God, for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth...." (Deuteronomy 8:10-14, 17-18a).

Isn't it easy to forget where it all came from? After all, we sweat and toil that we might enjoy the fruits of our labors, and forget that we are dependent upon God for our every breath. What I have is mine—my family, my house, my car, my clothes, etc. In actuality, we are but users and stewards of what God has provided for us. He declares, "*Every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains; and the wild beasts of the field are mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof*" (Psalms 50:10-12).

When God's nation, Israel, forgot where their blessings came from, God reminded them by withholding rain from their land and giving their land to foreign nations. Our nation, we are told, is no longer a Christian nation, overlooking the fact that our forefathers established this nation and its government upon Christian principles, which have been a blessing to us and the world. If we forget this fact, and forget God as our Benefactor, should we be surprised at an economic crisis? He tells us in Psa. 50:22, "*Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to deliver.*" And again: "*The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.*"