

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- (1) CRYSTAL EWTON
- (1) MARK SIMONS
- (3) SHANA BRADY
- (4) CARSON DeBORD
- (4) DAVID BRADY
- (5) WADE GRAHAM
- (8) ALLIE BRADY
- (12) LOGAN BURDETTE
- (12) KERRY HOLLIS
- (13) JENNIFER DAVIS FOSHEE
- (13) AVERY DEAKINS
- (18) CADEN SWANGER
- (20) CAROLYN HATFIELD
- (20) JADA LAND
- (20) JAMES McCLAIN
- (22) TAMMY CLAYTON
- (28) ASHTON CLAYTON
- (29) JENNY KRETZMEIER
- (30) TONY BOSTON
- (30) C. J. DAVIS

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- (1) LYNN AND JOYCE LAYNE (2 yr.)
- (11) GERALD AND JANET LAND (45 yrs.)
- (11) BEN AND LINDA McCOY (51 yrs.)
- (20) ROBERT AND LINDA TURNER (47 yrs.)
- (20) JIM AND JANIS DEARMAN (47 Yrs.)
- (23) JOHN AND ANN COOLEY (55 yrs.)
- (24) DAN AND WILMA MABRY (56 yrs.)
- (24) COREY GREEN AND MICHELLE YOUNG (12 yrs.)

DECEMBER

Lock Building: Joel Danley

Prepare Communion: Sharon Green & Anita Ross

Pick-up Cups: Mark & Elaine Simons

Van Driver: Bobby Von Rohr

Last Sunday Singing: Gabe Dixon

Church of Christ P. O. Box 206 Dunlap, Tn 37327

*See You at The Worship Service
With Your Bible*

Sunday

- 9:30 A.M. Bible Study
- 10:30 A.M. Morning Service
- 5:00 P.M. Evening Service

Wednesday

- 6:30 P.M. Bible Study

Men Who Serve

Elders:

- Tony Boston 949-5065
- Greg Long 645-0661
- Al Simmons 949-7121

Deacons:

- Wiley Boston Joel Danley
- C. J. Davis Glen Edison
- Tim Layman Benny McCoy
- Lanny Smith Bobby Von Rohr

Preacher:

- Freddie Clayton
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If I loose My Soul . . .

" . . . What shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

Matthew 16:26



If I Lose My Soul, then . . .

1. ♣ The death of Christ means nothing to me.
2. ♣ I have lost everything, forever.
3. ♣ I will go to Hell.
4. ♣ I will miss the blessings of Heaven.
5. ♣ I will doubtless have caused (or cause) others to lose their soul also.



THE RECORD

SUNDAY SCHOOL———134
WORSHIP———132
CONTRIBUTION———\$3978
SUNDAY NIGHT———103
WEDNESDAY NIGHT———

SICK/SHUT-IN

Emma Foshee
Ouida Richardson is home bound
Carson DeBord has streph
James, Una and Landon DeBord have all been sick
Kerry & Gail Hollis flu
Amanda Leslie will have gall-bladder surgery
Cassie Yawn has Bronchitis
Sara Goins
Wanda Johnson, Claudine Burch's sister is in the hospital
Jeanette Gibbs
David Brady taking therapy on his shoulder
Barney Hollis
Jeanie Hollis is in NHC after being in the hospital
Peggy Standefer, Ruth Harvey's sister was burned on her arm and head in a fire doing well
Kate Walling home doing well after her surgery
Grace Grayson is having back problems

Fred St.Clair had his last Chemo and needs prayers and cards, also meals, not doing well
Ruby Smith is home
Cathleen Hendon, Ellen Miller's sister has cancer-has also had a stroke
Kathy Philips has cancer, hospice is involved
Ruth Turner
Ray Johnson is at the home of Roy & Lois recuperating from his injuries
Janie Smith is home bound
Sarah Dodson home with Hospice
Jack Milhollin, he is is James McLain's Grandson
Phyllis McGlothen is home
Thelma Smith—improving
Freddie Layman, Arrietta's son had neck surgery
Lou Von Rohr, Bobby's mom
Avery and Minnie Lee Deakins
Jennifer Smith improved
Lynn Layne ICU at Parkridge
Ernest Laws
Billie Laws broke her ankle and is in NHC, in McMinnville send cards to home address (See insert).
Darlene Raber has bone cancer
Ed & Faye Higdon are seriously Ill and ask for our prayers

NURSING HOME

Clara Mae Foley
Jeanie Hollis Room 103
Donna Underwood Room 713
Campbell Underwood
Edna Johnson

How Could We Be Wrong? #2

"But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear," (I Peter 3:15). "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God," (I Peter 4:11). Do these verses not tell us that we should be able to explain from God's word why we teach what we teach and do what we do? While folks may not like it and false accusations result, where are the honest and reasonable opponents who would attempt to prove us wrong?

Are we wrong when we say that Christ built only one church? Jesus said in Matthew 16:18, "I will build my church." Where in God's word do you ever read where He built another or more than one? Are we wrong to say, believe, and defend the truth the Lord made obvious?

Are we wrong when we say Christ adds the saved to the church? Acts 2:47 says, "The Lord added to the church daily, those who were being saved." Reckon to which church He adds them? Who would dare contend that the Lord added them to any but His?

Are we wrong when we say no one is saved outside the church? If Christ adds the saved to His church - and He does - how can anyone be saved and not be in Christ's church? Paul affirmed that both Jews and Gentiles are reconciled unto God "in one body," (Ephesians 2:16). If reconciliation is "in one body," how can anyone be reconciled to God outside that one body, the church?

Are we wrong to teach that one must believe and be baptized in order to be saved? If so, what then does Mark 16:16 teach? "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." The Lord here revealed two things necessary for salvation. What are they? You will find other things also required in other passages, but you will never find less. It cannot be. You really have to have help to misunderstand the simplicity of the Lord's words. Wrong to say what the Lord said? Think about it!

Are we wrong in teaching the urgency of repenting and being baptized for the remission of sins? What did Peter tell Jews on Pentecost in Acts 2:38 to do when they asked? Is it not this very thing? Can we be wrong in telling people what he told people to do? Can anyone be right who claims to offer remission of sins on any other terms?

Do not these things need to be seriously considered? Friend, do not go to judgment unprepared to meet God. Please don't let prejudice keep you from seeing and obeying the truth.

-adapted from an article by Virgil Hale-

SEND A CARD & SAY A PRAYER

Ray Johnson, c/o, Roy & Lois Webb, 2945 Henson Gap Rd., Dunlap, Tn. 37327. He is recuperating from serious injuries received in the recent tornado.

Timothy Leslie, Heavy Troop Thunder Squadron, 3d Calvary Regiment (TF Rifles), T B Gamberi, APO AE 09354. He Tommy & Brenda's son.

Billie Laws, 225 Miriah Drive, McMinnville, Tn. 37110.

Sarah E. Dodson, PO Box 762, Dunlap, Tn. 37327.

Lou Von Rohr, c/o Bobby Von Rohr, 67 Keener Hill Road, Dunlap, Tn. 37327. She is at Bobby and Brenda's home.

Janie Smith, PO Box 193, Dunlap, Tn. 37327. Ph. 949-3741.

Lynn W. Layne, c/o Joyce Layne, PO Box 1434, Dunlap, Tn. 37327. He is the husband of Joyce Carey Layne.

Nancy Feezel, 769 Parrot Rd., Maryville, Tn. 37803. She is 93 years old and has cancer and is Ellen Miller's Aunt. Hospice is involved.

VISITATION

Visitation Group Two Meets Today

TAKE FOOD TO FUNERAL HOMES

This Week, TEAM 1, Team Coordinator: Sis. Ann Cooley, Ph. 949-2885

If you are aware of a body at either Funeral Home,

please call this week's team leader. That way we can be sure this need is met.

SOME ON US ARE NOT TAKING THEIR FOOD TO THE FUNERAL HOME WHEN WE SAY

WE WILL, PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TO DO WHAT YOU SAY YOU'LL DO!!

CHURCH WEB PAGE

www.dunlapcoc.org. This site was built and is maintained by Bro. Robert Farmer.

This contains: sermons, information about The Church, information about the Dunlap congregation, Missions, Bulletins, etc.

Another web page is: www.yourspiritualhealth.com. This was built and is maintained by Michelle Young. Freddie's weekly sermons are on this. Copies are made by Sharon Green.

ITEMS FOR THE PANTRY

Our Pantry Item this week is Paper Towels. Last Week it was Toilet Paper. We need more to participate in this effort. Put it on your grocery list, then you won't forget.

HOLIDAY CARDS

There is a Holiday card list in the foyer of all who attend here. Please delete the names of Eddie & Gwen Hobbs and Nick and Allison Morrison. They all now attend at

Bethel. Add Anthony Shaffer, Eric Paulk and Tyler Perkins.

DEADLINE IS NOON TODAY. CARDS WILL BE GIVEN OUT this EVENING.

After today you're on your own.

YOU CAN HELP

There is a Food List in the foyer for Fred and Ouida, please check this out. Please call ahead for content and time, remember Fred is a diabetic, we just need to bring a plate for each of them.

BAPTIZED

Sis. Ouida Richardson was baptized this past week.

REMINDER

Remember we can watch **GOOD NEWS TODAY** here at the building every Wednesday evening at 5:30.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like to be on the schedule to be a new Greeter, or if you would like to renew your commitment from this year, please check with Gabe or Amanda. They are in the process of preparing a schedule for 2017.

NEW CLASS

Bro. Jim Dearman will begin a Couples' Class in January.

OVER 55

We plan to go to Bea's Restaurant on December 16, leave the building at 10:00. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. If you have any questions, see Rachel.

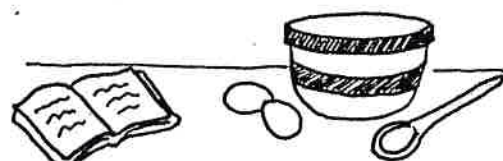
It's time to make the work sheets for 2017, you may be asked to do some of the **EXTRA** things from time to time. Things like lock the building, drive the van, prepare the communion, pick up the cups, last Sunday song leader or be a Greeter, etc.

The following card was received from the Gatlinburg Church.

(SEE NEXT PAGE)



All who isolate themselves from the church and refuse to take part in its activities forfeit the right to be called faithful members of the church.



Recipe for Holiday Happiness

- 2 heaping cups of patience
- 1 heart full of love
- 2 hands full of generosity
- 1 dash of laughter
- 1 head full of understanding

Sprinkle generously with kindness, and plenty of faith and tolerance. Mix well. Spread over the holidays. Serve everyone you meet.

BULLETIN DIGEST
P.O. Box 575 • Cisco, Tx 76437

Elizabeth Hamner
via Hamlin, Texas

Then There Were Two—Now There Are Five!

It seems such a short time ago that they first came to the office of Greater Chattanooga Christian Services. Their quest was the adoption of a child.

They had been referred to us by AGAPE in Nashville.

This couple had been married for ten years. Their Christ centered home was happy except for one thing—they had no children. Their efforts to have a child of their own had ended each time in frustration and disappointment. After several miscarriages and the death of one infant, their hope of having a child had vanished.

There were many children in their lives. Nieces, nephews, friends, and young people from the church were often in their company. But when these children were gone they were just two again.

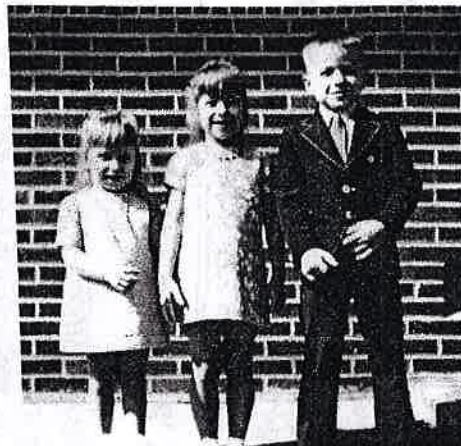
The adoptive social study revealed a couple with much love and feeling for children, a deep spirituality, and great respect on the part of their friends. They were approved for adoption and then the waiting began.

Recently an inquiry was received from a sister child-placing agency wanting to know if we had an approved adoptive couple who would be interested in adopting three children, a six year old brother and his five and three year old sisters, who needed to be placed together. Immediately this couple came to mind. A visit to get acquainted saw the couple and the children drawn almost immediately to each other. Then a trial visit by the children into the home led to such statements as "Why can't we stay and just let them send our clothes?" or "I'm going to go everywhere my daddy goes!" Or the refusal of a little one to leave the Bible class room "Until Mommy comes to get me."

Cooperative plans between the couple and the two agencies were made as rapidly as possible and after a brief return to the agency cottage, the three beautiful children pictured have come to live in their new home and fill a void in the lives of their new mother and daddy.

Now there are five.

The above article appeared in the January-February 1972 NEWS BULLETIN of the Greater Chattanooga Children's Home.



THANKS FOR ALL THE HELP YOU
HAVE DONE FOR US Billy & Naomi

Thank you so much for
the wonderful gift on
our new building. Neil Floyd

May God bless you
for your thoughtful
and wonderful help to
us on our building.
Wilton & Dawn Dawn

We appreciate
your love and
concern for
us. May God
Bless you in
your endeavors
to serve Him.
Paul & Janet
Smith

Thank you very much
Tom Spicins

Thank you All
for your kindness & love,
Janice & Family

Thanks you for your
help with building fund
The Gray Family

Thank you for
helping us with our
building fund. Thab Beane

Thanks you so very much
for the help on our Building
Fund. May God bless you!!!
Lizzie Hammond

Thank you for your
help on our Building
Fund. for we can be
a shine light for God.

Hank, Seana & Sara April

Thank you for your
help with our building
Fund. God bless you
The Nines Family

Thanks so much
for your wonderful
gift.
-The Norris Family

Thank you
for your
help.
Jeffrey

We are thankful for your
donation on our building
fund. May God Bless
your thoughtfulness &
love you have shown
Eddie & Beverly Owen

Thank you so much for
assisting with our Building
Fund. May the Lord bless
you for your generous
donation.

Anson & Jennifer Dura

Thanks so much
for the wonderful
gift. May God always
bless you all
The Hayes
family

Thank you for
all you do.

Philip and
Patsy
Norwood