

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

- (27) ROBERT SALLINGS
- (28) DAN MABRY
- (28) KATE WALLING
- (30) ANZLEE YAWN
- (31) JOY SIMMONS

**JULY ANNIVERSARIES**

- (31) GABE AND AMANDA DIXON (18 yrs.)

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

- (3) JEFFERY SMITH
- (7) LANNY SMITH
- (10) SHARON GREEN
- (11) MIKA DAVIS
- (12) KEITH PICKETT
- (12) BENTLEIGH BRAGG
- (14) EMILY CLAYTON
- (15) EVETTE HAYNES
- (16) RICKEY HICKMAN
- (16) D. HOWARD "Howie" EWTON
- (17) MILDRED CLAUDINE BURCH
- (19) PATRICK SMITH
- 20) CLARA MAE FOLEY
- (20) JOYCE LAYNE
- (23) IAN SHOEMATE
- (25) BRENDA LESLIE
- (28) MALLORIE DIXON
- (28) LAURA (TENNIE) HIGDON
- (29) MICHELLE FARMER
- (29) RACHEL HIXSON
- (31) BRENDA VON ROHR

**AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES**

- (1) BILLY RAY GRAYSON (Deceased) (62 yrs.) AND GRACE GRAYSON
- (5) ROBERT AND MICHELLE FARMER (11 yrs.)
- (16) HOWIE AND DONNA EWTON (40 yrs.)
- (28) JOHN AND CLAUDINE BURCH (62 yrs.)

**AUGUST**

*Lock Building: Keith Pickett*

*Prepare Communion: Tim & Tammy Layman*

*Pick-up Cups: Sue Dixon*

*Van Driver: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Last Sunday Singing: Al Simmons*

**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
- 6:00 P.M. Evening Service

**Wednesday**

- 6:30 P.M. Bible Study

**Men Who Serve**

**Elders:**

- Tony Boston 949-5065
- Greg Long 949-5103
- Al Simmons 949-7121

**Deacons:**

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

**Preacher:**

- Freddie Clayton
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## HORSE SENSE

*A horse can't pull while kicking,  
 This fact we merely mention;  
 And he can't kick while pulling,  
 Which is our chief contention.  
 Let's imitate the good ole horse,  
 And give the Devil a licking;  
 Just pull and honest load, and then  
 There'll be no time for kicking.*

## THE RECORD

SUNDAY SCHOOL-----135  
WORSHIP-----144  
CONTRIBUTION-----\$4354  
SUNDAY NIGHT-----120  
WEDNESDAY NIGHT----126

### **SICK/SHUT-IN**

**Rufus Johnson**, Claudine Burch's brother is home  
**Ashlon Hatfield and her son L. J.**  
They are Kim and Cheryl's Granddaughter and Great-grandson. (See Address)  
**Fred St. Clair** needs prayer and visits, in lots of pain, not doing well  
**Glenn Eidson**, see note in insert  
**Melba Johnson** is in Erlanger, Room 8140  
**Rubel Clayton**  
**Ruby Smith** is in Alexian Village  
**John Harwood**—back problems  
**Cathleen Hendon**, Ellen Miller's Sister has cancer  
**Ruth Turner** was with us last Sunday  
**Randall Standefer** is having heart problems  
**Robert Thomas** fell, he has stitches in his head, doing better  
**Cassie Yawn** had surgery  
**Emily Foshee's** Dr. appointment did not go well  
**Janie Smith** is home bound

**Trina Smith** is in Memorial Hosp. with a very serious skin infection. She is LaVaughn Turner's daughter, the Family requests your prayers  
**Carol Hubbard**, had surgery, She is the sister of Wanda Hennessee, Janet Land and James McLain (See Address)  
**Thelma Smith** not doing well.  
**George Fowler** has cancer, t  
**Freddie Layman**, Arrietta's son  
**Lou Von Rohr**, Bobby's mom  
**Avery and Minnie Lee Deakins**  
**Jennifer Smith** has cancer  
**Gary Turner**—Brenda Von Rohr's Dad  
**Lynn Layne** in Quiet Place of Dayton  
**Ernest & Billie Laws**, not doing well  
**Darlene Raber** has bone cancer  
**Dusty Foust** has had a stroke, he is Tommy & Ruth Turner's nephew  
Joellen Pickering's dad  
**Donna Michelle Siler** (See address)  
**Tim Hawn** is home, will have more Surgery, needs prayers  
**Craig Camp** has a melanoma, and so far has refused treatment

### **NURSING HOME**

**Clara Mae Foley**, fell, bleeding on her brain  
**Donna Underwood** Room 713  
**Campbell Underwood**  
Paulette Hamilton's mom fell and broke her hip—Re-hab  
**Edna Johnson**  
**Phyllis McGlothen** has COPD

## **When The Euphrates Dries Up**

"Revelation chapter eight ends with the sobering words, "And I saw, and I heard an eagle, flying in mid heaven, saying with a great voice, Woe, woe, woe, for them that dwell on the earth, by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, who are yet to sound" (Rev. 8:13). Three woes would come upon "them that dwell on the earth." The doomsday prognosticators would have us believe that John is describing some far off event in which the world and all mankind will be engulfed in a catastrophe too horrible to describe; an event that would immediately precede the return of Christ. They view the apocalypse through the eyes of a materialistic mind-set and fail to grasp the message God intended for the readers of this book. In keeping with the figurative language of the book of Revelation, John warns those who are earthly in their thinking, who seek not the things that are above, that they will, if they persist in their sin, bring upon themselves sorrow and woes of indescribable nature. Such are those who "dwell on the earth."

The "woes" of chapter nine are self-inflicted and come upon humanity as a result of their rejection of God's word and/or their obstinate rebellion against the Father. The "smoke out of the abyss" (9:2-3) is John's way of describing the woes that come upon men as a consequence of their determination to allow error and false philosophy to blind them to the truth (cf. II Cor. 4:3-4). Once blinded, all that awaits is the horrible "sting" of sin from the "locusts" that will descend upon them. Satan and his allies will rush down upon those who have turned their back on God and His word like horsemen prepared for war, and the final outcome will be complete defeat for those ill prepared to meet the onslaught of the devil and his forces.

The second woe in Revelation chapter nine envisions a situation in any given society wherein the righteous element is no longer strong enough to ward off the devil and his evil intentions. The preserving element will have disappeared and the only thing that awaits a nation at that point is God's complete wrath. At that point the "four angels that are bound at the great river Euphrates" will be "loosed," and divine judgment will descend upon men (Rev. 9:13-15). There are those who would suggest that the "Euphrates" represents the dividing line between the people of God and the people of the world. That river was the eastern most boundary of the Promised Land. Once the Euphrates dried up, the enemy would have easy and unrestricted access into the land where God's people once dwelt. In like manner, our "Euphrates" is the holiness of God's people. Our "Euphrates" is the line of demarcation that separates us from the world, a line that marks us as being distinctive, holy, and the "peculiar" people God so desires us to be. When our "Euphrates" is breached, there is nothing to hold back the full release of sin and the onslaught of the enemy. If we take this position then this sixth woe describes a world where that dividing line between God's people and the people of the world is no longer distinguishable. The righteous "remnant" is no longer able to hold back the evil that would engulf the world with this horrible "woe." The same kind of situation existed when God destroyed the world with the flood (cf. Gen. 6:5). Prior to the destruction of evil men in the flood, the "Euphrates" (figuratively speaking) had been dried up, and the world had reached such a state of evil that God's longsuffering finally ran out. Wicked men had turned so far away from God that the thoughts and intents of their hearts were only evil continually. When men reach such a state of ungodliness, God's wrath will no longer be restrained.

I wonder – has the "Euphrates" dried up in America? Has the "preserving element" that allows God's mercy to forego divine judgment in hopes that men will repent disappeared? Is the church having a leavening influence upon society? Or have we allowed the word to corrupt the church? Have we become so much like the world around us that for all practical intents and purposes we have allowed the Euphrates to dry up? Yes, I wonder!

-Tom Wacaster-

## ***SEND A CARD & SAY A PRAYER***

**Carol Hubbard**, Steeple Chase Apt. 1421, Cloverdale Circle, Hixson, Tn. 37343. She is being treated for cancer. She is Wanda Hennessee, Janet Land and James McLain's sister.

**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.

**LaMontez Sykes Jr.** is in Room 5417 Monroe Carrell Jr., Vanderbilt Children's Hospital, 2200 Children Way, Nashville, Tn. 37232

**Donna Mischelle Siler**, 7727 Potranco Rd., Apt. 11202, San Antonio, Tx. 78251

**L. J. & Ashlon Hatfield**, Scottish Rite Hospital Lamontez Skyles, Jr., Room 361, 1001 Johnson Ferry Road NE, Atlanta, Ga. 30342-1605 (May come home Aug. 3)

### **VISITATION**

*No Visitation Group Meeting Today*

### **TAKE FOOD TO FUNERAL HOMES**

*This Week, TEAM 2, Team Coordinator: Mika Davis, Ph. 718-5204*

*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.*

**WHEN YOU TAKE FOOD TO THE FUNERAL HOME, PLEASE SIGN THE BOOK!!**

### **CHURCH WEB PAGE**

The web page is: [www.yourspiritualhealth.com](http://www.yourspiritualhealth.com). This was created 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 Deodorant, Women. Last Week it was Deodorant, Men. If you are not participating in this program, does that mean that you don't think it is worthwhile?*

### **YOU CAN HELP**

*With the Good News Today Bible correspondence Courses, we have many new names.*

### **SURGERY**

*Glenn Eidson will have Chemo Bead surgery on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM at Vanderbilt to take care of the Cancer Cell in his liver. This surgery will give him a higher transplant number for transplant surgery next year.*

### **CHURCH EVENTS**

*Youth Day At Green's Lake Road, Aug. 6 at 9:15 EDT. (See Bulletin board)  
Gospel Meeting At Bethel Aug. 7-10 at 7:00 each evening with Bro. David Smith.*

**2016 Dunlap church of Christ  
Gospel Meetings, Events and Activities**

**August 19-25, Polishing the Pulpit  
September TBA, Young Ladies Day  
October 23-26, Gospel Meeting with David Powell**

**REMINDER**

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

**OPEN HOUSE**

*There will be an 'open house' at the new location (182 Walnut Street, Dunlap, Tn.) of  
GBN 2:00-5:00 CDT on Sunday Aug. 7.*

**SYMPATHY**

*Our sincere sympathy is extended to Sis. Lois Webb in the death of her sister,  
Alene Gray.  
Our sincere sympathy is extended to the families of Wade Williams and Wanda Long.*

**NEW WEB SITE**

*The Church has a new web-site, it is [www.dunlapcofc.org](http://www.dunlapcofc.org). This is built and  
maintained by Robert Farmer.*

**PLACED MEMBERSHIP**

*The following have placed membership with the Dunlap congregation:  
Carol Ann Davis, Jennifer Foshee, Jessica Foshee and Emily Foshee.*

**THANKS**

***Our Thanks to You! With warmest thanks, grateful hearts, and deep  
appreciation for your thoughtfulness. Thank you so much for everything!  
The visits, cards, phone calls, flowers and the meal after the funeral all helped to  
lighten our load. We all thank you from the bottom of our hearts!  
The Family of Kathleen Cole***

**55 and Older Outing**

*We are planning an outing to Miss Bobo's in Lynchburg on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.  
The cost is \$26.15 per person, this includes taxes and gratuity.  
There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer, and we need to have the money in by Wednesday  
August 17<sup>th</sup>. Make the check to or pay Rachel Hixson and if you will admit to being  
that old you are welcome to go. We will leave the building at 10:30 AM.*