

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

(6) GLEN EIDSON  
(8) CHRISTY PICKETT  
(9) DESTINY CLAYTON  
(9) CADEN DANLEY  
(12) ZACHARY LAYMAN  
(14) JEANETTE GIBBS  
(15) MELBA GREEN JOHNSON  
(16) LYNN LAYNE  
(20) RUTH HARVEY  
(21) GRANT KRETZMEIER  
(21) MICHELLE YOUNG  
(24) BAYLEE SHOEMATE  
(27) HANNAH DANLEY  
(28) DANE EWTON

## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

(1) KEITH AND SUSAN BURDETTE (26 yrs.)  
(23) ROGER AND CAROLYN TATE (51 yrs.)

## SEPTEMBER

*Lock Building: Gabe Dixon*

*Prepare Communion: Lanny & Tracy Smith*

*Pick-up Cups: Amanda, Kennedee & Mallorie*

*Van Driver: Tony Boston*

*Last Sunday Singing: Joel Danley*

*We've got plenty of know-how---what we need is some know-why*

*A hypocrite prays on his knees on Sunday...  
and preys on his neighbors the rest of  
the week.*

## 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 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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### *A Child's Advice to His/Her Parents*

*(Continued from last week)*

- 6. I need your encouragement to grow, so go easy on the criticism. Try to correct my behavior without criticizing me as a person.*
- 7. Give me the freedom to make decisions. Permit me to fail, so I can learn from my mistakes. Then I'll be prepared to make the kind of decisions life requires me to make as an adult.*
- 8. Don't do jobs over that I have done. This makes me feel that my efforts don't quite measure up to your expectations. I know it's hard, but please don't compare me to my brother or sister.*
- 9. Please don't be afraid to leave for a weekend together. Kids need vacations from parents, just as parents need to get away occasionally. This is also a great way to show us kids that your marriage is very special.*
- 10. Please set a good example by taking me to Sunday school and church regularly. I enjoy learning more about God.*

## THE RECORD

SUNDAY SCHOOL	146
WORSHIP	148
CONTRIBUTION	\$4047
SUNDAY NIGHT	125
WEDNESDAY NIGHT	138

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

**Kate Walling** is in Erlanger Room 3041

**John Cooley** had his Spinal Stimulator removed from his back on Wednesday

**Grace Grayson** is having back problems

**Fred St. Clair** is taking Chemo and it is going very well, needs prayers and cards, also meals

**Sarah Dodson**

**Lois Webb** had surgery to remove a cyst from her shoulder

**Roz Hubbard**

**Riley Davis**

**Jackie Stearman** has leukemia, he is married to the former Joyce Kidwell

**Ruby Smith** is home

**Cathleen Hendon**, Ellen Miller's sister has cancer—has had a stroke

**Ruth Turner**

**Janie Smith** is home bound

**Phyllis McGlothen** is home, and has COPD

**Thelma Smith**—improving

**Willman Powell** from Kimball has been taken off dialysis and Hospice is involved

**Pete Higdon** is in Room 244 at the VA He is Tennie's Brother-in-law. He has Leukemia and will be there 3-4 weeks

**Leslie (Sonny) Higdon** is home

**Trina Smith** is home. She is

LaVaughn Turner's daughter, the Family requests your prayers (See address), now with back problems

**George Fowler** has cancer

**Freddie Layman**, Arrietta's son had an auto accident and is in Siskin Rm. 432

**Lou Von Rohr**, Bobby's mom

**Avery and Minnie Lee Deakins**

**Jennifer Smith** improved

**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 and was in a very serious auto accident

**Tim Hawn** is home, will have more Surgery, needs prayers

**Juan Espinoza** born premature, 2 lbs. 01 oz., needs prayers

### **NURSING HOME**

**Avery Deakins** Room 408

**Clara Mae Foley**

**Donna Underwood** Room 713

**Campbell Underwood**

**Edna Johnson**

**Sometime the first sign of a sick Christian is a sharp pain in the pocketbook!**

## What Are You Looking for in a Church

Wayne Jackson

Some people couldn't care less about religion. They do not believe in God; and "church," in their opinion, would be a burden and a waste of time. There are not many theoretical atheists (the evidence for God's existence is much too compelling); there are, though, legions of practical atheists—those who profess belief, but live as if there were no God.

Most folks, however, have a genuine conviction that there is a Creator and they believe they owe him allegiance. Accordingly, if they really are conscientious about that, frequently they will search for a church. They may choose one associated with a family tradition, or they may simply go shopping for something near their home. Neither of these avenues of pursuit is necessarily wise.

Churches are plentiful. If one lives in a metropolitan area, he scarcely will be more than a few blocks from a church building. There are large facilities and smaller ones. There are bright, well-kept places, while others are run down. If you are looking for material constructions, you can just about have your choice. Unfortunately, it is the case all too often that "church" choices are superficial. For many, spiritual considerations are not the prime factor in a church selection.

In looking for a church, the first consideration for some is what type of facilities or programs are available. For example, is the building comfortable? What sort of seating is provided, or how is the temperature regulated? Is the parking convenient? Is there a commodious nursery? Is a day-care facility available? Are there recreational and social activities for the members? Do you have a "bail-out" program in case I get behind on my car or house payments?

Notice that all such questions are grounded in physical-material interests. Others move in a slightly different direction. They want to know: Do you have a good music program? Is there, perhaps, a chorus or "praise" teams? Is your church a democracy where everyone has the right to help make church decisions, etc.? Questions of this nature, though sincere, indicate the need for a more mature level of knowledge.

More crucial are the following considerations: What does this church stand for? Does it hold the conviction that the Bible is the inerrant, inspired word of God? Does the leadership believe in the uniqueness of the New Testament church pattern and strive to lead the congregation in the direction of faithfulness, as opposed to a loose philosophy which alleges that most all "Christian" churches are okay, and doctrine really doesn't matter? Does the church have an "open-door" policy where folks can simply float in or out at their convenience, with no accountability to the leadership? Such is not a responsible way to conduct the Lord's business.

Does sound doctrine emanate from the pulpit—teaching that enriches the soul and inoculates against worldliness and false doctrine? Or are people looking for speakers who are jokesters, stand-up comics, with a repertoire of jokes that ridicule the church and biblical preaching?

Are we anxious to have leaders who love us and are concerned about our souls? Or do we prefer to be left alone to craft religious procedure according to our personal tastes? Do we want healthy teaching that reproves, exhorts and, when needed, rebukes? Or would we rather have that mushy, feel-good psycho-babble?

Are we still interested in restoring the original church, or have we gravitated toward the Joel Osteen, Rick Warren "community church" motif? There is much talk these days about the "emerging church." The so-called church is one that has "emerged" from the restraints of New Testament authority and is of the Jeroboam variety (1 Kings 12:25-33). Far too many want a religion fashioned after their own inclinations (Colossians 2:23), with just a faint aroma of pristine Christianity.

Congregations that have been identified with a "restoration" principle for many years are coming under a new leadership that is charting a course more toward Rome than Jerusalem, and scores of naive people can't tell the difference. Many need to look into the mirror of divine truth (James 1:23-24), and ask themselves this question: "What am I looking for in a church?"

## 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.

## REMINDER

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

## PLEASE ADD TO YOUR DIRECTORY

DAVIS, \*CAROL ANN, Phone 949-3925, cell 208-8747, 1132 Stone Cave Road, Dunlap, Tn. 37327. & Daughter \*JENNIFER DAVIS FOSHEE, cell 582-7568 and Grand-daughters \*JESSICA and EMILY FOSHEE. Directions: Go south on Hwy. 127 and turn right on Hwy. 28 at second traffic light, Continue on Hwy. 28 about 5 miles, turn left on Stone Cave Road. We are the 4<sup>th</sup> house on the left (about 1 mile). House is brick with brick columns at the road.

ELLIOTT, \*PAUL & CINDY and Daughters KRISTEN and KILEY, Phone 949-2586, 81 Beaver Creek Road, Dunlap, Tn. 37327. Directions: From church building, go south on Hwy. 127 approx. 1.5 miles, turn right on Hwy. 28, go approx. 1.5 miles and turn right on John Burch Road and go approx. 1/4 mile and turn left on Beaver Creek Road and we are the second house on the left.

## SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy is expressed to the family of **Mary Jane Nipper**.

## L2L

The young girls participating in our **Lads 2 Leaders "Keepers Program"** are learning to sew. They need some clothes to repair, clothes with: **Missing buttons, broken stitches holes to patch, hemlines to repair, loose pockets, etc.** We need 20-25 items. Please pin your name to them and bring to Sue or Tennie during September and they will be repaired and returned in October.

## THANKS

Your kind and thoughtful expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged. Thank you so much for the sandwiches. They were delicious.

The Linda Ewton Family



### **Fearfully and Wonderfully Made**

God gave us a mouth that closes and ears that don't—which should tell us something.



### **Talked into a Corner**

A loose tongue often gets its owner into a tight place.

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

**Pete Higdon**, 283 Higdon Rd., Whiwell, Tn. 37397.

**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.

**Trina Smith**, 1103 Harbor Rd., Soddy Daisy, Tn. 37379. She is LaVaughn Turner's daughter.

### **VISITATION**

*Visitation Group Three Meets Today*

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

*This Week, TEAM 4, Team Coordinator: Sis. Sara Land, Ph. 243-7732.*

*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](http://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](http://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 Tooth Brushes. Last Week it was Disinfectant Wipes. *If you are not participating in this program, does that mean that you don't think it is worthwhile?*

### **CHURCH EVENTS**

At East Side in Cleveland, Sept. 18-21 at 7:00 EDT with Bro. Paul Sain.

Gospel Meeting at Mt. Della Sept. 18-22 at 7:00 CDT with different speakers. (See Bulletin board)

At Trenton, Ladies' Day Sept. 24 with Cindy Colley at 9:00 EDT. Lunch will be served. (See Bulletin Board.)

Lectureship at Dayton on Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> with different speakers, (See Bulletin Board)

**2016 Dunlap church of Christ**

**Gospel Meetings, Events and Activities**

**Young Ladies Day, Sept. 24 with 3 different Speakers. (See Bulletin Board)**

**October 23-26, Gospel Meeting with David Powell**

### **ATTENTION**

*The Visitation Groups are being re-organized. If you want to be in a Group and are not, or if you are in a Group and want out, please let Al Simmons know.*