

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- (29) UNA DeBORD
 - (30) TRACY QUICK
 - (30) SHEPARD "SHEP" DON GRACE
- MARCH ANNIVERSARIES**
- (29) VICTOR AND SANDRA CRABTREE (37 yrs.)
 - (30) LANNY AND TRACY SMITH (33 yrs.)

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- (1) VICTOR CRABTREE
- (2) TUCKER WYATT DAVIS
- (9) NANCY HERRON
- (13) CAM HAYNES
- (15) ANN BOSTON
- (16) MAGGIE LOWDERMILK
- (16) ROY LaVAUGHN TURNER
- (17) LEEAN BACH
- (19) JAMES DeBORD
- (21) LONA GRACE YAWN
- (21) MINNIE LEE DEAKINS
- (22) VERA BURDETTE
- (27) DANIEL EWTON
- (28) KEITH BURDETTE
- (29) SAWYER DAVIS
- (29) ANN COOLEY
- (29) ANTHONY SHAFFER
- (29) LINDA TURNER

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- (1) FREDDIE AND TAMMY CLAYTON (47 yrs.)
- (1) JAMES AND UNA DeBORD (24 yrs.)
- (3) KERRY AND GAIL HOLLIS (42 yrs.)
- (27) JUSTIN & DANIELLE SHOEMATE (20 yrs.)

APRIL

Lock the Building.....Lanny
 Prepare the Communion....Anita R. & Mary
 Pick-up Cups....Ben & Linda
 Van Driver.....Lanny

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
 Freddie Clayton 718-5806
 Jim Dearman 762-9526

Deacons:

Wiley Boston, Daniel Boyd
 Cole Crabtree, C. J. Davis,
 Robert Farmer, Wes Grace,
 Tim Layman, Benny McCoy,
 Lanny Smith, Bobby Von Rohr

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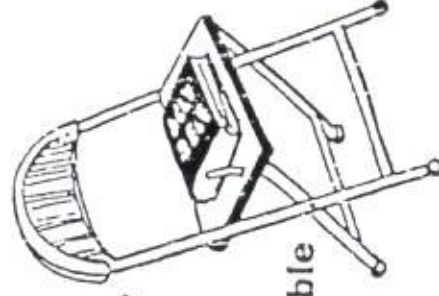
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Tragedy in the BIBLE CLASS



The
 Vacant Chair

and

The
 Unopened Bible

ARE THEY Yours?

THE RECORD

Sunday School	110
Worship	121
Contribution	\$4,519
Sunday Night	91
Wednesday	102

Sick/Shut-In

Linda McCoy - recovering from a fall, possible hand surgery for broken fingers
 Brenda Turner - Erlanger ICU, stroke mother of Brenda VonRohr
 Jerry Anderson - brain surgery, Neighbor of East Valley members
 Delanie Clayton - home, recovering from pneumonia
 Roy Webb - pneumonia
 Wyatt Davis - recovering from foot surgery
 Goldie Crabtree- will be having more test
 Baylee Bowman- received good test results
 Kathy Cunningham - recovering from Surgery
 Judy Bunch - scheduled for a heart procedure, blocked artery, sister of Robert Turner
 Johnnie Tittle - not doing well, friend of the Dearman's
 Judy Bunch - throat cancer, mother-in-law of Megan Layman Bunch
 Gary Everett - recovering from surgery member at New Harmony congregation
 Diane Silvey - scheduled for lung scan will see a specialist
 W.L. Douglas - home recovering from from Back Surgery
 Wes Webb - Stage 4 Kidney Failure son of Faye Douglas

Shane Shirley - having issues from Long covid, member at Green Lakes
 C. D. Pursley - having health issues
 Wiley Boston - home, therapy but doing better
 Charline Johnson - home, breathing issues

Cooper Moore - recovering from cancer surgery, cousin of Baylee & Ian
 Freddie Layman - recovering from leg Surgery, Tim Layman's brother
 Cheryl Layman - health issues, Tim Layman's sister-in-law
 Jacob Powell - health issues, co-worker
 Of Victor Crabtree
 Lee Greer - health issues, Lois Webb's Brother-in-law
 Channing Ashbaugh - Health Issues
 Dan Ewton - Home, treatments
 Sandy Haston - health issues, Trish & Tammy's sister
 Jarrot Flynn - cancer surgery, nephew Of Donna Kustes, Tammy Layman's Co-Worker
 Mary Ann Boston -home, heart issues
 Tony Boston's sister
 Jim Long - home, Greg Long's dad
 David Cole - therapy, doing better NHC, Rm 306, Wilma Mabry's son-in-law, Cards only, No visits please
 Clinton Miller- Home
 Wanda Hennessee - Home
 Mickey Holloway - health care center
 Soddy Daisy
 Minnie Lee Deakins - Home

Nursing Home -

Dessie Green - Valley View Senior Living
 Whitwell, Rm 132
 David Cole - NHC, Rm 306, no visits
 Cards only, Wilma's Son-in-Law

"What Draws 'Em, Keeps 'Em!"

I was sitting in a Bible class recently when the teacher was having difficulty remembering something he had heard me say before. Because of the material he was dealing with, I thought I knew what it was. The phrase he had on his mind was not original with me. I've "borrowed" it from a former teacher of mine.

My former teacher has been gone from us for many years. The fact that I still remember his phrase and that others have heard it because I've used it may serve to demonstrate that our impact on others may not die with us.

The two classes were separated by many years and not a few miles, but the subject being discussed was the same. That subject can be described in a lot of ways. The discussion could be about evangelism. It could be labeled as "church growth." We could be discussing how to best reach those who are lost with the gospel of Jesus. In a more "businesslike" way, it could be a seminar or workshop about the best method by which to "market" a local congregation. The discussion could be about the best way to appeal to a certain ethnic group, age group, people in a particular geographic area, etc.

I think you get the idea. It was in this overall context that the phrase was used: **What draws 'em keeps 'em.** That obviously raises the question about methods, tools, etc. by which people can be drawn. Here are some suggestions that come up from time to time and some of the thinking that prompts some of them:

Facilities - It is often thought that a major remodel of the place where a church meets for worship is what is needed to draw more people.

Geography - Often the demographics of a neighborhood change in such a way so as to prompt a move of the church building to a location that seems to reflect the makeup of the congregation.

Programs - It is often suggested that, if a congregation had more or better programs, people would be drawn to them.

"Worship" - Hopefully, you've noticed the quotation marks. When the appeal becomes more about being entertained than it is about a commitment to worship "...in spirit and in truth (John 4:24), in all honesty, it ceases to be worship.

Preaching - Often the demand is for less Bible and more what could easily pass for a motivational speech or (sadly) even a comedy routine.

The preacher - The reasoning often goes something like this: All we need is "just the right guy." If we could find him, he would appeal to all ages, ethnic groups, people of different political and social ideologies, etc.

The atmosphere - This is a little tricky. Some (probably most) people are looking for a warm and friendly atmosphere in which people interact with one another, check on each other, and socialize together. Others may prefer to be left alone. Others may - well, I think you get the point.

The "fit" or "feel" - This is fairly close to the atmosphere. People may be drawn to a place that "fits" them or just "feels" right.

You might be able to come up with additions to these suggestions. The list could be rather lengthy. It might be a good idea, however, to consider what Jesus said on this subject. His "list" is not long at all. Sadly, it seems to be overlooked and get somewhat lost among all of the other suggestions. Maybe we need His "take" on **What draws 'em keeps 'em** and the apostle John's inspired commentary on the Lord's meaning - "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. This He said, signifying what death he should die. (John 12:32-33 KJV)

Without any doubt at all, the apostle Paul had tremendous success in what today might be called "church planting" and "church growth." As the Holy Spirit inspired him to sort of "sum up" his methods, he wrote - "For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified." (1 Cor. 2:2 KJV). I think that we may have had the best "formula" all along.

Response – Bro. Wyatt Davis responded requesting forgiveness and prayer.

CCM Team 1 will meet today.

Please submit names to the CCM program. Forms are located downstairs in the CCM area.

Funeral Home Teams – Team #2 (Team Leader, Mika Davis). Ladies on the teams will be notified by the team leader when and where to provide food

April Pantry Items – Tooth Brush, Tooth Paste and small Hand Sanitizer

Send A Card

Cooper Moore, c/o Jimmy Griffith, P.O. Box 511, Dunlap, TN 37327

Jarrett Flynn, 716 Nighthawk Drive, Plain City. OH 43064 (Cancer)

Mickey Holloway, Soddy Daisy Health Care Center, 701 Sequoyah Rd, Rm. 120, Soddy Daisy, TN 37379

Phone #; 423-332-0060 (Please add this facility address to your directory)

Clinton Miller – 1225 Coke Bowman Rd, Soddy Daisy, TN 37379

Pew Packers Tonight at 5:20, 1st Pew

WATCH IT!

Sunday morning broadcasts available.

6 AM – International Gospel Hour, Channel 53 WFLI; 6 AM – The Gospel of Christ with Ben Bailey Channel 61 FOX

6:30 AM – Good News Today, Channel 53 WFLI; 7 AM – In Search of the Lord's Way, Channel 12

Other opportunities. WSDQ 1190, local radio station, Sound Words broadcasts will be 15 times a week, 1 segment will be after the Swap & Shop broadcast.

Here is our Homework!

Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to our upcoming Gospel Meeting.

Flyers will be available.

OUR SCHEDULED EVENTS,

Mark your Calendars

Spring Gospel Meeting – April 16-19, 2023, with Jimmy Clark

April 16th Fellowship Meal after AM Worship,

April 17th – Meal Work Team #1, April 18th – Meal Work Team#2, April 19th – Meal Work Team#3

NO 5th Sunday (April 30th) Fellowship Meal in April

April's 5th Sunday contribution will go to the Training to Serve youth program. (PTP Trip)

Family Vacation Bible School – June 18-22, 2023, with Cody Boston (Adult Class)

Fall Gospel Meeting – October 1-5, 2023, with Gary Hampton

Thank You! Dear church family, We love and appreciate our wonderful family at Dunlap. Thank you for all of the kindness & encouragement you have always shown us. We have been blessed to worship with such a faithful & loving congregation.

In Christian Love, Cam, Evette, & Savannah Haynes