

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

- (11) JULIE COOLEY
- (14) CAROLYN TATE
- (17) HOLLY PICKETT
- (18) ROBIN THOMAS
- (20) ROBERT FARMER
- (23) SOPHIE GRAHAM
- (23) CASSIE YAWN
- (30) ANZLEE YAWN
- (31) JOY SIMMONS

## JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- (10) C. J. AND MIKA DAVIS (24 yrs.)
- (18) JERRY AND FAY DOUGLAS (3 yrs.)
- (20) KEITH AND CHRISTY PICKETT (32 yrs.)
- (24) BOBBY AND BRENDA VON ROHR (31 yrs.)

## JULY

*Lock the Building.....*

*Prepare the Communion — Hicks Family  
Pick-up Cups — Hicks Family  
Van Driver —*

*Better be thankful to have a door to  
keep the wolf away from.*

*The best test of a sermon is depth,  
not length.*

*There is no substitute for brains; but  
silence does pretty well.*

*The man who thinks he cannot is  
usually right.*

## 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 Morning  
10:30 A.M. 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

#### Preacher:

Freddie Clayton  
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### NOBODY'S FRIEND

My name is GOSSIP. I have absolutely NO respect for justice. I maim and kill. I break hearts and I ruin lives. I am crafty, cunning, malevolent and malicious. I get stronger as I age. The more I am quoted, the more I am believed. My victims are totally helpless. They cannot protect themselves against me, because I have no name and no face. Thus it is virtually impossible to track me down. The harder they try, the more elusive I become. I am nobody's friend.

Once I've succeeded in tarnishing a reputation, it is never the same. I've toppled governments, and wrecked marriages; I've even caused poor helpless souls to loose their faith in God. I've ruined countless careers and caused many sleepless nights. I've dispensed multitudes of heartaches, and numerous cases of indigestion. I've made lots of innocent people cry in their pillows. Even my name hisses diabolically!

I've made headlines and headaches. Before you repeat any story ask yourself, "Is it true? Is it kind? Is it harmless? Is it necessary?" If it isn't, don't repeat it!!!



## THE RECORD

Sunday School	106
Worship	133
Contribution	\$5,062
Sunday Night	101
Wednesday	-----

### Sick/Shut-In

Brenda Bowman - foot infection

Frankie Bowman - Heart issues

Alice Holland - more tests, Pam

Sims' mother

Brenda Turner - blood clot in leg,

Brenda VonRohr's mother

Adam Pickett - waiting on test results

Emma Foshee - not feeling well

Donnie Mosley -health issues, nephew

Of Mary Phipps & Faye Mosley

Dianne Smithson - health issues, niece

Of Mary Phipps & Faye Mosley

Lexie Bargar - 9 yrs old, hospital in

Atlanta, GA for rehab,

Family of Janet Land

Charlie Simpson - Lymphoma, Chemo

Uncle of Mika Davis

Carolyn Hatfield - Home

Josh Smith - in UAB waiting to see if

a candidate for liver transplant,

nephew of Sue Dixon & Tennie Higdon

cousin to Brenda VonRohr

Debbie Carr - Preparing for radiation

Sandy Haston - health issues, Trish &

Tammy's sister

Rhonda Delaney - Home, with oxygen

Aunt of Crystal Ewton

J.P. Lancaster - 5 yr. old facing heart

Surgery, Vanderbilt, son of a co-

worker of Mary Cookston, see address

Debra Mills - health issues, CJ Davis'

cousin

Robert Thomas - home,

Charline Johnson - home,

W.L. Douglas - home

Bill Dally - prostate cancer treatments

Andrew King - prostate cancer, friend

of Benny McCoy

Channing Ashbaugh - Health Issues

Diane Silvey - scheduled for kidney

Test, studying with Freddie & Jim

Goldie Crabtree-will be having more

tests

Johannie Tittle - not doing well, friend

of the Dearman's

Judy Bunch - throat cancer, mother-

in-law of Megan Layman Bunch

Wes Webb - Stage 4 Kidney Failure

son of Faye Douglas

Wiley Boston - home, therapy but

doing better

Freddie Layman - recovering from leg

Surgery, Tim Layman's brother

Cheryl Layman - health issues, Tim

Layman's sister-in-law

Jarrot Flynn - cancer surgery, nephew

Of Donna Kustes, Tammy Layman's

Co-Worker

Mary Ann Boston -home, heart issues

Tony Boston's sister

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

Brenda Turner - NHC, Rm 304

Brenda VonRohr's mother

## Honest Investigation

*"Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour is humility. He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him." Proverbs 18:13*

Man has the tendency to speak before he thinks, to jump to conclusions, to conclude something to be either true or false without an honest examination of the evidence that is available. The words of the proverb above tie that failure to pride, haughtiness, and the absence of humility. Yes, it also informs us that such a disposition and action is certainly less than honorable. Folly and shame are the results when a person "answers a matter before he hears it." Was this only true in the days of Solomon, or is that principle still applicable today?

In recent weeks we have been trying to appeal to the minds of those who desire to be reasonable and honorable in the matter of the origin of the universe, including mankind. We have suggested that when individuals believe anything just because somebody else believes it, that is less than honorable and reasonable. What about the evidence? Does it not matter? To answer a matter before hearing it results in folly and shame, so says Solomon.

It would be comical if it were not so serious. A person tells you what he thinks about something before and without even considering the information concerning it, and may be looked upon by himself and others as an expert on the subject. He may even write a book about his beliefs, others read his book, and further advanced is his opinion all without an honest and thorough examination of the evidence. What is the motivation? Certainly, what Solomon said might figure into that. Those are the facts in the promotion of evolution. But, that is not the only area in which these mistakes are made.

Manned religion is based upon the same error. It matters not whether we speak of the myriad of world religions, Roman Catholicism or protestant denominationalism, the evidence of God's word is not properly considered and man answers matters before he hears it. Thus we have manuals, creed books, catechisms, and confessions of faith. Contradicting what God has in fact said seems inconsequential to most people. Brethren are not immune to this disease, as they will often accept something as either true or false, not based upon the evidence, but upon their allegiance to a person, congregation, or institution. When such happens, the motivation that Solomon mentions must be considered, and the results just as deadly, as folly and shame will follow. For sure, to make up your mind before full examination is intellectual laziness. Since the truth frees (John 8:32), you must decide not to be a slave.

*"These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so." Acts 17:11*



## Responses

**Sawyer Davis obeyed the gospel at bible camp.  
Ian Shoemate requested forgiveness and prayer.**

*Our Sympathy is extended to the family of Gordon Mosley. He has several family members here at Dunlap. Mr. Mosley was a member of the Signal Mtn. Congregation.*

## **Pantry Items for July – Adult & Baby Shampoo, Bleach & Laundry Detergent**

CCM Team 4 will meet today.

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

**Funeral Home Teams – Team #3, (Team Leader, Wilma Mabry).**

Ladies on the teams will be notified by the team leader when and where to provide food.

### Send A Card

Emma Foshee, 439 Pine Street, Dunlap, TN 37327

Rhonda Delaney, P.O. Box 185, Doyle, TN 38559

James Preston Lancaster, 453 Howard Rd., Spencer, TN 38585

Debbie Carr, P.O. Box 2352, 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

## **Youth Fellowship after Wednesday night Bible Class!**

### 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.

### **Opportunities to “Hear the Gospel” (See the Bulletin Board for more information)**

Trenton CofC, Summer Series, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM Est., Kerry Duke

### OUR SCHEDULED EVENTS.

Mark your Calendars

**Fifth Sunday Fellowship Meal – Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Summer Family Picnic – August 12, 2023, Fall Creek Falls**

**Polishing the Pulpit – August 16 – 24, 2023**

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



**Summer Family Picnic at Fall Creek Falls State Park  
Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 AM - ??, Lunch at approximately 11:00 – 11:30 AM  
Pavilion No. 1 (located near the Nature Center)**

**Bring your lawn chairs and yard games.  
Enjoy our time together.**

**More Details & Sign-up Sheets in the Foyer**