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# The Messenger

## Stand Firm in the Faith

*Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.*

*1 Corinthians 16:13*

I pray that we will always understand the need for a strong faith in God (Hebrews 11:6) We are weak, frail human beings and need strong faith to see us safely through this life as we make our way toward that inevitable face to face meeting with our Lord (Acts 17:29-31; Hebrews 9:27). Each day we live, we must fight the good fight of faith in order to lay hold on eternal life (1 Tim. 6:12)

Standing firm in the faith, our fear of the unknown is replaced with a trust in God which often enables us to do what at first seems impossible, for you see, standing firm in the faith, we are able to see the eternal purpose of God in those things that so often we simply do not understand. When we stand firm in the faith, even the worst kind of day will be turned into a blessed one. When we stand firm in the faith, the darkest of nights will never cause us to falter. Standing firm in the faith allows us to continue our walk down the road of life even when we cannot see what lies beyond the bend in the road (Romans 8:26-28,31,35-39; Isaiah 40:28-31; Philippians 4:13).

The writer of Hebrews tells us in the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter, verse 19, that the hope is the anchor of our soul, both sure and steadfast. My friends, I am convinced that the strength of the anchor lies entirely in whether or not we are watchful, ever standing firm in the faith. Furthermore, I am convinced that if we are not ever watchful, standing firm in the faith with our feet solidly planted on that higher ground, there will be no hope, and if there is no hope, there will be no anchor and if there is no anchor, we will drift aimlessly through this life and one day find ourselves facing the Lord in judgment totally unprepared for that meeting.

I am human, I am imperfect, I am weak, I am frail – and so are you! Every day of our lives we are faced with temptations, cares and burdens and trials that test our faith in the Lord (James 1:2-4). Standing firm in the faith, we simply take hold of the never changing hand of the Lord and let him direct and guide us as we press onward toward the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus (Gal. 2:20; 2 Cor. 5:6-9; Phil. 3:13-14).

Standing firm in the faith, we will surrender our hearts and minds completely to the divine will of the Lord. Surely, the need for this to happen have never been greater than it is in our present age. As we face each day, our prayer should ever be, “O for a faith that will not shrink, Tho pressed by every foe, That will not tremble on the brink of any earthly woe.” Maybe today we should be asking ourselves, Am I standing so firm in the faith that I am willing to say to family, friends, all who know me, “follow me in as I follow the Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Cor. 4:16, 11:1).

By Charles Hicks

| Schedule of Services                                                                                                     |                                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday</b>                                                                                                            |                                    |
| Bible Class                                                                                                              | 9:00 a.m.                          |
| Worship                                                                                                                  | 10:00 a.m.                         |
| Worship                                                                                                                  | 6:00 p.m.                          |
| <b>Wednesday</b>                                                                                                         |                                    |
| Bible Study                                                                                                              | 6:30 p.m.                          |
| <b>Elders</b>                                                                                                            |                                    |
| Richard Eubanks                                                                                                          | 270.792.3050                       |
| Greg Isenburg                                                                                                            | 270.202.4609                       |
| Brian Martin                                                                                                             | 270.576.2936                       |
| Chris Young                                                                                                              | 270.202.2252                       |
| Denver Young                                                                                                             | 270.799.8559                       |
| <b>Deacons</b>                                                                                                           |                                    |
| Perry Cole                                                                                                               | 270.202.6214                       |
| L.W. Jackson                                                                                                             | 270.996.1451                       |
| Michael Runner                                                                                                           | 270.535.5906                       |
| Adam Warren                                                                                                              | 270.980.2548                       |
| Matt Williams                                                                                                            | 270.779.7733                       |
| Mark Young                                                                                                               | 270.791.0140                       |
| <b>Evangelist</b>                                                                                                        |                                    |
| W. Tom Hall                                                                                                              | H: 270.777.0861<br>M: 270.792.2132 |
| We stand ready to assist you with any need you may have.                                                                 |                                    |
| You may call the church office at 270.777.1828.                                                                          |                                    |
| We would be honored to help if we can. May God bless you with a wonderful week.                                          |                                    |
| “For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”<br>Mark 10:45 |                                    |

| Summer Quarter Classes                             |                                                                  |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday Morning                                     | Wednesday Evening                                                |
| Nursery (under 2)                                  | <i>No Classes in the Education Wing During the Month of July</i> |
| 2-3 years old                                      |                                                                  |
| 4-5 years old                                      |                                                                  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade            |                                                                  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade            |                                                                  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade            |                                                                  |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade           |                                                                  |
| Twenty Somethings                                  |                                                                  |
| Alternate Adult                                    |                                                                  |
| Auditorium Adult                                   |                                                                  |
| Donna Eubanks                                      |                                                                  |
| Claire Young                                       |                                                                  |
| Amanda Barrett                                     |                                                                  |
| Tracy Martin                                       |                                                                  |
| Lenora Isenberg                                    |                                                                  |
| Matt Williams                                      |                                                                  |
| Joshua Barrett – Books of Wisdom (Conference Room) |                                                                  |
| Tom Hall: Apologetics (Room 7)                     |                                                                  |
| Greg Isenberg – I, II, III John (Room 8)           |                                                                  |
| Chris Robison – Matthew (Auditorium)               |                                                                  |

# Announcements

- July 11<sup>th</sup>** SOKYSYS Three Forks Church of Christ "Trust Issues" Speaker-Chuck Morrison
- July 18<sup>th</sup>** SOKYSYS Columbia Church of Christ "Anxiety" Speaker-Elijah Anderson Family VBS - S.H.I.N.E. 7:00 – 8:30 P.M.
- July 25<sup>th</sup>** SOKYSYS Scottsville Church of Christ "Sexual Ethics" Speaker-Carl Pollard



## Pulpit Preview

**Sunday 10 AM**  
Homesick for Heaven  
**Sunday – 6 PM**  
Sweet Fellowship

Sign-Up Sheet in Foyer  
See Adam Warren for more Details  
CONNECTION.ORG

**SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES**  
This Wednesday **Carl Pollard**  
Words Fitly Spoken Pr. 25:11

**CONNECT CONFERENCE**

**LOVING THE LOST**  
Crieve Hall Church of Christ in Nashville, Tn  
**JULY 27-30, 2022**

## Prayer Requests

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|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| • Loretta Yates                                | • Nancy Stewart - Stage 4 breast cancer (E. Kemp's mother)                                                                                           |
| • Pat Johnson                                  | • Mason Miller – Recovering from Kidney Surgery                                                                                                      |
| • Lisa Morrison – Recovering from Knee Surgery | • Cora Skaggs – Recovering from Surgery                                                                                                              |
| • Donnie Goss – Leukemia treatments            | • Alexis Ogles - KCIW Alexis Ogles 312280, P.O. Box 337 Ridgeview, Pee Wee Valley, Ky 40056 (White envelopes, with the sender's full name & address) |
| • Hilda Jones                                  | • Brenda Gilbert - Cancer treatments                                                                                                                 |
| • Shakey Goodhue                               | • Pat Grimes                                                                                                                                         |
| • Jennifer Kelton                              | • Alyssa Anderson                                                                                                                                    |
| • Danny Jones                                  | • Donna Parker – Recovering from Eye Surgery                                                                                                         |
| • Kurte Butcher                                | • Billy Gross                                                                                                                                        |
| • Ralph Young – Foot Injury                    | • J.L. Young – Massey Springs – Memory Care 2945 Small House Rd. Bowling Green, KY 42104 Phone 270.904.1999                                          |
| • Larry Johnson                                |                                                                                                                                                      |
| • Emily Young                                  |                                                                                                                                                      |

## Remembering Our Homebound

- Wilma Blankenship
- Charlene Ford
- Johnnie Young

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*Masks are only required when assembling in the fellowship hall.*



## God's Plan of Salvation

### God's Part

Great love of God for man **John 3:16**  
Gave His Son, Jesus Christ, as the Savior **Luke 19:10**  
Sent the Holy Spirit as a guide **John 16:13**  
The Gospel as "the power" unto salvation **Romans 1:16**  
Provided atonement by the blood of Christ **Romans 5:9**

### Man's Part

Hear the Gospel **Romans 10:17, John 8:32**  
Believe the Gospel **Hebrews 11:6, John 20:31**  
Repent of past sins **Luke 13:3, Acts 17:30**  
Confess faith in Jesus Christ **Rom. 10:10, Matthew 10:32**  
Be Baptized **Galatians 3:27, Mark 16:16, Acts 2:38**  
Be faithful unto death **Revelations 2:10**

## Bible Trivia Challenge

### This Week's Question

Who struck the Jordan River with their mantle to divide the water so that they could cross?

Please give your answer with scripture to Adam or Lil Warren by Wednesday Evening.

July 3<sup>rd</sup> Who created a bronze serpent and set it up on a pole? (Answer: Moses Numbers 21:8-9)  
Jax Runner, Jake Young, Logan Barrett, London Isenberg, Fred Heath, Lenora Isenberg, Bobby and Darlene Pruettt, Judy McBride, Jessie Wilson and others who did not want to be listed, answered correctly!

## Sunday Morning Services

|                        | July 10         | July 17        |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Announcements          | Andy Wagoner    | Joshua Barrett |
| Security 1             | Zach Martin     | Eddie Windham  |
| Security 2             | Tommy Flora     | Daryl Lowe     |
| Security 3             | Scott Grimes    | Grant Cole     |
| Security 4             | Dillon Rager    | L.W. Jackson   |
| Audio Video Controls   | Chris Robison   | Chris Young    |
| Song Leader            | Jason Kelton    | Zach Martin    |
| Opening Prayer         | Matt Williams   | Adam Warren    |
| Welcome                | Richard Eubanks | Brian Martin   |
| Worship Service Prayer | Brian Martin    | Greg Isenberg  |
| Communion Prayer       | Victor Davis    | Ralph Young    |
| Scripture Reading      | Matthue Harmon  | Cody Basham    |
| Closing Prayer         | Cody Basham     | Paul Isenberg  |

## Sunday Evening Services

|                   |                     |                |
|-------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Security 1        | Mark Young          | Travis Young   |
| Security 2        | Gary Basham         | Perry Cole     |
| Security 3        | Fred Heath          | Shawn Hudson   |
| Song Leader       | Shed Johnson        | Andy Wagoner   |
| Opening Prayer    | Willard Raymer      | Greg Isenberg  |
| Scripture Reading | Denver Young        | Doug Depp      |
| Lord's Table      | Greg Isenberg       | Victor Davis   |
| Closing Prayer    | Stephen Clingenpeel | Jacob Williams |

## Wednesday Night Bible Study

|                | July 13         | July 20        |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Security 1     | Cody Basham     | Willard Raymer |
| Security 2     | Richard Eubanks | Perry Cole     |
| Security 3     | Matthue Harmon  | Jeff Morrison  |
| Song Leader    | Andy Wagoner    | Adam Warren    |
| Opening Prayer | Mark Young      | Gary Basham    |
| Closing Prayer | Denver Young    | Matthue Harmon |

## Monthly Assignments

|                              | July           |       |
|------------------------------|----------------|-------|
| Lock Building                | Mark Young     | ----- |
| Baptismal Laundry            | Rita Runner    | ----- |
| Assist with Men's Baptisms   | Matt Williams  | ----- |
| Assist with Women's Baptisms | Angie Anderson | ----- |

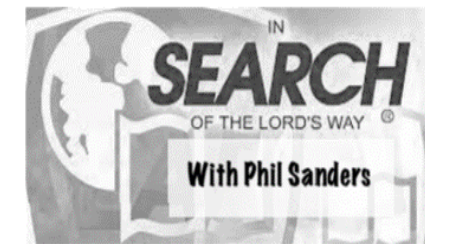
## Bread Distribution

|         | Bake            | Give Out               |
|---------|-----------------|------------------------|
| June 10 | Paula Lowe      | Amy Raymer & Tina Hall |
| July 17 | Lenora Isenberg | Lisa & Hunter Morrison |

**\*\* If unable to serve, contact Michael Runner at 270.535.5906 \*\***

## For The Record Week of July 3, 2022

|                  |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Bible Class      | 140     |
| AM Worship       | 213     |
| PM Worship       | Camp    |
| Wed. Bible Study | Camp    |
| Contribution     | \$7,142 |



## Watch Search on the following stations

- WBKO DT 33 - Sun 6:30 am
- WNKY TV 40.1 - Sun 7:00 am
- Spectrum Cable Channel 184  
Mon 9:30 am/Thurs 6:30 am



*If you are visiting with us, please take a moment and fill out a visitors' card and place it in the collection plate located in the foyer. We are delighted that you're here to share in our worship service and hope that you will please visit us again real soon!*

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