

# The Encourager

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Class: 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship: 10:00 a.m.  
 Worship: 6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

### Elders

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### Associate Minister

P.J. Hicks 270.881.2100

**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.**

**Mark 10:45 "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."**

## The Pursuit of Happiness

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. (Declaration of Independence)

As we celebrate Independence Day, my mind thinks about the Declaration of Independence and the concept of freedom. This year as I started to read through the Declaration, the words ". . . and the pursuit of Happiness," grabbed my attention. Intriguingly, this phrase sits alongside the other rights of life and liberty. To put it another way, it is saying that we have the right to seek happiness.

As Christians, we know that true joy comes from above and that we can be happy in Christ because he has granted freedom from sins to those who faithfully follow him. The Bible offers many thoughts on happiness, below are just a few Old Testament antidotes for obtaining happiness.

He who heeds the word wisely will find good, And whoever trusts in the Lord, happy is he. (Proverbs 16:20)

Happy is the man who is always reverent, But he who hardens his heart will fall into calamity. (Proverbs 28:14)

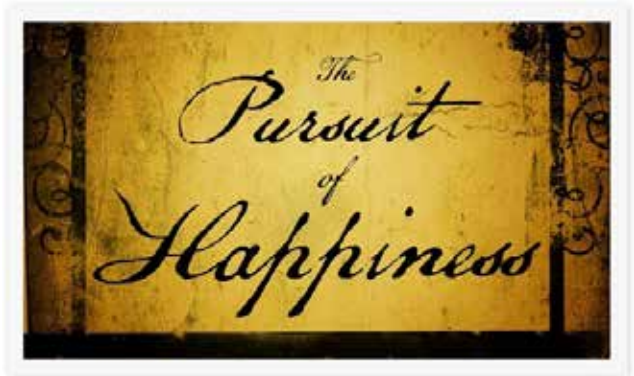
Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help, Whose hope is in the Lord his God, (Psalms 146:5)

Behold, happy is the man whom God corrects; Therefore do not despise the chastening of the Almighty. (Job 5:17)

In the New Testament, we do not find many references to the word "happy," but we do see the word "blessed." The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:3-8) provides a different insight on happiness. It helps us see that even in adverse situations, we can find blessings.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God.

This week, take time to consider the blessing of the country we live in, the happiness that we find in the Lord, and the gifts that He gives us, even in the difficult times. ~PJH



## Missionaries to Italy

As announced last Sunday, the elders have decided to support the Zakordonskis in their mission effort to Italy.



John-Paul, Beckie, Zaid, and Titus came from Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada. John-Paul left his job as a research technologist of nineteen years to train at the Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies in preparation for foreign mission work. Their decision came with a deep conviction of the need for more faithful ministers of the Gospel to go to the foreign field. The Zakordonskis decided on Italy as their mission field as Italy has only about 35 congregations, with an average of maybe 50 members per congregation. John-Paul and Beckie will help to strengthen the church in Italy, especially with a focus on evangelism. Currently, they are studying Italian with a tutor.

### Rebuilding A Stable Foundation Dealing With Depression And Anxiety

This free seminar, hosted by Lehman Avenue church of Christ will be held in the gymnasium at Foundation Christian Academy (2480 Three Springs Rd., Bowling Green, 42104) from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and will address some of the most common issues we are facing in our families and communities.

**Featured Speaker:** Dr. Jerry Martin, a licensed professional counselor & graduate professor.

**Registration is required**

**Call:** 270-843-8435  
**Email:** lehmanofficecoc@gmail.com  
**Online:** Scan QR Code



# SOUL IMPROVEMENT

## Vacation Bible School

JULY 18-21

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.



**Invitation postcards are on the bulletin table.** Please pick some up and invite everyone you know. This is a great time for community outreach. Let's do our part in the Great Commission.

## Promotion Sunday

This week students will move up to their next grade level. Please check out the class schedule to see if your child will promote to a new class.

### Sunday Morning Bible Class Teachers

<b>Babies:</b>	<i>Gospel Is For All (Study of Acts)</i>	Kathy Williams
<b>Pre-K - Kindergarten:</b>	<i>Gospel Is For All (Study of Acts)</i>	Deborah Hicks
<b>1st - 2nd Grade:</b>	<i>Gospel Is For All (Study of Acts)</i>	Tracy Martin
<b>3rd - 5th Grade:</b>	<i>Gospel Is For All (Study of Acts)</i>	Lenora Isenberg
<b>6th - 8th Grade (Jr. High):</b>	<i>Gospel Is For All (Study of Acts)</i>	Josh Barrett
<b>9th - 12th Grade (Sr. High):</b>	<i>Gospel Is For All (Study of Acts)</i>	Brian Martin
<b>Young Adult (College Age):</b>	<i>Developing Spiritual Qualities</i>	P.J. Hicks
<b>Adult (Auditorium):</b>	<i>Rules, Boundaries &amp; Authority</i>	Denver Young
<b>Adult (Alternate):</b>	<i>The Purpose Statements of Jesus</i>	Chris Young

## Pulpit Preview

**Sunday - 10:00 a.m.**

Freedom  
John 8

**Sunday - 6:00 p.m.**

Jesus: His Mission & Ours  
Chris Young



## Bible Trivia

June 27 Question: Who had their vineyard stolen by Queen Jezebel?  
(Answer: Naboth 1 Kings 21:1-16)  
Great job Tammy Puckett-Goss, Fred & Tommie Heath, and Bobby & Darlene Pruett, for answering correctly!



- June 2 - July 28** Summer Series (No Speaker this week because of camp)
- July 4** Bible Class Promotion - students will promote to their next grade
- July 4 - 9** Mt. Pleasant's week at Big Reedy - "Who Am I"
- July 10** Dealing With Depression and Anxiety Seminar at Foundation Christian Academy starting at 9:00 a.m. (see page 2 for details)
- July 12** Summer Youth Series at Three Forks Church of Christ. Nick Pace will be speaking on 'Obedient'
- July 17** Pre-VBS Kickoff at the church building at 6:00 p.m.
- July 18 - 21** Family Vacation Bible School - "Soul Improvement"



May we rejoice with **Lisa Butler & Kaden Hall** who put Christ on in baptism last Sunday.

Lisa Butler - 744 Detour Road, Bowling Green, KY 42101  
 Kaden Hall - 280 Pleasant Grove Road, Bowling Green, KY 42101



Our Sympathy is extended to Shaun Murphy at the passing of his Grandfather.

## Prayer Requests

- Jennifer Akins - Reoccurring cancer (coworker of Jeff Morrison & daughter of coworker of Shawn Hudson)
- Michelle Clemmons - SKY Rehab.
- John Crisp Sr. - Multiple ruptured discs in his back (coworker of Jeff Morrison & Shawn Hudson)
- Brenda Gilbert - Cancer treatments
- Billy Gross - Cancer treatments
- Carolyn Harmon - Broken ankle (Matthue's grandma)
- Victoria Jackson - Health Issues
- Kenny Johnson
- Jennifer Kelton
- Alma Martin - Radiation treatments
- Hunter Morrison - Medical tests
- James Miller - Cancer treatment (Jessie Wilson's relative)
- Alexis Ogles - KCIW Alexis Ogles 312280, P.O. Box 337 Ridgeview, Pee Wee Valley, Ky 40056 (White envelopes only, with the senders full name and address)
- Steve Stanley - Inoperable brain tumor (friend of Greg Isenberg)
- Janice Stewart (Tommie Heath's sister)
- Nancy Stewart - Stage 4 breast cancer (Elizabeth Kemp's mom)
- Andy Wagoner - Biopsy on August 30

### Remembering our homebound



- Wilma Blankenship
- Charlene Ford
- Marvin Pruet
- Charles Wilson
- Johnnie Young



Going forward masks will only be required when assembling in fellowship hall.



## Welcome

*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! If you have any questions about what you see or hear during our services, please do not hesitate to ask us for more information. We would be more than happy to answer any questions you might have, or to provide a further individualized Bible study for you. Worshipping our God and knowing and understanding His Word is our passion and we want it to be yours too!*

Sunday Morning Services		
	July 4	July 11
Greeters	Joshua & Amanda Barrett	Emily Young Paula Anderson
Announcements	Richard Eubanks	Chris Young
Security 1	Scott Grimes	Shawn Hudson
Security 2	Eddie Windham	Matthue Harmon
Security 3	Daryl Lowe	Dillon Rager
Security 4	L.W. Jackson	Travis Young
Security 5	Tommy Flora	Cody Basham
Audio Video Controls	Chris Robison	Reagan Young
Song Leader	P.J. Hicks	Jason Kelton
Opening Prayer	Doug Depp	Ralph Young
Welcome	Denver Young	Greg Isenberg
Worship Service Prayer	Brian Martin	Andy Wagoner
Communion Prayer	Willard Raymer	Fred Heath
Scripture Reading	Reagan Young	Adam Warren
Closing Prayer	Gary Basham	Brian Raymer
Sunday Evening Services		
	July 4	July 11
Security 1	Eddie Windham	Matthue Harmon
Security 2	Daryl Lowe	Dillon Rager
Security 3	L.W. Jackson	Travis Young
Song Leader	Shed Johnson	P.J. Hicks
Opening Prayer	Cody Basham	Zach Martin
Scripture Reading	Matthue Harmon	Jacob Williams
Lord's Table	P.J. Hicks	Joshua Barrett
Closing Prayer	Jacob Williams	Jeff Morrison
Wednesday Night Bible Study		
	July 7	July 14
Security 1	Jeff Morrison	Brian Raymer
Security 2	Gary Basham	Joshua Barrett
Security 3	Scott Grimes	Fred Heath
Song Leader	Adam Warren	Reagan Young
Opening Prayer	Mason Miller	Richard Eubanks
Closing Prayer	Kane Barrett	Matthue Harmon
Monthly Assignments		
	July	
Lock Building	Mark Young	
Baptismal Laundry	Kathy Williams	
Assist with Men's Baptisms	L.W. Jackson	
Assist with Women's Baptisms	Marsha Wagoner	
Bread Distribution		
	Bake	Give Out
July 4, 2021	Elizabeth Kemp	Summer & Charlee Ann
July 11, 2021	Gerry Utley	Kayla J. & Jenilyn

**\*\*If unable to serve, contact Michael Runner (270) 535-5906\*\***

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## BIBLE READING PLAN

### July 4 - 11

July 4 - Joshua 6:6-27; Psalms 135-136  
 July 5 Joshua 7; Psalms 137-138  
 July 6 Joshua 8; Psalms 139  
 July 7 Joshua 9; Psalms 140-141  
 July 8 Joshua 10; Psalms 142-143  
 July 9 Joshua 11; Psalms 144  
 July 10 Joshua 12-13; Psalms 145  
 July 11 Joshua 14-15; Psalms 146-147

### For The Record

Week of June 27, 2021	
Bible Class	120
AM Worship	189
PM Worship	121
Wed. Bible Study	112
Contribution	\$5,491



### 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 pm

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