

Time! How do you spend your days?

Do you think about what you will do or say or do you just take everything for granted? How do you use your time each day? Do you have plans for the day or do you just take whatever comes your way? Do you assume you have lots of time left in this life?

Time! It is given to us by God in the life that we live and it ends by death. What have you done with the time that God has given you? How have you spent days gone by? How will you spend your day today? Have you prepared for eternity?

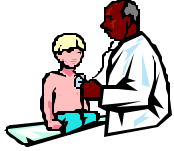
“Watch ye therefore, and pray always”. Solemnly there come to us down through the centuries the warning words of our Lord from the Mount of Olives: “And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.” Luke 21:34. “Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.” Luke 21:36

Because we know not the exact time of His coming, we are commanded to watch. “Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when He cometh shall find watching.” Luke 12:37.

Are you using your time wisely? Don't take life for granted. Do today what you can to grow as a Christian. Study your bible, pray, teach, be of service to others. The way you spend today could determine how you spend eternity!

- Elders

Sick Mary Anderson is at Richfield Rehab.



Mandy Tyler is at RMH. Hopes to be home soon.

Marguerite Charles procedure did not go as well as she liked and is still suffering.

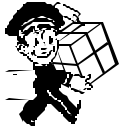
Continue to remember in prayer: **Marguerite Charles, Margaret Kratz, Betty Jenkins, Lynn Anderson, Crawford & Martha Keith, Oliver Majors, Betty Garby.**

Happy Birthday this week to:



Diane Tucker—7/20
David Wilcox—7/25
Jeanny Gilpin—7/27
Danny Guard—7/27

JULY ITEMS FOR THE



STAFFORDS: General Foods International Coffee (flavored, sugar free) and pecans. Give your items to Jeanny and she will ship them over!

MILITARY

Kyle Nester— in Iraq
Erich Felps—in Iraq
Chris Coleman—in Iraq



Sympathy is extended to Mike Arey, a co-worker of Shree Lowe, who son passed away last week.

Responded: Shawn Simms, Madolia Rosette, Wayne Dixon

Baptized: Tanner Reed, Ben Munsey, Nathan Pelfrey

James River Tubing Adventure

July 22—11:00

Sign Up Sheet on the board!!



Join Trae and the teens for an adventure down the James river in inflatable inter-tubes and float a relaxing 1 1/2 mile section of the river near Buchanan, VA. Picnic Boxed Lunches from Jo's Catering will be available for lunch around 12:30-1:00. If you don't want to get wet but would like to enjoy a lunch by the river see Jo Ann or Trae for an order form and come on to the fairgrounds.

Cost for the tubing will be \$14.00 and lunch will be \$5. See Trae if you are interested in tubing as there are forms to be signed!!

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO SIGN-UP & PAY!!



WOW

The WOW GROUP will meet on TUESDAY, August 12, at 10:30 AM.

Please sign up on the WOW board for the video Auto-biographies being done by Richard Simms.

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For Your Information

Team 3 (Brown) will have a Sing and Sweets Fellowship on July 26 at 6 PM at the building. They are asking the teens to come and help them learn new songs!! All are invited!!



TURN, TURN, TURN MEETING

There will be a T3 planners meeting today at 4:30 in the fellowship hall.

DINNER IS SERVED

The young men of the congregation are inviting the young ladies of the congregation to dinner tonight after services in the fellowship hall. Guys be here at 4:00.

FALL PRIMARY TEACHERS

All lesson plans, activities and etc. from last fall need to be e-mailed to Tom Richardson or Danny Guard by August 31. Give all visuals to Tom.

IN-HOUSE SUMMER SERIES

Be here this Wednesday night to hear Fred Altizer as our special guest speaker!

Here's a list of other speakers for this summer: Steve Hall, Jim Cooke, Tom Richardson, Eric Earnhart, Don Pettit, Jeff Durham and Mark Brooks.

Make your plans now to be here to encourage these men!

COLLEGE SEND OFF

Hard to believe but we will be sending off our college students on August 3 after evening services. Make plans now!

SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to the primary teachers for getting the classes ready for the painting and resetting of their classrooms. Also big thanks to Trae Bailey for putting together the new shelving in some of the classrooms!!

Teens

July Dates

Dinner is Served—Tonight after services

River Tubing Trip—July 22



Summer Youth Devos

July 21—Dale Ridge

August 4—Radford

August 9—Lake Drive (12—2)

All Devos are at 7—8:30 unless noted otherwise.

Horizons—Junior Week

Outstanding Church Leadership Award—Caleb Reed—nominated

CTS Recognition for Jerry & Kay Anderson for 10 years of service.

Remembering Horizons 2008...

Wow what a trip! Horizons Senior Week was an exciting and spiritually uplifting experience for all campers in attendance. The adventure started early Saturday morning when the older group of West Side teens piled on a chartered bus professionally driven by our one and only Bobby Martin. Making stops to eat, stretch our legs, and pick up other campers in Radford and Knoxville, we made our way across the great state of Tennessee. The ten-hour drive was finally finished when we arrived on the campus of Freed Hardeman University. With all the guys and girls moved in to the dorms we made our way over to the chapel to enjoy singing with Grat Tucker; Bible study with Trae and fellowship with each other and anyone else on campus who wanted to join in. That Saturday night devo was only the start of daily devotion and fellowship with Christians who had traveled from far and wide to enjoy Horizons 2008. The theme song for the week was, *In Christ Alone*, a beautiful song which inspired the chapel lessons for the week. Campers from West Side set the example in participating in all activities, attending class, and sitting up front and center in the chapel gatherings. Everyone knew and respected the campers from West Side. I am so proud of our young people who chose spend a week of their summer in service to God. Thank you to everyone at West Side who enabled the teens to travel to Freed and take part in Horizons 2008.

Your Servant In Christ,
Trae Bailey

July 2008

Fighting Against God

Announcements Roger Mays
Song Leader (AM) Eric Earnhart
Opening Prayer (AM)
7/6 Danny Guard
7/13 Wayne Dixon
7/20 Squeaky Valentine
7/27 Tom Rogers

Preside at Communion Charlie Gwaltney
Serve Table Herb Baker Garrett Durham
Luke Guard Fred Altizer

Closing Prayer
7/6 Mark Brooks
7/13 Gene Benefield
7/20 Caleb Guard
7/27 AC Janney

Song Leader (PM) Paul Mays
Opening Prayer (PM)
7/6 Jim Harrington
7/13 Josh Whitlow
7/20 Jeremy White
7/27 John Black

Scripture Reader Bradford Durham
Closing Prayer (PM)
7/6 Sam Valentine
7/13 Glenn Hartman
7/20 Greg Edwards
7/27 Ethan Rogers

Serve Table (PM)
Tanner Reed Cameron Brown

Song Leader (Wed) Bob Garby
Prayer (Wed)
7/2 Adam House
7/9 Tom Richardson
7/16 Jeff Durham
7/23 Jerry Anderson
7/30 Jim Bush

Open/Close Bldg Danny Guard
Greeters Gwaltney Gabbard
Nursery Attend S. Mountcastle N. Munsey
Ushers Glenn Hartman Squeaky Valentine
Handouts Adam House George Mellon
Curtis Oakes Sam Valentine

Alternates Lyn Shrader
Prepare communion
Charlene Guard Velda Gearhart

Cards & Pencils
Chandler & Conner Jearls

With the death of Solomon the kingdom of Israel was in the hands of his son, Rehoboam (I Kgs. 11:43). Rehoboam, accepting bad advice from his younger counselors, caused the kingdom to be divided (I Kgs. 12:1-19). The ten northern tribes rebelled and appointed Jeroboam as their king (I Kgs. 12:20). Jeroboam promptly changed the time of the appointed feast, established Bethel and Dan as the places of worship (instead of Jerusalem), erected golden calves (instead of Jehovah), and appointed those not of the tribe of Levi to serve as priests (I Kgs. 12:25-33). There was constant civil war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam (II Chron. 12:15).

At the death of Rehoboam, Abijah was made the king of Judah. In continuing in the war against Jeroboam, he made a speech before Jeroboam and the armies gathered to battle before mount Ephraim (II Chron. 13:1-4). His condemnation of the actions of Jeroboam in that speech was both accurate and admirable. He brought to the attention of all who had gathered some of the facts about the changes Jeroboam had made. He further stated that he and Judah had not forsaken God as had Jeroboam and Israel. (Read the interesting account of this speech and the ensuing battle in II Chronicles 13). The last statement he made was this: "O children of Israel, fight ye not against the Lord God of your fathers; for ye shall not prosper" (II Chron. 13:12). Indeed, when anyone chooses to "fight against God" he is in for a losing battle.

Many today are fighting against God. Our society seems filled with those determined to completely turn our nation into a godless, immoral (or amoral) society. Religious institutions are in essence crying "Peace, peace, when there is no peace" (Jer. 6:14). Individuals are turning deaf ears and blind eyes to truth as they run headlong down the slope of humanism. God will not hold such men guiltless.

Perhaps the words of Gamaliel best sum up such attempts to overthrow God. Before the council bent on preventing the apostles from preaching in Jerusalem he said, "And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought: But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God" (Acts 5:38, 39). Jesus said those who are not for Him are in opposition to Him (Mt. 12:30). Examine your own life. Are you "fighting against God?"

-Eddy

Last weeks attendance 7/13&16/08

Bible Class—144 Worship Service—171
Sunday Eve.—127 Wednesday Eve.—154
Contribution—\$6262

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