

“Faithful Finances 101”

Our country, as well as most of the world, is dealing with challenging economic circumstances. Nationally, unemployment is at higher levels than we’ve seen in decades. Concern for the long-term effects of rising energy costs, financial markets’ instability, and other weak economic factors weighs on the minds of many Americans throughout the land. Families struggle to meet their financial obligations on a monthly basis. What can we do to endure these uncertain times?

During the month of December we will have a class we’re calling “Faithful Finances 101”. This class is designed to consider the many principles of stewardship and resource management found in God’s Word and combine it with meaningful, practical ideas about how to create, monitor, and maintain a personal/family budget. Utilizing God’s wisdom in the areas of proper use and perspective of His blessings are valuable tools for us in our daily money management. Various worksheets and tools to assist us will be available, but we also hope to share classmate ideas of resources they have found useful in their families’ efforts to manage their household budgets.

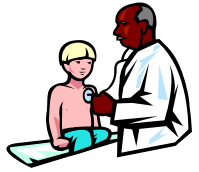
Everyone is invited to participate in this class; we will be meeting in the Fellowship Room starting Dec. 6. Please use the sign-up sheet in the hallway to indicate your desire to attend so we can have enough materials available.

Keeping the proper attitude about our financial resources is a challenge we each face daily. Satan uses it as a tool to keep mankind from giving his all in service to God (Mark 10:17-25). Jesus tells us we have to choose which master we will serve, either God or mammon (Matt. 6:24). We ask you to begin praying that our study together will better equip us as stewards of God’s blessings and that it will encourage us to maintain the proper attitude about the possessions He has given to us.

– The Elders

Continue to remember in prayer:

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Margaret Kratz, Miriam Majors, Betty Jenkins, Jim Dorsett, E.V. Wimmer, Martha Keith, WJ Wood, Jonnie Charles, Al Furrow, Lyn Anderson, Marguerite Charles, Jo Musgrove, Velda Gearhart, Ron White, Wayne Walk, Bob Maness, Yvette Harless

Happy Birthday this week to:

Becky Cooke—10/25
Thomas Kelly—10/25
Patti Gwaltney -10/27
Rebecca Doss—10/30
AC Janney—10/31
Marsha Cooke—11/1



Happy Anniversary this week to :

Bobby & Wanda Martin—10/25



Military



Jay Martin—Afghanistan
Angela Halling—Afghanistan

OCTOBER ITEMS FOR THE STAFFORDS:

Crystal Light Mixes (strawberry, kiwi, tangerine, orange classic) and Slim Jims. Give your items to Jeanny and she will ship them over!



All upcoming events for the months of November and December need to be in the office by October 28.

Upcoming Events:



Fellowship Meal Assignments:

Team 1—clean up; Team 2—set up; Team 3—drinks & ice

Feed the Preacher details:

Team 1 (Durham) will be having a soup/chili dinner in the fellowship room on Monday at 5:45. Sign up sheet is on the board.

Team 2 (Garby) will be going to Shoney's on Tuesday at 5:15.

Team 3 (Valentine) will be having a catered meal on Wednesday at 5:45 in the fellowship room. Sign up sheet is located on the board and pay your \$5 at the door!

Teens

October Dates



Gospel Meeting—10/25-28

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Next Meeting will be on November 10 at 10:30.

Upcoming **Gospel Meetings** and **Ladies Days**: (check the board for specific details)

- Cold Harbor Lectures – various speakers – 11/5-8 – 9am
- Rocky Mount – Cindy Guy – 11/7—Please sign up on the board if you are planning to attend or see Lori Cook.

Congratulations to our own Nathan Anderson who was a valuable part of our youth group when he was a teenager. Nathan recently served as the Target Mission Director for a U.S. Army missile flight test. The Hera target missile was launched from Ft. Wingate and was successfully intercepted by the Patriot Advanced Capability-2 (PAC-2) air defense system over White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico. Nathan is an engineer with the Missile Defense Agency.

For Your Information

GOSPEL MEETING

Our Fall Gospel Meeting starts today with BJ Clarke. All evening services will begin at 7 PM.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL

We will be having a fellowship meal after morning services. Hope you made plans to stay and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship!

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies Night Out will be held on November 5 at 6:30 in the fellowship hall. Bring your favorite cold weather dish as we welcome fall. Sign up sheet is on the board!

MEN'S PLANNING BREAKFAST

The Annual Men's Planning Breakfast will be on November 14 at 8 AM. The men will be going over plans and ideas for next year. Please plan to attend this important event! Breakfast will be served!

MARRIAGE RETREAT

The Great Smoky Mountain Marriage Retreat is scheduled for February 17-20, 2010 at the Pigeon Forge Holiday Inn Conference Center. Guest Speakers include Phillip Hines of Hartselle, AL and David Shannon of Mt. Juliet, TN. Details are on the board and make your reservations soon!!!

Teachers Workshop

From Danny: We had an awesome Teachers Workshop by Teah McWhorter and April Meacham on Saturday, Oct. 17! Thanks to the following teachers for attending: Karen, Jean, Annette, Cha, Kim, Lisa, Bonnie, Marsha, Rebecca, Judy, Kay, Tammy, Jeanny, and Charlotte. Three other congregations were represented. It truly was a Bible Teachers "Dream" for a workshop. Thanks to our elders for the great support they give our education program. Special thanks to the following: Don & Mitzi Pettit, Myrtle Peverall, and Kay Anderson for unloading materials; Kay Anderson for video taping; Rebecca and Judy Durham for packing and loading; Cha for food prep; Jo Ann for lots of copying and other work; Jeanny for emcee and informing me of these 2 wonderful workshop presenters.

DVD's of the workshop will be available soon for those who did not attend.

Weekly Reminders

Prayer list:

Marguerite Charles
Lyn Anderson
Martha Keith
Miriam Majors
Betty Jenkins
WJ Wood
Margaret Kratz
Jonnie Charles
Jim Dorsett
E.V. Wimmer
Rebekah Richey
Charlie Puckett
Jo Musgrove
Velda Gearhart
Al Furrow
Jack Cook
Ron White
Wayne Waller
Jack McGrady
Yevette Hartless
Bob Maness

Activities:

Gospel Meeting—10/25-28
Fellowship Meal—10/25
Team Feed the Preacher
Dinners—10/26-28



This week's

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Emphasis: Evangelism

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Welcome to this Special Event!

Announcements	Danny Guard
Song Leader (AM)	David Brown
Opening Prayer (AM)	
10/4	Jerry Anderson
10/11	Richard Simms
10/18	Don Pettit
10/25	Squeaky Valentine
11/29	Mitch Jearls
Preside at Communion	Wayne Dixon
Serve Table	Adam House Greg Edwards Jeremy White Jason Oldham
Closing Prayer	
11/1	Eric Earnhart
11/8	Bob Garby
11/15	Gene Benefield
11/22	Bob Martin
11/29	Fred Altizer
Song Leader (PM)	Josh Whitlow
Opening Prayer (PM)	
11/1	Jeff Durham
11/8	AC Janney
11/15	Jim Harrington
11/22	Barry White
11/29	Roger Mays
Scripture Reader	Sam Valentine
Closing Prayer (PM)	
11/1	Ethan Rogers
11/8	Tom Rogers
11/15	Glenn Hartman
11/22	Collin Gregory
11/29	Herb Baker
Serve Table (PM)	Garrett Durham Cameron Brown
Song Leader (Wed)	Tom Rogers
Prayer (Wed)	
11/4	Mike Durham
11/11	Tom Richardson
11/18	Marc Laplante
11/25	Tanner Reed
Open/Close Bldg	Fred Altizer
Greeters	Hartman/Argabright
Nursery Attend	Sarah Cook Becky Cooke
Ushers	Norris Gearhart Curtis Oakes
Handouts	Andrew Gibson Nathan Pelfrey Mark Brooks Jimmy Harrington
Prepare communion	Pat Gwaltney Martha Wood
Cards & Pencils	Garrett Laplante Chandler Jearls

Last weeks attendance 10/18&21/09

Bible Class— 140 Worship Service—164
 Sunday Eve.— 120 Wednesday Eve.—135
 Contribution—\$5804

As has been advertised, our Gospel Meeting begins today. We are excited about the prospects this event holds for the church at West Side. It appears that we will have several area congregations represented during this effort and, hopefully, many visitors from the community. Prayers have been offered, preparations made, advertisements distributed and invitations extended. Now, it is up to us at West Side to attend faithfully and continue to promote this effort throughout the week.

If you are visiting with us today you honor us by your presence. Thank you for being here. We trust you will enjoy your time with us. Please stay and enjoy a meal with us after our morning services.

We also welcome a very special guest to West Side for this effort. B.J. Clarke is the son of a gospel preacher and is himself one of the great gospel preachers of this generation. He has served as a full-time evangelist with congregations in Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas. He has preached in 25 states. For 16 years he served as the evangelist for the Southaven Church of Christ (Southaven, MS) and, during that time, edited both the Power magazine and the Power Lectureship books (also serving as the director of that lectureship). Presently, he serves with the Highway 77 Church of Christ in Marion, Arkansas, as one of the speakers for "The Everlasting Gospel" on the Gospel Broadcasting Network, and as an instructor and Dean of Admissions for the Memphis School of Preaching. He is also the director of Foundations, a week-long annual training camp for young men (13-18 years old) conducted on the campus of the Memphis School of Preaching. He will be more than happy to talk with you about any of these good works while he is here.

Again, we welcome all who are visiting with us. We are confident you will be pleased with the messages you hear from brother Clarke and the warmth with which you will be received by West Side members. May God bless our time together this week.

-Eddy