

THE PROCLAIMER



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Thinking Caps

You may remember your teacher saying something like this to you in school, "Okay, class, it is time for you to put your thinking caps on!" This might have meant you were about to receive a lesson, take a test, or consider something very important. Though it seems almost silly to state something so obvious, thinking is not overrated. It is essential to success in every aspect of life.

In the August 1981 issue of Reader's Digest one story told of a time when Henry Ford hired an efficiency expert to evaluate his company. After a few weeks, the expert made his report, which was highly favorable except for one thing. "It's that man down the hall," said the expert. "Every time I go by his office he's just sitting there with his feet on his desk. He's wasting your money." "That man," replied Mr. Ford, "once had an idea that saved us millions of dollars. At the time, I believe his feet were planted right where they are now.

Imagine being paid just to think! Maybe if we were paid to do it we would do it more often! The fact is, we are rewarded with so much more than monetary blessings if we will let the mind of the Master be the master of our minds. Consider a few of the things that taking time to think will accomplish:

- avoiding rash decisions
- avoiding speaking when better to remain silent
- better communication
- real, sound, beneficial solutions to problems
- avoiding temptations
- knowledge, wisdom, and understanding
- better choices

God's advice to Joshua in leading Israel was to THINK – "This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success" (Joshua 1:8). It is not only important that we think, but it is just as important to choose the right subject. The only true help for those who are looking for it is going to be found in the Word of God.

The key to good thinking is found in the word "meditate." Meditation is time spent in the action of thinking. It is dedication coupled with a willing mind for understanding. Meditation is not putting on your thinking cap, but rather, realizing that you are never supposed to take it off. We all need to be wearing our thinking caps all of the time! What a shame that anyone would ever have to encourage us to put it on!

"But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night."
~ Psalm 1:2

Jeremiah Tatum

SERMON TOPICS September 4, 2016

9:00 a.m. – Jeremiah Tatum
"Lessons From Jewish Feast Days"
Leviticus 23:1-4
6:00 p.m. – Jeremiah Tatum
"Basic Requirements Of Obedience"
Leviticus 26:1-13

We extend our sympathy to Reda Judd in the death of her great nephew, Brandon Brewer. Funeral services were in Smyrna, TN.



Congratulations to Whitney Allen and Andrew Sparks who were married Saturday, August 13. We wish them many years of happiness together.

Happy Anniversary

A Special Happy Anniversary to: Lester & Peggy Sparks celebrating 54 years on September 1.

FOR THE RECORD – August 28, 2016

9:00 a.m.	478
10:15 a.m.	344
6:00 p.m.	323
Wed 8/24	357

SOUND BOOTH

Sunday, September 4 and Wednesday, September 7
Songs - Glenn Stockton
Sound - Brian Dudney

BUS DRIVER



Bus driver for Sunday, September 4 and Wednesday, September 7 is **Karl Nye (423-322-8971)**.

Elder of the month or contact for the group for September is Dan Huffines (931-704-6342).

CENTURION OF SCRIPTURE

AUGUST 31 – September 7

Repent

Acts 17:30 "Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent."

First Day of the Week

Acts 20:7 "Now on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight."

*We have received "Thank You" cards from:
Joe & Bev Buras*

CORRECTION



Jeremiah's phone number is incorrect in the new directory. His correct number is 931-629-5585.

PANTRY ITEMS

September 4 - 10

#14 - Dewight Stamps' Class

Boxed Spaghetti

#15 - College Class

Canned Chili

#16 - Mike Dyer's Class

Canned Chili

#17/18 - Jeremiah's Class

Boxed Spaghetti

#19 - Roy Johnson's Class

Canned Chili

Auditorium Class

Boxed Spaghetti



PLEASE CHECK THE SHELF AND TABLE NEXT TO THE KITCHEN AND PICK UP ANY DISHES THAT BELONG TO YOU. ANYTHING LEFT AFTER SUNDAY, SEPT. 4 WILL BE DONATED TO THE BENEVOLENCE PROGRAM.

BIBLE BOWL

Bible Bowl time is almost here! Remember there is NO practice this Sunday afternoon, but we encourage everyone to attend next week on Tuesday from 6-7:30 in the auditorium, then Wednesday night we will meet during class time together in the multipurpose room, then our final practice is Thursday night and we will have our annual Pizza Party at 5:30 then practice from 6 to 7 p.m. Remember Bible Bowl is Saturday, Sept. 10th at Hooper Eblen Center and everyone should meet in the grassy area next to the tennis courts at 7 a.m. to get everyone organized and grouped with their scorekeepers before we have to go inside and be seated. Please wear jeans or khakis along with your Bible Bowl t-shirt which you will receive next Wednesday after practice.

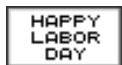
This week's featured study group is Group #8 being coached by Chase Fletcher, Tyler Gaw and Justin Pace. This all-boys group features Ty Briggs, Drew Caldwell, Nathan Carwile, Alex Delk, Wes Delk, J.P. Key, Nicholas Martin, Kasey Mann, Brady Ragland, Grant Shirley and Luke Tatum. This group of boys are all extremely busy with various sports, bands, and other school activities. We are so glad that they take the time each year to participate in Bible Bowl. All of these young men are veteran Bible Bowlers but J.P. Key is new to studying with Willow. We are so glad to have him practicing with us this year! Their coaches said they are working hard on learning God's Laws in the book of Leviticus. Kasey Mann is our only Senior boy this year. We will miss you next year Kasey. This is Kasey's 14th year doing Bible Bowl!!!

Please keep lifting our students and coaches up in your prayers as they are in the final countdown to Bible Bowl. We are so proud of all of them for studying God's Word.

GOLDENSIRENS



Your monthly luncheon will be Tuesday, September 6, in the multipurpose room. Special Guest – John Hudson.



HOLIDAY

The church office will be closed Monday, September 5 for the Labor Day holiday.

CARE LINE: 931-432-6333

PRAYER LIST

It was good to see Joe & Bev Buras and Anna Yoder back at worship Sunday.

- > *Dib Anderson is now at home but has requested no visits at this time.*
- > *Bill Maynard is at home with pneumonia.*
- > *Gary Risley is still in CRMC and is improving. No visits at this time please.*
- > *Roger Rogers had throat surgery on Monday. He is home. The surgery went well.*
- > *Charlie Vaughn had eyelid surgery on Wednesday in Crossville.*
- > *Ann Walker had surgery on Thursday. Her surgery went well.*
- > *Donnie Allen (brother of Shirl Allen) will have surgery Sept. 1 for bladder cancer.*
- > *Brenda Carrol (daughter of Bonnie Przybylo) had surgery on Monday to remove a mass on her brain.*
- > *Ruth Robinson (mother of Bonnie Przybylo) is in St. Joseph Hospital in Mansfield, Wisconsin. Doctors are still trying to determine what is wrong.*
- > *Eddie Scott (son of employee of Frankie Scott) is in ICU at Erlanger Hospital due to a motorcycle accident.*
- > *Serita Stamps (daughter-in-law of Dewight & Shirley Stamps) is recovering from heart surgery.*

Sick or Recuperating at home: Donna Kinnaird

Those dealing with cancer: Rosemary Andrews, Roger Rogers, Bud Scott, Sandra Sitto, Joy Carter, Janet Craighead, Julie Denny, Darlana Robichaud

Those dealing with ongoing health problems: Michael Allison, Susan Ashburn, Helen Burgess, Kelly Fletcher, Pat Goodpasture, Sherree Hawkins, Judy Hix, Rose Keith, Barbara Loftis, Tarina Miller, George Reitenour, Billy Sliger, Owen & Maudean Sparks, Amos Spurlock, Jimmy Sitto

Shut-Ins at Home: Dib Anderson, Bud Bartlett, Patti Boyd, Belle Butts, Pearl Cockrum, Robert Cowan, Florene Davis, Ruth Gentry, Ben Gore, Rick Grimes, Mamie Henry, Marie Jackson, Reda Judd, Phyllis Julian, Virginia McGee, Ressie Pharris, Jean Pitts, Rachel Stafford, Jessie Thomas, Betty Tinch

Bethesda: Nola Judd, Irene McBroom, Burch McCormick

Cedar Hills Senior Living: Sara Lewis, Zina Mitchell

Heritage Point Assisted Living: Bud Scott

Life Care Center Sparta: Leslie Cole, Eddie DeLoach, Billie Watson

Senior Lifestyles: Shelby & Bonnie Forkum

Signature Healthcare: Doris Haile, Juanita Nation, Joe Britt

Mabry Healthcare Gainesboro: Olga Szalay, Glenn Webb

Morningside: Mildred Palk, Edith Stewart

NHC: Ann McWaters, Rebecca Brown

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ELDERS

Jeff Gaw - Larry Harp
Dan Huffines - John Hudson
Roy Johnson - Gary Risley
Reed Wilson

DEACONS

Barry Allison - Ralph Bryant
Mark Caldwell - Charles Cobb
Tyler Gaw - Buddy King
Paul Pippin - Steve Qualls
Denny Richardson - Tim Richardson
Ryan Smith - Glenn Stockton

MINISTERS

Jeremiah Tatum – Preacher
Mike Dyer – Involvement Minister
Chase Fletcher – Youth Minister

SECRETARIES

Vickie Stockton & Cathy Whiteaker

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship 9:00
Sunday Morning Bible Study 10:15
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:00

RADIO BROADCASTS

Sunday Morning Worship 10:15 AM
WHUB – AM1400
"Minutes of Meditation"
Three Times Daily Monday – Friday
WLQK 95.9 FM and WLIV 104.7 FM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.
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PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP – SEPTEMBER 4

Lead Singing – Roy Johnson
Read Scripture – Allen Richardson
First Prayer – John Hudson
Last Prayer – Dewight Stamps
Announcements – Jeff Gaw

Give Thanks – Larry Harp

Serve the Congregation –

<u>South Side</u>	<u>North Side</u>
Paul Pippin	Carver Moore
Buddy King	Tyler Gaw
Tim Woodward	Ryan Smith
Bart Cagle	Barry Allison

Take Communion to the Shut-ins – Chayce Gaw
Denny Richardson

Usher in the Auditorium – Charles Bean
Tom Spohnholtz

Usher in the Vestibule and Assist with Outside Doors
(Please be here by 8:30 am)

North Door – Ralph Bryant
South Door – Tim Richardson

Parking Lot Patrol – Ushers

Keep Nursery – Chloe Evans & DeAnn Evans
(If you cannot serve call Lisa Bumbalough at 931-260-8817)

Greet at Doors before Service & Hand Out Flyers
(Please be here by 8:30 am)
Door #1 – Justin Asbury
Door #2 – Julie & Jessica Aikens
Door #3 – Mike & Judy Flatt
Door #4 – Barry & Mary Chaffin
Door #5 – Sara Blaylock

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP – SEPTEMBER 4

Lead Singing – Tom Stafford
Read Scripture – Bo Briggs
First Prayer – Mike Dyer
Last Prayer – David Ray Smith
Announcements – Jeff Gaw

Serve At The Lord's Table – Luke Tatum
Mike Briggs

Keep Nursery – Holly & Susan Dudley
(If you cannot serve call Lisa Bumbalough at 931-260-8817)

Parking Lot Patrol – Lindon Carwile

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY – SEPTEMBER 7

Lead Singing – Reed Wilson
Invitation – Danny Phillips
Announcements – Jeff Gaw
Prayer – Dennis Hood
Parking Lot Patrol – David Lancaster

**IF YOU CANNOT SERVE CALL:
Charles Cobb 526-4337 or Lewis Coomer 252-2051**