

## CARING FOR THE KINGDOM

"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."  
Matthew 6:33

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### PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear the Gospel Romans 10:17  
Believe Jesus is God's Son Acts 16:30-31, Hebrews 11:6  
Repent of Sin Acts 17:30-31  
Confess Jesus is God's Son Matt 10:32, Acts 8:36-37, Rom 10:9-10  
Be Baptized Acts 2:38  
Live Faithfully 1 John 1:7, Rev 2:10

### MEN TO SERVE SUNDAY MORNING

Song Leader	Brandon Maurer
Announcements	Jered Markman
Opening Prayer	Eddie Nuckols
Lord's Table	Tom Davenport
	Scott Tesh
	Jered Markman
	Craig Stroud
	Rick Brown
Preacher	Matt Langfield
Closing Prayer	Steve Anderson

### SUNDAY EVENING

Opening Prayer	Matt Maurer
Preacher	Matt Langfield
Lord's Table	Brandon Maurer
Closing Prayer	Rick Brown

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

Song Leader	Brandon Maurer
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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Class 10am, Worship 11am and 6pm  
Wednesday Bible Class 7pm



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## THE MATH OF FORGIVENESS



In Matthew 18, Peter asks Jesus an ambitious question: "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" (Matthew 18:21). While we cannot know for sure, it seems that Peter might have been trying to impress the Lord.

The Jewish leaders of the 1<sup>st</sup> century taught that forgiveness was only required and necessary up to three times; after these three "strikes" were exhausted, the guilt would remain. Peter now voluntarily and not so subtly suggests that he would be willing to forgive someone even up to seven times. Surely, Jesus will applaud Peter's forgiving heart.

In the next verse, Jesus responds, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven" (Matthew 18:22). Jesus did not literally mean to forgive only 490 times, but was making the point that He wants us to forgive continually; there should be no limit. At that moment in time, Peter may have felt a bit deflated or necessarily humbled. Maybe he tried to wrap his mind around the numbers that Jesus offered, but he also began to realize how forgiving the Lord really was.

It is a wonderful blessing to remember how forgiving God has been toward each of us. How many times do you think God has forgiven you?

Matt Langfield

## WELCOME VISITORS

We are so glad that you have joined us! We hope you are enriched by the service and hope you will visit with us again

## EVENTS AT NORTH MAIN



SEPTEMBER 26 Tuesday MEN'S BIBLE STUDY at 6:15 PM  
OCTOBER 19 Thursday CEC MEAL  
OCTOBER 29 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL & SINGING  
NOVEMBER 16 Thursday CEC MEAL  
DECEMBER 9 Saturday LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCH & ORNAMENT EXCHANGE Open to all ladies and girls  
DECEMBER 16 Saturday CHRISTMAS PARTY Hosted by the Langfields  
DECEMBER 21 Thursday CEC MEAL  
DECEMBER 31 Sunday SING IN THE NEW YEAR! after evening services

## OPPORTUNITY TO HELP

If you would like to help with Carly Walser's baby shower, please let Annie Ressa know.



## AREA EVENT

SEPTEMBER

24-27

GOSPEL MEETING

at Broad Street church of Christ

*Happy Anniversary*

Patsy & Ortie Boyd

Wednesday  
Sept 27



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

TOM DAVENPORT

MONDAY SEPT 25

JIMMY SNOW

MONDAY SEPT 25

JEREMY SEAMON

WEDNESDAY SEPT 27

TAYLOR MAURER

SATURDAY SEPT 30

Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather in-to barns; yet Your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?



Matthew  
6:26-26

## PRAYER LIST

Steve Anderson fell and injured his leg a while back.  
Patsy Boyd has bronchitis and pneumonia. Also, pray for Ortie Boyd.  
Amber and Jasper Brown are struggling to deal with Steve's passing. Please continue to lift them up in prayer.  
Curtis Cox, Laura Hilario's brother, had a stroke.  
Logan Davis is in need of prayers.  
James Gaddy continues to recover from recent surgery on his hand.  
Lorraine Hilario, Pete Hilario's mother, suffered a stroke.  
Judy Kinley has moved to Spencer. Pray that this life change goes smoothly and successfully for Judy.  
Patrick Murphy, Rebecca Murphy's brother, experienced a stroke.  
Belinda Nuckols came forward last Sunday morning requesting prayers. She is suffering with back pain, experiencing depression, and struggling physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Prayers for spiritual strength and recovery of health issues and improvement of family problems are needed.  
Scott, Sharon, and Doris Tesh contracted Covid-19. Doris had to be taken to the emergency room.  
James and Amanda Stanley have not been feeling well for some time.  
Please continue to pray for: Glenda Barber, Randal Burton (prostrate cancer), Brent (ATV accident) and wife Tina Gobble, Betty Godbey, Bob Lankford (heart issues), Mark Leland (back issues), Brandon Markman (cancer), Belinda Nuckols, Candy Smith (knee/wrist), Diana Smith (heart issues), Doris Tesh, Morgan Truesdale (pancreatic cancer)  
SHUT-INS Robert Cole, Estelle Kluttz, Teresa Maurer, Wanda Scott