PRIVILEGED TO SERVE		SCHEDULE OF SERVICES	
		SUNDAY:	
SUNDAY MORNING June 7, 2015		BIBLE CLASS	9:30 a.m.
Julie 7, 2013		WORSHIP	10:30 a.m.
WELCOME:	Darren Dent	EVENING	5:00 p.m.
SONG LEADER:	Jim Sutterfield	WEDNESD	<u>AY</u> :
OPENING PRAYER:	Gene Blair	BIBLE CLASS	7:00 p.m.
LORD'S TABLE:	Shannon Whitley	THURSDAY:	
	Phillip Short	LADIES BIBLE CLASS	10:00 a.m.
ASSIST:	Rick Camp	BIBLE STUDY/CLASS	6:00 p.m.
	Justin Smart	Elders:	
	Jim Bell		rren Dent 501-581-3052
CLOSING PRAYER:	Nathan Woody Bill Davidson	Deacons:	
	Mike & Anna Wolff		<u>Del Hines 501-733-4645</u>
	Herb Tatum		(finance & technology)
CARDS:	Tate Stacks		Mike Wolff 501-472-8912 building & grounds)
	Ethan Shannon	Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909	
	Donna Allensworth	(nursing home, fellowship room set	t up)
	Cassi Gilbow	Minister:	-
SCRIPTURE READER:		Glen Elliott 501-314-9999 Church Office: 501-679-3647	
	Isaiah 55:8-9	<u>Church Onice.</u> 501-079-3047	
SUNDAY EVENING		GREENBRIER CHURCH	OF CHRIST
June 7, 2015		12 Wilson Farm Rd.	
SONG LEADER:	Garrett Brewer	Greenbrier, AR 72058	
OPENING PRAYER:	Jarrod DeValle		
LORD'S TABLE:	Cayden Leonard		
	Michael Cole		
CLOSING PRAYER:	Eli Leonard		
WEDNESDAY EVENING June 10, 2015			
June 10, 2015			
SONG LEADER:	Don Barnett		
OPENING PRAYER:	Will Drewry		
DEVOTIONAL:	Mike Brewer		
CLOSING PRAYER:	Cayden Leonard		
*Please contact Mike Wolff			
	if you are unable to serve.		
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LOVE WITHOUT GIVING?

"It is possible to give without loving, but it is impossible to love without giving" (Richard Braunstein). Giving is uniquely Christian in orientation. Think about it? How many hospitals, orphanages, or other benevolent institutions have been built by atheists? Jesus is quoted as having said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). Who better than Jesus to show us what it means to give? Jesus gave it all. He left heaven's glory and became flesh for us (Jn. 1:14). He humbled Himself, even to the point of death, in obedience to the will of the Father (Ph. 2:8). Following His resurrection and ascension, He took His seat at the right hand of the Father where He always lives to make intercession for us (Hb. 7:25). Jesus is the standard and definition of true giving.

Why is it impossible to love without giving? It is impossible because it is diametrically opposed to the eternal nature of God. "God is love" (1 Jn. 4:8). He gave His only begotten Son so that we might have the hope of everlasting life (Jn. 3:16). Those claiming to be God's children must partake of His nature—the nature of love. John exclaimed, "Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another" (1 Jn. 4:11). John further explains the nature of love in the third chapter, saying, "We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoever has the world's goods, and beholds his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?" (1 Jn. 3:16-17).

It may be possible to give without loving, but it is impossible to love without giving. The world's concept of love is greatly distorted. It is largely selfish and carnal. Christian love, like that of the Father, first considers the welfare of the one loved. Rather than being selfish and carnal; it is unselfish and spiritual. God defined love for us in the example of Jesus. Had it not been for Calvary, our concept of love would be shallow at best. But, God has given and continues to show His love in amazing and remarkable ways. Paul asked, "He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things?" (Rm. 8:32). Because God has given and continues to give, our lives should be characterized by loving generosity and service.

--Glen Elliott--

Gospel Crusade July 12th - 17th Vacation Bible School July 26th - 30th **DAY CAMP** Personal care products are being collected for a DAY CAMP project. Please place them in the red bucket in the foyer. Thank you!

OUR RECORD <u>MAY 31, 2015</u>			
SUNDAY CLASS:	139		
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	179		
SUNDAY PM:	113		
WEDNESDAY (3rd):	93		
BUDGET: OFFERING:	\$5,400 \$4,869		



