

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

May 18, 2014

WELCOME: Todd Edwards
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Don Barnett
LORD'S TABLE: Rick Camp
Kevin Barley
ASSIST: Kevin Blair
Shannon Whitley
Gary Mavity
Adam Blake
CLOSING PRAYER: Jackie Horton
GREETERS: Tim & Dona Dixon
Del & Love Hines
CARDS: Nathan Lovell
Preston Riela
VISITOR GIFT/ Stephanie Barkley
HOSTESSES: Anne Janski
SCRIPTURE READER: Hunter Smart
Psalm 105:1-4

SUNDAY EVENING

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SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell
OPENING PRAYER: Brian Drewry
LORD'S TABLE: RC Rawls
Pete Hines
CLOSING PRAYER: Will Drewry

WEDNESDAY EVENING

May 21, 2014

SONG LEADER: Ethan Edwards
OPENING PRAYER: Garrett Brewer
CLOSING PRAYER: Will Drewry
DEVOTIONAL: Gene Blair

**Please call the church office at
679-3647 if unable to serve.*

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 9:30 a.m.
WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.
EVENING 5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.

Elders:

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Deacons:

Michael Cole 815-622-1874 Del Hines 501-733-4645
Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8719 Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
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Minister:

Associate/Youth Minister:

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THE SPIRIT OF NON-RETALIATION (2)

In our previous article, we introduced the principle of non-retaliation as taught by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount. In contrast to the “eye for an eye and tooth for a tooth” philosophy of personal conduct, Jesus teaches us not to resist an evil person. Instead, He said, “whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also. Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you” (Mt. 5:39-42). To be sure, these are matters receiving a wide-range of response even among those who claim to follow Jesus.

In applying these words, it may prove helpful to keep in mind the kind of behaviors under consideration. These are matters pertaining to personal injury, insult, finance, and convenience. No doubt there is a wide difference between self-defense and retaliation. But, lest we drift down the path of self-justification, we must keep in mind that these words are sandwiched between a warning against vigilante justice (vs. 38) and a command to love even our enemies (vss. 43-44). It is hard to imagine anything so contrary to the thinking of the world as overcoming evil with good (Rom. 12:21). Apparently, this is how the apostle Paul understood the teaching of Jesus for he said, “Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God...” (Rm. 12:17). He went on to encourage Christians to do good to their enemies (vs. 20). Instead of retaliation, Christians are expected to pray for their enemies and do good to those who persecute them. This requires great faith in entrusting our souls to the faithful Creator (1 Pet. 2:21-25). Shining as lights in the midst of a world of darkness requires a radically different way of living. A life of faith challenges us to seek what is best even for those who mistreat us. May God grant each of us the strength to follow even the hard sayings of Jesus.

--Glen Elliott--

Michael O'Brien will be here Sunday morning the 18th giving a report during our Bible class and preaching our morning sermon.

Please keep children from playing in the classrooms before and after services. Thank you!

School Supplies for Romania
Derek, Amanda, and Daniel will be collecting school supplies to take with them Romania. Since the end of school is quickly approaching, don't throw all your supplies away! See what you can donate to this mission trip. The big pink bucket by the windows in the foyer is for those supplies. Thank you!



<u>OUR RECORD</u>	
<u>MAY 11, 2014</u>	
SUNDAY CLASS:	187
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	248
SUNDAY PM:	103
WEDNESDAY (14th)	112
OFFERING:	\$5,760

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Pete Hines was able to come home Tuesday evening after his hip replacement surgery Monday. However, he is back at St. Vincent in LR because of chest pains. He will have hip replacement surgery again on Monday due to his hip coming out of place after coming home last week. Please pray that all goes well during the surgery & his recovery.

*Fern Chism is in St. Vincent Hospital in Morrilton with pneumonia. She is in room 308.

*Helen Swindle's brother, Samuel Garvin, is in the hospital in Michigan with congestive heart failure.

*Please pray for Dana Taylor. She has stage 4 cancer - our members may know her from when she worked in the office at the high school.


*Charli Short will have surgery on Friday the 23rd to remove a cyst from her wrist.

*Please continue to keep Howard & Jeanne Haithcote in your prayers.









*Keep the McInturff's friend (Kelly Garner), the Tatum's grandson (Travis Talbert), and Phillip Short's friend (Wayne Hartness) in your prayers.

*Laurie Henley's father, Alan Lane, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer while her mother-in-law, Barbara Trout, has lung cancer.





*Remember Mary Mix, the Banks family, Marlene Caldwell, and Sue Stacks in your prayers.




BIRTHDAYS

 RC Rawls	5/18	
 Nikki Jones	5/19	
 Sue Shumate	5/21	
 Darlene Langley	5/24	

ANNIVERSARYS

 Patrick & Jennifer Rawls	5/24	
 Rance & Hattie Rainey	5/24	



THANK YOU CARD:

Dear church family -
Thank you all so much for your calls, cards, food and most of all your prayers for my recent surgery. Everything went well and I am feeling great!
We are so thankful for the wonderful brothers & sisters at Greenbrier.
In Christian love,
Sandra Blair

VISITOR BAGS

May 25th

Lesia Edwards & Edie Singleton



To my family at the Greenbrier church of Christ,
I just wanted to send a short note to thank you for your Mission's Day gift. It will be a great help in allowing us to continue working on our third classroom at Kingdom of Hope, and it has provided the necessary funds to allow me to hold a campaign in Burkina Faso during the month of May. I constantly thank God for you and for the love you have given to me through your support and prayers for the work here in West Africa. The saints in Tamale greet you and pray that God will continue to bless each one.
In Christian love,
Tony

YOUTH NEWS

From Brett
May 24th - "Altitude" for all ages - meet at the building at 9am.
**check out: www.gbcofc.com for a complete list of activities*

Diapers and Wipes Shower

for Erin Thomason
May 18th from 2 - 4 in the fellowship room

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
Thank you so much for the opportunity to teach and preach for the church at Greenbrier. It is obvious by the good interest and many kind comments that you are a body of Christians who love God and his word. I look forward to worshiping with you all again in the future.
God bless,
Jared Jackson

FOOD COMMITTEE

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