### **PRIVILEGED TO SERVE**

# **SUNDAY MORNING**

January 9, 2022

WELCOME: SONG LEADER: OPENING PRAYER: Mike Brewer Jeff Jones

Darren Dent LORD'S TABLE:

Jim Bell

**Matthew Dent** CLOSING PRAYER: GREETERS: Lou Dillard & Melissa Hall

### **SUNDAY EVENING** January 9, 2022

SONG LEADER: **Jeff Jones** Rick Camp OPENING PRAYER: LORD'S TABLE: **Austin Ford** 

CLOSING PRAYER:

Tyler Blair

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING January 12, 2022

SONG LEADER: PRAYER:

Seth Fisher Mike Seger

**DEVOTIONAL:** 

Kevin Blair

\*Please contact Jackie Horton. if you are unable to serve.

# **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

### **SUNDAY:**

**BIBLE CLASS** 9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP** 10:30 a.m. **EVENING** 5:00 p.m. -LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1:00 p.m.

### **WEDNESDAY:**

**BIBLE STUDY** 

7:00 p.m.

### 1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:

**SENIOR MINISTRY CLASS** 10:30 a.m.

### 2nd Thursday of each month: PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30 p.m.

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### **ENDURING FOOTPRINTS**

"Footprints in the sands of time are not made by sitting down." Holding on to hope in the midst of adversity requires perseverance, endurance, and just plain ole' stubborn tenacity. If our life's work is to leave footprints in the sands of time, it will be because we have chosen to hold a different course than the rest of the world.

The writer of Hebrews compares the Christian life to a race, saying, "since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Hebrews 12:1-2). As a race, the Christian life is not so much a sprint as a marathon. Speed is not required as much as stamina. Emphasized in this analogy is our need for endurance. But where do we find it?

Endurance is a gift from the Lord. God gives us perseverance and encouragement (Romans 15:5). God may use others as sources of encouragement and, thereby, help us develop greater endurance; but God is, nonetheless, our primary source of spiritual strength to finish the race.

One surprising way God provides strength is through suffering. Most would prefer to develop endurance in a less painful way, but there are no short-cuts to spiritual strength. Every successful runner knows the value of training. Running a 26-mile course is not a last-minute decision. Such requires a great deal of training so that, gradually, over the course of time enough endurance is built to sustain the journey and reach the finish line.

Similarly, trials and tribulations can help us develop greater spiritual endurance. When we turn to God for strength, we develop a stronger and deeper character, one that will see us through to the finish line. The grand and glorious hope of heaven inspires us to endure whatever comes our way in this life. Jesus is our goal and to be with Him forever in heaven is our strong hope. But we must continually fix our eyes on Him, trusting in His power and relying on His promises. Until our goal is realized, we must hold the course He has set before us. One day, looking back, we may discover two sets of footprints in the sand and realize that we were never really alone - that Jesus had been with us every step of the way.

--Glen Elliott--

# Prayer Requests

- \*Bob Gossett is scheduled to have a biopsy on January 18th to determine if he has cancer in his bladder.
- \*Jim Burkett is home from the hospital.
- \*Keep Dorothy Yeager and family in prayer as they have been sick.
- \*Lavonne Duncan requests prayers for her brother that is in the hospital.
- \*Continue to keep Debbie Freeman; Marty Leonard's dad; Marilyn Koone; Michelle Koone; Stephanie Phillips; Justin Vandaveer; Ted & Barbara Knight; and Dave & Janet Rhyne in your prayers.

## When It Seems All Is Lost

\*When it seems all is lost...remember that the Creator sees us (Job 34:21; Psalm 33:13-15; Heb. 4:13).

\*When it seems all is lost...remember that this world is not all that there is (Job 1:6; 2:1; 16:19; Rev. 21:3-4; Matt. 25:46).

\*When it seems all is lost...remember that our Redeemer lives (Job 19:25; Heb. 7:25; Rev. 1:17-18)!

Bart Warren South Green Street church of Christ Glasgow, KY

# **January 2, 2022**

SUNDAY CLASS: 50 SUNDAY WORSHIP: 83 SUNDAY PM: 42

WEDNESDAY (5th): 58

BUDGET: \$4,500 OFFERING: \$5.008 Word of the Week:
"MOTHER"



Monthly Food Committee Leader Martha Bell

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# **BIRTHDAYS:** (Jan 9th - Jan. 22nd) Kendra Fisher 01/10 01/15 Paisley Wilcox 01/17 Tom Steele 01/17 Tara Stevenson 01/22 Dylan Leonard **ANNIVERSARIES:** Darren & Shelly Dent Ron & Linda McInturff 01/15

### **Spotlight on Missions**

Out of last year's Missions' Day fund, we helped Eric Purvee and his family move to Mongolia following his studies at Bear Valley. There is posted on the Missions' board a report and greeting, along with a great family picture and

pictures of the work. Check it out today.

Joshua Ankiah's December report is posted as well. The work in South Africa continues to do well even as Joshua and his family are making plans to return to the States in March.

Finally, report of additional baptisms this week in the Philippine where Edwin Inso continues his good work. See the latest pictures on the bulletin board.

### **\*UPCOMING EVENTS**

January 11th - The Area-Wide Singing and Fellowship has been postponed.

January 13th - Ladies monthly Thursday night group - 6pm in the old fellowship room.

January 15th - Men's Breakfast at 8am in the Outreach Center.

**January 15th** - Ladies monthly Saturday morning group - 10am in the old fellowship room.

January 18th - The Senior Ministry Class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center.
 Ron McInturff will be the speaker. There will be no potluck.

### **BIBLE QUIZ:** 1 John 2:12-14

- 1. True or False: John wrote to children, fathers, and mothers.
- 2. "I write to you, little children, Because your sins are \_\_ you for His name's sake."
- 3. "I write to you, fathers, Because you have known Him *who is* from the \_\_."
- 4. True or False: John wrote to the young men because they have "overcome the wicked one."

True or False: The word of God was abiding in the young men to whom John wrote.

Last week's answers: new, old, word; darkness, light; true; loves, stumbling; darkness, blinded