

The Messenger

Give Thanks for All Things

*Always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father
Ephesians 5:20*

This year November 23 will be a day of festivities as people throughout this nation celebrate "Thanksgiving Day." Among the things done on this day will be those moments in which individuals will pause for a moment, reflect on days gone by and speak about the things they are thankful for. This is a wonderful day that we should enjoy to the fullest but in the midst of the celebration, as a child of God, "Thanksgiving" is not just a special day in November of each year. Being thankful and expressing our thanks for the many ways in which our lives have been and are each day blessed should be a part of our life every day of the year.

Being thankful is a very vital part of the life of a child of God. I hear Paul as he tells the church in Thessalonica, "In everything give thanks" (1 Thessalonians 5:18) and to the Colossians he says, "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to the which you were called in one body; and be thankful." (Colossians 3:15)

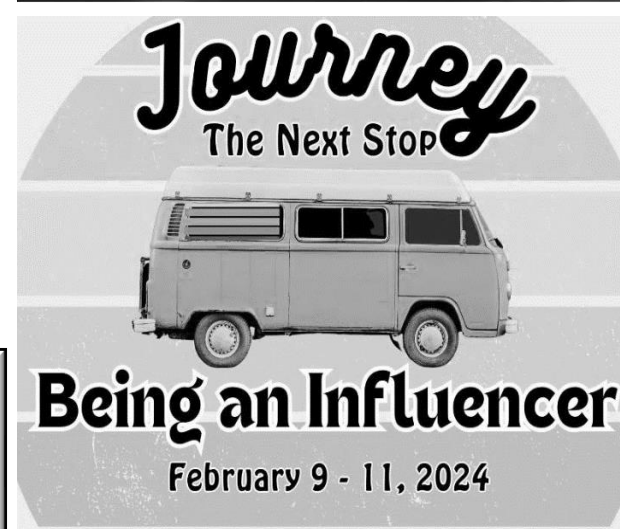
On the physical side we should begin each day thanking God for our life, praising him for his love and goodness so bountifully bestowed on us (James 1:17). Our hearts should be filled with thanksgiving to our God for faithful, God-fearing spouses, thankful for children who love us and are faithful to God, thankful for loving families and friends that help and encourage us. Yes. Thankful for all the material blessings we enjoy each day of our life. As I think about this, the thought comes to mind that we should be giving thanks daily to the Father for our life. I don't know about you but I am thankful for every minute of life I have and I am thankful for every minute that is yet to come, the Lord willing. Be thankful my friends and every day tell God you love Him, praise and thank Him for your life. Thanksgiving should not be just a once-a-year part of our life, it should, yes must be, an everyday part of the life of a faithful child of God!

Then there are the spiritual blessings that should fill our hearts with thankfulness; the love of God (John 3:16, 1 John 3:1-3; the love of Christ (Rom. 5:8, Heb. 5:8-9); the church (Matt. 16:13-19, Acts 2); redemption through the blood of Christ, the forgiveness of sin (Col. 1:12-14); hope as an anchor

of our soul (Heb. 6:18-19); assurance that in Christ we are safe (Rom. 8:28, 31-39, 1 Cor. 15:55-57, 1 John 5:11-13). O how we should be giving thanks daily to the Father for the awesome privilege of being able to go before the throne of grace and there receive mercy and find help in times of need (Heb. 4:16). When we go before that throne with hearts of thanksgiving, we can lay it all at the feet of the Lord knowing we will receive a peace that surpasses all understanding (Phil. 4:4-6). This is one of those exceedingly precious promises from God that has the power to turn the darkest night into a morning of joy. Be thankful to God and express your thankfulness to Him through the words and deeds you engage in everyday of your life!



Charles Hicks



Spring Retreat For Young Adults
18-20 something

Guest Speaker: **Airam Kemp**

Meals, T-shirt, Lessons & Activities

Big Reedy Christian Camp, Roundhill, KY

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S S L M G C T G E G D D L E S MERCY

November Bible Classes		
	Sunday Morning	Wednesday Evening
Nursery	Skylar Martin	Kathy Williams
2 & 3 Year Olds	Claire Young	Amy Raymer
4 & 5 Year Olds	Lillian Warren	
1 st & 2 nd Grade	Kami Howard	
3 rd & 4 th Grade	Linda Raymer	Amanda Barrett
5 th - 8 th Grade	Chris Young	Young Mans' Class
9 th - 12 th Grade	Reagan Young & Zach Martin	Young Ladies' Class
Twenty Somethings	Daniel McMillin <i>Hermeneutics: Reading the Word of God in the Presence of God</i>	Daniel McMillin <i>Jonah: A Gospel of Grace</i>
Alternate Adults	W. Tom Hall <i>Encouragement</i>	
Auditorium Adults	Denver Young	W. Tom Hall

Special Announcement

Dear Mt. Pleasant Family:

The Elders wanted to make everyone aware that beginning Sunday, December 3rd there will be a change to the structure of our Sunday worship services. Beginning at 9:30am, we will have what we will call a Communion Service. This service will include singing, praying, giving, and a message that focuses on the perfect sacrifice of our Savior. We will then share the Lord's Supper together. After the communion service, we will assemble in age-appropriate classes for a time of Bible study. We will then reassemble in the auditorium for a time of singing, praying, and delivery of a message from God's Word. There will be no 6pm service. However, the time spent in Bible study and worship will be approximately the same as if we did have the evening service. Following are some of the reasons the Elders feel this move will be beneficial:

- It will allow for more focus and attention on the Cross, which is the most consequential event in history.
- It will be helpful to those within our congregation who travel some distance to the assembly which includes several families. Currently we have families traveling from the opposite end of Warren County in addition to Allen, Edmonson, Grayson, and Butler Counties. This will be especially helpful for these folks as we head into the winter months.
- Currently the percentage that comes back on Sunday evening is roughly 50%. It is our hope that this new structure will result in more people spending additional time in worship and Bible study.

We understand that sometimes change can be difficult. However, please know that the decisions made by the Eldership come from a desire to shepherd the flock in such a way to help the membership grow spiritually and bring as many as possible into the fold so that heaven will be the eternal home for as many as can be reached. We pray that you will do your part and be present for all these services and fully involve yourself in the work at Mt. Pleasant. As always, feel free to reach out to any of the Elders with any concerns or questions you might have.

Mt. Pleasant Eldership

Schedule of Services	
Sunday	
Bible Class	9:00 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.
Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	
Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
Elders	
Richard Eubanks	270.792.3050
Brian Martin	270.576.2936
Chris Young	270.202.2252
Denver Young	270.799.8559
Matt Williams	270.779.7733
Deacons	
Perry Cole	270.202.6214
L.W. Jackson	270.996.1451
Michael Runner	270.535.5906
Adam Warren	270.980.2548
Mark Young	270.791.0140
Evangelist	
W. Tom Hall	O: 270.777.1828 M: 270.792.2132
Associate Minister	
Daniel McMillin	662.882.8756
We stand ready to assist you with any need you may have.	
You may call the church office at 270.777.1828.	
We would be honored to help if we can. May God bless you with a wonderful week.	
"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many." Mark 10:45	

Announcements

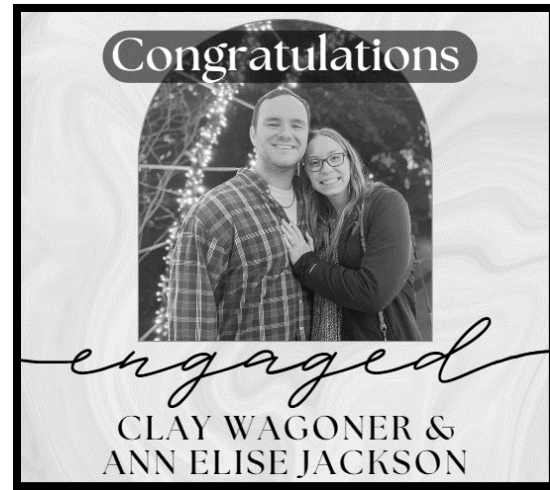
- November 26th** Youth Devo After Morning Services
Bring food for your family and clothes to get dirty
- December 5th** Tuesday Bible Class at 10:30 AM Bring your Bible and a Dish!
- December 7th** Mens Bible Study at Richard Eubanks Home at 7:30 PM
- December 30th** We will visit the Creation Museum in Petersburg, KY.
See Daniel McMillin for more Details
- Feb. 9-11th** Journey Spring Retreat for Young Adults (More Details on Back Page)

DECEMBER

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

NEW SCHEDULE FOR SERVICES STARTING DECEMBER 3RD

- 9:30 AM Lord's Supper Service
- 10:20-11:00 AM Bible Study
- 11:10 AM Worship Service



CLAY WAGONER & ANN ELISE JACKSON

Pulpit Preview

Sunday 10 AM
Discipleship
Sunday 6 PM
The Authority of the Messiah

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
ALL COLLEGE AGE MEN AND UP ARE WELCOME
AT RICHARD EUBANKS HOME
DECEMBER 7
AT 7:00 PM

Prayer Requests

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| • Heather Young (Daughter In-Law of Ralph and Marsha Young) | • Faye McKinley |
| • Danny Miller | • Gerry Utley |
| • Aubrey Avery – 9 Years old with Brain Tumor | • Sam Haynes |
| • Brenda Phelps | • Mike Collier (Donna Parker's Brother) |
| • Norman Logsdon | • Wilma Blankenship |
| • J.L. Young – Massey Springs – Memory Care 2945 Small House Rd. Bowling Green, KY 42104 Phone 270.904.1999 | • Lachlan Kreis – Brain Tumor |
| • Geri Basham | • Jimmy Wilmoth |
| • Ayla Duggan | • Lunell Upton |
| • Bobby Pruett | • Mason Miller |
- Remembering Our Homebound Wilma Blankenship*

God's Plan of Salvation

God's Part	Man's Part
Great love of God for man John 3:16	Hear the Gospel Romans 10:17, John 8:32
Gave His Son, Jesus Christ, as the Savior Luke 19:10	Believe the Gospel Hebrews 11:6, John 20:31
Sent the Holy Spirit as a guide John 16:13	Repent of past sins Luke 13:3, Acts 17:30
The Gospel as "the power" unto salvation Romans 1:16	Confess faith in Jesus Christ Rom. 10:10, Matthew 10:32
Provided atonement by the blood of Christ Romans 5:9	Be Baptized Galatians 3:27, Mark 16:16, Acts 2:38
	Be faithful unto death Revelations 2:10

Bible Trivia Challenge

This Week's Question

Fill in the blank: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the _____"

Please give your answer with scripture to Adam or Lil Warren by Wednesday Evening.

November 19th Who said, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin"?

(Answer: Stephen; Acts 7:60)

Fred Heath, Tammy Puckett-Goss, Bobby and Darlene Pruett, Lenora Isenberg, Logan Barrett, Jessie Wilson, Judy McBride, Nathan Warren, Avery Justis, Shorty & Thelma Wurst and others who did not want to be listed, answered correctly!

Sunday Morning Services		November 26
Security 1		Joshua Barrett
Security 2		Jeff Morrison
Security 3		Michael Runner
Security 4		Travis Young
Audio Video Controls		Reagan Young
Song Leader		Chris Robison
Opening Prayer		Paul Isenberg
Welcome/Announcements		Brian Martin
Worship Service Prayer		Chris Young
Communion Prayer		Victor Davis
Lord's Table Center Left		Lyle Johnson
Lord's Table Center Right		Landon Miller
Lord's Table Assist Left 2		Cody Basham
Lord's Table Assist Right 2		Nathan Warren
Lord's Table Assist Left 3		Stephen Clingenpeel
Lord's Table Assist Right 3		Jacob Williams
Scripture Reading		Fred Heath
Closing Prayer		Daniel McMillin
Wednesday Night Bible Study		November 29
Security 1		Randy Reneau
Security 2		Matthue Harmon
Security 3		Jeff Morrison
Song Leader		Zach Martin
Opening Prayer		Willard Raymer
Scripture Reading		Joshua Barrett
Lord's Table		Richard Eubanks
Closing Prayer		Brian Raymer
Monthly Assignments		November
Lock Building		Perry Cole
Baptismal Laundry		Donna Wheeler
Assist with Men's Baptisms		Travis Young
Assist with Women's Baptisms		Angie Anderson
Prepare Communion		Willard & Linda Raymer
Bread Distribution		Bake Give Out
November 26	Noemi Davis	Tammy & Mason Miller
** If unable to serve, contact Michael Runner at 270.535.5906 **		

New Schedule for Services Starting December 3rd

- 9:30 AM Lord's Supper Service
- 10:20-11:00 AM Bible Study
- 11:10 AM Worship Service

Sunday Morning Lord's Supper		December 03
Security 1		Gordon Harlow
Security 2		Grant Cole
Security 3		Eddie Windham
Security 4		Tommy Flora
Audio Video Controls		Zach Martin
Song Leader		Brian Martin
Communion Dismissal Prayer		Doug Depp
Communion Comments/Prayer		Tom Hall
Lord's Table Center Left		Fred Heath
Lord's Table Center Right		Richard Eubanks
Lord's Table Assist Left 2		Gary Basham
Lord's Table Assist Right 2		Brian Raymer
Lord's Table Assist Left 3		Joshua Barrett
Lord's Table Assist Right 3		Lyle Johnson
Worship Service		December 6
Announcements		Denver Young
Song Leader		Chris Robison
Worship Service Prayer		Matt Williams
Scripture Reading		Greg Isenberg
Closing Prayer		Reagan Young
Communion Afternoon		Chris Young
Wednesday Night Bible Study		December 6
Security 1		Richard Eubanks
Security 2		Cody Basham
Security 3		Gary Basham
Song Leader		Andy Wagoner
Opening Prayer		Nathan Warren
Closing Prayer		Hunter Morrison
Monthly Assignments		December
Lock Building		L.W. Jackson
Baptismal Laundry		Mary Hazel Watt
Assist with Men's Baptisms		L.W. Jackson
Assist with Women's Baptisms		Jenilyn Hall
Prepare Communion		L.W. & Victoria Jackson

For The Record Week of November 19, 2023

Bible Class	141
AM Worship	204
PM Worship	98
Wed. Bible Study	80
Contribution	\$5,690

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If you are visiting with us, please take a moment and fill out a visitors' card and place it in the collection plate located in the foyer. We are delighted that you're here to share in our worship service and hope that you will please visit us again real soon!

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