

**THOSE TO SERVE April 21, 2019**

Worship Leader: Tim Spain  
 Lord's Supper: Jamie Clark, Gene Clark,  
 Jeff Nicks, Randy Brann, Jim Robertson,  
 Mike McCage, Landon McCage  
 Closing Prayer: Greg Ferguson  
 Power Point: Tim Spain  
 Greeters (side): (back): Jeff & Sissy Nicks  
 (side): Bret Taylor & Traci Orr

**FAMILY NEWS**

**Charlie Guy** is scheduled to have surgery on April 17th.



**SUPER SENIORS**

Our monthly outing will be on Thursday, April 18th, at the Blue Bank Fish House Restaurant at Reelfoot Lake. The bus will leave at 6 pm. Please sign up on the list at the Information Station if you plan to go.

**DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE**

- April 14 1 Samuel 21-24
- April 15 Psalm 7, 27, 31, 34, 52
- April 16 Psalm 56, 120, 140-142
- April 17 1 Samuel 25-27
- April 18 Psalm 17, 35, 54, 63
- April 19 1 Samuel 28-31; Psalm 18
- April 20 Psalm 121, 123-125, 128-130



**EASTER CELEBRATION**

On April 21st, our Easter celebration will begin with a brunch in the Activities Building at 9:00 am, followed by a worship service at 9:45 am. We'll wrap up the day with an Easter egg hunt. There will be no Bible study or small group studies that day.

Please sign up for whatever food or beverage you'll be bringing on the list at the of dishes posted at the Information Station.

**FISH FRY & OPEN HOUSE**

On Saturday, May 4, 2019, there will be a 40th anniversary celebration of the Reelfoot Youth Camp & Retreat Center, with a fish fry from 4-8 pm. There will be no admission fee but donations are always welcome.

**NOTES**



**ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE**

Date	Time	Event	Location
April 18, 2019	6:00 pm	Super Seniors Outing	Blue Bank Fish House Restaurant, Reelfoot Lake
April 21, 2019	9:00 am 9:45 am After worship	Easter Brunch Worship Service Easter Egg Hunt	Activities Building Auditorium Outside the Activities Building, weather permitting
May 4, 2019	4-8 pm	Fish Fry & Open House	Reelfoot Youth Camp
May 5, 2019		Graduation Sunday	Activities Building





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### THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 14, 2019

Worship Leader: Tim Spain  
Lord's Supper: Kevin Dobbins  
Scripture Reading: Jamie Clark  
Sermon: Chris Gooch  
Closing Prayer: Jeff Nicks  
Elder Available After Worship: Jimmy Smith  
Children's Church: Christy & Kelly Henson  
Attended Nursery: Nancy Spain  
Nursery Next Week: Christy Henson  
Greeters (side): Curtis & Carla Aaron  
(back): Jamie & Rachel Clark



### PRAYER LIST

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY:** Mary Johnson, Vernelle Sellers, Vallie Burden, Anita Nicks, Aaron Tittle.

**OUR COMMUNITY:** Yates Graham, Scott Albright, Hudson Hayes, Debbie Jordan, Mary Hepler, Debbie Bowling, Evelyn Williams, Carl Ivey, Michelle Cook (Brian Clark's boss), Shawn Weaks, Jean McCullough

**OUR RELATIVES & FRIENDS:** Erica Albritton, Alan Jones, William Gardner, Hazel Williams, Terry Grady, Louis Woods (cousin of Aaron Tittle), Adam & Jennifer Cooley, Katie Harris, Clinton Battles, Jason Elliott, Kimberly & Giovanni Rodriguez, Tresa Mudd (Autumn Garrigus's mom), Dwight Baggett, Philis Wilkinson (Amy Hawkins' mom), Bob Yates, Thomas Aker

**THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY:** Jay Thomas, Thomas Booker, Chris Mays, Rebecca Gooch, Claire Lloyd, Brady Moore, Dakota McCord, Matt Hester, Clayton Fowler, Brady Moore, Chris Floyd, Eb McCage

**MISSIONS WE SUPPORT:** Baja California, City of Children, China, Guyana, Zambia.



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### The Church and Morality: Honor and Shame (12)

The values rooted in the ancient world of the Bible are getting a second look these days. Among the most important ancient values are 'honor and shame'. These values and their connection deserve some space in this series of articles based on the book *Losing Our Virtue* by David Wells.

Unlike the ancient world our world is a highly individualized culture. What we buy, what we wear, how we look are all expression of our inner private reality. The ancient world fostered a sense of belonging rather than isolated individualism. Individuals were understood in conjunction with their social matrix. People were thought of first in terms of the family or clan as evident from the myriad of references to Jesus, the son of Joseph, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, David, the son of Jesse, Simon, the son of John, etc. The premise seems to have been that to know the family was to know something about the son.

People were also known in reference to their place of birth. Remember he was Jesus of Nazareth, Saul of Tarsus, Joseph of Arimathea, etc. Some places were more honorable than others.

People were also understood in terms of their ethnic origin. Cretans, for example, were known to be liars, evil beasts, lazy gluttons (Tit. 1:12). They were understood in terms of their occupation. Jesus was a carpenter's son (Matt. 13:55). Finally, people were understood in terms of any group to which they might belong. There were Herodians, Pharisees, Sadducees, as well as silver smith guilds, tent makers, etc.

The point is the ancient world was no place for a rugged individualist. 'Standing on one's own two feet' was not a virtue. Groups were the source of identity and honor. In turn, one did not dishonor the group(s) to which he or she belonged. Honor was worth more than money.

In our modern culture, any sense of responsibility to the groups to which we belong has all but vanished. A teacher who is arrested for sexual misconduct with a student no doubt fears prosecution but has little concern for the impact it will have on the reputation of the school. A kidnapper may fear the police but he has little if any thought to the impact it will have on the community. A man who embezzles from his business may fear going to prison but he has little concern for the stigma that it might attach to his family. We seem more concerned about how our behavior is being perceived by others than we are about what it actually says about us as a person.

We can readily see the differences in our culture and that of the ancient New Testament world. However, the New Testament also disconnected itself from that ancient world's mindset too. One does not have to think either long or hard to note the differences in the world's point of view and the kingdom of God, which Jesus spoke about and the "age to come," which he promised. One soon realizes that he turned the ancient world and its paradigms upside down. For example, Jesus said that the lowly ones were honored by God. The least were the greatest. Servanthood was to be preferred over ruling. On and on the list grows.

The reason behind this disconnect between the New Testament and the ancient world's norms is simple. The New Testament, while recording accurate historical data, is more than a vault for storing cultural habits to be duplicated. It is a theological document, which supercedes cultural values. It has a great deal to do with the training of the conscience, which we will explore next time.

- Ron

### SUNDAY SERVICES

9:30 am — Bible Study  
10:30 am — Worship  
6:00 pm — Small Group Discussions

### WEDNESDAY SERVICES

6:30 pm — Bible Study

### Worship Service April 14, 2019

#### Welcome

718 "We Shall Assemble"

560 "Living by Faith"

615 "He Keeps Me Singing"

#### Shepherd's Prayer

766 "Open Our Eyes, Lord"

382 "Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?"

#### Communion

#### Contribution

276 "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

214 "Have You Seen Jesus My Lord?"

#### Scripture Reading

#### Sermon

"From the Inside Out"



#### Family News

"Holy Spirit, Dwell in Me"

#### Closing Prayer