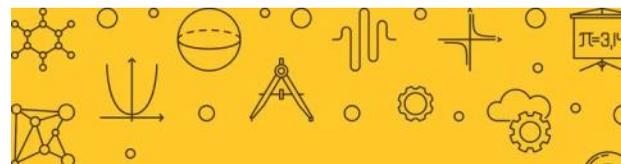


THOSE TO SERVE August 25, 2019

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper: Kevin Dobbins, Greg Ferguson, Tyler Bolton, Josh Scott, Paul Hill, Tony Dobson, Steve Muse
 Scripture Reading: Jim Robertson
 Closing Prayer: Jimmy Smith
 Power Point: Tim Spain
 Greeters (side): Jeff & Sissy Nicks
 (back): Mike & Paula McCage

DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

August 18 2 Kings 24-25; 2 Chronicles 36
 August 19 Habakkuk 1-3
 August 20 Jeremiah 41-45
 August 21 Jeremiah 46-48
 August 22 Jeremiah 49-50
 August 23 Jeremiah 51-52
 August 24 Lamentations 1; Lam. 2, Lam. 3:1-36



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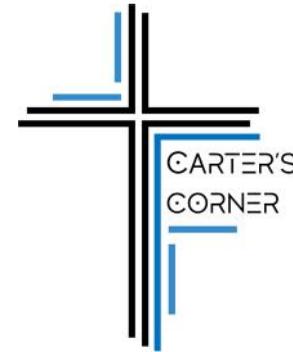
The OCCHS Science Department writes, "Dear Troy Church of Christ, Thank you so very, very much for providing breakfast and serving us Friday morning. Your kindness and prayers for our school are such an encouragement as we begin the new year. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ."

RELATIONSHIPS MATTER

The West Dyersburg church has invited us to participate in an event they will be hosting August 25th-28th. The series is titled, *Relationships Matter*. Dr. Jerry and Lynn Jones will present information intended to build stronger marriages and developing better relationships within families. There is NO COST to attend the seminar and childcare will be available. Cards with additional information about times and events are at the Information Station.

ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

Date	Time	Event	Location
August 25-28, 2019		<i>Relationships Matter</i> Event	West Dyersburg church
September 7-8, 2019		Youth Group Outing	Heber Springs
September 29— October 2, 2019		Harding University Lectureship	Searcy, AR



I am all over the place this week, so be warned.

Be looking for that calendar outside my office! There are some really good events planned on there, and a note to go with it! I hope that you will be as involved as you can be with the events this year, and I pray that these events will help bring us closer to each other.

On September 7-8 I plan on taking the youth group to Heber Springs, AR. We will leave that Saturday and come back Sunday morning. I would love to have some adults go as well, so please let me know if you'd like to! We will be swimming in the lake, jumping off small cliffs, and climbing a small mountain as well. It should be a good weekend of fun, and spending time with each other.

Be praying over our youth ministry. I think we had some great growth of the summer, but the school year is hard on the students. Pray for them, and pray for those that volunteer their time and resources to the youth ministry.

- Carter





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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 August 18, 2019

Welcome

"Here in This Place"
 4:80 "Blessed Assurance"
 2:26 "O Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
 2:75 "O Lord, You're Beautiful"

Shepherd's Prayer

5:106 "And Can It Be?"

Communion

Contribution

3:25 "Boundless Love"
 1:11 "Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

Scripture Reading

Sermon

"Just as I Am (I Come Broken)"

Family News

1:23 "The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

Closing Prayer



THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 18, 2019

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper: Greg Ferguson
 Scripture Reading: Jeff Nicks
 Sermon: Ron Newberry
 Closing Prayer: Paul Hill
 Elder Available After Worship: Greg Ferguson
 Children's Church: Renee & Greg Ferguson
 Attended Nursery: Dawn Guy
 Nursery Next Week: Maggie McCage
 Greeters (side): James & Betty Bumpus
 (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, Brenda Green

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.

TROY Church of CHRIST

FAMILY NEWS



August 18, 2019



Ridgecrest is a large church associated assembly ground, nestled in the mountains of western North Carolina. All summer long, every year, thousands of Christians come to Ridgecrest for training, inspiration, Bible study, and retreats.

At one conference several years ago, participants noticed a man who just didn't seem to fit hanging around the grounds. They noticed him particularly because he stood out like the proverbial sore thumb. He did not look like he had just stepped out of your typical Sunday school class. His clothes were tattered and torn; they looked like something even the Salvation Army would throw away. He hadn't shaved for some time. His shoes were at least religious – holy, holy holy. Worst of all was the distinct odor he emitted.

It was obvious to all in attendance that he was "not one of us". He wasn't the kind of person one normally sees at Christian retreat centers. What did he do? Why was he there? What are we going to do if he start harassing people?

Several folks talked about the situation, potential threat and all round discomfort they felt. But they couldn't do much. He hadn't approached anyone. He never harassed anybody. He did not – as some expected he would – ask for money. He mostly just hung around observing everyone's behavior.

When chapel services were held, he would walk across the front and sit down. When classes were under way, he would lie down on the grassy slopes nearby. And when meals were being served, he would stand on the dining hall porch, not far from the long lines of people clutching their meal tickets. No one witnessed him begging. He made no demands. He just stood and watched.

At the end of the week the organizers announced that there would be a special speaker for the closing service, and that he would speak on the theme, "Inasmuch as you have not done it unto one of the least of these, you have not done it unto me." They promised that the audience would truly remember this message. The hymns were sung, the prayers were prayed, and the special speaker approached the podium. The special speaker was the shabby young man with the worn-out clothing, the scraggly beard, and the offensive body odor!

It turns out that he was a young minister who had been asked to play a part by the conference directors. And his message stung as he said to the crowd, "No one tried to include me in anything. No one asked me if I needed help. No one invited me to the dining hall. No one sat down to listen to my story. No one asked to speak to me about Jesus. One or two pulled out a dollar bill and gave it to me. But most of you turned your eyes and pretended not to see me. My appearance offended you, and you left me out."

Appearances are deceiving. He looked like a beggar and a bum, but he was a minister. How many folks have we failed to minister to, refused to help, dismissed even asking to talk to them about Jesus because of their appearance – they are clearly "not one of us"? Lord when did we ever see you in need and failed to help you? When you did not help the least of these you did not help me. Lord when did we ever see you hungry and feed you? When you did it to one of the least of these you did it to me.

Thank you God that when you look at us you see past our outward fleshly appearance and see a soul in need of your help. May you help us do the same with those we meet.

- Ron