

THOSE TO SERVE March 17, 2019

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper: Kevin Dobbins, Landon McCage, Mike McCage, Tony Dobson, Rick Yates, Virgil Griffin, Brian Clark
 Scripture Reading: Jeff Nicks
 Closing Prayer: Jimmy Smith
 Power Point: Tim Spain
 Greeters (side): James & Betty Bumpus
 (back): Mike & Paula McCage

CROWLEY'S RIDGE COLLEGE

Crowley's Ridge College is holding its annual lectureship April 7-10. The theme this year is "Romans: the Righteousness of God." Lectures and classes are scheduled throughout the day with keynote speakers each evening. Flyers with complete information concerning dates, times and speakers are at the Information Station.

MEXICO MISSION TRIP

If you wish to help with the upcoming Mission Trip to Mexico, they are asking for donations of sunscreen which will be distributed at the clinic. (Reminder: smaller items are easier to pack!) The group leaves on Wednesday, April 10. Thank you for your help.



SUPER SENIORS

The next Super Seniors outing is on March 21 at 6:30 pm, at the Old West Steakhouse in Union City. There's a sign-up sheet at the information station. If you need a ride, please ask Jenny.

DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

March 17 Deuteronomy 17-20
 March 18 Deuteronomy 21-23
 March 19 Deuteronomy 24-27
 March 20 Deuteronomy 28-29
 March 21 Deuteronomy 30-31
 March 22 Deuteronomy 32-34; Psalm 91
 March 23 Joshua 1-4



EASTER EGG HUNT

Easter is just around the corner. We are beginning the collection of plastic eggs and candy for the eggs. Containers are provided at the Information Station. Rachel Clark will be coordinating the egg hunt for the kids again this year. If you prefer to give her the money to buy candy instead of bringing it yourself, please contact Rachel



PRAYER REQUESTS

Bob Yates has relapsed and returned to prison.

Anita Nicks' blockage is easing up but she's still dealing with multiple medical issues.

Joye Fox Burney (Janette Scott's daughter) recently finished chemo and surgery for ovarian cancer. During the surgery she had there were complications which have led to placing her in ICU, where she is slowly recovering..

GOSPEL MEETING

The Gardner Church of Christ in Martin invites you to their Gospel Meeting on March 17-20, 2019. The speaker will be Stan Dean of Killen, Alabama.

The schedule is:

Sunday: 9:30 & 10:30 am, 6:00 pm

Monday—Wednesday : 7:00 pm

Lunch will be served following the Sunday morning worship service.

For more information, call 731-223-2450. The church is located at 440 Hwy 431 in Martin.

A flyer about this event is posted at the Information Station.

SPRING MEETING

The Bishop Street Church of Christ in Union City invites you to attend their Spring Meeting on March 17-20, 2019. The Gospel will be proclaimed by Billy Bland, who is an Instructor and Associate Director of the Memphis School of Preaching. The service schedule is:

Sunday, March 17, 2019:

Bible Study 9:30 am, Morning Worship 10:30 am, Evening Worship 7:00 pm

Monday, March 18—Wednesday, March 20: 7:00 pm each evening.

There's a flyer about this event posted at the



ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

Date	Time	Event	Location
March 17-20, 2019	See flyer	Spring Meeting	Bishop Street Church of Christ, Union City, TN
March 17—20, 2019	See Flyer	Gospel Meeting	Gardner Church of Christ, Martin, TN
March 21	6:30 pm	Super Seniors' Outing	Old West Steakhouse, Union City
March 31	6:00 pm	5th Sunday Devotional & Potluck Meal	Troy CoC
April 7-10		Crowley Ridge College Annual Lectureship	
April 10– 15, 2019	< Revised schedule	Medical Mission Trip	Colonet, Mexico



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THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 17, 2019

Worship Leader: Tim Spain/Jim Robertson
Lord's Supper: Kevin Dobbins
Scripture Reading: Jeff Nicks
Sermon: Ron Newberry
Closing Prayer: Jimmy Smith
Elder Available After Worship: Chris Gooch
Children's Church: Tim & Nancy Spain
Attended Nursery: Renee Ferguson
Nursery Next Week: LeEllen Smith
Greeters (side): James & Anita Nicks
(back): Greg & Renee Ferguson



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 March 17, 2019

608 He Gave Me a Song
555 Seek Ye First
581 I'd Rather Have Jesus
Shepherd's Prayer
176 Lamb of God
Communion
Contribution
Family News
Closing Prayer



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, Barbie Hardy

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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FAMILY  NEWS



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The Church and Morality: Honor and Shame (8)

The values rooted in the ancient world of the Bible need to be given a second look these days. Among the most important ancient values are honor and shame. These values and their connection to one another 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. In short, 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). People were understood in terms of their occupation. Jesus was a carpenter's son (Matt. 13:55), Simon was a tanner (Acts 10:6). 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, fishermen, 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 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 (at least before the theft). 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. 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. 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 supersedes cultural values. It has a great deal to do with the training of the conscience, which we will explore next time. - Ron