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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 Sept. 24, 2017

Welcome
-Lord Reign in Me
647 – Soldiers of Christ
567- Restore My Soul
Shepherd’s Prayer
100-Holy Ground
287-There is a Redeemer
Communion
Contributions
915-Trust and Obey
452-Standing on the Promises
Scripture Reading
Sermon
-I Stand in Awe
Family News
-Mighty to Save
Closing Prayer

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK
Sunday morning, September 24, 2017

Worship Leader: Evan Rippee
Lord’s Supper: Paul Hill
Scripture Reading: Eb McCage
Sermon: Ron Newberry
Closing Prayer: Evan Rippee
Elder Available After Worship: Jimmy Smith
Children’s Church: Paula McCage
Attended Nursery: Annette Dobbins
Nursery Next Week: Renee Ferguson
Greeters (side): James & Betty Bumpus
(back): Virgil & Lori Griffin



PRAYER LIST

OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Christine Fussell, Mary Johnson, Kenneth Scott, Sue Wilkerson, Vernelle Sellers, Vallie Burden, Faye Tittle, Dawn Guy, Phil Green
OUR COMMUNITY: Yates Graham, Scott Albright, Hudson Hayes, Debbie Jordan, Mary Hepler, Phyllis Weatherly, Debbie Bowling, Evelyn Williams, Carl Ivey, Michelle Cook (Brian Clark’s boss), Shawn Weaks
OUR RELATIVES & FRIENDS: Erica Albritton, Alan Jones, William Gardner, Hazel Williams, Terry Grady, Leroy Albritton, Louis Woods (cousin of Aaron Tittle), Adam & Jennifer Cooley, Katie Harris, Clinton Battles, Jason Elliott, Glen Rippee (Evan’s grandfather), Velynda Cameron (Evan’s aunt), Lohnya Rippee, Ruby Rogers, Frances Green (Phil’s mother); Kimberly & Giovanni Rodriguez, Tresa Mudd (Autumn Garrigus’s mom), Dwight Baggett, Philis Wilkinson (Amy Hawkins’ mom), Pam Hughs
THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY: Mark Reed, Jay Thomas, Thomas Booker, Chriss Mays, Rebecca Gooch, Claire Lloyd, Dakota McCord, Matt Hester, Clayton Fowler (student of Nancy’s, deployed to Korea).
MISSIONS WE SUPPORT:
Baja California, City of Children, China, Guyana, Zambia.

TROY Church of CHRIST
FAMILY NEWS



Here we go again....

You shouldn’t be reading this today. It’s Sunday, September 24. “So?” you ask. David Meade, (a self-published author and self-proclaimed ‘Christian Numerologist’) says the world was supposed to have ended yesterday.

His book titled *Planet X — The 2017 Arrival*, describes how a planet called Nibiru (also known as Planet X) will crash into earth in October. However, a few days ago he moved the date forward a few weeks to September 23.

According to Meade, the mysterious rogue Planet X is on a collision course with Earth. That, of course, will bring world-ending tsunamis and earthquakes. He claims that dates of recent events like the Great American Solar Eclipse and Hurricane Harvey’s flooding of Texas were all marked in the Bible and his Planet X theory lines up with more Bible codes and ancient markers on the Egyptian pyramids.

Of course, NASA has dismissed the prediction as a hoax. The space agency has known about the Nibiru conspiracy theory for years. They stated in a 2012 memo:

“If Nibiru or Planet X were real and headed for an encounter with the Earth ... astronomers would have been tracking it for at least the past decade, and it would be visible by now to the naked eye.”

Meade and other doomsayers have actually been saying Nibiru would crash into the Earth several times before. Unless I slept through it that clearly has not happened. The latest prediction came in 2012 and was linked to the end of the Mayan calendar.

Meade joins a long line of hoaxsters and hucksters who try to capitalize on gullible naïve people who will buy their books. They are always wrong and claim that somehow they miscalculated and they write another book that’s just as bogus.

The clincher came when a Montreal-based radio producer, Robyn Flynn, asked Meade for an interview. He didn’t exactly say ‘no’. She tweeted, *“Just tried to book an interview w/ a researcher who says the world ends Saturday. Told me he’s not available for interviews until next week.”*

Humm.... He will be available for interviews after the world ends on Saturday. Just how gullible are folks these days?

I’ll take Jesus’ words over Meade’s predictions. “No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.” (Matt. 24:36)

Yes, the world could end today but chances are I’ll see you next week.

- Ron

THOSE TO SERVE October 1, 2017

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper: Jimmy Smith, Aaron Tittle,
 Gene Clark, Brian Clark, Jamie Clark,
 Greg Ferguson, Keith Conner
 Scripture Reading: Landon McCage
 Closing Prayer: Chris Gooch
 Power Point: Tim Spain
 Greeters (side): Jim & Susan Robertson
 (back): Jerry & Tammy Ross

PRAYERS, PLEASE

Please remember in prayer: Pam Hughs, who is dealing with two kinds of cancer; Sylvia Ryland's daughter and Darlene Dobson's sister following her surgeries; Vallie Burton's son, James Robert, who had a stent implanted; Melissa Wicker, Charlie Guy's friend's wife, came through surgery well and is home; Dawn Guy, who continues to recover from brain surgery.

LEGACY OF HOPE

The annual benefit dinner and auction for *New Pathways for Children* is scheduled for Thursday, September 28. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 4:30 pm.

OCTOBER 15 ALL-IN-ONE

We're planning an all-in-one Sunday on October 15th, which will be the Rippees' last Sunday with us. After worship that morning we'll have lunch together consisting of BBQ (which will be provided) and any dishes and a 2-liter soda we hope you'll bring to share. There's a sign-up sheet on the board in the hall at the Information Station.

DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

September 24 1 Chronicles 28-29
 September 25 2 Chronicles 1-4
 September 26 2 Chronicles 5-7
 September 27 2 Chronicles 8-10
 September 28 2 Chronicles 11-14
 September 29 2 Chronicles 15-18
 September 30 2 Chronicles 19-21



THANK YOU

Mark & Janet Boyd write, "Thank you for your good visit, Ron, at Jackson-Madison County Hospital and for your good follow up—very helpful! Please thank the several church members that called to check on Janet and me when we got back home to see if they could assist us in some way.

"For now I am told, the road back to normal life is about 2-4 months away. And, if it appears I am well on my way back to good & full recovery—thank the Lord.

"Both Janet & I look forward to seeing you all soon in the near future.

"Warmest regards, Mark & Janet Boyd"

UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

OCTOBER-
 9th- Dinner & Bible Study @ Rippee's
 15th- Deadline for Celebrate Kentucky Registration
 29th- Youth & Family Devo (Location TBA)
 31st- Trunk or Treat @ Troy Square

We seek to serve and lift up our God to the best of our abilities, and to unite as one to lead others.

- Reach -

"Jesus came down the mountain with the cheers of the crowd still ringing in his ears. Then a leper appeared and went to his knees before Jesus, praying, "Master, if you want to, you can heal my body." Jesus reached out and touched him, saying, "I want to. Be clean." Then and there, all signs of the leprosy were gone.'" Matthew 8:1-4 MSG

At OnTrack last week, we spoke about Jesus loving people not just by forgiving sins, but by meeting their earthly needs as well. As we look into this small story in Matthew concerning Jesus healing the leper, we may pass by assuming that Jesus met this mans basic need of being healed of his illness. However, I want to point out that in the many versions and translations of this story, it is always mentioned that Jesus reached out and touched this man. Many of us know that to be a leper in those days was to be cast out of society, either until you recovered or until you died, but the point remained that no one wanted to be around you, let alone touch you on account of your affliction. This is a problem, as social interaction as well as human touch is important to our mental development in early life, and our social and emotional development throughout all of life.

To be denied something as simple as appropriate human contact can be just as emotionally and mentally scarring as leprosy is physically.

I find it so encouraging that Jesus did not just speak this man well, but that he reached out his hand and touched the untouchable.

I marvel at this, because this is the example Christ has set for us and yet we still will in some cases, refuse to really reach out to people. We will, of course, address the surface level needs like finances, shelter, and food, but how often do we feel like that is enough? How often do we tell ourselves that our job is done because we are uncomfortable to lay a hand on the deeper, dirtier, dire issues in people lives? Is it none of our business?

Many would say so, but Jesus came here not just to heal our diseases, but to purify and rectify our hearts, and in doing so prepare us to join in his ranks of truly, selflessly serving the needs of others.

Christ reached out to touch the lives and hearts of people that others would normally avoid. He has set a heartbreaking example of love and service that we should follow... but has the weight of this example reached into our hearts yet? Time will tell, for soon we will encounter a soul in need. How will you reach?

-Evan

