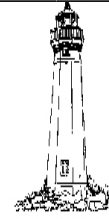


THE BEACON

The Hardin church of Christ
<http://www.hardincoc.com>



Sunday, May 11, 2008

**Visitors, we are happy to have you
and invite you to come back again!!**

From The Elders:

As summer and warm weather quickly approaches so frequently does a problem with immodesty. While there has not been any complaints or comments brought to us this year, we would like to ensure that it remains that way. We only request that each of us be very thoughtful of what we wear in public and particularly at church activities. It would help us enormously if we would all double check the length of our shorts and dresses (please, at least knee length), the cut of our shirts and blouses, and how tight our clothes fit (not too revealing). Please know that your cooperation will help or hurt your brothers and sisters in Christ. Please be considerate of them and others.

We love you and want you to know your cooperation makes it a true joy to serve as your elders.

Elders & Deacons Meet After Worship Services Tonight

Today's Sermons:

AM: Renew Your Love (Deuteronomy 11.1-7)

PM: Words of Encouragement: Peace (Heb 2.5-18)

Prepare for Next Week:

AM: Renew Your Trust (Deuteronomy 1.29-31)

PM: SINGING NIGHT

CALENDAR

(Hardin Activities)

May 17: Day at the Park,
Hardin Park

May 18: Singing Night, no
finger food fellowship!

May 25: Sunday evening
pulpit swap, J. Herndon

June 3: SYS at Union Hill

June 20-21: Trip to St.
Louis Mills Theme Park

July 1: SYS at Hardin

July 19: VBS at Hardin

(Other Activities)

May 17: Dunn/McKnight
Wedding @ University

May 18-21: Meeting at
Fairdealing, Jim Roberts

June 6: Gospel Singing,
Pottsville, 7pm-?

June 13: Gospel Singing,
Eddyville, 7pm-?



We Appreciate You, Mothers!



Those To Serve THIS Week (5/11):

AM Announcements: Dwayne Oakley
Song Leader: Mike Wyatt
Scripture Reading: Jordan Holland
Opening Prayer: Terry Henderson
Lord's Supper Devo.: Harold Jones
Lord's Supper:
 Bobby Outland Neil Vick
 Kevin Bennett Ronnie Black
 Jeff Lofton Dale Newport
Rear: Ethan & Keaton Guthrie
Closing Prayer: Steve Higgins
Greeter: Joe & Norma Nimmo
PM Song Leader: Mike Wyatt
Opening Prayer: Trice Dunn
Lord's Supper: Danny Higgins
Closing Prayer: Jim Holland
Wed Song Leader: Mike Wyatt
Opening Prayer: Leon Lovett
Closing Prayer: Greg Nelson
Devotional: Daniel Walker

Those To Serve NEXT Week (5/18):

AM Announcements: Dwayne Oakley
Song Leader: Jeff Edwards
Scripture Reading: Ron Owen
Opening Prayer: Bill Dale
Lord's Supper Devo.: Dennis Redden
Lord's Supper:
 Nicky Smith Dale Newport
 Bobby Outland Neil Vick
 Kevin Bennett Ronnie Black
Rear: Ethan & Keaton Guthrie
Closing Prayer: Mark Reynolds
Greeter: Tim & Holly Reynolds
PM Song Leader: SINGING
Opening Prayer: David Smith
Lord's Supper: Danny Higgins
Closing Prayer: Nick Smith
Wed Song Leader: Mark Reynolds
Opening Prayer: Steve Starks
Closing Prayer: Mason Thompson
Devotional: Daniel Walker

Bus Drivers:

May 18, 21—Mark R.
 May 25, 28—Trice D.
 June 1, 4—Jim H.
 June 8, 11—Neil V.
 June 15, 18—Greg N.

**Destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah
 Genesis 19 (NIV)**

When the two angels arrived at Sodom Lot invited them to spend the night at his home. The Angels saw a lot of wickedness in Sodom and found that there were not even 10 righteous people living there.

Read Genesis 19:12-29 to see what happened.

BENEVOLENCE

"...let us do good to everyone"

In March we helped 4 families with groceries, utility or medical bills, etc with approx.

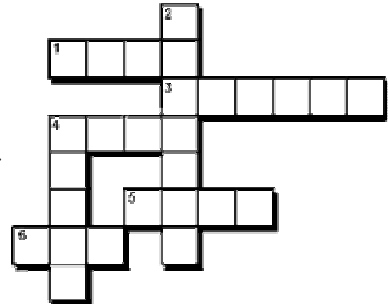
\$257. Who knows the impact it will make for the Lord!!!

Record

	Actual	Goal	Last Yr
Sunday School	103	125	89
Worship AM	128	150	132
Worship PM	87	125	91
Midweek	94	125	100
Offering	\$2981✓	\$2500	\$1825
Weekly Budget:	\$2362		

Across:

- The Angels told Lot to flee with his _____ and daughters. (vs 15)
- The LORD rained down burning _____ on Sodom and Gomorrah. (vs 24)
- Lot's wife looked back and she became a pillar of _____. (vs 26)
- Lot and his daughters fled to a city called _____. (vs 22)
- _____ asked the angels to spend the night at his home. (vs 1,2).



Down:

- The angels told Lot that they were going to _____ Sodom. (vs 14)
- The two angels went to the city of _____. (vs 1)

God Versus Culture: Modesty (2)

Modesty is when we adhere carefully to a higher calling in all aspects of our lives. We are careful to be godly in our speech, behavior, attire and attitude. We are more than just reserved, we are respectful of God's blessings and oversight.

Our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit (1Corinthians 6:19). Moreover, we carry Christ's name wherever we go. We are in his body and walk according to his will (Acts 2:47; Ephesians 1:22-23). We are not our own anymore because we have been purchased by Christ (1 Corinthians 6:20; Acts 20:28).

When we work with a company and wear their uniform, we must always be mindful of what we are representing. We would have to watch our language, clothing and behavior. Why would this be any less true of our actions while we wear Christ's name?

Romans 12:1-2 says, in part, that we are to "present our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that [we] may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God" (NKJV).

Several points in reference to modesty can be made.

First, our bodies are not our own. If we are married, our spouses "have authority over [our] bod[ies]" (1Corinthians 7:4). So, when we are immodest, we are showing off that which belongs first to God and second to our spouses.

Second, our bodies are to be sacrifices to God. Do our clothes tell the world we are living sacrifices for Christ? Or, do they just say we are sexually available?

Third, we are not to be conformed to the standards of the world. In Western culture the standard of dress is that most of the "sexual parts" must be covered. But, is what we can get away with good enough for God? Do we not live in his kingdom under his guidance (Acts 2:47; Ephesians 1:22-23)? Should we not rise above the ways of the world?

The world's standards of modesty and fashion in Western culture are degenerating at an alarming rate. Even in worship, immodesty is everywhere. Some men won't serve the Lord's Supper because of the cleavage and thighs that are on display! Is baring our body during worship respectful of God?

Knowing men are visually stimulated, why would sisters in Christ flaunt their bodies? Do they want men to lust after them? If so, why?

A Christian woman wears barely any clothes and uses the excuse that men aren't supposed to be lusting anyway. This is a pathetic excuse. Women are not supposed to be provoking men to lust. What he does with his eyes and her responsibility to be modest are two separate issues.

Christian men must realize that women are also stimulated by men's bodies. They can be caused to lust, also. Christian men should not be seen without their shirts on or wearing tight, revealing clothing.

Fourth, we are to be transformed and prove that which is good. We are to be glorifying Christ with our bodies and drawing people to his Church. If we are modest in our language, behavior and actions, then our dress will take care of itself. And we will show that inner beauty far transcends man's shallow definition of "good looks."

Richard Mansel
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PRAYER LIST

"The prayer of a righteous person has great power..." (James 5:16)

SHUT-INS

BRITTHAVEN:

Pauline Shepherd (100)
Patsy Farris (111A)
Erlene Higgins (220B)
Nadine Peck (126B)

MCH Long Term Care:

Melba Wilkins

Spring Creek:

Margaret Grogan (311)
Perry Cornwell (316A)

At Home:

John Grogan
Sharon Brewer

Gunner Gillespie, Steven Jones,
Pansey Black, Sharon Brewer,
Chance Hasty, Louzanne Carr,
Madison Griggs, James Courtney,
Pam Bourland, Belinda Hofer,
Beverly Duke, Cindy King,
Leon Lovett, Nancy Black,
Legend Evans, Charles Bennett,
Mary Gallaway, Dorothy Ham
Dwayne Pitt family

God's Plan For Your Salvation

1. Hear and understand the Gospel of Christ (Rm. 10.17).
2. Believe Jesus is the Son of God (John 8.24; Heb. 11.6).
3. Turn away from your sins and former life (Luke 13.3; Acts 3.19-20).
4. Confess to others your belief in Jesus (Mt. 10.32-33; Rm. 10.9-10).
5. Be baptized to have your sins forgiven (Acts 2.38; 22.16).
6. Remain faithful until death for an assured reward (Rev 2.10).

Service Times: Sunday School - 9.15am;
Sun Worship - 10am, 6pm; Wed. Bible Class - 7pm

Call 437-4413 if you need a ride.

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Mail Me!!!

OVERSEERS

"Shepherd the flock of God...serving as overseers...being examples to the flock." (1 Pet. 5:2-3)

DENNIS REDDEN

437-4758 (H); 705-1784 (C)

DAVID SMITH

437-3026 (H); 559-5014 (C)

DEACONS

"For those who have served well as deacons obtain for themselves a good standing..." (1 Timothy 3:13)

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TRICE DUNN 753-9163

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