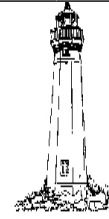


# THE BEACON

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



Sunday, June 1, 2008



Visitors, you make us real happy!

Y'all come back now

## This Week

**Work Camp**—Applications were supposed to be in last week, but you can probably still participate if you would like, applications in the foyer, see Dwayne for questions.

**Summer Youth Series**—The series starts this week at Union Hill. If you would like to come be at Union Hill by 7pm or meet at the church building at 6.40pm to ride the bus.

**Evangelism Training Class**—Tim has been doing an excellent job teaching Ivan Stewart's Open Bible Study courses. It is not too late to participate. In the annex on Thursday night at 7pm. We are usually done around 8pm.

**\*\*\*Hugh Henson's 90th\*\*\***

**Hardin Community Building, Today**

**In the foyer:** Power For Today, Reason & Revelation, Discovery (for children), World Bible School, and more

**Today's Sermons:**

**AM:** A Pleasing Church (Philippians 1.1-11)

**PM:** Words of Encouragement: Perseverance (Hebrews 3)

**Prepare for Next Week:**

**AM:** The "Progress of the Gospel" (Philippians 1.12-18)

**PM:** Words of Encouragement: Heaven (Hebrews 4.1-13)

### CALENDAR

**(Hardin Activities)**

**June 8:** Elders/Deacons Meet after pm services

**June 13-15:** Pee Wee Weekend (see David S.)

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

**July 1:** SYS at Hardin

**July 19:** VBS at Hardin

**(Other Activities)**

**June 1-3:** Meeting at North Marshall, 7pm

**June 1-4:** VBS at Oak Valley, 6.15-8pm

**June 3:** SYS at Union Hill (Cliff Goodwin), 7pm

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

**June 10:** SYS at Green Plains (Randall Evans)

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

**Those To Serve THIS Week (6/1):**

**AM Announcements:** Ricky Collins  
**Song Leader:** Jeff Edwards  
**Scripture Reading:** Tim Reynolds  
**Opening Prayer:** Mark Reynolds  
**Lord's Supper Devo.:** Dennis Redden  
**Lord's Supper:**  
 Bobby Outland Gary Schroader  
 Terry Henderson Jeff Lofton  
 Nicky Smith Dale Newport  
**Rear:** Ethan & Keaton Guthrie  
**Closing Prayer:** David Smith  
**Greeter:** Nick & Doris Smith  
**PM Song Leader:** Jeff Edwards  
**Opening Prayer:** Steve Starks  
**Lord's Supper:** Danny Higgins  
**Closing Prayer:** Mason Thompson  
**Wed Song Leader:** Jeff Edwards  
**Opening Prayer:** Charles Bennett  
**Closing Prayer:** Ronnie Black  
**Devotional:** Daniel Walker

**Those To Serve NEXT Week (6/8):**

**AM Announcements:** Ricky Collins  
**Song Leader:** Mike Wyatt  
**Scripture Reading:** Bill Dale  
**Opening Prayer:** Trice Dunn  
**Lord's Supper Devo.:** Terry Henderson  
**Lord's Supper:**  
 Jeff Edwards Jordan Holland  
 Bobby Outland Gary Schroader  
 Terry Henderson Jeff Lofton  
**Rear:** Ethan & Keaton Guthrie  
**Closing Prayer:** Jim Holland  
**Greeter:** Harold & Trish Jones  
**PM Song Leader:** Steve Higgins  
**Opening Prayer:** Steve Higgins  
**Lord's Supper:** Danny Higgins  
**Closing Prayer:** Leon Lovett  
**Wed Song Leader:** Mike Wyatt  
**Opening Prayer:** Greg Nelson  
**Closing Prayer:** Dwayne Oakley  
**Devotional:** Daniel Walker

**Bus Drivers:**

June 1, 4—Jim H.  
 June 8, 11—Neil V.  
 June 15, 18—Greg N.  
 June 22, 25—Mason T.  
 June 29, July 2—Mark R.

**BENEVOLENCE**

**"...let us do good to everyone"**

**In April 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**

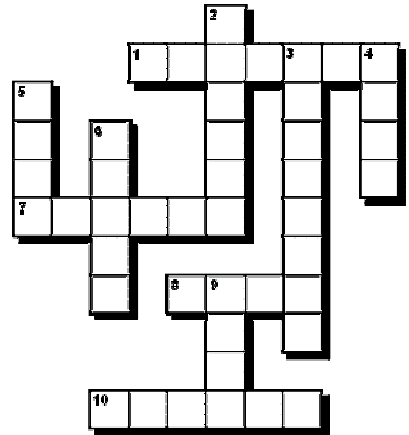
	Actual	Goal	Last Yr
Sunday School	106	125	90
Worship AM	130	150	130
Worship PM	97	125	87
Midweek	102	125	98
Offering	\$2478	\$2500	\$2082
<i>Weekly Budget:</i>		\$2362	

**Cain and Abel**

Genesis 4.1-26

**Across:**

- Cain was \_\_\_\_\_ of Abel
- Cain answered God "Am I my brother's \_\_\_\_\_?"
- Adam and Eve's first son's name was \_\_\_\_\_.
- Cain was so angry that he \_\_\_\_\_ his brother Abel.



**Down:**

- Cain was a \_\_\_\_\_. He raised crops.
- God showed favor for Abel's \_\_\_\_\_.
- Adam and Eve had a 3rd son named \_\_\_\_\_.
- God put a \_\_\_\_\_ on Cain to protect him.
- Abel was a shepherd over his \_\_\_\_\_.
- Adam and Eve's second son was named \_\_\_\_\_.

# ***Entertaining?***

Children of God laughing at and finding enjoyment in sinful behavior? I'm afraid so. It's one of the unquestionable indicators that some of us need to step back and assess, in light of God's Word, what entertains us. We live in a time in which it is so easy to let the ways of a depraved world become our ways. Little by little, some Christians are becoming accustomed to the presence of sinful behavior around them, and in their increasingly desensitized state, some have even started to like it. By that, I don't necessarily mean that these Christians are taking part in many of the world's sins. Rather, they are finding enjoyment in seeing or hearing of the sins of others.

For example, do you enjoy television programs and movies that glorify sin? Do you enjoy the risqué story? Do you laugh at the "colorful" language of the world? While visiting in the home of a fine Christian couple recently, my wife and I saw a simple sign perched atop their television set. It read "How dare we be entertained by the things that sent Jesus to the cross!"

That sobering thought reminds me of Genesis 9.20-27, where we read of Noah's drunkenness and its devastating results. Though a good man on the whole (Genesis 6.8), Noah was not perfect. The Bible tells of his getting drunk and becoming "uncovered in his tent." While the drunken Noah was lying naked on his bed, his son Ham "saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brothers outside" (9.22). According to a number of sources, the word **saw** in that passage can include the idea of enjoyment or satisfaction. The word **told** could be translated "told with delight." The sense is not so much that Ham found some lewd gratification in his father's nakedness, but that he simply thought that the whole situation was funny. Shem and Japheth, thankfully, did not share their brother's sense of humor. It was no laughing matter.

It is simply not proper to find enjoyment or pleasure in sin, be it our own or someone else's. Love "does not rejoice at wrongdo-

ing" (1Corinthians 13.6 ESV). Only "fools mock at sin" (Proverbs 14.9). When Jesus saw sinful behavior, He responded with emotions like anger (Mark 3.5) and tearful sorrow (Luke 19.41). In light of these passages, can you honestly picture the Lord having a chuckle at adultery, lying, obscene language, witchcraft, jealousy, drunkenness, and the like (Galatians 5.19-21; Colossians 3.5-10; Ephesians 5.3-4)? Neither can I.

What does it say, then, to know of so many professed Christians who derive great pleasure and enjoyment from television programs that glorify sin? Do you enjoy the lasciviousness and immodesty in programs like "Dancing with the Stars," "Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders: Making the Team," and "Victoria's Secret Fashion Show"? Is your favorite television show one that revels in adultery, fornication and other forms of sexual misconduct, like "Desperate Housewives," "Grey's Anatomy," and "Two-and-a-Half Men"?

Carefully consider Paul's admonition to the Church in Ephesus, "But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving" (Ephesians 5.3-4 ESV). Verse 3 in the NIV reads, in part, "...among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality...." How can we keep "even a hint of sexual immorality" out of our lives and "take every thought captive to obey Christ" (2Corinthians 10.5), while being entertained by some of the very sins that sent Jesus to Calvary?

May we all examine ourselves (Lamentations 3.40; 2Corinthians 13.5) and adopt the attitude of the psalmist, "Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way" (Psalms 119.104). It's hard to be entertained by something you hate.

Eddie Parrish  
Think Magazine (May 2008, pg. 17)

## 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 LTC: Melba Wilkins

#### Spring Creek:

Margaret Grogan (311)

Perry Cornwell (316A)

#### At Home:

John Grogan

Sharon Brewer

Calvert: Fran Hendrickson

Gunner Gilespie, Steven Jones,  
Sharon Brewer, Nancy Black,  
Beverly Duke, Madison Griggs,  
Pam Bourland, Belinda Hofer,  
Chance Hasty, Cindy King,  
Anna Sirls, Tommy Nelson,  
Frances Hendrickson, Melba Wilkins  
Jimmy Lewis, Charles Bennett,  
Kay Wyatt, Eileen Anderson,  
Dwayne Fisk, James Black

### 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

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

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