



THE BEACON

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sunday evening worship tonight at 5pm--SINGING NIGHT!
- The schedule of activities for 2010 is in the works now, please give activity requests and ideas to Steve Higgins or Gary Schroader!
- Chris Hodges (and many other great speakers) will be speaking at the FHU Lectures the first full week of February. Any lecture you can attend will surely to be a blessing to you.
- Bible School meeting next Sunday night, January 24, after services.
- Ladies devotional/Bible study February 4 at 6pm in the annex.
- FOOD FELLOWSHIP TONIGHT AFTER PM SERVICES!!!



FOR YOUTH

- ATTENTION BIBLE BOWLERS: Please meet tonight at 4:00pm (before church services). Your assignment is to read Exodus chapters 3 and 4! For more information see Dwayne or Christie O.
- FOR GIRLS 7TH GRADE THROUGH COLLEGE: "Confessions of a Gentle Spirit" on January 30. Laura Poston will be the speaker. If anyone is interested see Christie O.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Neil Vick • Joe Nimmo • Evalyn Jordan • Ray Henderson • Deanna Friend • Maria Muniz • Paula Marani • Ella Collister • Marsha Harper • Wayde Wood • Terry Hopkins • Pat Galloway • Gaye Johnston • Shirley Jackson • Bobby Spiceland • Linda York • Valerie Kilabroo • Tommy Gamble, Sr. • Keely Brian • Kurt Unberger • Gerald Thompson • Julia Washburn • Ronnie Thornton

Additions From Last Week

- Evalyn Jordan is now in the Murray Hospital undergoing rehabilitation.
- W.C. English, Millie Knuckles dad, has a mass on his brain and is in the hospital in Chatanooga, TN.
- Renee Mathis is in room 115 at the Marshall Co. Hospital.
- J.D. Williams is in the Murray Hosp., room 953.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

January 17 - Lydia York January 30 - Bradley Dismore
 February 1 - Sharon Brewer February 2 - Katie Starks
 February 4 - Johnny & Sue Beard February 4 - Daisy Lee
 February 5 - Kenneth Smothers February 6 - Diana Guthrie

THIS WEEK'S BUS DRIVER IS GREG NELSON, CALL 527-5870

RECORD

	Act.	Goal	1Yr. Ago
Sun. Sch.	87	125	96
Worsh. AM	111	150	134
Worsh. PM	89	125	93
Midweek	91	125	106
Offer	\$2450	\$3200	\$2697
Weekly Budget:	\$3000		

Those To Serve

This Week (1/17)

Next Week (1/24)

Announcements:	<i>Daniel Walker</i>	<i>Daniel Walker</i>
Sunday AM Song Leader:	<i>Mike Wyatt</i>	<i>Jeff Edwards</i>
Scripture Reading:	<i>Dwayne Oakley</i>	<i>Steve Starks</i>
Lord's Supper Devotional:	<i>Tim Reynolds</i>	<i>Terry Henderson</i>
Greeters:	<i>Nick & Doris Smith</i>	<i>Dub & Phyllis Thorn</i>
Sunday PM Song Leader:	SINGING NIGHT	<i>Jeff Edwards</i>
Wed. PM Song Leader:	<i>Mark Reynolds</i>	<i>Jeff Edwards</i>

NEXT WEEK'S BUS DRIVER IS MASON THOMPSON, CALL 437-4265

MISSION WORKS	
CHINA	\$300/MONTH
AFRICA	\$300/MONTH
T.R. WEBB	\$200/MONTH
NEW PATHWAYS	\$150/MONTH
GBN-TV	\$100/MONTH

**LAST WEEK
YOU BROUGHT**

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**VISITORS TO SERVICES WITH YOU!
THANK YOU! BY INVITING AND BRINGING
VISITORS YOU ARE MAKING THIS
CHURCH GROW!!!**

SHUT-INS
Britthaven: <i>Nadine Peck (126b)</i> <i>Pauline Shepherd (100)</i>
Spring Creek: <i>Deloris Pritchard (113)</i> <i>Perry Cornwell (326)</i> <i>Margaret Grogan (314)</i>
Stilley House: <i>Emma Powell (201)</i>
At Home: <i>Mary Alice Johnston</i> <i>Sharon Brewer</i>

Multiple Choice Test

The apostle John tells us that "sin is the transgression of the law" (1 John 3:4). Most people understand that when God gives us a "Thou shalt not" He means business. We understand that sin carries with it the penalty of spiritual death -- separation from God (Rom. 6:23).

Have you ever thought about what God calls it when you commit some act He has called a sin, but you didn't know that what you were doing was wrong, and thus sinned your in ignorance? Is it called:

1. Grace
2. Psyn
3. Sin

The correct answer is "3" (sin).

Though some today have the attitude that "If ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise," God has always held men accountable for their actions. In the Old Testament, God said, "If anyone of the common people sins unintentionally by doing something against any of the commandments of the Lord in anything which ought not to be done, and is guilty, or if his sin which he has sinned comes to his knowledge, then he shall bring as his offering a kid of the goats, a female without blemish for his sin which he has sinned" (Lev. 4:27-28). Even though one might have sinned unintentionally, the Lord still considered their action to be sinful, and thus held them accountable for their actions.

The apostle Paul tells us that the Old Testament was written "for our learning" (Rom. 15:4). While we are not under the Mosaic law today, we can learn many valuable lessons from it. Ignorance of the law is no excuse. Paul himself had been responsible for the death of Christians, even though he "did it ignorantly in unbelief" (1 Tim. 1:13), and maintained a clean conscience the entire time (Acts 23:1).

We need to remind people today that sin is a serious matter -- whether we sin intentionally or unintentionally. "Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son." (2 John 9).

~David Padfield (padfield.com)