



THE BEACON

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ⇒ Sunday evening worship **tonight at 6pm!**
- ⇒ Many have not filled out Membership Involvement Surveys. Please fill these out and turn in by May 9. If you lost yours more are in the foyer.
- ⇒ Prayer service at 6pm for Area-Wide Meeting on May 16 at MCHS Performing Arts Building (early service at Hardin...more announcements to come)

ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH

- ⇒ June 18-20—Pee Wee Weekend
- ⇒ June 29—Summer Youth Series at Hardin (T.R. Webb speaking)
- ⇒ July 14-16—Vacation Bible School (with and at Union Hill 's building)

ACTIVITIES FOR ALL

(FOR MORE DETAILS SEE STEVE H. OR GARY S.)

- ⇒ July 17—Sounds Baseball Game at Nashville
- ⇒ August 7—Trip to Mammoth Cave
- ⇒ August 28—Homemade Ice Cream Fellowship
- ⇒ September 25—Fish Fry on the Grounds (Watkins Street's Largest)
- ⇒ October 30—Harvest Party (Costumes & Candy)
- ⇒ November 6—Cook-Out and Hayride

MAY 2, 2010



REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Bible Study—Sun. 9.15AM; Wed. 7PM

Worship—Sun. 10AM & 6PM

2nd Sun.—Elders & Deacons Meet

3rd Sun.—Singing Night & Potluck

5th Sun.—Potluck & 12.30 PM Service

PRAYERS REQUESTED

In order to keep our list up to date, we are starting our list anew Please give Daniel or whoever makes announcements the sick or those needing added to our prayer list.

Here are the sick added last week:

Danny Higgins (Murray Hosp.)

Sympathy to the family of F.M Birdsong

PLEASE LET DANIEL KNOW WHEN SOMEONE

NEEDS ADDED OR MAY BE REMOVED



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

May 5—Ricky Collins

May 6—LoAnn O'Bryan

May 8—Perry Cornwell

May 8—Kenneth & Leah Smothers

May 10—Amy Nelson

May 6—Leo Ealy

May 6—Joe Redden

May 8—Linda Johnson

May 10—Kevin Bennett

May 10—Josh Reynolds

THIS WEEK'S BUS DRIVER IS TRICE D., CALL 753-9163

RECORD

	Act.	Goal	1Yr. Ago
Sun. School	147	125	121
Worship AM	255	150	219
Worship PM	110	125	99
Midweek	95	125	98
Offering	\$3322	\$3200	\$2883
Weekly Budget:	\$3000		

THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

Announcements
Sun. AM Song Leader
Scripture Reading
Lord's Supper Devo.
Greeters
Sun. PM Song Leader
Wed. PM Song Leader
Wed. PM Devotional
Bus Driver

THIS WEEK (5/2)

Daniel Walker
 Mason Thompson
 Steve Starks
 Mike Wyatt
 Mary & Mason T.
 Mason Thompson
 Mason Thompson
 Ricky Collins
 Trice D. (753-9163)

NEXT WEEK (5/9)

Daniel Walker
 Jeff Edwards
 Don Pringle
 Bill Dale
 Erick & Trish Mackie
 Jeff Edwards
 Jeff Edwards
 Daniel Walker
 Jim H. (354-8616)

THREE WEEKS (5/16)

Daniel Walker
 Mike Wyatt
 Terry Henderson
 Trice Dunn
 Thomas & Monica M.
 SINGING
 Mark Reynolds
 Dwayne Oakley
 Bill Dale (704-0029)

MISSION WORKS

CHINA	\$300/month
AFRICA	\$300/month
T.R. WEBB (MSOP)	\$200/month
NEW PATHWAYS	\$150/month
GBN-TV	\$100/month

LAST WEEK YOU BROUGHT

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Britthaven:

Nadine Peck (126B)
 Pauline Shepherd (100)

Spring Creek:

Deloris Pritchard (113)
 Perry Cornwell (326)
 Margaret Grogan (314)

Stilley House:

Emma Powell (201)

At Home:

Sharon Brewer
 Terrell & Barbara Darnell
 Mary Alice Johnston

VISITORS TO SERVICES WITH YOU!

THANK YOU! BY INVITING AND BRINGING VISITORS YOU ARE MAKING THIS CHURCH GROW!

Thoughts About Last Week and the Future



No, the number above and to the left is not a mistake on my part! However, by admission from the men involved in our counting ministry, that is an imprecise number of how many visitors (not our regular or somewhat regular attendees) we had last week (our total number was 255). Thus, the number of visitors could be slightly more or slightly less than 104, but it was around that. I believe that is great! What an encouraging day our Bring a Friend Day was! You made it an encouraging and great day by the way you sang out (the singing was great), the way you prayed, the way you listened to the lesson, and the way you invited. As someone who was encouraged by these things, THANK YOU!

Now our thoughts are on the present and the future and the question on our minds is, "what about now?" Well, **first** we continue with our worship to God. Regardless of whether the person to your left, right, front, or rear sings, participates, prays, serves, or whatever, **YOU MUST** and by doing so, you will undoubtedly encourage others and be pleasing to and blessed by God. **Secondly**, we continue to invite. There is always the opportunity and a number of methods given to us to invite (calls, visits, happenstance encounters, postcards in the foyer, etc.); use them! The method that is right for you may not be best for another; do what is best for you and your personality type. **Third**, thank our visitors from last week for visiting with us! All of us should send thank you cards, notes, phone calls, etc. to the ones that we invited and that came last week, but if you saw someone last week that you did not invite, be sure to thank them, as well. There is nothing wrong (and much right) with an individual or family getting multiple thank-you's for coming last week (multiple cards, phone calls, visits, etc.). Of course, I realize that many of our visitors are members elsewhere, but some are not. We need to make a very special effort for those who are not members elsewhere: thank them profusely, let them know how much you appreciated them being there, invite them back, talk up the church, mention church activities, etc. **Finally**, but most importantly, praise God for last week's Bring a Friend day, every opportunity to worship him, the church at Hardin, and every blessing (all of which we know comes from him).

More about our future: Bring a Friend day is just one piece (or else it better be because right now we only do it once a year)! The best thing for each us to do is to stop for a moment (perhaps as you finish reading this article) and visualize what you want the congregation that meets in Hardin to be like in five, ten or twenty years (and I pray you aren't satisfied with how it is now, that is, you want fgrowth) and then individually and collectively do what it takes to make it that!