



# THE MESSENGER

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## What:

Fourth Annual Race for HOPE 5K, 10K, and 1 mile walk. This race benefits the HOPE Program (Helping Other People Eat), which provides food to low-income students in the Chester County School System. Registration fees are \$25 for the 5K, \$30 for the 10K, and \$15 for the 1 mile walk.

## When:

Saturday, March 5, 2016  
Registration/check-in begins at 8:00 a.m.  
Race begins at 9:00 a.m.

## Where:

Registration and check-in will be at the Henderson Church of Christ Activity Center.

*Register or make a donation at*  
[www.raceforhopehenderson.com](http://www.raceforhopehenderson.com)  
*For more information or to volunteer, please contact us at*  
[raceforhopehenderson@gmail.com](mailto:raceforhopehenderson@gmail.com)

# LADS TO LEADERS CONVENTION 2016

March 25, 26, 27  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE



See Larry Bloomingburg,  
Mark Barber, or  
Kerry Gott for info



for Bible classes begins Sunday, March 6



## Senior Adult RALLY

Henderson Church of Christ  
Henderson, Tennessee

SATURDAY  
APRIL 2

10 AM -  
1:30 PM

Registration: 9:30 AM  
Lunch Provided

Speaker: **Ralph Gilmore**

*Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson, TN*

Song Leader: **Stephen Morris**

*Henderson Church of Christ, Henderson, TN*

### Finishing the Course

with Joy & Optimism



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Senior Moments with the Master 2016

### Daylight Saving Time Begins



Saturday, February 27

8am

Cooks & helpers - come at 6am

## STATISTICS

### January 31

Bible Study .....	559
Sunday a.m. ....	745
Sunday p.m. ....	455
Wednesday .....	929
Contribution .....	\$20,734

### February 7

Bible Study .....	588
Sunday a.m. ....	805
Sunday p.m. ....	459
Wednesday .....	847
Contribution .....	\$17,355

## Roy's Sidelines

*Roy Sharp*

### The Grace of Generosity

In Genesis 13, Lot chose selfishly and moved his family to the choicest land—near the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, whose inhabitants sinned greatly. Abram, Lot's uncle, generously let him go; and for his generosity, God blessed Abram and allowed him to settle his family in a safe area.

Later, God used Abram to rescue Lot from the evil cities before He destroyed them. Abram learned the blessings of being generous and following God's plan.

We often think of giving as being limited to money or things. We need to give our time or talents to the Lord as well. The abilities the Lord has given you can be offered as a special gift.

On occasion, the most important thing we can give to help others is our time. Giving with a cheerful heart comes when we give our time, money or talents as if we were giving them directly to the Lord.

Though others may not receive these thankfully, God will add His blessing to our willingness to give.

A missionary learned this when he agreed to minister to the congregation of a poor church. Not expecting a significant offering, he nevertheless was excited to meet and talk with the people on the front porch after the service.

As he was leaving for the night, a woman approached him and handed him two \$1 bills. "This is all I have but I want to give it to you so you can tell others about the love of Jesus," she said. The missionary carries the two bills to this day to remind him of her perfect example of sacrificial giving out of a heart of love.

We never should give with the intention of gaining something in return from the Lord. We should give only as an act of love. The study note for 2 Corinthians 9:11 from the Fire Bible: Global Edition puts it this way: *In order for us to express true generosity outwardly, our hearts must become rich in true love and compassion for others. We should always pray and ask God to give us this kind of heart for others. Giving of ourselves and our possessions results in (1) supplying the needs of those who are lacking in some way, (2) praise and thanksgiving to God (v. 12) and (3) love from those who receive our help (v. 14).*

Consider your attitude toward giving. How can you give of your (1) time; (2) talents; (3) money/resources?

*Hide the Word in Your Heart* memory verse: *Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver (2 Cor. 9:7).*

(Material is adapted from Charisma Magazine article).

# Koinonia

*Bill Wade*

This past week, I was honored to be able to present a lecture at FHU on the topic *Helping Junior High Students Serve*. This lesson was a part of the Bible School Workshop. I appreciated the opportunity because it caused me to do some reflection on what would be the best answer to give. I'd like to share a few thoughts with our church, because I believe we can all benefit.

The theme verse I chose was Mark 10:45, where Jesus said, *For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.*

I believe we all know what service is. A simple definition is the action of helping or doing work for someone. **Service begins with the heart.** A person has to want to do for others. A person has to have love in their heart for doing their best to show compassion. **Service also begins with the eyes.** We see opportunities to serve every day. We see people hungry, cold, tired and lonely every day. We need to be looking for these needs.

But **service requires action.** We can't serve only by wanting to serve. We can't serve by only observing what needs to be done. We serve when we take action and meet the need that we see because we have love in our heart, committed to showing compassion. Why the reminder about what service is? Because I believe the best thing that we can do to help junior high students (or any young person) serve, is to have them **see us serving.**

**If you want young people to serve, you have to serve.** We can't expect young people to do the things that we aren't willing to do ourselves. We can't volunteer them for some project and then offer some kind of criticism when they don't do it the way we think they should do it. We have to be involved. We have to be an example. We have to serve as a mentor. We show them how to serve through our own service.

**We need to give them autonomy** – trust them enough to do what needs to be done. None of us like it when we have someone breathing down the back of our neck waiting for us to mess up. Psychological studies have found that the more trust you have in someone, the more they are likely to behave the way you want them to.

**We need to show them empathy.** Empathy is more than just “putting yourself in another person's shoes.” When a young person is concerned about looking “uncool” during a service project, do what you can to show them that service is “cool.”

**We need to recognize their efforts.** Individually. It's one thing to gather a group together and say “great job guys!” It's more impactful when you grab one person and say, “I am so thankful for you and what you are doing.” It's personal and it will have a lasting effect.

**What are you doing to help our young people serve?**

# Youth Notes

The February youth calendar is posted on our church website ([www.hendersoncoc.com](http://www.hendersoncoc.com)). Parents, you can print that off and post on your refrigerator at home for quick access.

**On February 21<sup>st</sup>, we have a devotional lunch planned.** We will meet in the fellowship hall after the morning worship. We also plan on doing a *52 Lights* project at that time.

**Also on February 21<sup>st</sup>, some of our young men will be leading in the 6PM worship service at the Pinson Church of Christ.** They will need some support and encouragement, so our buses will be leaving from the parking lot at 5:40. All are welcome and encouraged to come.

**CYC (Challenge Youth Conference) is February 26-28.** Cost for this trip is \$90. You will also need to bring \$\$\$ for 4 meals and any type of souvenir you might want to get while in Gatlinburg. We plan on leaving at 7:30AM on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Pack in one (1) bag, please. Most definitely, bring your Bible. You will need it.

Jared and I are extremely proud of all of you. We understand that there are pressures that you face. We know that it can be difficult to be different than what the world says we should be. But we also know that it can be done. We pray for you daily. We are available to you daily. Don't ever think that you can't ask us for help with something that you may be struggling with. We love you and are always here for you.

## OUR PRAYER LIST

Please call the office (989-5161) with prayer requests.

**Members:** Claude Gardner, Debbie Lofton, Sierra Turner, Keith Frye, J.D. Thomas, Ann Lowe, Jim Maxwell, Bill Steelman, Jason Elliott, Ginger Young, Joanna Cearley, Chris Perrigo, James Webb, Jim Cartwright, Tina Florida, Dorothy Mitchell, Trent Rhodes, Dorothy Berzett

**Relatives:** Amanda Redden (Don Parchman), John Welch (Damon Welch), Jerry Pitchford (Doug Thompson), Joyce Cosbey (Rick Cosbey), Ermer McNeil (Debbie Lofton), Opal Goodman (Becky Gardner), Micke Smith (Micah Smith), Della Bruce (Kim Poston), Natheen Coleman (Sherry Taylor), Sonny Soloman (Milton Sewell), Joann Malone (Kay Tignor), Jack Milligan (Ann Lowe), Mary Foster (David Willis), Erin Williams (Clay Carpenter), Floyd Culberson (Darryl Culberson), Keith Myers (Kippy Myers), Judy Adkin (Whittle family), Jennifer Legg (Anita Burton), Lerlene Guinn (Bud Butler), Donna Hill (Regina Karnes), Janice Dunham (Damon Welch), Betty Barber (Patsy Barber), Mildred Wheeler (Sherry Thomas), Lloyd Smith (Lois Rhodes), Mark Harris, Gabbi Cook, Joe Hardy (Kimberly Watson), Woody Underwood (Junie Gilliam), Lyman/Sharon Patterson (Sherry Taylor), Bryce Johnson (Duplains), Van, Janet & Elsie Slater/Steve Andrews (Vicky Barber), Carolyn Phipps (Judy Beaver), Lois Rimer (Linda Hale), Lonnie Whitman (Lona Bolton), Bonice Haltom/Randy Haltom (Imogene Haltom), Jennifer Fetters (Bobby & Betty Bush), Holly Brock (Linda Gover), Susan Binkley (Kay Butterfield), Mary Padgett (Ramona Burns)

**Shut In Members:** Bill Benson, James Burns, Marge Butler, Joanna Cearley, Glenda Gardner, Wynelle Hiten, Lurlene Hysmith, Linnie Johnson, Mary Jones, Bob Landon, Joyce Lane, Flodine Powell, Ouida Reeves, Audra Rodden, Robbie Stanfill, Dot Williams, Molly Young

**Others:** Bill Latham, Ashley Pickens, Erin Morris, Heather Walker, Karen Thomason, Don Alan Riggs, Jeff Wydham, Joyce Gilmore, Joyce Elder, Kay Robinson, Rhonda Lynn, Karen Carson, Sara Kiestler, Carol Wamble, Julie Bender, Betty Johnson, Martin Hurst, Trey Leonard, Burt Coady, Tracey Pusser, Eli Williams, Sue Adams, Dalton Bray, Caleb Brown, Vicky Lewis, Patsy Smith, Anton Clifford, Bryan Britt, Carmen Van Buren, Diana McConnell, Debbie Cason, Brittany Scott

**Military:** Alex Carpenter, Allen Miller, Will Hodges, Blake Jaggars, Johnathan Cronan

**In Iraq:** Matthew Smith

**Baptized:** Cade Thompson

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS FOR FEBRUARY**

**Feb 14:** 10 a.m. Molly Hopper & Jana Dugger; 5 p.m. Kim Vickery & Arika Young

**Feb 21:** 10 a.m. Cathy & Macy Maples; 5 p.m. Gabby Moore & Kim Poston

**Feb 28:** 10 a.m. Hannah Marshall & Abby Seesengood; 5 p.m. Jan Sharp & Joan Smith

**SYMPATHY**

We extend sympathy to Rickey and Carole Cosby and family since the death of Rickey's Dad, Robert Cosby.

**THANK YOU**

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board from Joyce Morris and the family of Lauren Moody.

**NEW ADDRESS**

**Randall & Bonnie Hendrix**

433 Mifflin

## NEW MEMBERS



We welcome Kevin, Tina, Margie & Clint Coleman to our family. Kevin works in Corinth & Tina is a teachers' aide at CCJHS. Margie is a senior & Clint is a sophomore at CCHS.

*We are glad you are here!*



We congratulate Nickolas Maroney on his recent baptism.

Nick is from Bells, TN, a friend of Ashley Jackson, and is currently employed by Crocker Construction Co. in Jackson.

*Welcome to the Henderson family, Nick!*



We welcome Ronnie, Amy and Adley Maness to our Henderson family. Amy grew up here and is now a 6th grade teacher at Westover and Ronnie is employed by Johnson and Clayton, Inc. They have most recently worshipped with the Bethel Springs congregation. Welcome Home!



We extend a welcome to the Clay Cox family. They come to us from the Bethel Springs church of Christ where Stephanie grew up. Clay is an RN at JMCGH & Stephanie is a dental hygienist in Adamsville. Ava is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader at CCJHS, Jett is in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade & Jagger is 2. We're glad to have you as a part of our family!



We welcome Mon and Nadine McNeil to our family! Their children Monty and Mia were very active in our youth group before going to FHU. Nadine teaches in the School of Behavioral Sciences at FHU and Mon works at East Chester Elementary. Thank you for wanting to be a part of our work here!



We welcome Jeff, Stacey, Brady & Kelby Clark to our family. Jeff is the manager of Bluff City Electronics in Tupelo, and Stacey has a Home Day Care. Brady is a freshman at UT/Knoxville, and Kelby is a senior at Chester County HS. We are glad you're here!

### Our Ministers

Roy Sharp - *Pulpit Minister*  
 Billy Smith - *Pulpit Minister*  
 Bill Wade - *Associate Minister*  
 Jared Gott/Bill Wade - *Youth Ministers*  
 Larry Oldham - *Involvement Minister*

### Our Elders

Larry Bloomingburg	Ron Butterfield	Larry Gilliam	Mike McCutchen	Gary McKnight
Barry Smith	Charlie Smith	Keith Smith	John Sweeney	David Willis

### Our Deacons

Tony Allen	Tim Anderson	Mark Barber	Bryan Black	Mike Bolton
Patrick Bolton	Shawn Bolton	Dexel Burns	Bobby Bush	Brian Butterfield
Anthony Buttrum	Richard Cave	Darryl Culberson	Larry Cyr	Jason Deffenbaugh
Jason Elliott	Richard England	Paul Fader	Kerry Gott	Michael Green
Jerry Hesselrode	Tyrone Hopper	Todd Humphry	Bobby Hysmith	David Jackson
Ronald Johnson	Scott Kimpel	Stephen Morris	Larry Oldham	Donald Parchman
Dee Richardson	Wayne Roberts	Scott Rogers	Tony Rush	Wayne Scott
Donald Shull	Algene Steele	David Sweeney	J. D. Thomas	Chad Thompson
Joe Trice	Tom Vickery	Damon Welch	Richard West	Clay Young

