



# THE MESSENGER

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## Daylight Saving Time Begins Sunday, March 13



Set your clocks  
*ahead 1 hour*  
Saturday night,  
March 12



## STATISTICS

### February 28

Bible Study .....	446
Sunday a.m.....	610
Sunday p.m.....	521
Wednesday .....	842
Contribution.....	\$16,875

### March 6

Bible Study .....	455
Sunday a.m.....	611
Sunday p.m.....	516
Wednesday .....	827
Contribution.....	\$17,569

## Roy's Sidelines

*Roy Sharp*

### Why Do You Attend Church?

The Gallup news service did a survey in which they asked people why they did not "go to church". the following reasons were given: Don't agree with organized religion/ what they preach, Don't believe in going to church, Atheist/Don't believe in God, Church wants/asks for too much money,

PRACTICAL OR "DEFAULT" REASONS INCLUDE: Don't have time/Don't get around to it, I'm lazy, Poor health/Disabled, Family members are different religion.

These reasons come from people who choose to state why they don't attend regular worship. We need to look at reasons why people worship.

The same survey revealed the following reasons for attending worship: For spiritual growth and guidance, Keeps me grounded/inspired, It's my faith, To worship God, The fellowship of other members/The community, Believe in God/Believe in religion, Brought up that way/A family value/Tradition.

We can look at these reasons for not attending or attending worship and gauge our own feelings and perhaps see some of the reasons we either attend regularly or why we do not. However God would have us all to "...draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith...consider one another in order to stirrup love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see that day approaching." (Hebrews 10:22-25) May we make our own reasons to come together regularly with God's family to honor Him and to encourage one another.

## Koinonia

*Bill Wade*

There are some great opportunities to study and think about how we can grow towards what God expects out of us in our Bible classes on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Let me encourage you to consider attending one of our classes, if you aren't already doing so.

On Sundays, the Auditorium class is looking at **Historic Evidences**. The Prime Time class is studying **Intentional Servanthood**. The Faith & Family class is studying **Practical Christianity**. The Young Professionals are studying **Personal Ministry** and the Senior class that meets in the Commons classroom is studying the **Gospel Advocate Quarterly**.

On Wednesdays, the Auditorium class is studying the **Life of Christ**. The Iron Men class is studying **Evangelism Made Simple**. The Ladies class in the Fellowship Hall is studying **Sisters At Sea** and the Ladies class that meets in the Commons classroom is studying **Everything You Need: Women of God**.

These are all opportunities for us to receive. However, there are also opportunities for us to give, as it relates to our Bible classes. You can teach. You can assist with another teacher. There are 12 children's Bible classes on Sundays and Wednesdays that need someone like you to teach them and help them to learn about God and spiritual matters. Will you consider becoming a teacher?

During the summer months, all adult classes meet in the auditorium for our Summer Series. I'm really excited about this year's line up and would like to encourage you to make plans to attend as much as you can. The theme this year is **Lord, Help My Unbelief**. Josh Ketchum, who is from Mayfield, KY will start us off on June 1<sup>st</sup> with the topic: **How Do I Know God Exists?** This series will be good for us all and will also present an opportunity for us to invite our friends, neighbors, coworkers, etc. to join us.

I am so thankful for each one in our church family. I pray that we will all take the opportunity to encourage, motivate, forgive and love each other in the ways that we should.

## Youth Notes

The March 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.

Spring Break is just around the corner, as is Lads to Leaders. For those of you who are participating at the convention this year, thank you for your efforts and preparation. If you aren't involved with this program, let me encourage you to consider doing so next year. Preparations will begin in August for next year's program.

On **Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**, our young men will be leading in the PM worship service. This is a great opportunity to get some experience in leading a congregation in worship to our Lord.

Mark your calendars for **April 22-24<sup>th</sup>**. These are the dates for our spring retreat. More information will be coming soon about this, but we wanted you to have the date so you can make plans to be there. For you seniors, this will be your last retreat as part of the youth group and we hope to make it one that you will remember as you start transitioning into the next phase of your life. We will be going to the Bluegrass State of Kentucky this year for our retreat.

Summer plans are almost ready to reveal. Our aim is always to provide a good combination of fun and opportunities for spiritual growth. We hope that you will want to take advantage of both. We

understand that some of our outings cost more than others. Please don't let that be a hindrance to you. Let us know how we can help.

We realize that life is hard sometimes for you. It is for us as well. We hope that you will make the right decisions in life on a consistent basis. Let us know how we might be able to help you reach this goal. We are very proud of you.

## **OUR PRAYER LIST**

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

**Members:** Joan Parchman, Claude Gardner, Debbie Lofton, J.D. Thomas, 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:** Don Moreland (Regina Karnes), Lonnie & Peggy Whitman (Lona Bolton), Francis Underwood (Junie Gilliam), 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), Lyman/Sharon Patterson (Sherry Taylor), Bryce Johnson (Duplains), Van, Janet & Elsie Slater/Steve Andrews (Vicky Barber), Lois Rimer (Linda Hale), Bonice Haltom/Randy Haltom (Imogene Haltom), Holly Brock (Linda Gover), Susan Binkley (Kay Butterfield), Mary Padgetts (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, Flodine Powell, Ouida Reeves, Audra Rodden, Robbie Stanfill, Dot Williams, Molly Young

**Others:** Bryan Britt, Jane Huffard, Jimmy Burton, Jr., Todd Buswell, 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, Carmen Van Buren, Diana McConnell, Debbie Cason, Brittany Scott

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

**In Iraq:** Matthew Smith

## **NURSERY ATTENDANTS FOR MARCH**

**Mar 13:** 10 a.m. Kim Gott & Kelly Hickman; 5 p.m. Donna Farris & Shannon Chasteen

**Mar 20:** 10 a.m. Crystal Hart & Lauren White; 5 p.m. Trina & Cameron Greer

**Mar 27:** 10 a.m. Stacey & Kelby Clark; 5 p.m. Ally Rogers & Ashley Hardin

## SYMPATHY

We extend sympathy to **Don and Chris Smith** since the death of Don's cousin, Mary Alice Collins, and to **Ann Cook** since the death of her sister, Ruth Weese, in West Virginia.

## THANK YOU

A thank you note is posted on the bulletin board from Sherry Taylor.

## CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate **Randall and Bonnie Hendrix** on the birth of Michael Glenn, February 29, 7 lbs. 5 oz. Naomi is the proud big sister, Randy & Joyce Bloomingburg are the happy grandparents, and Rachel Bloomingburg is his aunt.

Congratulations to **Colton and Nylee Clayton Jones** who were married February 4. Nylee is the daughter of Trina Greer, and Colton is the son of Bruce and Kyra Jones, former members here.

Congratulations also to **Randy and Donna Butler Witten** who were married February 29.

We congratulate **Lance Beshires** on the birth of niece Kinsley Elizabeth Connor, born March 7; 8 lbs. 9 oz. Kinsley is the daughter of Kyle and Sara Beth Connor.

## WEDDING GIFT CARD BASKET

A wedding gift card basket to honor Colton and Nylee Jones will be at the Welcome Center Desk Sunday, March 13. Colton is stationed in Hawaii; Wal-Mart, Bed, Bath, & Beyond, and Visa gift cards will work best in Hawaii.

## HELPERS NEEDED FOR SENIOR ADULT RALLY

If you can help with the Senior Adult Rally April 2, please sign up at the Welcome Center. There are several areas where workers will be necessary.



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## LADS TO LEADERS CONVENTION 2016

March 25, 26, 27  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE



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





Did you know that **Forty Young Men** have graduated high school from TN Children's Home West?

Money collected in our coin drive supports our education program  
Boxes available at all exits  
Please return to Welcome Center May 1



We welcome Ryan & Rebecca Richardson & MaKayla & Justin back to our Henderson family. Ryan is the son of Dee & Carla Richardson & works for AT & T. Rebecca is employed by the county school system, MaKayla is a freshman at CCHS & Justin is in the 5th grade at CCMS. *Welcome Home!*

## Senior Adult RALLY

Henderson Church of Christ  
Henderson, Tennessee

Senior Moments with the Master 2016

SATURDAY APRIL 2 10 AM - 1:30 PM Registration: 9:30 AM Lunch Provided

Speaker: **Ralph Gilmore**  
*Free-Hardeman University, Henderson, TN*

Song Leader: **Stephen Morris**  
*Henderson Church of Christ, Henderson, TN*

**Finishing the Course**  
with Joy & Optimism



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## FREED HARDEMAN UNIVERSITY CHESTER COUNTY ASSOCIATES SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

National Guard Armory Wed-Fri/ 7:30am - 5pm  
April 11 - 16 Sat/ 7:30am - noon



Drop off days  
April 11-12  
7:30am - 5pm

### 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

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## 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