



THE MESSENGER

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Senior Adult RALLY

*Henderson Church of Christ
Henderson, Tennessee*

Senior Moments with the Master 2016

**SATURDAY
APRIL 2**



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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STATISTICS

March 13

Bible Study	447
Sunday a.m.	634
Sunday p.m.	551
Wednesday	874
Contribution	\$17,620

March 20

Bible Study	401
Sunday a.m.	511
Sunday p.m.	355
Wednesday	802
Contribution	\$17,634

FINANCIAL STATEMENT February 2016

Book Balance	\$46,415.01
February Deposits	75,922.45
February Disbursements	(97,403.74)
Balance 2/29/16	\$24,933.72

Funds Used:

Benevolence	\$843.50
Buildings & Grounds	7044.57
Missions	24,938.33
General Miscellaneous	3416.53
Salaries	17,337.90
Office Supplies	2604.36
Payroll Taxes	2714.97
Education	630.89
Youth	7650.70
University	89.26
Transfer to Building Acct.	30,000.00
Technology	14.28
Evangelism	118.45

Total..... \$97,403.74

KNOWN APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1	Hallie Hickman	8	Clint Kea	15	Ryder White
2	Trina Greer	8	Sierra Turner	15	Paul Whitehead
2	Josh Wade	9	Raimond Limbya	17	Stefanie Hueter-Mead
3	Aubrey Buttrum	9	Robert Waller	17	Sherry Thomas
3	Jordan Phelps	10	Taylor Hodges	18	Melody Tollerson
3	Laurel Sewell	10	Neal Smith	19	Kim Roberts
4	Andy Blackwell	11	Micah Barber	20	Dylan Blackwell
4	Davis Chasteen	11	Kelley Hickman	21	Bryan Black
5	Adley Maness	11	Houston Holdren	21	Grant Burns
7	Crystal Hart	13	Johnny Garner	21	Spence Lofton
7	Bonnie King	13	Barbara Murray	21	Estelle Maxwell
7	Randy Mead	14	Ann Bolton	22	Dee Richardson
7	Sharon Miller	15	Spring McCutchen	22	Clara Shull

22	Kim Vickery	24	Patsy Barber	29	LeAnn Davis
23	Jana Dugger	24	Adam Cyr	29	Bill Harris
23	Jaclyn Leek	26	Larry Gilliam	29	Kathy Neal
24	Sylvia Arnold	28	William Meadows	30	Casey Dugger

KNOWN APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

3	Michael & Crystal Hart	20	Ethan & Ashley Hardin
4	Anthony & Laura Drieling	25	Charles & Nancy Smith
6	Donald & Chris Smith	27	Anthony & Christy Moody
10	Larry & Carol Oldham	28	Tyrone & Molly Hopper
19	Jerry & Sheila Hesselrode	29	Shane & Ashley Buckley

Billy's Bylines

Billy Smith

I Do!

It is a lifetime moment. All the preparations have been completed, the ceremony is coming to a close, and the minister asks the young couple, "Do you take this woman . . . Do you take this man?" The two most powerful words of that moment are then exchanged, "I do!" A new husband and wife, in the presence of God, have committed to each other their life, love, and loyalty until death.

An even greater lifetime moment is when, in the presence of God, we stand to make our vow to Jesus, acknowledging Him as our Savior and Lord. It is known as *the good confession* (1 Timothy 6:12-13), in which we vow our faith in and faithfulness to Jesus for life (Revelation 2:10). We are His bride and He is our bridegroom, a spiritual relationship we enjoy through all the events and experiences of life and anticipate for eternity. It is our "I do!" moment with Jesus.

The good confession is a statement of faith affirming Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. It is an essential element in the process of becoming a Christian. When we believe in Jesus as the Christ, we turn (repent) from the practice of sin (Acts 3:19), we confess our faith in Him to save us from sin (Romans 10:10), leading to our baptism into His blood for the forgiveness of our sins (Romans 6:3-4). It is a beautiful wedding ceremony uniting us with His death, burial, and resurrection to eternal life!

In sending the twelve apostles on the Limited Commission, the Lord could not have been clearer when He said, "Everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 10:32-33). Have you said "I do" to the Lord?

Koinonia

Bill Wade

When is the last time that you spoke to someone that you didn't know at church? We are all creatures of habit, right? We tend to migrate towards those that we are the most comfortable with talking to. But by doing so, we are missing out on some fantastic people and some excellent opportunities to make new connections.

How many people do you know that attends here? Could you name them? Could you readily call their name in passing? Could you distinguish their face from someone that might be visiting Henderson for the very first time?

It is true that there are people in place every Sunday that are looking for opportunities to welcome folks into church. They are a part of our Greeters program. But that shouldn't give the rest of us a pass. We can say "hello." We can smile and say "It's good to see you today." We can welcome them back. It doesn't take much to leave a positive impression.

It might also be the case that we find out that we have been going to church together for quite some time. I believe that all of us have the responsibility to know who is a part of our church family. By having that knowledge, it should bring us closer together. It should open up other opportunities to grow and learn from each other's example. It should help us to develop new friendships and relationships. It should help us to grow stronger as a church.

Let me offer a simple challenge to you: **the next time you are at church and you come across someone that you don't know, stop and find out who they are.** Ask their name. Find out if they are visiting. If they are, welcome them back. If they aren't new but have been attending here for quite some time, introduce yourself and find out more about them. They are family.

While you are doing this, make sure to not ignore the people that you do know. Keep talking to them. Keep encouraging them. Keep allowing them to be a blessing in your life. Keep looking for opportunities to love, serve, forgive, etc. Keep being a part of God's family that meets at Henderson.

Youth Notes

Jared Gott

Upcoming Events for April:

- **April 2-** Henderson Church of Christ Senior Rally. Each year, during the senior rally, we help with the meal. This year, we'll be doing the same. Fixing drinks, cleaning up, etc. Make plans to be there. This is a great event and our work helps the day flow smoothly!

- **April 17-** Youth Group Services at Tunica Church of Christ. I've been really excited about the local mission that the elders have decided on with the Tunica Church of Christ. On the 17th, our

youth group is going to go down to Mississippi and help with the Sunday services. There'll be more details to come as this gets closer, but we'll be helping conduct the worship services, helping with Bible classes, encouraging all the members there, etc. We'll be taking buses to this so plan on going with us. We'll be leaving early that morning and will be back later that afternoon.

- **April 22-24-** Spring Retreat! Our Spring Retreat this year is going to be with the Estes Youth Group. We're all heading up to West Kentucky Youth Camp for a weekend of fun and growing closer to God. We'll be looking at the idea of "Contagion" and how our thoughts, attitudes, influence, etc. can spread to those around us....both for good and evil. There'll be cornhole, devos, singings, ultimate Frisbee, spades, food, etc. etc. The cost is \$40 if you want to go. Sign up in the teen room. This is going to be a great weekend!

Have a great week!

Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. – 1 Timothy 4:12

OUR PRAYER LIST

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

Members: Joe Cotter, Joan Parchman, Claude Gardner, Keith Frye, 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: Cathy Cook (Joan & Carolyn Swift), 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), 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

REQUESTED PRAYERS: Ben Estes

NURSERY ATTENDANTS FOR MARCH/APRIL

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

Apr 3: 10 a.m. Nancy Smith & Michelle Perrigo; 5 p.m. Anita Burton & Spring McCutchen

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

Apr 17: 10 a.m. Cathy & Macy Maples; 5 p.m. Gabby Moore & Kim Poston

Apr 24: 10 a.m. Hannah Marshall & Abby Seesengood; 5 p.m. Jan Sharp & Joan Smith

SYMPATHY

We extend sympathy to **Kippy and Debi Myers** since the death of Kippy's nephew, Keith Myers; to **Jean Starkey** since the death of her sister, Irene House; and to **Regina and Richard Karnes and family** since the death of Regina's father, Don Moreland.

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate Larry and Carol Oldham on the birth of grandson Henry Elliot, born March 17, 7 lbs. 4 oz., to Drew and Mallory Oldham.

THANK YOU NOTE

A thank you note is posted on the bulletin board from Donald and Joan Parchman.

**LADS TO LEADERS
CONVENTION 2016**

**March 25, 26, 27
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**



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

**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

**LITERARY LADIES
BOOK CLUB**

**Tuesday, April 5
6pm, Commons**

**Candle in the Wind
by
Lynn Austin**

will be discussed

Bring your favorite southern dish

All Ladies Invited



You are invited to a
bridal shower
honoring
Mollie Karnes
bride-elect of
Samuel Aldridge
Sunday April 17
1:30 - 3 P.M.
Commons
Registries at
Bed, Bath & Beyond &
Wal-Mart

Our Ministers

Roy Sharp - *Pulpit Minister*
Billy Smith - *Pulpit Minister*
Bill Wade - *Associate Minister*
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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

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