



# THE MESSENGER

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**PURSUIT**

*youth emphasis day*

*Sunday August 21*

*Chuck Morris*

*regular service times*

## LADS TO LEADERS 2016 -2017 REGISTRATION

Sunday, August 14  
6 P.M. Fellowship Hall

If you did not attend last Sunday's  
session, you must attend this week

Cost \$75 per person



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

# STATISTICS

## July 31

Bible Study .....	465
Sunday a.m. ....	648
Sunday p.m. ....	425
Wednesday .....	332
Contribution .....	\$19,837

## August 7

Bible Study .....	457
Sunday a.m. ....	584
Sunday p.m. ....	428
Wednesday .....	464
Contribution .....	\$15,044

# Roy's Sidelines

*Roy Sharp*

## Let's Go Surfing

On a recent trip through the airport in Denver, I observed about 20 individuals (clearly in the 60 and above age group) waiting for their next flight. Every one of them was on the phone texting or on the internet. They were working their fingers steadily. No one hardly talked to another person in the airport. We often think of this as a "young people's" problem. However, all of us ought to think about what is happening in our lives. There are some pros and there are some cons for the use of our phones. This is true for young and old. The following information is found on a blog called ShareRoot.

Because of the way the internet has changed the way we communicate and interact with one another on so many levels; it's become necessary to explore the pros and cons of social media and its effects on our society.

## The Pros

### 1-Increased criminal prosecution because of social media

The NYC police department began using Twitter back in 2011 to track criminals foolish enough to brag about their crimes online. When the Vancouver Canucks lost the Stanley Cup in 2011, their Vancouver fans took to the streets and rioted, but local authorities used social media to track and tag the people involved, and they caught people who were stealing during the riot.

### 2-Social networking creates new social connections

Statistics show that 70% of adults have used social media sites to connect with relatives in other states, and 57% of teens have reported making new friendships on social media sites.

### 3-Students are doing better in school

This is an interesting statistic about the pros and cons of social media and its effect on students doing well in school. Students with internet access at a rate of 50% have reported using social networking sites to discuss school work, and another 59% talk about instructive topics.

### 4-Better quality of life

If you want to talk about the pros and cons of social media, take a close look at all the support groups on Facebook. Members of these groups discuss their health conditions, share important information, and resources relevant to their conditions while creating strong support networks.

## **5-Social media as a source of employment**

Job sourcing has gone modern thanks to social media. Sites such as LinkedIn are a major resource that 89% of job recruiters take advantage of when looking to hire potential employees.

## **The Cons**

### **1-Social media and the news**

Much of the news information that people read about comes from social media websites, and that figure estimate is around 27.8 %. This figure ranks just under print newspapers at 28.8%, greater than radio's figure of 18.8% and far outpaces the figure for other print publications at just 6%.

### **2-Too much misinformation**

With the advent of the web, people started to create their own websites and blogs. While many of those blogs were just basic diaries, a few of them were about topics like health and politics while others were *how to* blogs.

Many blogs have turned into rumor mills, spreading misinformation that people tend to believe just because it's on the web.

Rumors about hurricane Sandy and gunfights in other countries like Mexico have been picked up by reliable news services, and this misinformation has been shared without the proper vetting of the sources providing the information.

### **3-Pupils spending too much time on social media sites have lower academic grades**

Here is another argument about the pros and cons of social media as it pertains to students. Statistics show that pupils using social media too often tend to have GPA's of 3.06 compared to GPA's of 3.82 for pupils who don't use social media.

An even scarier fact is that students who use social media tend to score 20 % lower on their test scores than their counterparts.

### **4-Social media sites to blame for lost productivity**

Social media platforms like Facebook and Twitter are a direct cause for lost productivity at the workplace. In a survey 36 % of people said that social networking was the biggest waste of time in comparison to activities like fantasy football, shopping, and watching television.

### **5-Social media is the cause for less face to face communication**

One last discussion about the [pros and cons of social media](#) is a lack of one on one communication. In a 2012 study families who reported spending less time with one another *rose* from a level of 8% in 2000 to 32% in 2011.

The study also reported that 32 % of the people in the survey either were texting or were on social media sites instead of communicating with each other during family gatherings.

Before we criticize others for the often use of social media on our phones, we should take stock in what we do. May we choose wisely and help our young people to do the same.

# Koinonia

*Bill Wade*

**Thank you very much to all who gave towards our School Supply drive.** This year, we are targeting the teachers at Chester County Middle School. Several from our congregation are a part of the faculty at CCMS, so on behalf of them, again I say “Thank You!!!”

**Next Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, we will host our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Youth Day.** Chuck Morris from the Crosswinds Church of Christ will be our guest speaker. All teen and adult classes will meet in the auditorium at 9:00 for Bible class and we will all worship together at 10:00. The auditorium will probably be packed on Sunday morning as this will be the first Sunday that the incoming FHU freshmen will be in Henderson. **Please do all that you can to make them feel welcome.**

**We will need your help on the 21<sup>st</sup>.** Signup sheets will go around in each of our adult Bible classes this coming Sunday requesting sandwiches for our youth day. You were very generous and helpful with this last year so I'd like to say in advance to you “Thank You” for your willingness to help.

Whether you have been teaching in our children's classes or adult classes, **please know that you are very appreciated.** Your preparation, dedication and personal study are all having a significant impact on our young people and our adults. Thank you, thank you, thank you!! The fall quarter for our classes will begin on Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. The lineup of our adult classes for the fall quarter will be included in the next edition of the Messenger.

Paul tells us in Galatians 6:10 that we should *do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.* Let's accept that instruction and put it into practice in our lives. Greet each other with a smile. Be welcoming and encouraging to those who visit with us. Let go of bitterness and forgive those you need to forgive. Look for opportunities to help and when you see those opportunities, do what you can to meet that need.

## Youth Notes

I hope that the school year has gotten off to a great start for all of our youth. I understand the difficulty and frustration of getting back into a routine after being off for a couple of months. Remember to keep a positive Christian attitude in all that you do, whether in the classroom, in the hallway or lunchroom, on the bus and especially on the practice fields. Others will be watching and listening to what you say and do. Give them a good example.

I am sorry that our Lazer Tag trip was not successful. I am thankful that we were all able to get back safely; that was most important to me at that time. We will reschedule this event, but are not sure what the date will be just yet.

Jack's Prayer Breakfast started this past Tuesday. This is a good opportunity to have some good fellowship with friends and start that day off with a prayer. You don't have to eat if you're not a breakfast eater. Come anyway and hang out with us. We will have this every Tuesday at 7AM, unless school is out.

**We have a devotional scheduled for this Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.** This will be a Bring Your Own Food event. Bring your favorite card or board game. **We will meet downstairs in the C.I.A. room, due to L2L meeting in the fellowship hall.**

**Our first 5<sup>th</sup> quarter will be Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>** after the Chester County football game. The gym will be open from 9-12PM. Invite your friends to hang out, play ball, play games, etc. I'm grateful that we have the facilities that we do so we can provide activities like this.

**Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> will be our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Youth Day.** Chuck Morris will be our guest speaker for the day. Just like last year, we are inviting other area youth groups to join us, starting at 2PM. We will have some classes in the afternoon focusing on various spiritual disciplines that we all need to develop. After the 5PM worship service, we will have sandwiches and chips, etc. for supper. **INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO THIS EVENT!!** This is a great opportunity for some outreach into our community.

**Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> is FHU night with the Jackson Generals.** We will have FREE tickets available, so let me know if you plan on going. We will also have vouchers for a FREE Jackson Generals hat. Should be a great evening. Be sure to say a big "Thank You" to Wayne Scott for planning this event.

**Through the end of August, we will meet in the auditorium on Wednesday nights for the remainder of our Summer Series.** The lessons over the next 3 weeks are ones that we all need to hear and can learn from. This coming Wednesday, Tim Alsop from Memphis will be our speaker. You'll want to hear what he has to say about Moral Relativism (big word, I know, so come and find out what it means).

## **OUR PRAYER LIST**

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

**Members:** Paul Fader, Jan Sharp, Everett Day, Bob Day, Danny Jones, Sherry Taylor, Linda Gover, Joanna Cearley, Glenda Wiley, Janis McCall, Margaret Record, Lynne Golson, Jason Elliott, Ginger Young, James Webb, Jim Cartwright, Tina Florida, Dorothy Mitchell, Barbara Bell, Trent Rhodes, Dorothy Berzett

**Relatives:** Frank Sarver (Sandy Cotter), James Weeks (Randall Hendrix), Mary Catherine Ada (Kevin Allen), Deborah O'Neel (Rebecca Richardson), Patricia Young (Dee Richardson), Lois Yates (Joy Maness), Larry Koronka (James Koronka), Virginia Ellis (Jackson Ellis), Annette Barham (Annetta Burton), Gene Smith (Don Smith), Scott Rothrock (Susan Kimpel), Lonnie & Peggy Whitman (Lona Bolton), Francis Underwood (Junie Gilliam), Amanda Redden (Don Parchman), Jerry Pitchford (Doug Thompson), Ermer McNeil (Debbie Lofton), Opal Goodman (Becky Gardner), Micke Smith (Micah Smith), 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), Donna Hill (Regina Karnes), Betty Barber (Patsy Barber), Mildred Wheeler (Sherry Thomas), Mark Harris, Gabbi Cook, Joe Hardy (Kimberly Watson), Lyman/Sharon Patterson (Sherry Taylor), Bryce Johnson (Duplains), Van, Janet & Elsie Slater/Steve Andrews (Vicky Barber), Bonice Haltom/Randy Haltom (Imogene Haltom), Holly Brock (Linda Gover), Susan Binkley (Kay Butterfield), Mary Padgetts (Ramona Burns)

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

**Others:** Ralph Gilmore, Joellen Tallent, LaTasha Phillips, Lonna Griffin, Buddy Baker, Jimmy Ruth, Bryan Britt, Jane Huffard, Bill Latham, Ashley Pickens, Erin Morris, Heather Walker, Karen Thomason, Don Alan Riggs, Jeff Wydham, Joyce Gilmore, Joyce Elder, Kay Robinson, Rhonda Lynn, 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

**Baptized:** Ella Hardin

**Requested Prayers:** Leah Barnette

### **NURSERY ATTENDANTS FOR AUGUST**

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

**August 21:** 10 a.m. Cathy & Macy Maples; 5 p.m. Kim Gott & Kim Poston

**August 28:** 10 a.m. Joyce Bloomingburg & Jennifer Vega; 5 p.m. Jan Sharp & Joan Smith

### **THANK YOU NOTES**

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board from Sherry Taylor and Neal, Robin, Lisa, Stacy and Casey Smith.

### **SYMPATHY**

Sympathy is extended to **Ramona, Dixel, Tim and Sara Burns and Tammy Byrd and families** since the death of Mr. James Burns;

to **Doug and Sharlene Thompson** since the death of Doug's niece, Rose Pitchford;

and to **Joyce Morris and family** since the death of her nephew-in-law, Ralph Doxey.

### **NEW ADDRESSES**

**Mike & Rhonda Woodham**

331 Courtney Cove

**Matt & Mary Beth Wallace**

447B Hill Ave

**Melissa Seratt**

3340 Sanford Road

**Bonnie King**

FHU Box 153

158 E Main Street

*Lord, Help My Unbelief*  
*Wednesday Summer Series*  
*7 P.M.*

Aug 17 Tim Alsup  
Aug 24 Gregg Lee  
Aug 31 Cary Crews



at *Jack's*  
*Tuesdays 7AM*  
*Youth Group*

## Apologetics Press Benefit Dinner

Thursday, August 25 at 6:00

Henderson church of Christ

Kyle Butt, speaker

*Free to attend  
Buffet meal will be served*

If attending please text, call, or email  
Chad Thompson 731-879-0868  
chad\_thompson@hotmail.com



## TITHING for TUNICA



Kids collect coins or folded money for new kitchen area at Tunica Church of Christ

\*Draw pictures of the project  
\*\$5,000 Goal  
\*October 30 end date



### 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

