

**July 10, 2016**

**SOUND ROOM**

John Carper

**Nursery**

Lisa Hunter

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dan Blair

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Curtis Sawrie

**A.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Caleb Shock

**LEAD PRAYER**

Dennis Martin

Josh Moore

**LORD'S TABLE**

Greg Floyd, b.

Josh Moore, c.

Bob Johnston, o.

Connor Marsh

Ralph Hunter

Michael Hunter

**P.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Gospel Crusade

**LEAD PRAYER**

Gospel Crusade

Gospel Crusade

**LORD'S TABLE**

Gospel Crusade

Gospel Crusade

**Wed., July 13, 2016**

**LEAD SINGING**

Gospel Crusade

**LEAD PRAYER**

Gospel Crusade

Gospel Crusade

**DEVOTIONAL**

Gospel Crusade

**July 17, 2016**

**SOUND ROOM**

Josh Moore

**Nursery**

Lisa Hunter

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dan Blair

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Rodney Partee

**A.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Thomas Martin

**LEAD PRAYER**

Jacob Moore

Joey Moore

**LORD'S TABLE**

Rodger Moore, b.

Aaron Harp, c.

James Moore, o.

John Carper

Mark Mauney

Steve Shock

**P.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Eddy Jones

**LEAD PRAYER**

Dan Blair

Curtis Sawrie

**LORD'S TABLE**

Jade Smith

Thurman Brown

**Wed., July 20, 2016**

**LEAD SINGING**

Randy Riddle

**LEAD PRAYER**

Mark Mauney

Jade Smith

**DEVOTIONAL**

John Carper

***At A Glance***

**July 10-15** – Gospel Crusade at UCA

**July 16** – JOY group trip to Smokin' Buns restaurant

**July 17-21** – VBS at Opello C of C. 7 p.m.

**July 17-21** – VBS at Centeridge C of C. 7 p.m.

**July 22** – Dixon/Stocks Wedding

**July 23-26** – Mars Hill VBS

**July 24-27** – VBS at Greenbrier C of C. 7 p.m.

**July 31** – Potluck Meal following a.m. service

**July 31** – Contribution to Building Fund

**July 31** – Grade 3-6 Swim Party at the home of Bob Johnston. 4 p.m.

**August 28** – Contribution to Building Fund

**September 24** – Hunter/Murphy Wedding at Areopagus.

**September 25** – Contribution to Building Fund

**October 15** – Marsh/Gilliam wedding. 2 p.m.

**October 30** – Potluck following a.m. service

**October 30** – Contribution to Building Fund

**November 27** – Contribution to Building Fund

**December 25** - Contribution to Building Fund

**Bible Class Lessons**

Sunday, July 10: Lesson #278 – Judges 9

Wed., July 13: Lesson #279 – Judges 10:1 – 11:11

Sunday, July 17: Lesson #280 – Judges 11:12-12:15

Wed, July 20: Lesson #281 – Judges 13

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Sunday

Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:15 a.m.

Evening Service 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

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- Ted & Barbara Knight (U.S.A., Romania)
- Roberto Sarmiento, Costa Rica
- Main Street Church of Christ (Stuttgart, Arkansas)
- Youth Outreach University Youthoutreachuniversity.com
- Truth For Today World Mission School
- Gospel Chariot (Africa)
- Gospel Crusade (Local)
- Camp Areopagus

# The Mars Hill Messenger

July 10, 2016

**Gospel Crusade  
Today - Friday**

**Reynold's Performance Hall, UCA  
7 p.m.**

**“One Nation Under God”**

Sunday: Jack Shock, Mayflower C of C  
"Elijah, who called a nation to God"

Monday: Chuck Johnson, Aplin C of C  
"The Three, who obeyed God and not a nation's King"

Tuesday: Coy Siddall, Enola C of C  
"Daniel, who prayed for a nation's return"

Wednesday: Bill Green, Harrison and Willow C of C  
"Jesus, who offers a nation's salvation"

Thursday: Johnathan House, Liberty C of C  
"Peter and John, who spoke without compromise to a nation"

Friday: Jim DuBose, Romance C of C  
"Paul, who endured a nation's scorn"

## What Does the Devil Think About Assembling?

Why does the Devil work so hard to keep people from attending the services of the church? Should we be concerned when people don't attend all the available services, or should we simply stop worrying about it? Are we too concerned about something that really doesn't matter? It appears many Christians would say we are too concerned and that we need to "back off." But what if they are wrong? What if attending every service is important?

Consider:

**You need the assemblies.** You need the fellowship of other believers to grow spiritually, and they need you. *"The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!"* (1 Corinthians 12:21). The Lord hasn't given you the option to say, "I believe in Jesus, but I don't need the church." When Jesus saved you, you were added to the church (Acts 2:47). You need your brothers and sisters and they need you. *"Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is, but exhort one another and so much the more as you see that day approaching"* (Hebrews 10:25).

**The pattern of the 1<sup>st</sup> century church involved assembling.** *"They continued steadfastly in apostles' doctrine, in fellowship, in breaking of bread, and in prayers"* (Acts 2:42). *"And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved"* (Acts 2:46-47). *"Upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them...."* (Acts 20:7). Nowhere in the Scripture is there any support of any kind for the view of Christian living without assembling.

**The description of the church in the New Testament strongly supports assembling.** The church is a royal nation (1 Peter 2:9) which speaks of common citizenship. The church is a kingdom (Revelation 5:10) that speaks of our common submission to the King of Kings. The church is a holy priesthood (1 Peter 2:9) speaking to our common service to God. Jesus described members of the church as branches connected to a branch (John 15:5) which speaks of our common connection to Jesus Christ. Paul described the church as a temple (Ephesians 2:20-22) and each Christian as a part of that building. The church is described as a body (1 Corinthians 12:12) and Christians are connected to and dependent upon one another. The church is described as a family (Ephesians 2:19; 3:15) showing intimacy, loyalty, mutual care, and love shared with this family. The church is described as an assembly (Hebrews 12:23).

Don't let the Devil or anyone else convince you that assembling with your fellow Christians is an option and not a very good one at that. Don't let the Devil or anyone else convince you to divert your time, talent, and treasure to anything other than the church.

Remember...The Devil wants to keep you out of the assemblies so he can keep you out of heaven!

David

## PRAYERS NEEDED

**Mark Allen** is struggling with some very difficult health issues.

**Matti Loyd's** continues recovery on her knee.

**Lou Riley** began physical therapy on her neck on Wednesday.

**Alex Lafferty** is continuing to have problems with his back.

**Harold Moody** is recovering from surgery.

**Barbara Knight** was released from rehab this past week.

**Extended Sick List:** Paula Stocks, Bob Johnston, Pam Webb, Carolyn Brown, Thurman Brown, Ethan Lafferty, Karen Lambert, Phil Autrey, Karen Carper, Shelia Riddle, Robie Permenter, Monteen Ward, Martha Walker, Jerry Walker, Tony Anthony, Jessie Ellison, Sr., Aaron Isom, Wayne Guess, Larry Ellinger, Carroll Sites, Diane Bane, Gordon Newsome, Ken Cope, John McBee, Henry Knonnemacher, Jason Elliott, Bob Dalton, Pam Johnson, Ruby McKenny, Sandy Hill, Varnell Wood, Leah Nugent, Chester Hale, Marjory Stanley, Ava Walker, Ron Smith, John Riddle, Jerry Almond, Rick Miller, Anna Kay Jones, Barbara Fowlkes, Jim Canter

## FAMILY NEWS

VBS Organizational Meeting: After services this morning.

Gospel Crusade: Everyone is encouraged to attend the Gospel Crusade at U.C.A. today through Friday at 7:00 each evening. Theme: One Nation Under God. There will be no evening service at the Mars Hill building today or Wednesday.

JOY: The JOY group will meet at Smokin' Buns restaurant in Macon at 4 p.m. on Saturday. Following the meal the group will go to the home of Carey and Kim Wells for dessert and games. If you plan to go please sign the sheet on the bulletin board at the end of the foyer.

Wedding: Everyone is invited to the wedding of Casey Stock and Steve Dixon on Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7 p.m. at the Mars Hill church building.

Vacation Bible School: July 23-26. Theme: "Rise and Follow Me." Schedule: Saturday, July 23 - 7 p.m.; Sunday, July 24 - 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Monday, July 25 - 7 p.m.; Tuesday, July 26 - 7 p.m.

JOY Group Movie Night: The Just Other Youth (55+) Group will enjoy a movie night at the building on Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, at 6 p.m. Please bring snacks.

Congregational Potluck: Everyone is encouraged to bring food and share in a meal together after the morning service on Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. Our evening service will be held immediately following the meal. Invite your family and friends to join us.

Grades 3-6 Devo and Swim Party: 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Graders and their families are invited to the home of Bob Johnston at 4 p.m. on Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, for a devo, swimming, and hotdogs. Parents, please help by providing desserts. Everyone bring a lawn chair. Youth, invite your friends! Please sign the sheet on the table in the foyer if you plan to attend.