

August 21, 2016
SOUND ROOM

John Carper

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Curtis Sawrie

SCRIPTURE READING

Gary Lambert

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Caleb Shock

LEAD PRAYER

Jarod Partee

Carey Wells

LORD'S TABLE

Josh Moore, b.

Jacob Moore, c.

Joey Moore, o.

Aaron Harp

James Moore

Mark Mauney

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Jade Smith

LEAD PRAYER

Rodney Partee

Jarod Partee

LORD'S TABLE

Gary Lambert

Harold Moody

Wed., Aug. 24, 2016

LEAD SINGING

Randy Riddle

LEAD PRAYER

Connor Marsh

Ralph Hunter

DEVOTIONAL

Jarod Partee

August 28, 2016
SOUND ROOM

John Carper

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Curtis Sawrie

SCRIPTURE READING

Caleb Shock

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Thomas Martin

LEAD PRAYER

Rodger Harlan

Carey Wells

LORD'S TABLE

Steve Shock, b.

Dan Blair, c.

Curtis Sawrie, o.

Rodney Partee

Jarod Partee

Carey Wells

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Randy Riddle

LEAD PRAYER

Clay Winn

Roy Bulice

LORD'S TABLE

Josh Moore

Bob Johnston

Wed., Aug. 31, 2016

LEAD SINGING

Michael Hunter

LEAD PRAYER

Thomas Martin

Rodger Harlan

DEVOTIONAL

Clay Winn

At A Glance

August 21 – Baby Shower for Danielle and Caleb Shock. 3:30 p.m.

August 27 – JOY Group meal at Peyton Creek Fish House and movie at the building

August 28 – Contribution to Building Fund
September 4 – Wedding Shower for Connor Marsh and Jessica Gillham. 3:30 p.m.

September 4-7 – Gospel Meeting. Higden C of C. Speaker: Mike Crowley

September 10 – JOY Group Movie and Snack Night at the building.

September 22 – JOY Group trip to Dondeee's Catfish House in Des Arc.

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, August 21: Lesson #287: Judges 19-20

Wed, August 24: Lesson #288: Judges 21

Sunday, August 28: Lesson #289 – Ruth 1

Wed., August 31: Lesson #290 – Ruth 2

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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- **Roberto Sarmiento, Costa Rica**
- **Main Street Church of Christ (Stuttgart, Arkansas)**
- **Youth Outreach University Youthhourreachuniversity.com**
- **Truth For Today World Mission School**
- **Gospel Chariot (Africa)**
- **Gospel Crusade (Local)**
- **Camp Areopagus**

The Mars Hill Messenger

August 21, 2016

What Kind of Christian Are YOU?
(author unknown)

Some are like wheelbarrows — have to be pushed.

Some are like trailers — have to be pulled.

Some are like kites — always trying to fly away.

Some are like kittens — more contented when petted.

Some are like footballs — you can never tell which way they will bounce.

Some are like balloons — full of wind and ready to explode.

Some are like neon signs — always going from on to off.

Some are like a "dead" battery — no energy or power.

Some are like the hitchhiker — want a free ride while others foot all the expenses.

Some are like an iceberg — cold and dangerous.

Some are like a candle under a basket — useless.

Some are like salt mixed with sand — no saving power.

Some are like little children — no sense of responsibility.

Some are like falling leaves — carried away with the slightest wind of doctrine.

Thank God, some are like the Rock of Gibraltar — Firm, Unmovable.

Identity

Can you imagine the pressures that Olympic athletes face? Many of them train for years leading up to an event that sometimes lasts for a few seconds. All of their training and sacrifices lead up to a moment when their skills are put to the test. If they mess up – even just a little bit – they might go home empty-handed. That is a lot of pressure!

How do they deal with that intense stress?

Consider two men, David Boudia and Steele Johnson, who trained for years to compete in the Men’s synchronized 10m platform in the 2016 Rio Olympic Games. The way they performed in this event earlier this week earned them a silver medal!

In an interview following their silver medal performance, Boudia and Johnson reiterated what helped keep them grounded in preparation for the competition. Here is part of a transcript of their remarks:

NBC Reporter Kelli Stavast: “What does it mean to come out and medal here in the synchro event?”

David Boudia: “Yeah, I just think the past week, there’s just been an enormous amount of pressure, and I’ve felt it. You know, it’s just an identity crisis. When my mind is on this, thinking I’m defined by this, then my mind goes crazy, but we both know our identity is in Christ.

“And we’re just, we’re thankful for this opportunity to be able to dive in front of Brazil, in front of the United States, and it’s been an absolutely thrilling moment for us.”

NBC Reporter Kelli Stavast: “Well, and Steele, for you, your first ever Olympic event, how were you able to maintain your composure so well?”

Steele Johnson: “I think the way David just described it was flawless. The fact that I was going into this event knowing that my identity is rooted in Christ and not what the result of this competition is just gave me peace. It gave me ease, and it let me enjoy the contest. If something went great, I was happy. If something didn’t go great, I could still find joy because I’m at the Olympics competing with the best person, the best mentor, just one of the best people to be around. So, God’s given us a cool opportunity, and I’m glad I could’ve come away with an Olympic silver medal in my first ever event.”

Did you catch that? “My identity is rooted in Christ,” not in “the result of this competition.”

Friends, that’s exactly where we ALL need to find our identity: in Christ!

The reason: we all mess up, we fail. “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (Romans 3:23). If we try to find our identity based upon how well we perform, we are going to identify ourselves as dismal failures headed for destruction.

But God loves us so much that He wants each of us to have a new identity: that we are His children, cleansed by the blood of Jesus His Son, and on our way to an eternal home in heaven. To enable us to have this new identity God sent His Son Jesus to die on the cross for our sins (John 3:16).

God will give this new identity to those who will place their faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from their sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess His name before men (Romans 10:9-10), and are baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; Galatians 3:26-27). He will continue to cleanse from sin those who continue to walk in the light of His Word (1 John 1:7).

Then, with or without medals, we can have joy, peace, salvation, and the hope of eternal life because of who we are in Christ!

-- David A. Sargent

PRAYERS NEEDED

Eddy Jones continues to undergo tests for health issues.

Jeane Harvey is having some serious health issues.

Alex Lafferty will undergo surgery on his back soon.

Rebeka House, Mary House’s granddaughter, has been diagnosed with an enlarged heart. She will go to Children’s Hospital tomorrow for evaluation.

Gary and Karen Lambert’s daughter, her husband, and children were involved in a car accident last Sunday afternoon.

Extended Sick List: Mark Allen, Paula Stocks, Bob Johnston, Pam Webb, Carolyn Brown, Ethan Lafferty, Karen Lambert, Karen Carper, Shelia Riddle, Robie Permenter, Monteen Ward, Martha Walker, Jerry Walker, Tami Baker, Wayne Guess, Larry Ellinger, Carroll Sites, Diane Bane, Gordon Newsome, Ken Cope, John McBee, Bob Dalton, Pam Johnson, Ruby McKenny, Sandy Hill, Chester Hale, Marjory Stanley, Ava Walker, Ron Smith, John Riddle, Jerry Almond, Rick Miller, Anna Kay Jones, Barbara Fowlkes, Jim Canter

FAMILY NEWS

Baby Shower: A Baby Shower will be held for Danielle and Caleb Shock next Sunday at 3:30 p.m. today.

J.O.Y.: The JOY (Just Older Youth) group will go for a meal at the Peyton Creek Fishhouse in Conway followed by a movie at the building next Saturday. Invite a friend to join you!

Building Fund: The contribution next Sunday will go toward the payment on the building. Please be as generous as possible.

Wedding Shower: A Wedding Shower will be held for Connor Marsh and Jessica Gillham at 3:30 on Sunday, September 4th.

Shower Fund: The fund to provide for showers is running low. If you are willing to help with this special need please give the money to Debbie Moody or Becky Martin.

Attending: If you are planning to attend the reception following Chad Hunter’s wedding on September 24th, please sign to RSVP sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Be ye fishers of men -- you catch them & He'll clean them.

Did you ever stop to think that a mediocre person is always at his best?

Don't wait for six strong men to take you to church.

Exercise daily? Walk with God.