May 14, 2017 Nursery

Catrina Harp

SOUND ROOM Caleb Shock

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Rodnev Partee

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

Thomas Martin

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Caleb Shock

LEAD PRAYER

Carey Wells

Rodger Harlan

LORD'S TABLE

Clay Winn, b.

Mike Widner, c.

Jack Hancock, o. Stanley Gordon

**Toby Stocks** 

Jade Smith

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

**Bob Johnston** 

LEAD PRAYER

Eddy Jones

Connor Marsh LORD'S TABLE

Jade Smith

Thurman Brown

May 17, 2017 LEAD SINGING

Jade Smith

LEAD PRAYER

Dan Blair

Curtis Sawrie

**DEVOTIONAL** 

Carev Wells

May 21, 2017 Nursery

Catrina Harp

SOUND ROOM

Dan Blair

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rodney Partee

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

Rodaer Moore

**A.M. SERVICE** 

LEAD SINGING

Jacob Moore LEAD PRAYER

Clay Winn

**Roy Bulice** 

LORD'S TABLE

Thurman Brown, b. Gary Lambert, c.

Caleb Shock, o.

Josh Moore **Bob Johnston** 

Connor Marsh

P.M. SERVICE

**LEAD SINGING** Eddy Jones

LEAD PRAYER

Ralph Hunter

Michael Hunter

LORD'S TABLE

Gary Lambert Harold Moody

> May 24, 2017 LEAD SINGING

Randy Riddle

LEAD PRAYER

Rodney Partee Jarod Partee

**DEVOTIONAL** 

Rodger Harlan

## At A Glance

May 16 - Fellowship Supper. Downtown C of C, Morrilton. Cost: \$6

May 16 - Night Out at Murray's Dinner Theater. Cost: \$35

May 21 – Elders/Deacons Meeting. 3:30 p.m.

May 24-28 – VBS at Greenbrier C of C

May 27-28 – Apologetics Press Seminar. Oak C of C.

May 28 – Contribution to the Building Fund

May 28 - A Great Day In May. 100%

attendance. Cookout after the a.m. service

June 5-8 - Day Camp Session of Summer Camp at Areopagus

June 11-17 - High School Session of Summer Camp at Areopagus

June 18-24 - Middle School Session of Summer Camp at Areopagus

June 25-July 1 - Jr. High Session of Summer Camp at Areopagus

July 9-14 – Area-Wide Gospel Gathering. Robinson and Center C of C. 7 – 8:15 p.m.

July 15-18 - Mars Hill VBS 2017

July 16-20 – VBS at Opello C of C July 16-20 – VBS at Perryville C of C

# **Bible Class Lessons**

Sun., May 14: Lesson #360 - Romans 13-14 Wed., May 17: Lesson #361 - Romans 15-16 Sun, May 21: Lesson #362 - Acts 20:3-38 Wed., May 24: Lesson #363 - Acts 21

### 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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### Missions

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

# The Mill Messenger

# A GREAT DAY IN MAY!

Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>

100% Attendance

**Congregational Cookout following** the morning service - BBQ and the fixings, Cookies, and Ice Cream (Everything will be provided)

**Afternoon Singing** 

# The Power of Hope

In January 1997 British yachtsman Tony Bullimore was sailing solo deep in the Southern Ocean. A gale was raging. The waves, reaching the height of a five story building, rushed on him with a sound like roaring thunder. As his yacht plummeted down the face of a wave it hit something submerged in the water and turned upside down.

Tony, who had been sheltering in the six- by 10-foot cockpit, found it had become his prison. As giant waves buffeted the boat, water poured in and out a broken window, knee high at one end, waist high at the other. The air temperature was down to 36 degrees, and it was pitch black – the sun couldn't penetrate the upturned yacht.

Twelve times Bullimore left the cockpit in a vain attempt to release his life raft. Meeting with no success he took refuge in his little cabin. Sitting inside the cold inky darkness Bullimore had few rations – some chocolate and a device for making fresh water from salty sea. His fingers became frostbitten and Bullimore thought that he was going to die. The odds of being rescued seemed impossibly small.

For four long days Tony survived, until late Wednesday night when a RAF plane located him and dropped an electronic probe next to his yacht. Bullimore could hear the faint pings, and with hope rising in his heart, started tapping on the hull to communicate to whoever was listening that he was alive. Early the next morning the *HMS Adelaide* drew alongside, and some sailors were dispatched to bang on the hull. Tony heard the banging, took a deep breath, and swam out through the wreckage of his yacht to meet them.

How did he feel at that moment? Bullimore says "When I looked over at the *Adelaide*, I could only get the tremendous ecstasy that I was looking at life; I was actually looking at a picture of what life was about. It was heaven, absolute heaven. I really, really never thought I would reach that far."

Reflecting on the experience later Bullimore told reporters, "In these last six days I'm a different person. I won't be so rude to people, not that I was, but I'll be much more of a gentleman and, equally, I'll listen to people a lot more. And as a dear old friend of mine, David Matherson, said when he had a heart attack... he said that when he got over it and opened his window in his bedroom and he peered out and smelt the fresh air and all the rest of it, he said: 'It was like being born all over again; life was great!' Well that's how I feel now – like being born all over again."

Scott Huggins explains: "Tony Bullimore learned the power of hope. It was hope of being rescued that drove him to survive and it was the fulfillment of hope that brought him such joy and a new perspective on life. In the same way the Gospel promises hope to all of us, and particularly to those of us who find life tough going. A time will come when the Rescuer will arrive and release the world from the pain and suffering. And it's that hope that drives us forward." \*

Peter reminded Christians of the hope that they had in Christ: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you" (1 Peter 1:3-4).

Because Jesus died on the cross for our sins and rose again so that we might receive the gift of eternal life, we can have hope beyond this life! We can rejoice in that hope when we accept His offer on His terms by placing our faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turning from our sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confessing Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and being baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). God will continue to cleanse us from our sins and sustain our hope as we continue to walk in the light of His Word (1 John 1:7; Colossians 1:22-23).

That hope enables us to endure the storms of life, looking forward to eternal life in heaven – all because of what Jesus did for us.

Won't YOU accept His offer of salvation and know the hope of eternal life?

-- David A. Sargent

# PRAYERS NEEDED

**Robie Hoyle** is in the Baptist Hospital. She has a reoccurring infection.

Paula Stocks is experiencing some difficult health issues.

Charliegh Hawkins is recovering from pneumonia.

Heather Partee will see a doctor in Dallas as soon as an appointment can be scheduled.

Mary Bronson, Dorothy Glover's daughter, is recovering from surgery to her foot.

Karen Barger, Amy Smith's mother, is able to be at home but still having many health problems.

**Preston Barnett**, Doug Ellison's cousin, is waiting for a heart and lung transplant.

Linda Brown, Ove Lea Leighton's daughter-in-law, is rehabbing after having her foot amputated.

**Beth Moreno**, friend of several of our members, is receiving treatments for stage 4 cancer.

Hannah Cupp, Shea Moore's sister, is have ongoing health problems.

Extended Sick List: Eddy Jones, Shelia Riddle, Roy Bulice, Sabrina Gray, Alex Lafferty, Bob Johnston, Monteen Ward, Bill Ward, Shelia Riddle, Martha Walker, Nell Bostic, Nita Patrom Jeane Harvey, Mark Allen, Pam Webb, Gladys Widner, Pansy Smith, Guillermina Chavez, Linda Brown, Judy Riley, Allie Sawrie, Robie Permenter, Jerry Walker, Hannah Smalley, Charlene Lasley, Tami Baker, Gordon Newsome, Ava Walker, John Riddle, Jerry Almond, Anna Kay Jones, Barbara Fowlkes, Jim Canter

# FAMILY NEWS.

<u>Fellowship Meal</u>: Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the building of the Downtown Morrilton congregation. Cost: \$6. If you plan to attend let David know.

Night Out: Tuesday at Murry's Dinner Playhouse. Cost: \$35. Depart from the building at 5:30. Dinner at 6 p.m. Curtain time: 7:20. Show: Southern Fried Funeral.

<u>Day Camp Staff Meeting</u>: Immediately following services next Sunday morning. Please try to attend the meeting if you are involved with the Day Camp.

Elders/Deacons Meeting: Next Sunday. 3:30 p.m.

<u>Magi Boxes</u>: There are 2 tubs in the foyer by the Fellowship Room door and a list of items needed for the boxes is on the counter in the foyer. If you would like to contribute to the boxes please place the items in the tubs. If you would like to contribute cash please see Thomas Martin. If you have questions see Treva Widner.

Summer Camp Sessions at Areopagus: Day Camp: June 5-8; High School Session: June 11-17; Middle School Session: June 18-24; Jr. High Session: June 25- July 1. Applications are available on the table in the foyer or you can register online at www.campareopagus.org.

<u>Help Areopagus</u>: Mars Hill is asked to help provide at least 40 cases of named-brand soft drinks for the Summer Camp sessions. Also, if you are able, help by bringing toilet paper, paper towels, and napkins. Please place these items in the foyer by the Teen Room.

<u>Needed</u>: Camp Areopagus will need 8 pop-up canopies for use during the Day Camp Session. If you have one you will loan for the week, please see David.