

**May 21, 2017**

**Nursery**

Catrina Harp

**SOUND ROOM**

Dan Blair

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rodney Partee

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Rodger 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

**May 28, 2017**

**Nursery**

Catrina Harp

**SOUND ROOM**

Dan Blair

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rodney Partee

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Josh Moore

**A.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Colton Hunter

**LEAD PRAYER**

Carlton Clayton

Jack Hancock

**LORD'S TABLE**

Ralph Hunter, b.

Colton Hunter, c.

Michael Hunter, o.

Rodger Moore

Dennis Martin

Jacob Moore

**P.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

All Men

**LEAD PRAYER**

Ralph Hunter

Michael Hunter

**LORD'S TABLE**

Gary Lambert

Harold Moody

**May 31, 2017**

**LEAD SINGING**

Michael Hunter

**LEAD PRAYER**

Carey Wells

Rodger Harlan

**DEVOTIONAL**

Clay Winn

***At A Glance***

**May 21** – Day Camp Organizational Meeting.

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

**May 21** – May birthday celebration after p.m. service

**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 21: Lesson #362 – Acts 20:3-38

Wed., May 24: Lesson #363 – Acts 21

Sun., May 28: Lesson #364 – Acts 22

Wed., May 31: Lesson #365 – Acts 23

**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 [Youthoutreachuniversity.com](http://Youthoutreachuniversity.com)
- Truth For Today World Mission School
- Gospel Chariot (Africa)
- Gospel Crusade (Local)
- Camp Areopagus

# The Mars Hill Messenger

May 21, 2017

## A GREAT DAY IN MAY!

**Next Sunday**

**100% Attendance**

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

**Afternoon Singing**

## Just Thinking

What does it mean to forsake (leave behind) the assembling of ourselves together (Hebrews: 10:25)?

- 1) I believe "the day" to be in reference to the end of our life and judgement. Those events had just been mentioned twenty-six verses earlier. *"It is appointed unto man once to die and after this the judgement"* (Hebrews 9:27). I'm not dogmatic about this, but it does influence my understanding.
- 2) In chapter 10, the Hebrew writer points out several large changes from the old law to the new law: the priesthood, the law, and the sacrifices chiefly. And then he says we are not to leave behind (forsake) assembling. It seems the New Testament church began by continuing the same gathering practices of the Jewish tradition (Psalm 1:2, Numbers 28:24, Acts 2:46, etc.).
- 3) Yet we also note that Paul remained a week to gather with saints in Troas on Sunday (Acts 20:1-7), so it raises a question of why this seems okay. No condemnation is given of their not gathering daily. The disciples at Corinth were asked to bring their contribution to the Jerusalem mission funds on Sunday (1 Corinthians 16:1-2), that seems to indicate the pleasure of bringing it when they would already be meeting.
- 4) So, what is going on, and what validates this change?
  - A) The change in sacrifice means we no longer gather daily to bring that (although we present ourselves daily (Romans 12:1-2), but that is accomplished differently).
  - B) We also see that daily gathering was for the purpose of Bible reading, study, and instruction. And reason lets me know that one of the reasons they gathered daily together to fulfill that is because that was where the Bible was kept. They didn't own their own copy.
- 5) Today we can accomplish Bible study and reading privately, as a family, or as an entire congregation. Since the elders are tasked to feed the flock, if they determine that their flock is malnourished from a lack of spiritual feeding they could prescribe the fulfillment of their task by assembling us. And if we are under their oversight, we would be obligated to gather.

How many assemblies per week are necessary? It seems to me that the answer is as many as is necessary.

Who determines how many are necessary? Spiritually anemic members? Or, elders who He has charged with the task of feeding the flock? It seems logical that God gives the authority to those charged with feeding. And, He expects the flock to submit.

So, the Hebrew writer urges Christians *"Do not forsake (leave behind) assembling..."*

David

## PRAYERS NEEDED

**Robie Hoyle** is at home recovering from a reoccurring infection.

**Paula Stocks** is experiencing some difficult health issues. .

**Heather Partee** will see a doctor in Dallas at the end of June.

**Alex Lafferty** is waiting to be scheduled for surgery on his back.

**Ethan Lafferty** is looking toward surgery on his heart toward the end of the year.

**John Kimbrell**, Sherry Kimbrell's father, is ICU in the Conway hospital.

**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, Mary Bronson, 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.

Congratulations: Gary and Karen Lambert are new grandparents. Carter Brooks Lambert was born last Sunday.

Sympathy: Larry Morris, Debbie Moody's cousin, passed away last week. David Cates, Rodney Partee's uncle, passed away last week. Mary Kelley, Kim Wells' aunt, passed away last Sunday. Our love and sympathy are extended to the families.

Day Camp Staff Meeting: Immediately following services this morning.

Elders/Deacons Meeting: Today. 3:30 p.m.

Birthdays: We will celebrate with those born in May after services this evening. Cake and Ice Cream.

A Great Day In May: Next Sunday. 100% attendance, cookout, and an afternoon singing! BBQ and the fixings, ice cream and cookies.

Magi Boxes: 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. Item requested for this week: A bar of soap.

Help Areopagus: 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.