

The Mars Hill Messenger

January 5, 2020

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Nursery

Kim Wells

SOUND ROOM

Clay Winn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rodney Partee

SCRIPTURE READING

Ethan Johns

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Bob Johnston

LEAD PRAYER

Tom Hedrick

Stanley Gordon

LORD'S TABLE

Jack Hancock, b.

Jade Smith, c.

Gus Smith, c.

Harmon Sawrie

Gary Lambert

Harold Moody

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Ethan Johns

LEAD PRAYER

Jade Smith

Harmon Sawrie

LORD'S TABLE

Bob Johnston

David Hall

January 8, 2020

LEAD SINGING

Michael Hunter

LEAD PRAYER

Thomas Martin

Rodger Moore

DEVOTIONAL

Clay Johns

January 12, 2020

Nursery

Kim Wells

SOUND ROOM

Clay Winn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rodney Partee

SCRIPTURE READING

Mike Widner

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Clay Johns

LEAD PRAYER

Jade Smith

Harmon Sawrie

LORD'S TABLE

Caleb Shock, b.

Bob Johnston, c.

David Hall, c.

Doug Ellison

Bart Davenport

Connor Marsh

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Randy Riddle

LEAD PRAYER

John Foster

Wade Haynie

LORD'S TABLE

Doug Ellison

Bart Davenport

January 15, 2020

LEAD SINGING

Caden Johns

LEAD PRAYER

Dennis Martin

Clay Johns

DEVOTIONAL

Ethan Johns

At A Glance

January 13 – Preacher's Meeting. Greenbrier C of C. 10 a.m.

January 14 – Area-Wide Fellowship Supper.

January 24-26 – Youth Outreach University

January 26 – Weekly contribution will go to the Building Fund

January 31 – February 1 – Men and Boy's Retreat at Areopagus

June 1-4 – Day Camp Session at Areopagus

June 7-11 – Middle School Session at Areopagus

June 14-20 – Jr. High Session at Areopagus

June 21-27 – Sr. High Session at Areopagus

July 5-10 – Gospel Gathering, Robinson and Center C of C. 7 p.m.

Bible Class Lessons

Sun., Jan. 5: Lesson #210 – Exo. 21-23; Lev. 24:10-16

Wed., Jan. 8: Lesson #211 – Exo. 24

Sun., Jan. 12: Lesson # 212 – Exo. 25-27

Wed., Jan. 15: Lesson #213 – Exo. 28-31

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)
- Main Street Church of Christ (Stuttgart, Arkansas)
- Youth Outreach University Youth outreachuniversity.com
- Truth For Today World Mission School
- Gospel Chariot (Africa)
- Gospel Gathering (Local)
- Camp Areopagus

A Good Soldier of Jesus Christ



2 Timothy 2:3

A good soldier must...

ENLIST

Matthew 11:28-30

Matthew 12:30

Romans 6:17-18

BE ARMED

Ephesians 6:10-18

1 Peter 4:1

Romans 8:9

PATIENTLY DRILL

1 Timothy 4:7-8

Hebrews 5:13-14

OBEY ORDERS

Matthew 28:19-20

Colossians 3:17

2 John 9

ENDURE HARDNESS

2 Timothy 2:3-4

1 Corinthians 9:27

1 Peter 4:12

COURAGEOUSLY FIGHT

1 Timothy 6:12

Philippians 1:17

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

PURSUUE VICTORY

1 John 5:4

1 Corinthians 15:55-57

2 Timothy 4:7-8

Are You Pleasing Him Who has Chosen You as a Soldier?

Those involved in providing our devotional time on Wednesday evenings are asked to please help us be ready to begin our Bible Study time by 7:15.

A Quick Review

I am so thankful to be a part of a congregation that is serious about knowing and doing the will of God. Of course, we are well aware that there is no way to know the will of God without studying His word (2 Timothy 2:15). We choose to live by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Father (Matthew 4:4). We clearly understand that the Scripture is given by inspiration from God and is profitable for doctrine, reproof, correction, and instruction in righteousness so that we may be mature and equipped for every good work that God would have us do (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

The end of a year is always a good time to take inventory of just how well we are doing and make adjustments as needed. That doesn't mean we should not examine ourselves more often, but the end of a year is a good time.

So, let's review our studies of God's word 2019:

- 1) Our Sunday morning and Wednesday evening Bible studies are designed to provide us with an overview of the word of God. It takes us through the entire Bible every four years. So, in 2019 we received a feast of one-fourth of the Bible through the Bible classes alone. Six months of the year were studies from the New Testament and six months were from the Old Testament. I urge every Christians who considers themselves a member of the Mars Hill congregation to take full advantage of these studies. They will help to equip you for eternal life.
- 2) Vacation Bible School provided us with five great lessons that focused upon "escape" events found in the Bible. The final night's lesson urged us to lay hold on the great salvation afforded us in Jesus Christ and never let it slip from us.
- 3) We enjoyed a great blessing from our Gospel Meeting. In it, we studied deeply from God's word regarding "Searching For God's Will For Our Lives."
- 4) We were blessed to share in the Gospel Gathering with our sister congregations from Central Arkansas. We were fed richly from God's word as we studies Jesus: The Great I Am.
- 5) As a congregation, we learned something from every chapter in the book of Acts. We reminded ourselves of the ascension of Christ, the beginning of the church, the growth of the church, the persecution of the early church, they spread of the gospel, and the gospel being taken to the gentiles by brother Paul.
- 6) We spent five weeks studying from the book of Haggai and making application to our present situation.
- 7) We ended the year by studying together the Beatitudes from Matthew 5. Jesus taught us the character of true Christians and how they continue the momentum needed to grow.
- 8) Our children, through Kid's Konnection, memorized twenty-six verses from the word of God and something from every chapter in Acts using the A,B,C's. They finished the year by memorizing the Beatitudes.

PRAYERS NEEDED

Oakleigh and **Annaleigh Winn** have been hospitalized with RSV.

Ellis Shock is doing better after having to hospitalized last week.

Ova Leighton has been very sick for a couple of weeks.

Rodger and **Sandra Harlan** have both been very sick.

Lou Riley has been sick this past week.

Phil Autrey is having problems with his heart.

Wade Haynie is recovering from surgery to improve blood flow to his legs.

Alice Kirkland, Dennis Kirkland's mother, has been released from rehab.

Nadine Gillam, Jessica Marsh's grandmother, has been moved to the Beebe Retirement Center.

Extended Sick List: Roy Bulice, Kenneth Baxter, Amy Smith, Ronnie House, Shelia Riddle, Nell Bostic, Paula Stocks, Martha Walker, Alex Lafferty, Nita Patrom, Mark Allen, Pam Webb, Nadine Gillam, Barbara Knight, Charlene Lasley, Martha Green, Gladys Widner, Robie Permenter, Jerry Walker, Jerry Almond, Anna Kay Jones

FAMILY NEWS

Baptism: Dessie McCarty was baptized last Sunday morning. We congratulate her and welcome her to the family of God.

Kid's Konnection: Kid's Konnection begins again this evening at 5 p.m. Our children will begin memorizing the 10 Commandments this week. All families are urged to be a part.

Studying Revelation Responsibly: Our Sunday evening studies will be from Revelation for the next few weeks. Everyone is encouraged to share in this study of this exciting epistle.

Youth Outreach University: January 24-26 at Robinson and Center C of C.

Men and Boy's Retreat: All men and boys of the congregation are invited to be a part of a Men and Boy's Retreat. The retreat will be held at Camp Areopagus on Friday evening and Saturday morning, January 31 – February 1. Theme: Male Leadership in the Home and the Church.

Ways to Boost Church Attendance

A preacher attended a college football game and came away with the solution to the struggle to get people to attend church services. Here are his recommendations:

1. Replace our cushioned pews with steel benches, and remove the backs.
2. Make people sit very close to each other, especially to those they don't know well.
3. Let those who smoke sit in front of non-smokers and blow smoke back in their faces.
4. Take the roof off of the building. Some-thing about having a top on a building keeps people from coming inside.
5. Have someone shout into the loud speaker. (Since I'm the preacher, I guess that would be me.)
6. Finally, make everyone pay \$40 to get in, even before they know whether they will like the outcome.

--Larry Acuff (adapted), via Bulletin Digest