

Privileged To Serve
If you cannot serve as assigned, please contact
Jeff Keller at 859-771-4894 or Wayne Thacker at 859-227-5445

Schedule for Services
October 13 - 17, 2021

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13 @ 7 PM
Auditorium: Eddie Ingram
Topic: *Quitism—Causes, Consequences, & Cures*
Ladies’ Class in Fellowship Hall - Cyndi Murphy
Song Leader: Doug Trent
Devotional: Mike Donaldson

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17@ 9:30 AM
Auditorium Bible Class: Teacher - Kenney Gulley
Topic: *The Abundant Life*

Fellowship Hall : Keenan Muncie/Mitch Willoughby
Topic: *Raising Christian Children in an Unchristian World*

FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY
Worship Service @ 10:30 AM
Announcements & Opening Prayer: Mike Donaldson
Lord’s Supper Song: Doug Frazier
Communion Focus & Scripture Reading: Kenney Gulley
Prayer for Bread: Kenney Gulley
Prayer for Cup: Kenney Gulley
Prayer/Reading for Offering: Kenney Gulley
2 Songs: Doug Frazier
Prayer: Donnie Willoughby
1 Song: Doug Frazier
Sermon: Jerry Carmichael & Dan Murphy
Invitation Song: Doug Frazier
Closing Remarks: Mike Donaldson

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17 @ 6 PM
2 Songs: Jeff Keller
Prayer: Mike Evans
1 Song: Jeff Keller
Sermon: Dan Murphy
Invitation Song: Jeff Keller
Communion Focus & Scripture Reading: Kenney Gulley
Prayers for Bread & Cup: Kenney Gulley
Announcements & Closing Remarks: Mike Donaldson

Sound Room: Brian and Joe
Contact Elder in October: Mike Donaldson

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Ministers: Dan Murphy & Jerry Carmichael	
Elders: Jerry Carmichael Kenney Gulley Doug Trent	Mike Donaldson Eddie Ingram Jim Welch
Deacons: Wayne Bailey Jamie Compton Travis McVey Wes Vernon Tommy Willis	Jim Brown Ronnie Cooper Keenan Muncie Mitch Willoughby Tom Caudill Doug Frazier Paul Robinson Mike Wills

Sunday
Bible Class – 9:30 A.M.
Morning Worship – 10:30
Evening Worship – 6:00
Wednesday
Bible Study – 7:00 P.M.

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Leaders With a Broken Heart
By Dan Murphy

Leadership is a hard but necessary duty. The ‘pay’ is low and the criticism is high at times. Whenever a decision is made, then come the comments and reactions toward the leadership. However, it is a responsibility that the Lord expects godly men to carry out. We can find many examples of leaders in the Bible and the challenges they had to face.

Noah, who obeyed one of the most incredible commands to build a huge ship to live in when the world-wide flood occurred. The faith Noah had was amazing (Genesis 6:22). He preached his heart out, warning every living person he could while the ark was being prepared (1 Peter 3:20; 2 Peter 2:5). The sad, sinking feeling he must have felt when the door of the ark was closed with only eight people aboard (Genesis 7:13).

What did Moses experience? He was given the responsibility of leading the Israelite nation out of Egypt and through the wilderness to the promised land (Exodus 3:7-10). What kind of response did the people have toward God’s leader? At Rephidim, there was no water to drink so “...the people contended with Moses...the people complained against Moses, and said, ‘Why is it you have brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us...with thirst?’” (Exodus 17:1-4). The Israelites were ready to stone him. Moses didn’t seek this job, but it was given to him. It must have been personally painful to Moses as the majority of the people ages twenty and upward died in the wilderness because of their unbelief (Numbers 14:29).

Then there were Samuel’s difficulties. All the elders of Israel told him, “You are old, and your sons do not follow the Lord, so now give us a king to judge us” (1 Samuel 8:5). He felt rejected as an older person and as a parent of disobedient children. The Lord encouraged Samuel, “...they have not rejected you, but they have rejected Me, that I should not reign over them” (1 Samuel 8:7). How discouraged this leader was.

Elijah watched God powerfully defeat the 450 prophets of Baal and prove their idol was false (1 Kings 18:21-39). Elijah seized the prophets of Baal and had them executed (1 Kings 18:40). This event was told to Queen Jezebel, so she sent word to Elijah that he would be killed within 24 hours (1 Kings 19:2). This man of God became depressed, ran away, and felt that he was the only faithful prophet left (1 Kings 19:4-10). At this point, Jehovah’s power didn’t seem enough for him. He would just as soon give up and die. He was all alone, at least it seemed that way for a period of time.

What about God’s Son who came to earth to lead people out of sin? He blessed the people, teaching them about the great work of God that provided eternal life for those who would believe in Him (John 6:27-40). The previous day, Jesus compassionately fed over 5000 men (John 6:10-13). The multitude of disciples needed to make a commitment concerning who Jesus was and follow Him. Instead, they complained and many went away and followed Him no more (John 6:61,66). This must have been one of the lowest moments in Christ’s ministry.

The Bible reveals examples of God’s leaders experiencing difficult and discouraging periods. There were definite down times in their service of God’s people. No one said being a leader is easy. One might even say it is heartbreaking at times. Please hold up all leaders, our elders, and preachers to God in your prayers.

For the Record			
Budget: \$8,350		Contribution \$7,336	
Week 10/3/2021		2020	2019
Sunday Classes	115	96	120
AM Worship	166	150	302
Sunday Evening	103	74	139
Wed. Classes	104	48	152

The camp grounds will be set up for a wedding on Saturday, October 16th and will be in use all day for the wedding of **Emily Cassity** and **Colby Hollon**. Colby is the great-grandson of Ada Goodpaster.

Area Youth Rally - October 18th at Scott County church of Christ. We will take a van if there is enough interest.

Commit Youth Rally at Richmond church of Christ November 12-14



There is a sign up sheet on the youth section of the bulletin board for those interested in participating in **Lads to Leaders** this year. See Doug Trent if you have questions.

TRANSPORTATION

The church van is now running for all services. If you wish to ride, give Dwayne Lee a call at 859-749-3197.

Congratulations to **Lindsay (Otis) and Ethan Jackson**, who were married on Saturday, October 9th. Lindsay is the daughter of Rhonda Otis and the granddaughter of Jim and Patty Welch. They will reside in Louisville Kentucky.

Our deepest sympathy is expressed to Judy Tipton and family at the passing of her sister **Nancy Poe**. Visitation will be Thursday at 10 am at Silas Baptist Church 274 Silas Road, Cynthiana, Kentucky. The funeral will follow at noon.



You're invited!

Saturday

October 23rd

Rolling Hills Church of Christ

Ladies' Inspiration Day

"The Apple of Thine Eye"

Speaker: Becky Blackmon

Registration & Continental Breakfast at 8:30 AM

Classes Begin at 9:30 AM

Lunch will be provided

RSVP to rhcofc@gmail.com



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Please sign up on the bulletin board and let us know if you plan to stay for lunch.

Or e-mail rhcofc@gmail.com. Also, Becky will be teaching a Sunday morning Ladies' class. Please join us!



Congratulations to Briana and Derrick Robinson, who were wed on Saturday, October 9th.

Be sure to invite your neighbors, friends, and family to Friends and Family Day on October 17th.

EXTENDED PRAYER REQUEST LIST:

Juanita Abner; Clyde & Sandy Abner; Robbie Adams; Lorena Alexander; Libby Amburgey, Mike Amburgey, Tricky Arnold; Edith Back; Guy Baker; Bethany Barnett; Patty Barrett; Jason Bennett; Margie Blackburn; Marvin Brewer; Darrell Brimberry; Howard Brooks, A. Brown; Dixie Brown; Tom & Billie Caudill; Sue Centers; Landon Clark; Micki Clark; Chris Clem; Jamie Compton; Carolyn Conley; Jennifer Cooney (Marilyn Rowe's daughter); Bill Corman; Clarence DeLoach; Jamie Donaldson; Sue Donaldson; Temple Donaldson; Virginia Donaldson; Joyce Esteppe; baby Ben Frederick; Bettye & Robert Garrett; George Garrett; Norma Jean Garrett; Jean Gillespie; Patricia Handy; Audrey Harris; Zach Hart; Pansy Hatton; Joe Hedger; Bob Henderson; Dale Hester; Roger Hester; Steve Higginbotham; Glynnie Eilyn Hinds; Jane Hine; Orena Hollan; Gary Hollon; Cheryl Holmberg; Ella Howard; Melinda Howard; Beulah Howell; Wanda Bertram Huff; Charlotte Ingram; William Ingram; Erika and Paul Irish; Nancy Lou Jones; Aubrey Jarrell; Kelvin Keath; Jim Kelley; Nat Kilburn; Judy Kline; Patty Kuhns; Gary Lacy; Sandy Lansdale; Lexi Lech; Steve Lech, Jr.; Frank Lewis, George Lewis, Edgaretta Marcum; Sandy Martin; Betty McCleary; Dola McClothen; Tammy McMonigle; Angela Miller; Baby Lillian Morris; Jessica Moore; Mike & Vicki Moore; Wanda Owens; Annie Palmer; Lane Persinger; Lynn Piersawl; JoAnn Pugh; Brenda Ray; Skylar Reese; Tom Reese; Scott Reffitt; Sophia Riley; Charles Roberts; Larry Roberts; Kaylen Rollins; Cleidith Rowe; Dena Shepherd; Karen Smallwood; Glenn Spencer; Tracy Spencer; Sherry Stamper; Marie Starcher; Lillian Stark; Jeff Steele, Lowell Steele, Lonnie Dale Stewart; Jackie Stone; Amy Storer; Steve Tapp; Linda Terry; Ann Thornberry; Marissa Tipton; Vernon Tipton; Jean Turley; Lewis Utz; Levi Vernon; Billy Vanicek; Beverly Walker; JoJo Walker; Jeff Walson; Earl Wells; Janet Whaley; Mike Whisman; Chris Willoughby; Dan Winkler; Karen Young; Trevor Zaenkert

IN THE NURSING HOME -- Windsor Care: Sandy Donaldson; Kathryn Gilvin; **Windsor Personal Care:** Janice Clemons (#118); Carole Kimbrell; **Edgewood:** Dorothy Henry, mother of Patsy Gudgell; **Ridgeway:** Charles "Doug" Moore; **Owenton Rehab:** Joyce Mathis (905 US 127, Owenton KY 40359).

IN THE MILITARY: Alex Green, Hunter Igo, Austin Lykins & Jason Rhodes

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Confidential Prayer Request – a church member will be having further testing and needs prayers.

Mary Barrett is at home and is still taking cancer treatments.

Please pray for all our **caregivers**, who many times deal with difficult situations.

Sue Donaldson's surgery went well and she is recovering at home.

Mary Jayne Casey's aunt, **Louvirna Hall** is at home under Hospice care.

Janet Jackson, sister of Charlotte Ingram, would appreciate prayers for relief from hip pain.

Donnie Miller, brother of a friend of Marty Gillespie, has been diagnosed with cancer and would appreciate prayers.

LaJeania Moore is recovering from a broken shoulder at her son, Steve's home in Nashville.

Jamie Donaldson's uncle, **Lloyd Riddle** has been diagnosed with stomach cancer and would appreciate prayers.

Phillip Tackett, father of Amy Thacker, has been diagnosed with myelodysplastic syndrome. He began chemo this week. After 7 days of chemo, he will then be reevaluated to determine the next course, be it more chemo or a bone marrow transplant.

Vernon Tipton would appreciate prayers as he continues to take the chemo pill.

Beverly Walker would appreciate prayers.

COVID PRAYER REQUESTS:

Recovering at home: Alberta Allen, Joe and Dainty Hedger, Allen Johnson, Tom Riley, and Mark Vires.

Mary Jayne Casey is now in the ICU at St Jo East with Covid pneumonia in both lungs. Prayers are very much appreciated.

Patrick Meyer was taken to the Cleveland Clinic and is in the lung unit. He is also waiting on a heart transplant.

Sophia Riley has been diagnosed with Mast Cell Activation Syndrome and now has a treatment plan. She has a lot of inflammation.