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From Where I Sit . . .

"Christ, Our Banner"

In a time of war, a banner or flag has traditionally been used to rally troops forward into battle. Furthermore, it's a means of showing whose side we're on. The Olympics open and close with the wonderful parade of teams carrying their flags from the various countries represented. What pride it causes within the spectators as they see their "banner" coming by. In Lads to Leaders and Leaderettes Conventions, our boys and girls march in the Parade of Leaders carrying the banner from their home congregations. One can't help but get caught up in the emotion of it.

In the spiritual battles that Christians face daily, we certainly need such a banner to rally us onward, and to declare to the world around us whose side we're on. It's the duty of each of us to let the world know who we serve and what we stand for, not in a defiant or arrogant manner, but with kindness yet unashamed. All too often Christians fail to unfurl their banner and the world ends up not knowing exactly where we stand. We must not leave the slightest doubt "whose we are, and whom we serve."

The Psalmist David wrote in Psalms 60:4 "Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of truth." We have a flag to follow, and a cause to rally around. The banner is Jesus, and the cause is Truth! Isaiah prophesied of the coming Savior in such a beautiful way: Isaiah 11:10, "And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; To it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious."

Our song writers have captured these thoughts in various words: "There's a royal banner given for display to the soldiers of the King; as an ensign fair we lift it up today, while as ransomed ones we sing...."; and another song, "His banner over us is love, our sword the Word of God...."

Jesus is our banner, or ensign. We have someone to follow, and a cause to rally behind. There are a number of ways in which we can unfurl our banner. Certainly by word of mouth one can uphold the name of Jesus as well as share with the world that we've found redemption in Christ. "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so...." (Psalms 107:2)

We can also wave our banner high by the manner of life that we live. If all Christians were under the influence of the Gospel there would be something in their speech and their conduct that would distinguish them from others. Peter's words of I Peter 2:9 remind us that we are "chosen...to shew forth the praises of Him who called you..."

Declaring ourselves, and showing our allegiance to our "banner" may draw some fire. Jesus didn't escape criticism and persecution, even to death. At the same time, this open avowal of our faith is our best security against the entanglements with the world. It will also give us courage, which in turn is contagious. Others will be encouraged to stand as well. May we lift high this God-given banner in these most trying and testing times!!

.... Terry Broome



Please pray for our sick and remember them with cards, calls and visits.

Hannah Greczkowski has Covid pneumonia and is in need of our prayers. She spent several days in the hospital and was discharged to come home on Monday. Please pray for her recovery.

Marty Glenn, Pam Brown's father, is feeling a lot better after the recent procedure. Please continue to pray for a complete recovery.

Rhonda Harrison, sister of Brenda Devers, is still taking treatments and needs our prayers. Her address is 74 Sarah Betty Lane, Apt. B1, Scottsboro, 35769.

Roger Boyd, friend of Ernie & Paula Foster that attended here several years ago, has been in UAB Hospital since March with Covid. He needs our prayers. Cards may be sent to 119 Newport, Scottsboro, 35768.

Benn Farr, cousin of several of our members, may have pneumonia, which they are treating, but is having other complications as well. He needs our prayers immensely.

Delmer Johnson, father of Rebecca Gardner, had his surgery to remove part of his lung and then he developed pneumonia and some other complications. Please pray for him.

Ray Allen, a former member here, had a heart attack on Sunday. He was to undergo quadruple by-pass surgery today. Please pray for him.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Marge Rice Terry Broome Brenda Price Polly Franklin Tammy McGuire Sam Wright Harold Reynolds Judy Roberts Darlene Jacobs

Marty Broome, Terry's brother.

Mary Hodge, 88 Sumner Dr., 35769.

Judy Solomon, sister of Martha Pendley.

Hudson Coldwell, Martha Pendley's grandson.

Kenny Jimenez, son-in-law of Dave & Elane Bagley.

Leonard West, 95 year old uncle of Ron Graham.

Lana Jones, granddaughter of Doyle & Cathy Lemaster.

Bob Milk, brother-in-law of Robin Shelton.

Winston Busby, brother of Doris Laney, 198 Weaver Rd., Henagar, AL 35978.

Sally Abbott, aunt of Bill Price, 440 2nd St., S Naples, FL 34102-8620.

Roger Alley, son-in-law of David & Margaret Crawford, 12931 AL Hwy 79, Scottsboro, 35768.

Jimmy Kimble, brother of Joan Jackson, 303 Hollow St., Hohenwald, TN 38462.

Cissi Britt, sister of Buddy Holt.

Dale Roden, mother of Diane Laney, 685 Co. Rd. 357, Pisgah, AL 35765.

Joe Precise, cousin of David.

Vickie Farr, sister of Charlotte Vinson,4319 Hanging Moss Dr. Orange Park, FL 32073.

Shep Knight, child of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin.

Jordan McCormack, US Navy

Trent McCormack, US Navy

Jordan Holt, US Navy-Reserve

Abigail Holt, US Navy

Nathan Bridges, US Air Force-Reserve

Paige Chrisman, US Air Force

Nathaniel Doan, US Marine Corps

Anthony Worst, US Marine Corps

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND

Cloverdale Manor	Rosewood Manor	Southern Estates
412 Cloverdale Rd.	1513 Co. Park Rd.	212 E. Stewart Rd.
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Calendar of Upcoming Events—

August 4 — Summer Series Speaker: Matt Wallen
 August 11 — Summer Series Speaker: Jim Flowers
 August 18 — Summer Series Speaker: Keith Barnett
 August 25 — Summer Series Speaker: Dale Jenkins

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Measure	Wed. Bible Study. 118 Sunday Bible Study. 133 Sun. A.M. Worship 235
Of Our	Sun. Night Worship
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- (2) Irene Gist
- (3) Gary Loyd
- (6) Ernest Brockway, Debra Kime, John Wann, Jr.
- (9) John A. Porch, Ella Little
- (10) Kathy Broome, Noah Linville
- (11) Peg Gough
- (13) Billie Hancock, Dave Precise
- (16) Helen Corbin
- (19) Buck Walker
- (21) Roxie Wright
- (25) Terry Broome, Polly Franklin
- (29) Lee Gist
- (31) Maguire Laney



On August 21st there will be a S.W.A.T. (Skits With A Truth) Youth Rally with Lonnie Jones & Ben Hayes at Owens Cross Roads

church of Christ. The rally will begin at 4:00 p.m. and end at 8:15 p.m.

To the church.

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness during the death of my brother. Edward Gattis. The plant you sent was beautiful. Thank you for your kindness and prayers.

Betty Walker & family



PUPPET PROGRAM - August 1, 2021

Narrator - Mark Price

Teachers - Bridget Price, Pam Brown, Cynthia Nance

Puppets - Kaitlyn Price, Sidney Grant, Kyle Price,

Wendy Baird

TIMES CHANGE

Most of the time, change is good. We all want to grow, get stronger, learn more, see more places, etc. Certainly we are aware of the fact that our methods and tactics must change and adapt when we become ineffective. We must take advantage of opportunities as they are presented. On and on we could go.

But not all change is good. "Change" continues to barrel over our country at a rapidly destructive pace. The powers-that-be seem to be dead-set at making it more and more difficult to be an openly practicing and faithful Christian. Laws are being established that, if followed, would effectively silence the preaching of the Gospel and remove the church from its God-appointed role as the defender of divine truth.

Consider how times have changed in the last 240 years when it comes to the way that worship and general ethical-moral behavior is concerned. On July 5, 1775, General George Washington issued this order to the Continental Army:

"The General most earnestly requires and expects a due observance of those articles of war established for the government of the army, which forbid profane cursing, swearing, and drunkenness. And in like manner, he requires and expects of all officers and soldiers not engaged in actual duty, a punctual attendance of Divine services, to implore the blessing of Heaven upon the means used for our safety and defense."

Washington said his army could not curse or swear? Same is true for soldiers of Christ (Eph. 4:29-5:4).

Washington said his army could not be drunkards? Same is true for soldiers of Christ (1 Cor. 6:10; Gal. 5:21).

Washington said his army was required to attend worship services? Same is true for soldiers of Christ (Acts 20:7; Heb. 10:25).

Washington said his army was expected to implore the blessing of Heaven in supplication and prayer? Same is true for soldiers of Christ (1 Tim. 2:1; 1 Thess. 5:17).

Today, public officials could not get away with issuing an order similar to the one given by General Washington. How times have changed!

Bart Warren South Green Street church of Christ Glasgow, KY

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 574-3573
 DAVID PRECISE
 574-3790

 PAT RUSSELL
 259-0800
 BRAD WILHELM
 244-0561

DEACONS

Josh BairdRick BairdJo Reed BrumleyDavid DoverJoel GardnerNick LedbetterJoe ManningRoger MyersNelson PageJohn A. PorchDave PreciseMark PriceScott RobertsWilliam UnderwoodRussell Wilhelm

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Those to Serve...

SUNDAY, August 1, 2021

Announcements: Nick Ledbetter Song Leader: Chad Brown Prayer: Riley Westmoreland Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: Brad Wilhelm Speaker: Terry Broome Closing Prayer: C.B. Laney



Ushers:

P.M. SERVICE:

Song Leader: Tanner Shelton Scripture: Major Ledbetter

Prayer: Bill Price Speaker: Terry Broome

Lord's Supper: Nelson Page & Joe Manning

Closing Prayer: Vince Laney

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

Scripture: Preston Dover Song Leader: Kenneth Beard Prayer: David Precise

CONTACT ELDER: Pat Russell
OPEN & CLOSE BUILDING FOR THE MONTH:

Jo Reed Brumley

If you are unable to serve, please call: Dave Precise 256-599-6668

The Learning Center Pre-School (Infants - 4 yrs.)
Debra Wilhelm, Director ♦ 259-0005

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The Word of God (the Bible) never changes. If you go to worship to hear something other than His Word,

than His Word,
You have gone for the wrong reason
If you hear something other,
You are at the wrong place.

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My Daily ATTITUDE Action Plan is...

- Always making today my best day Psa. 118:24
- Taking pride in a job well done Phil.
 1:27
- Treating others with respect Eph. 4:32
- Implementing positive thoughts Phil. 4:8
- Turning tasks into opportunities Eph. 5:15-16
- Utilizing my talents always Matt. 25:29
- Doing something that benefits others –
 Gal. 6:10
- Expecting good things to happen Mark 11:24

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