

Weekly Newsletter

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Spring Series Continues This Week

The theme of this year's Spring Series is "**Marks of a Genuine Disciple.**" I believe that the theme and the line-up of speakers will result in a challenging six weeks of self-evaluation. Therefore, I hope you will make your plans to be present. Wade Webster, from Crossville, TN will be speaking this week and his topic is: "**A Genuine Disciple Practices Authentic Love**"



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CHRIST IN *Youth*

On April 14, 1912, the Titanic sank to the bottom of the North Atlantic Ocean. This British ocean liner had been labeled by the builders as "unsinkable." The ship was making its first voyage in the North Atlantic when they received numerous warnings of dangerous icebergs ahead.



As you know, those warnings were ignored and later that night, the ship hit an iceberg and sank, killing 1,513 people.

You know, it wouldn't be a stretch to compare our lives to ships in treacherous waters. As we journey toward eternity, there will be many "icebergs" that we will encounter with soul destroying potential, thus we must be careful.

Listen, never ignore danger signs because you feel as though you are "unsinkable." Don't think it couldn't happen to you. Don't think you can't get hurt. Don't think you're too strong fall. Remember the words of Paul, "Let him who thinks he stands, be careful lest he fall." (1 Corinthians 10:12).

GOSPEL MEETING

April 22-25, 2007

At the
**South Green Street
Church of Christ**

Times:
Sunday: 9:30 & 10:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Monday - Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

Speaker:
Steve Johnson,
North Lexington Church of Christ
Lexington, Kentucky

Steve Johnson's Email address is:
preacher@northlexingtoncoc.org

CAMP APPLICATIONS

Staff and camper applications can be picked up on the table next to the elevator.

Application Deadline: May 6, 2007
Camp Dates: June 10-15
Cost: Yet to be determined

The Education Of Our Children

By Steve Higginbotham

Occasionally, I will hear someone state that the church is losing approximately 60% of her young people following graduation from High School. While I don't contest the accuracy of the statistics, I do contest who it is that is losing our young people. You see, I have yet to find a church that is not working hard, making sacrifices, and investing money to educate young people in a congregation. On the other hand, I know of many parents who have neglected the spiritual education of their own children.

You see, I think the statement would be more accurate if it were affirmed that Christian parents are losing approximately 60% of their children following graduation from High School. Where is the congregation who won't provide instruction to young people? Where is the church who will not listen to the pleas of parents who are wanting spiritual training provided for their children? I, personally, know of none. But now let's think. Are there parents who refuse to take advantage of the teaching and training that churches provide for their children?

Personally, I'm excited about some of the changes in our education program here at South Green Street that will begin in June. Countless hundreds of hours have been poured into an effort to improve our Bible school program. These improvements will help your children have a greater knowledge of the Bible and will equip them with skills that will stay with them throughout their entire life.

Allow me to share with you some of the things we are going to begin with reference to our Bible education program in June, 2007.

- We will begin using a new curriculum. This curriculum will cover in an orderly fashion, both the Old and New Testament in a period of two years. Every class (4&5 Year Olds—5&6 Grades) will be coordinated, studying the same lessons at the same time. Thus, by the time your child finishes the sixth grade, he will have gone through the Bible a total of four times.
- This curriculum will flow continuously Sunday through Wednesday, so it becomes important for your child to attend class on both Sunday and Wednesday. Wednesdays will involve a lot of review, joint-class activities, and many different ways to impress into their memory the lessons they learned.
- In addition to the curriculum and Bible stories each week, each class, all the way through High School, will have a list of knowledge skills that are to be mastered during their two year period in that class. These knowledge skills are age appropriate, and include useful memory verses and basic Bible facts. It is our intention that when a child goes through our Bible school program, they will have a solid, thorough, knowledge of pertinent and useful Bible facts.

The bottom line is that our elders are aware that nationally, 60% of our young people are turning away from the Lord following graduation from High School, and they find this large percentage totally unacceptable. Therefore, beginning in June, we are going to implement this new content and manner of teaching in all our classes.

Personally, I want to appeal to you to do your very best to involve your children in the education program here. Please, see to it that you take advantage of every opportunity the church is providing you and your family. According to statistics, the world is gaining the upper hand. Please see the seriousness of this situation and do all you can to secure the eternal well-being of your children.

Family Matters

Sick List

- John Bull is in the Medical Center in Bowling Green.
- Ruby Cloyd is in room #204 at the Community Hospital.
- Presley Fergerson, daughter of Josh Fergerson, in the Kosair Children's Hospital. Josh is the nephew of Trent Fergerson.
- Eddie Gerald has been moved to the Barren County Health Care Center.
- Herschel Hughes, husband of Jo Hughes, is in the Community Hospital.

Prayer Request

- Louise Gerald, Edith Page and Ann Surber
- Shirley Harlow, friend of Walter & Beverly Smith, has been diagnosed with cancer
- Jerry Spence, friend of Walter & Beverly Smith, is in the last stage of cancer
- Darrell Tade, member of the Oak Hill Church of Christ

Spring Cleaning

Spring Cleaning Day for the interior of the building has been scheduled for Saturday, April 21. Volunteers should meet at the building at 7:30 a.m. Cleaning supplies will be provided. Should you have any questions please contact Robert Spear at 678-2319.

Service Schedule

A list of those to serve as Song Leaders, Bus Drivers, Ushers and Nursery Attendants during our meeting has been posted. Please check the bulletin board in the front foyer to see if you are to serve in any of these areas.

Ladies Day Meeting

There will be a brief meeting following services Sunday night, April 22, to finalize the plans and assignments for our upcoming Ladies Day. Please make an effort to attend this meeting. Should you have any questions contact Debbie Turner.

Thank You

Thanks so much for the cards, calls, flowers and prayers during my recent surgery.

In Christian Love,
Edith Page

Meal Schedule

During our Gospel Meeting the Visitation Teams will provide the evening meal for Steve Johnson at 5:30 each night. The schedule is as follows:

- Monday Team 1 D. Pitcock & R. Turner
- Tuesday Team 2 B. Pritchard & A. Beals
- Wed. Team 3 D. Frasier & J. Searcy

Ladies Day

Ladies Day at South Green will be held on Saturday, April 28. This year the speaker will be Dwina Willis. Lesson topics are, "Blooming Where You Are Planted." and "How To Get An A In Blooming." Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be served following the program. Please add your name to one of the sign-up sheets if you plan to attend.

Spring Series Schedule

April 18	Practices Authentic Love
May 2	Produces Fruitful Living
May 9	Exhibits Purity Of Life
May 16	Develops Character In Suffering
May 23	Functions In The Body

Area Events

- Ladies Day-Lehman Ave. Church of Christ-April 21-Cindy Colley, Speaker-9:00 a.m.-Lunch served following program-RSVP at 270-843-8435.
- Homecoming - Broadway Church of Christ - Campbellsville - Sunday, April 29-Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Eastern Time-Randy Bybee, Speaker-Lunch following services.
- Ladies Day-Fountain Head Church of Christ-May 12- Sheila Butt, Speaker-9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Lunch following.

