# THE VISITOR

# Salem Creek church of Christ

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# A DIFFERENT VIEW Philippians 1:23

But I am hard-pressed from both directions, having the desire to depart and be with Christ, for that is very much better.

Last Sunday's message brought some interesting reactions. Counting our days so we can make them count is serious business. Psalm 90 reminds us that, no matter how long we live, our days are decreasing constantly. More than one person said that it was a reminder of how few they have left.

We need to think about our thinking in regard to life on earth and our time of departure. Paul was in prison, unsure as to whether he would be released or executed. He saw a need to "remain in the flesh" so that he could continue to strengthen his fellow Christians (1:24). He also saw something else.

Interview Paul in his prison cell, and ask him some questions; "Paul, do you think you will get out of here?" "I think so, but I'm not sure." Your next question is "Paul, what do you really desire?" "I have a desire to depart and be with Christ. That is far better than continuing in this life."

What is our greatest desire? Is it to "depart and be with Christ?" If you have to think about that for very long, go back and read what Paul said. To depart and be with Christ is "far better." With each passing day, we are one day closer to being with Christ. Does that excite you? It should.

# --Ron Harper--

# BARNABAS

Mrs. Marimae White 506 E. Main Street Murfreesboro, TN 37130 Marimae just had a double mastectomy. She is Mary Elam Polk's mom. Cards and prayers appreciated.

# **NEWS AND NOTES**

Men's Breakfast at IHOP 8 a.m. Tuesday, May 12th.

Wednesday a.m. Ladies class will not meet on Wednesday, will resume on May 20th.

We will honor our graduates on **Sunday, May 17**m. A sign-up sheet for the graduation meal is on the back counter; please include your guests that will also be attending the luncheon. Today is the last day to sign-up and the cost will be \$7.00 per person.

MTCS Summer Day Camp is open to all pre-K – 6th graders. Please see the flyer on the counter for more information. Go to mtcscougars.org to see their brochure and register. For questions, call 615-893-0601.

There will be a MTCS Cougar Youth Football Camp June 1-5 for grades 4-6. For more details, applications are on the counter.

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#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### SICK

Houston Henry - St. Thomas Rutherford

# **TAKING TREATMENTS**

Lois Arnold, Carolyn Thomas, Betty Smith

#### SHUT INS

Rita Reed, Mable Robertson, Houston Henry, Oleta Bullard

#### **PRAYER REQUEST:**

Shirley Bibb, Clyde & Opal Jones, Dan & Lorene Stephens, Wayne Mobbs, Lorene Maddox, Imogene Bozeman, Charles & Ruthe Burton, Louis & Betty Wilson, Martha DeVore, Doris Mobbs, Selma Boyd, Wilburn Laws, Marie Fleming, Larry & Geri Melton, Lester & Ann Clark, Virgie Leonard, Houston Henry, Pat Davidson

#### **NURSING HOMES & ASSISTED LIVING:**

\*MFMBFRS

**ADAMS PLACE**: Nora Fann\*

McARTHUR MANOR: (Manchester) Ruth Baskin

MAYFIELD REHAB: Jean Nickens\*

MORNING POINT: (Brentwood) Betty Shoemaker\* NHC: Sue Reeves\*, Betty Wilson\*, Lizzie Bush, Geri

Melton\*

**STONES RIVER MANOR**: Edna Vance\*, Virgie Leonard\*, Margaret Davidson\*, Jeweldean Hall\*, Laura Wiser\*, Lillian Whitworth, Louise McKnight\*

#### MILITARY

Please keep **Tony Berry** in your prayers, while he is stationed in California at Camp Pendleton.

Please keep **James Krueger** in your prayers while he is serving in Afghanistan. He is the son-in-law of Keith & Margaret Short.

### THANK YOU CARDS

We have received a Thank You card from the following:

\*Haley Edwards

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#### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Currently meeting at Middle Tennessee Christian School 100 E. MTCS Rd. Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Sunday

Morning Worship8:30 amBible Classes9:45 amEvening Worship5:30 pm

Wednesday

Evening Bible Classes 6:30 pm Ladies Class 10:00 am

# ELDERS MINISTER

B.K. Ham Ron Harper

Jim Hatfield Jon Holland Andy Mitchell Randall Phifer Fred Rogers

Fred Rogers Keith Short

#### **DEACONS**

Larry Benson Andy Melton
Michael Bowman Brian Melton
Craig Buckner Alan Pepper
Bob Hoover Wendell Wilson

# To Our Honored Guests...

We are happy you chose to worship with us today! Please stay after our assembly so that we can get acquainted with you and your family. We invite you to come back to Middle Tennessee Christian School while our new building is under construction.

We were honored by your presence!

#### FOR THE RECORD

May 3, 2015

Sunday	AM worship	175
	Bible classes	138
	PM worship	106
	Contribution	\$4,662.00

Wednesday PM Bible classes 87
Wednesday AM Ladies Class 12

#### **GREETERS**

Please be at the door 15 minutes prior to services!



#### May 10

Louise Smithson Dean Thompson

#### May 17

Dorothy Stroop Keith & Margaret Short