# Worship & Bible Study

Sunday Morning Bible Classes - 9:30 AM Worship - 10:30 AM

Wednesday Evening Bible Class 7:00 PM Bible Study— 7:00 PM

# -Ministry Team-Paul Phelps, Minister Isaac Pannell, Youth and Worship

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Dorian Lain Guy Smoak
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# Today's Worship May 1, 2016

Prayer

Welcome/Family Time

☐ The Stand

Teaching

☐ If We Are The Body

**Family Communion** 

□ A Common Love

Surround Us, O Lord

Offering/Family Matters



# **To Our Guests This Morning!**

We are glad you're here and feel blessed to have the opportunity to worship with you. We would like to ask you to complete an attendance card and drop it in the offering. If you have children, they are always welcome in our worship service. For your convenience, a nursery is provided for newborn to 2 years old. Children's Worship is available every Sunday except the 1st Sunday of the month.

# BELIEVE

LIVING THE STORY OF THE BIBLE
TO BECOME LIKE JESUS



### **BIBLICAL COMMUNITY**

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Acts 2:44-47

# Believe: Biblical Community Think

**Key Idea:** I fellowship with Christians to accomplish God's purposes in my life, in the lives of others and in the world.

**Key Scripture:** All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup>They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. <sup>46</sup> Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:44-47

We were not created to live a solitary life. We were created to live a life with others. Just as God is in community with himself (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), he desires that we are also in community with other Christians. Biblical community is evidenced in the following characteristics:

Unity - "All the believers were together and had everything in common." The early church was one in heart and mind; they were in harmony, or agreement because they were focused on the needs of others. Their unity in spirit was a result of their love of God which poured out as love of others. This was a group of individuals who purposely applied the greatest commandment in their lives: Love God, Love Neighbor (see Matthew 22:37-39). 1 John 4:27 tells us "Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister." As our love of God and love of others pours out of our hearts, we cannot help but be united in a common purpose.

**Consistency –** "Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts." There is definitely something to be said for meeting together with other Christians. The early church met daily to learn and grow from one another. Hebrews 10:24-25 tells us "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another."

Worship - "They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, " praising God." Worship is a natural outcome of biblical community. We praise God for all the things he has done for us. When we partake of the communion ("breaking bread"), we can think of all the others who are taking communion with us or who have taken communion historically or will take communion in the future. This connection to the greater family of God facilitates our praise.

**Called to live for others -** "enjoying the favor of all the people." We are called to care for one another. The New Testament has many verses using the phrase "one another" or "each other." Here are just a few:

Be devoted to one another

Love one another

Accept one another

Instruct one another

Carry each other's burdens

When we are called to live for others it shows the love of Christ to the world and those outside the faith feel a draw or pull to the family of God.

**Life Application:** I will strive to be more engaged in biblical community to grow my faith and ultimately serve one another.

**Prayer:** Jesus, you came to show us the true example of biblical community. Through you we not only see the Father, but we also see the Spirit. Thank you for your gift of community. Amen.

#### Thank You from Carol Jackson

#### To my church family,

About 10 years ago when Bill's brother was visiting from California, he wanted to get Bill back in church, so he told him to <u>find us a church.</u> I am so thankful we found this church. I thank God every day for Paul and Daniel and all the wonderful people here. I really don't know how I would have

made it through Bill's illness and death without my church family. Thanks everyone for your prayers and cards and the delicious dinner you prepared for us.

God Bless You, Carol

# May 1, 2016

#### Dr. and Mrs. Dorian Lain

REQUEST THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE AT THE MARRIAGE OF THEIR DAUGHTER

#### KALEIGH JO LAIN

To

#### SULLIVAN DANIEL SMOAK

Son of Dr. and Mrs. Guy Smoak

Saturday, The Twenty-Eighth Of May

Two Thousand and sixteen

AT 6 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

#### Country Manor Acres

250 Boat Gunnel Road Townsend, Tennessee

Reception to follow

Please RSVP to Kymlain @yahoo.com on or before May 7

#### Refreshments for Preschool Graduation

If you can help provide refreshments for the preschool graduation on Thursday, May 12th please see Dana Phelps. The following is what she needs: finger foods such as cookies, chips, brownies, vegetables or fruit, etc.. The refreshments would need to be at the church by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 12th.

# Pick-Up Schedule for Jeff Hacker

Jeff Hacker			
May 1	Larry Nance Larry Nance		
May 8	Johnny Parham Larry Nance		
May 15	Bob Hyatt Charles Dial		
May 22	Dorian Lain Don Ezelle		

# **Family news**

# Please Pray For...

**Tammy Brown—**Lois Dial's great niece, test in April

Bill Daugherty - Gamma Knife

**Leah Ezelle—**Treatment options.

**Jennifer Hacker**— Continued health problems.

Carol Jackson's sister, Barbara.

Dottie Joyner—Fractured shoulder.

**David Timmerman--** Treatment for Cancer.

Rachel Williams —recovery

Reva Day -- shut in/health

**Larry Nance**– diagnosed with Parkinsons

\*Doug Nemeth—Back surgery coming up

Carol Jackson and Headrick Family – Death of Bill

Camiren Taylor—Two broken arms.

Congratulations to the House Family on the birth or their twin grandchildren, Charlee Rose and Remington Ray. Their parents are Christopher and Lindsay Graham. Mom and both babies are home and doing well.

# Upcoming events

- May 15—Senior Banquet honoring our graduating Seniors
- May 17th —Yah meeting will be at the church building. Cookout/ picnic, games. See Lois Dial for more details
- June 6-10th VBS
- July 23-30 Chihuahua, Mexico partnership

# CHILDREN

Sunday morning
Children's ClasseS
Begin at 9:30
Adults are available in the hal
to show the children to their

Children's Worship

classes

—watch for the dismissal slide in worship

Wednesday Night Children's <u>Class K-4th</u> "Connection Now" <u>5th-8th</u> grade

2016 Budget \$337,000 year \$28,083 month						
Month	Month Giving	Year To Date	+/-			
First Quarter	\$80,025.90	\$80,025.90	(\$4,233.10)			
April	\$25,101.13	\$105,127.03				