

Mid-Week Informer

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Lancaster Baptist Church

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A COMMUNITY OF **GRACE**THAT IS **GROWING**AND **GOING**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

AUGUST

- Invite Your One Sunday August 20th
- Bibles & Breakfast Tues., Aug. 22nd at 8:45 AM
- Mentor Training, Sat.
 August 26th 9:00 AM
- Revival August 27-30

SEPTEMBER

- Prayer for Sue Ballard Day, Sept. 1st
- Motorcycle Sunday Sunday September 10th
- Block party Village Square Sunday, Sept. 17th from 6-7:30 PM

PRAYER WARRIOR

Sunday, August 20, 2017 Anna Ward

FAMILY LIFE CENTER WALKING Monday – Friday

REACH

(7:42 - 10:02 AM)

August 21st @ 6:00 PM

From Your Pastor When Unity Triumphs Over Racism

Last weekend we saw racism, evil and hatred on display in Charlottesville, VA. As Christians, I think it is imperative that we speak out against such hatred (be it racism or white supremacy) because it is antigospel. Christ suffered and died for all peoples, nations, tongues, and languages. We must pray for the Gospel to change these evil and racist hearts! We need to be take the lead in understanding the issues, pursuing peace and having a biblical understanding of the issues in our community.

The Bible tells us that every person belongs to the human race and share the same roots. We all come from Adam and Eve. Acts 17:26 tells us that God "made from one man (Adam) every nation of mankind." Because God made every ethnic group from one man (Adam), racism is hard to understand.

What color was Adam? What ethnicity was Adam? Was he dark or was he light? What about Eve? I have no answers to those questions because the Bible doesn't say (so it isn't that important). What the Bible does tell us is that God created all human beings and He created them to know, love and glorify Him. We also know that God Himself is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and God is one. Therefore, in the Godhead we have both unity and diversity. It makes sense that His creation would reflect that. Hence, human beings were created to live in a diverse, loving community with other people. We also know that the Bible tells us that God does not show partiality (Acts 10:34).

The solution to racism, race supremacy, and racial hatred is the Gospel. The gospel reminds us that God sent His Son to die for sinners like you & I. And when Jesus was crucified, He said, "It is finished." His finished work of the cross, offers us victory over death, sin, racism, and cultural superiority. Ephesians 1:10 tells us that God had "a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth." Yes, God's eternal plan is to unite all things in Christ. The redemption that is available through the Gospel does not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or ethnicity. As a matter of fact, we should remember that we worship a brown-skinned (Jew), Aramaic-speaking Palestinian Savior (Jesus of Nazareth) who is seated at the right hand of our Father in heaven.

Let me be clear, Christ has broken down the wall that divided all ethnic groups and all races. And when He broke it down (on the cross), He brought them together into one family. Through faith in Christ, we become brothers and sisters by the blood of Christ. We have brothers and sisters (in Christ) living all over the world and although we look different, we are a part of one family. Racism diminishes what Christ accomplished on the cross.

Think about this, Jesus has a multi-colored, multiethnic, multicultural bride and she (the church) is beautiful and one of these days (soon I pray) He is coming to get His bride and we will sit together at the marriage supper of the Lamb. Let us denounce the evils of racism and racial superiority and lets boldly proclaim the Gospel that offers to bring us all together in Christ!

Bro Harold

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOY CLUB: Meeting this Thursday, the 17th, in the Youth room. Sandwiches will be provided – please bring salads or desserts. All are welcome.

INVITE YOUR ONE AUGUST 20TH: This is a special day set apart to challenge every person in our church to commit to invite and bring at least one person to church with them. We will have invitation cards coming. Be considering who you can bring.

AUGUST 20TH PM SERVICE: On August 20th we will plan on having a special time of prayer for our revival and then have our August Members Meeting. Teams/teachers will be presented by the Nominating Team. We would like to ask all teams/committees to meet right after the meeting to discuss plans for the coming church year. We would also like to get folks to take a gift (cookies) by the guest who joined us at our morning "Invite Your One" service. We could use some homemade cookies and goodies that evening.

RECEPTION: The Ministerial Association is sponsoring a reception for Bro Don Burton and Bro Leon Thomas from 6:00-7:30 on Thursday evening, August 17th at the First Southern Community Room to show our appreciation for their faithful service to Garrard County for many years. All are invited to come and express your appreciation.

BIBLE & BREAKFAST: Tuesday, August 22nd at 8:45 AM.

Arthur Gaffney, Jr

Darin Mackey

MENTORS NEEDED: We are looking for mentors who are willing to work with one student for one hour a week. The applications for becoming a Kids Hope USA mentor are in the church library. Mentoring training will be August 26th from 9:00AM – 12:00PM.

REVIVAL: Mark your calendar for Revival (Aug. 27-30) with Bro. Barry Jeffries.

PARENTING CONFERENCE: Join us on Fri. evening Sept. 29th and Sat. morning Sept. 30th for a Parenting Conference with Paul David Tripp. Let Vonda Anderson know if you are interested in attending.

MOTORCYCLE SUNDAY: Sunday, September 10th. More details will be forthcoming.

MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Begins Saturday, Sept. 9th at 7:15 AM.

HOLY LAND TOUR: If you might be interested in going to the Holy Land in March of 2018 please see Bro. Harold for more details.

PRAYER REQUEST (Pray without ceasing... 1 Thessalonians 5:16) Della Hall – 548-9250

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Paul Abney	Vernon Gallagher	Sherry Martin	Bill Vanderpool	LBC
Steve Baker	Zachary Gay	Landyn Maynard	Tonia Warren	Bro. Harold & family
Sue Ballard	Jean Goins	Lisa Morrow	Lucy Wayne	Bro. Nehemiah & family
Don Banks	Rae Ann Grubbs	Nancy Morrow	Flonnie Whitaker	Bro. Ken & family Chervens
Dorothy Bennett	Barbara Hackney	Verity Morrow	Isaac White	CJ & Adam (Clear Creek)
Enith Bentley	Barb Hall	Cline Mullins	Billy Williams	Michael Anderson
Kaleigh Burkhart	Jeanne Hall	Patricia Norton	Charlotte Winter	Our Deacons
Cameron Caldwell	Leland Hall	George Peek		Our SS Teachers
Kristine Caudill	Diana Henderson	Amber Rankin	HOMEBOUND	Church Leaders
Jerry Carrier	Marsha Hodge	Deanna Rice	 Jewell Callis 	Lost
Nancy Childers	Misty Horton	Mrs. Bobby Robbins	 Lois Carrier (CCC) 	COMMUNITY
Joyce Clark	Jeff Hoskins	Lisa Logan Rogers	Nellie Cole	County Judge (Wilson)
Levi Clontz	Betty Howard	Dave Ruda	JoAnn Grow	City Mayor (Davis)
Nikki Coulter	Carolyn Hunt	Leroy Russell	Allene (Peg) Dollins	Representative (Shell) Police/Sheriff Dept.
Jr. Cox	David Hulsing	Amos Sharp	Juanita Gullett	Fire/EMS
Rosa Cranfill	Joe Jennings	David Simpson	Della Meadows (CCC)	Schools
Gladys Dailey	Cheryl Johnson	Virginia Simpson	Anna Meadows	Lost
Roy Davis, Sr.	Julia Kay	Ben & Kim Smith	• Tina Montgomery (ccc)	NATIONALLY
Laikin Day	Donna Kendall	Danny Smith	Marie Naylor Denoting Observations	President (Trump)
Jo Denton	KY Choice Treatment	Derek Smith	Dorothy Shockley (ccc) Katharina Causalan	Governor (Bevins)
Mike Durham	Don King	Tyler Stratton	Katherine Sowder	Legislaturès
Stephanie Elam	Mandy Lynch	Andy Sutton	Myrtle Stump (CCC)	Armed Forces
Heather Farris	Molly Lanham	Mike Sutton		Missionaries
Jimmy Flynn	Chris Lawson	Bro. Leon Thomas		Persecuted Christians
Rosetta France	Theo Long	Sky Tudor family		Spiritual Awakening