

THE GREEN PLAIN PROCLAIMER

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Schedule of Services

- Sunday
 Bible Classes
 10:00 AM
 Morning Worship
 10:45 AM

 Evening Worship
 6:00 PM
- Wednesday
 Bible Classes 7:00 PM

Elders

- Mike Ernstberger 270-753-2108 Home 270-293-7027 Cell
- James Pigg 270-759-2145 Home 270-293-2319 Cell

Deacons

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- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

Preacher

 Jonnie Hutchison Cell: 270-978-7569

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India—Dale Foster, David Nance. and Ronnie Gootam McKenzie, TN—Paul Jones

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WILL THIS BE "YOUR" YEAR, OR GOD'S By Jonnie Hutchison

Each New Year gives us both an opportunity for reflection and for resolution. Years are measurements of time. Each year that you and I live upon this earth may be dedicated to ourselves or to God. Will 2020 be "your" year or God's?

Let us reflect for a moment upon this past year. Did you make this past year yours or God's? A life dedicated to God always seeks His kingdom and righteousness first (Matthew 6:33). Did you put His church and His will first in 2019? A faithful Christian is loving, merciful, good, kind, tenderhearted, forgiving and seeks the spiritual good of others (1 Cor. 13:4ff; Rom. 12:10; Eph. 4:32; Col. 3:12). Were these characteristics that you exhibited in 2019? A genuine follower of God participates joyfully and consistently in willing worship, refusing to willfully forsake the assembly. He/she is glad to sing praises to God, give, pray, study God's Word and to be reminded of the death of Jesus in the Lord's Supper (Heb. 10:25-26). Was this true of you in 2019?



The servant of the Lord is a faithful steward of his/her time, opportunities, abilities and material possessions. Did you exercise good stewardship in 2019? One saved by the blood of Jesus desires that others have the opportunity to be saved and tgladly follow the example of Jesus who came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10;Rom. 10:1-2). In 2019 did you seek to save the lost? Again, was 2019 "your" year or God's?

Though none of us can change the past we do have it within our ability to change our thinking and our actions as this new year begins. Each of us can repent of whatever was lacking in our lives in 2019 and make 2020, not our year, but God's year.

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man's all" -Eccl. 12:13 NKJV

NEWS AND NOTES

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** <u>Green Plain members</u>: Remember Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Rex and Margarette Enoch, Mary Crutchfield, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, and Larry Enoch.
- <u>Family and Friends</u>: Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Walter Byars, Will Winchester, Jim Hutson, Janice Canter, Maryanne Pedigrew, Dale Foster, Andrea Phillips, Donald and Dorothy Cook and Larry Wyatt. Please keep these folks in your prayers.
- Pantry items January: 5—Childrens Toothpaste; 12—Canned Chili; 19—Apple Sauce; 26—Canned Potatoes; All food items should be canned. Thanks to all for participating in this effort.
- Remember our snacks for the hospital program and place your items in the baskets in the lobby.
- PASS IT ON! When you have finished reading this bulletin, why not pass it on to a loved one, friend or neighbor. Use this as a tool to spread the gospel. Or, pick up extra copies to hand or mail to others.
- See our Facebook page for announcements, updates and articles. Access to past editions of this bulletin are available on our website at http://greenplainchurchofchrist.org.
- Mission Work: Please continue to pray for the preachers this congregation is supporting in India and for Dale Foster, Ronnie Gootan, David Nance, Mike Kiser, Arnold Gerson and Paul Jones in their respective works.
- Watch "A Bible Answer" each Sunday morning at 8:00 am on WQWQ TV in Paducah, KY. This program is also available on their website at abibleanswertv.org and on GBN and YouTube.
- January 2020 Anniversaries: 27th Carolyn & Walter Byars; Birthdays: 14th-Shane Smith; 18th-Karen Workman; 26th-Marjorie Grady; Please let us know if we have left anyone out and we will include them next week.
- If you are able to receive the MyTV channel (WDKA Channel 49 in Paduka and on WK&T and other providers), tune in to the "Good News" program with Jim Dearman each Sunday morning at 7:30 am.
- Has God revealed all of His will that He intends to reveal to us? Yes! Read John 16:13; 1 Corinthians 2:9-10; Galatians 1:12; Ephesians 3:3-5; 2 Timothy 1:9-10; 3:16-17; 1 Peter 1:3). His revelation is complete and final. It needs neither additions nor updates. To attempt changes to what God has revealed is sinful (Galatians 1:6-9).



BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

This Week: Whom did Paul say he hoped to send to the church in Philippi to know their state?

Last Week: According to Jesus, what is the "first and great commandment?"

<u>Answer</u> Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment" (Matthew 22:37-38).

LESSONS TODAY

Sunday AM
"What's New? Nothing!

Sunday PM
"Principles Necessary to
Learning Truth"

"Preach the Word" 2 Timothy 4:2

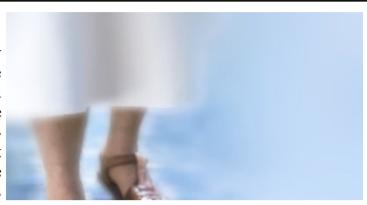
BEAUTIUL FEET By Dan Jenkins

"I will never forget the first time I saw him. It was love at first sight. He had the most beautiful smile I had ever seen, and then when I looked into his eyes—they were beyond beautiful." Words like this are sometimes part of conversations in our land, but one thing you will never hear. "He had the most beautiful feet I have ever seen. I was captivated by their beauty." Now as strange as it might seem, the Bible does talk about beautiful feet.

God's plan was for His people to take His message to a lost world. How did He look at it? "How shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things'" (Rom. 10:14-15)! There it is. Those who bring the gospel to the lost have beautiful feet.

What makes their feet beautiful? It begins long before they walk to conduct their study with a lost person. When God described the armor Christian soldiers must put on, He did not forget their feet (Eph. 6:13-18). He has on his head a helmet of salvation. His upper body has a breastplate of righteousness. His midsection is wrapped with the truth of God. His hand has that shield of faith to withstand every fiery projectile thrown at him by Satan. He also holds the sword of the Spirit, the word of God. However, there is one other item he must have. He must enclose his feet with "the preparation of the gospel of peace."

That gospel of peace was completely prepared by God as He established the church, but we must ensure that we place it on our feet. Teaching others demands hours of preparing ourselves. It demands prayer and long periods of study of God's word. However,



God expects all of us to feed on the milk of the word, then go on to feasting on the meat of the word and then to become teachers of others (Heb. 5:12-14).

Having done this, we take that "gospel of peace" to a troubled world. It brings peace between those who were captivated by sin, enemies of God, and makes them children of God. It brings to their hearts a peace which passes all understanding.

It also brings "glad tidings of good things." Is this not the definition of the gospel? The Greek word for gospel literally means good news. We take this good news to them, and it brings gladness to their souls. It brings gladness to your soul for there is no joy greater that bringing a lost person to Him.

So, take time to look at your feet. They may appear hideous to you, but the heart of that lost one will say, "How beautiful are the feet of those brought me the gospel of peace, glad tidings of good things!"

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"If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. et your mind on things above, not on things on the earth" (Colossians 3:1-2).

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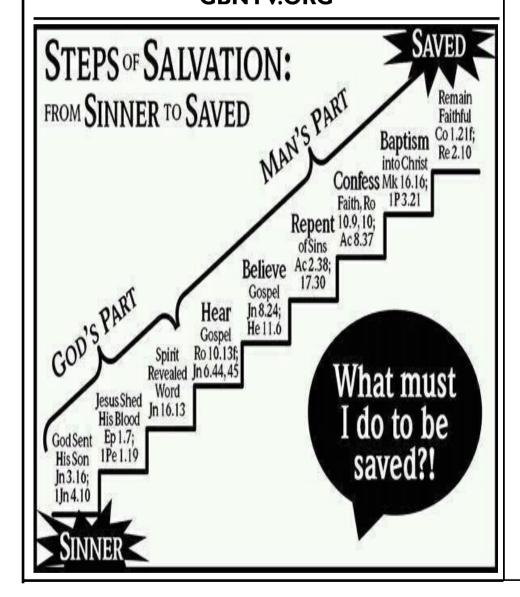
The church building is located southeast of Murray one mile off highway 641 - Near the corner of the Green Plain and Murray Paris Roads. We look forward to seeing you!

A warm and friendly welcome awaits!



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GOSPEL BROADCASTING
NETWORK
GBNTV.ORG



THOSE TO SERVE

January 2020

Announcements

Perry Jarvis

Preside at Lord's Table

Mike Ernstberger & James Pigg

Substitute: Jim Lowrie

Assist at Lord's Table

Dave t=Thompson & Bobby Hall Substitute Chad Canter

Preside at Lord's Table PM

5—Mike

12—James

19—Mike

26—James

Opening Prayer

5—Bobby Hall

12—Jonnie Hutchison

19—Perry Jarvis

26—Jim Lowrie

Closing Prayer

5—Chad Canter

12—Roy Wyatt 19 – Preston Barrtt

26—Dave Thompson

Song Leaders

Sunday AM—Charles Enoch

Sunday PM—Perry Jarvis

Wednesday—Chad Canter

Substitute—Mike Ernstberger

Count Contribution

Dave & Bobby

Collect Communion Cups

London & Peyton

<u>Usher</u> Chad Canta

Chad Canter

If unable to serve please call Chad Canter at 270-873-7509

Thanks for Serving!