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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

- Larry Enoch
- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison
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Supporting Works

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

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BE SOMEONE'S LIGHT

When I was a pre-teen, not quite sure of the age, two other kids and I decided we would explore a cave in the woods. Now, we were ready a flashlight and a Three Musketeers bar.

We had no idea what we would find or how long we would be in the cave. All we knew was it was different, and it was an adventure. The opening was small, but we were kids and squeezed right in.

I am not sure how long we were in the cave before we realized that we had no idea where the entrance was. I don't think we panicked, but two were crying.

I don't know who said it but, what he said was something like, "lets stay together and we will just walk and watch for the sunlight coming in. That made sense, and that is what we did.

Of course, we had good luck and found the light and the way out. The thing was it was not the opening where we came into the cave. **It was much larger and let in much more light. That was a blessing!**

In a previous article, I

mentioned walking in the light, I [John 1:7](#) and isn't that where we need to be. Note with me a few other verses about the light.

[Psalm 89:15](#), "How blessed are the people who know the joyful sound! O LORD, **they walk in the light** of Your countenance.

[Isaiah 2:5](#), "Come, house of Jacob, and let *us* **walk in the light** of the LORD.

[John 8:12](#), "Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, "I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the **Light of life.**"

[John 12:35-36](#), "Jesus said to them, "For a little while longer the Light is among you. Walk while you have the Light, so that darkness will not overtake you; he who walks in the darkness does not know where he goes. "While you have the Light, **believe in the Light, so that you may become sons of Light.**"

So, as we live day-by-day don't you find it interesting that each of us is referred to as light

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NEWS AND NOTES

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members:** . Remember Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Rex and Margarette Enoch, Mary Crutchfield, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, and Larry Enoch.
- **Family and Friends:** Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Walter Byars, Will Winchester, Jim Hutson, Janice Canter, Maryanne Pedigrew, Dale Foster, Andrea Phillips and Donald and Dorothy Cook and Larry Wyatt.
- **UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS:** *Arnold Garson is scheduled to be with us next Sunday morning. Arnold is from Hati and has been with us previously.* Jane Morris will host an **Ornament Party** at her home on December 14th at 6:00 pm. All ladies are invited.
- **Pantry items December:** 1—Popcorn; 8 —Soups; 15—Pears; 22—Green Beans; 29—Toilet Tissue. 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, 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 abibleanswerstv.org and on GBN and YouTube.
- **December 2019 Anniversaries:** 17th Jesse & Mary Vincent; 22nd Hayes & Marjorie Grady **Birthdays:** 5th Nathan Hale; 7th Mike Ernstberger; 9th Debbie Ernstberger; 12th—Wanda Barrett; 12th Jesse Vincent; 14th Faye Travis; 16th Cody Canter; 17th Marie Wyatt; 18th Wanda Barrett (Green Plain RD); 18th rex Enoch; 21st Larry Enoch; Please let us know if we have left anyone out and we will include them next week.
- **“Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever” Psalms 136:1.**
- **“in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” 1 Thessalonians 5:18.**



BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

This Week: Which Old Testament Prophet raised a boy from the dead?

last Week: *Who was Haggai?*

Answer: Haggai was a prophet of the Return who prophesied in Jerusalem about 520 B.C. His main mission was to rouse the people to stop building their own houses in order to complete the building of the temple.

LESSONS TODAY

Sunday AM

“Why So Few Enter the Narrow Way”

Sunday PM

“Influence of the Holy Spirit”

“Preach the Word”

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in such passages as, [Matthew 5:14-16](#), "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; 15 nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lamp stand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. 16 "Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven."

Or again we have this thought from [Ephesians 5:8](#), "For you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; **walk as children of Light.**"

Thinking about a real light because of the curvature of the earth, about 3.1 miles is the limit. If the earth were flat or you were

on a high mountain a light could be seen 100 miles away. Even a candle could be seen 30 miles away if the earth were flat. Now while those facts are interesting, we are very seldom that far away from anybody, even the 3.1 miles. We are in contact with people all the time, every day. And as a Christian you know many are watching to see what you will say or what you will do. Be ready with a word of encouragement and a helping hand.

So, let us remember not only are we **to walk in the light**, we are the light for many. It could be you are **the only light. Be ready to share and show the way out of the darkness.**

—Author Unknown

WHAT ABOUT TOMORROW? *By Jonnie Hutchison*

Each morning we arise and go about our daily routines. Today is what is on our minds, not tomorrow. We expect tomorrow will come just as has today. But what about tomorrow?

Tomorrow is uncertain. It may come or it may not. No one knows for sure. There are two possibilities about tomorrow. First, tomorrow may be the day you meet your appointment with death (Hebrews 9:27). According to the United Nations World's Population Report, 7,452 people die in the United States every day. You and I could be among them tomorrow. Second, tomorrow may be the day Jesus comes and this material universe ceases to exist. No one knows when Jesus is coming (1 Thess. 5:2; 1 Peter 3:10ff). Can you be absolutely certain that either of these events will not happen tomorrow? No one can! So, what about tomorrow? James 4:14-15 reads, "*whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away.* 15

Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that."

Tomorrow may be too late! If either death or the Lord comes tomorrow will you be prepared? This is the most relevant and vital question one may ask today, for today, while time and opportunity are on your side, may be the time to prepare for what will come tomorrow. The Bible declares concerning salvation, ". . . Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (, 2 Corinthians 6:2b).

Dear reader, if you have not obeyed the gospel then do so today. Don't wait! Your delay could cost you eternal life (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Romans 10:9-10; Gal. 3:26-27). If you are an unfaithful child of God, please do not continue in the path of sin. Delaying your confession, repentance and seeking God's forgiveness may result in your eternal separation from the God who loves you so much. You can't depend on tomorrow!



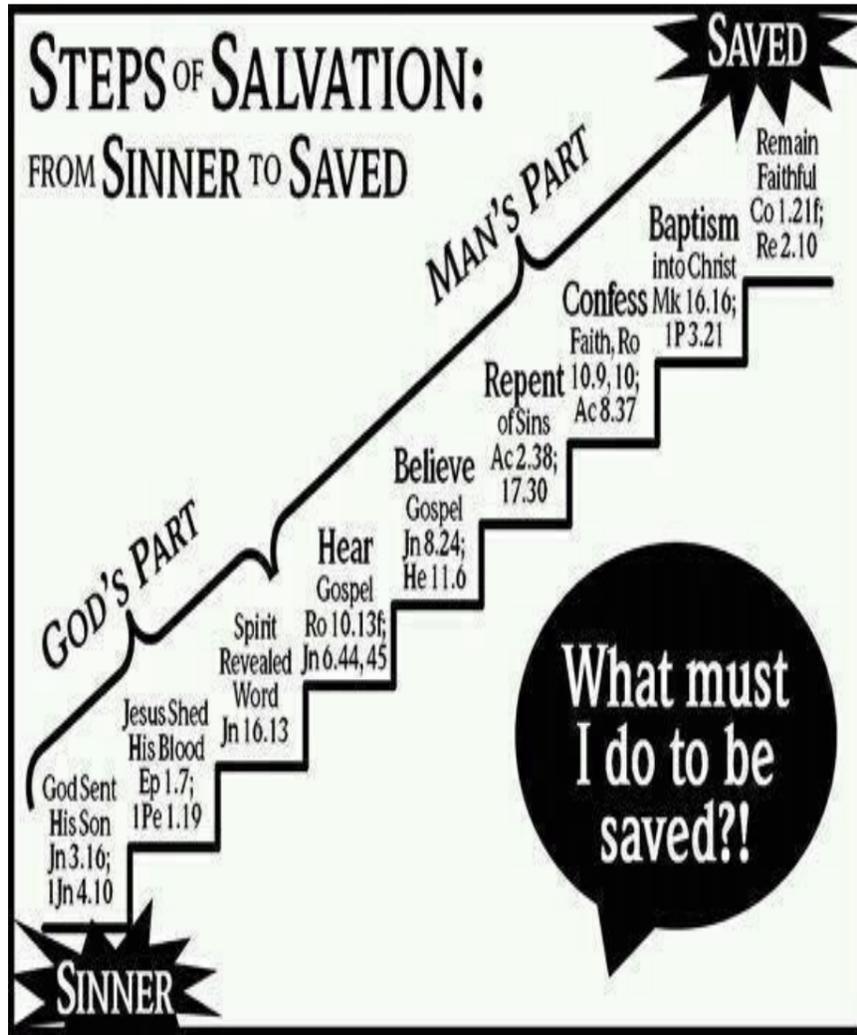
COME VISIT WITH US

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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GBNTV.ORG



THOSE TO SERVE

December 2019

Announcements

James Pigg

Preside at Lord's Table

Chad Canter & Larry Enoch
Substitute: Mike Ernstberger

Assist at Lord's Table

Jesse Vincent & Jackson Hale
Substitute James Pigg

Preside at Lord's Table PM

1—Chad

8—Larry

15—Chad

22—Larry

29—Chad

Opening Prayer

1—Mike Ernstberger

8—Jim Lowrie

15—Junior Morris

22—Charles Enoch

29—Jonnie Hutchison

Closing Prayer

1—Preston Barrett

8—James Pigg

15—Bobby Hall

22—Jesse Vincent

29—Dave Thompson

Song Leaders

Sunday AM—Perry Jarvis

Sunday PM—Mike Ernstberger

Wednesday—Jackson Hale

Substitute—Chad Canter

Count Contribution

Chad & Jesse

Collect Communion Cups

Nathan & Zoey

Usher

Bobby Hall

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