



# THE GREEN PLAIN PROCLAIMER

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## Schedule of Services

- 10:00 AM  
Sunday  
Worship
- 7:00 PM  
Wednesday  
Bible Study

## Elders

- Mike Ernstberger  
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- Larry Enoch
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- Jesse Vincent

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Nance, and Ronnie Gootam  
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## THE LORD'S SUPPER IS IMPORTANT TO YOU! *By Jonnie Hutchison*

Before Jesus went to the cross He instituted what the Bible refers to as the "Lord's Supper." (Matthew 26:26-29). The Lord's Supper is a memorial reminding those who partake of the body of Jesus (represented by the unleavened bread) and the blood of Jesus shed on the cross (represented by the juice of the grape). For the Christian, observing the Lord's Supper is an opportunity to reflect upon the tremendous suffering and sacrifice of Jesus Christ which He endured to provide forgiveness of sin and the hope of eternal life.

When Paul wrote by inspiration of the Holy Spirit to the church in Corinth he penned, "Therefore when you come together in one place, it is not to eat the Lord's Supper" (1 Corinthians 11:20). Actually, Paul was correcting an abuse involving the Lord's Supper in essence implying in these words that the church in Corinth should have been coming together to eat the Lord's Supper but instead, they were making it no more important than a common meal. In addition they were not waiting

until all were present to partake (1 Corinthians 11:21). The Holy Spirit went on to reveal to Paul the vital importance of the correct observance of the Lord's Supper, stating, "Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body" 1 Corinthians 11:27-29). The Greek word translated "discerning" means to "separate or make a distinction" (Thayer). The proper observance of the Lord's Supper requires one to separate his or her thoughts from worldly matters and focus those thoughts upon the sacrifice of Jesus, recognizing the significance of His horrible suffering and His death to oneself. Each Christian should understand that what Jesus did on the cross He did for his or her salvation Romans 6:10-11 reads, "For the death that He died, He

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## NEWS AND NOTES

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** *Green Plain members:* Remember Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Rex Enoch, Mary Crutchfield, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Carolyn Byars, Mary and Jim Lowrie, and Mary and Jesse Vincent.

*Family and Friends:* Helen Tidwell, Jenne Pool, Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, , Janice Canter, , Andrea Phillips, Donald and Dorothy Cook, Sandra Cook Downs, Kevin Smith, Dale Pentecost Jaime Aguavo, Jr., Steve Ernestberger is home. Brett Wyatt is receiving treatment at St. Jude's hospital in Memphis.

- **PANTRY ITEMS February 2021:** 7—SpaghettiOs; 14—Jell-O; 21—Apple Sauce; 28—Tuna. Please bring any additional items you wish for the “blessing box” which is located next to the breezeway on the north side of the building.
- **February 2021 Anniversaries:** None. **Birthdays:** 8-Krysta Smith; 19 -Maxine Pool; 25-Jan Pigg. If we have left anyone out please let us know.
- **We offer FREE BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES through the mail.** Enroll on our website or send your name and return mailing address to the address on the first page of this bulletin. You may also call 270-978-7569 or you may email us at [greenplain@greenplainchurchofchrist.org](mailto:greenplain@greenplainchurchofchrist.org).

## ONLINE SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

Gospel Broadcasting Network  
<https://gbntv.org/>

World Video Bible School  
<https://store.wvbs.org/wvbs-splashpage.html>

A Bible Answer  
<https://abibleanswertv.org/>

Good News Today  
<http://gnttv.org/>

In Search of the Lord's Way  
<http://searchtv.org/>



## BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

**This Week:** What type of insect did John the immerser eat in the wilderness?

**Last Week:** What type of insect did John the immerser eat in the wilderness?

**Answer:** “Now John himself was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey.” Matthew 3:4 .

## THE GLORIOUS CHURCH *By Bradly Smith*

In Ephesians 5:27 we read of the church being described as “glorious.” What makes the church so glorious? Here are just a few reasons why the church can rightly be described as “The Glorious Church.”

- ⇒ Because Christ is the Head (Eph. 1:22-23).
- ⇒ Because of reconciliation to God in the one body (Eph. 2:16).
- ⇒ Because God’s wisdom is made known in the church (Eph. 3:10).
- ⇒ Because the church glorifies God (Eph. 3:20-21).
- ⇒ Because there is only one church (Eph.

4:4).

- ⇒ Because Christ is the Savior of the church (body (Eph. 5:23).
- ⇒ Because Christ gave Himself for it (Eph. 5:25).
- ⇒ Because the church is the bride of Christ (Eph. 5:31-32, cf. Rev. 2:19-27).

We see all these descriptions in the book of Ephesians for the church, yet sometimes we fail to see just how unique and special the Lord’s church is. Let us never be guilty of forgetting about how important the Lord and His church are.

—Via Getwell church of Christ website,  
Memphis, TN.

## WOULD YOU TELL? *By Wesley Simmons*

If you knew of a cure for the corona virus, would you tell people where it could be found? If you knew of a doctor that could cure the corona virus would you tell where he practiced medicine? If you knew the aforementioned facts and failed to share them, what would the people of the world think of you? You had life-saving information and would not reveal it. You would be considered one of the most unloving persons ever to live. How could you face the human race again?

In like manner, if we know the cure for the sin problem which damns the soul, will we share it? Paul stated: “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord” (Romans 6:23). The wages of sin is death. People all around us are dying without hope! Yet, we know the cure. We know the Great Physician. What will they think of us come judgment

day? Will they sing to us, You Never Mentioned Him to Me?

Let us see what Jesus did about this. Jesus knew that He was the cure so He stated: “...I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me” (John 14:6). As the Great Physician, He knew He could cure the sin-sick. He uttered these words: “Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light” (Matthew 11:28-30). The Physician is ready. The cure is ready. Are we ready?

The great Healer of mankind wanted the sin-sick to be brought to Him. With that in mind, He gave us our marching orders: “And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every crea-

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### 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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## Lesson Today

### “The Importance of the Church”

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*died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

As we partake of the Lord’s supper we are not only reminded of what Jesus did for us, but we are showing His death until He comes to take us home to heaven. *“For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “Take, eat; this is My body*

*which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes” (1 Corinthians 11:23-26).*

Dear reader, never underestimate the importance of the Lord’s death or the Lord’s Supper **to you**. Never take it for granted nor fail to observe it faithfully and fully.

### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY - 7:00 PM A STUDY OF SECOND TIMOTHY

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ture. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned” (Mark 16:15-16). When was the last time you invited someone to a worship service? When was the last time you had a Bible study with one who is lost? When was the last time you set up a Bible study for the elders or preacher? Brethren, do we care? What about your neighbors? What about the people with whom you work? What about your own family? One might say, “I am afraid I will make them mad!” Well, shall we let them die

and go to hell because we are afraid we are going to hurt their feelings? Jesus said this: “... The harvest truly is great, but the laborer’s are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send for the laborer’s into his harvest” (Luke 10:2).

Brethren, we know the Great Physician and the cure. Will we withhold this information? May God help us to share both!

—Via “*A More Sure Word*” a publication of Tri-cities School of Preaching and Christian Development