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Schedule of Services

- **Sunday**
Bible Classes
10:00 Amma
Morning Worship
10:45 am
Evening Worship
6:00 pm
- **Wednesday**
Bible Classes 7:00 pm

Elders

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

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- Larry Enoch
- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison
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Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster
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CHANGING TASTE By Foy Forehand

As a boy growing up in north west Texas my family did what others would consider strange. At best, strange. When Momma had finished brewing coffee for her and Daddy, we kids would often take the grounds and chew them. Okay, really strange. However, with this early introduction to the taste of coffee, I learned to love the taste of coffee. I enjoyed coffee so much that I would drink it hot, cold or lukewarm – the stronger, the better. My coffee would always be black with no sugar or any other taste to enhance it. I loved coffee. Two twelve cup pots a day was usual. But something happened. I don't know how or why, but something happened. One morning I woke up and the taste of coffee turned my stomach. I don't like the taste of coffee. Friends and relatives told my wife to have my DNA checked to see if this really was Foy. I have also often heard of other people who, when they had grown older their tastes in many things changed – from fashion to hair style to food and drink. Okay, so what?

If there is nothing but personal taste to determine some situations, then each person's taste are

the only thing that matters. This is true, for the most part, with matters of food, clothes and hair styles. However, there are some matters which can not be adduced merely from personal likes, tastes. Matters of eternal significance must be determined by the highest, the revealed, standard given by the Eternal Divine Nature, GOD! Cain tried to determine his worship merely from his situation instead of following God's directives, [Genesis 4:3-7](#). Cain's unauthorized worship led to murder and exile. Morality based on the feelings of the moment, by king David of Israel, rather than God's directives, led not only to adultery and murder but also to the death of a child, 2 Sam. 11:2-12:18. Biblical examples could be multiplied. Moreover, in the New Testament we find Christians turning from honesty which God ordained and a husband and wife, Ananias and Sapphira, suffering both the humiliation of Divine wrath but also physical death, [Acts 1-11](#). The Divine standard does not change, regardless of human taste.

I also grew up in a family where music was everywhere.

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NEWS AND NOTES

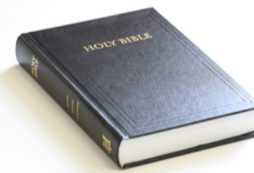
- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *Green Plain members*:** Paul Brandon Lori Brandon, Peggy Jarvis, Rex and Margaret Enoch, Will Ed Travis , Mary Crutchfield, Vickie and Kaitlyn Canter, Tina Wyatt, Joanne Barnes. Frank Towery, Maxine Pool, Nancy Meacham, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Mary Lowrie, Mary and Jesse Vincent, Jim Fielder. And Larry Enoch.
- **Family and Friends:** Betty Pond, Naomi Pigg, Byron White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Anna Arrant (Hospice House in Murray), Walter Bryars, Ann Workman, Mike and Dollie Kiser, Will and Nancy Winchester, Dean Carroll, Maryanne Stubblefield, Annie Lyons, Kenzie Murdock, Brandon Wiggins, Jim Hutson, Amy Lyons, Janice Canter, Maryanne Pedigrew, Dale Foster and Thomas Cooper. If you know of those who need to be added or removed from our prayer list please write down their names and hand it to Jonnie.
- **Our sympathy** is extended to the family of Anna Arant at her passing. Please continue to remember Jane and Brent and all the family in prayer.
- **Pantry items for February:** 3—Peanut Butter; 10—Jelly; 17—Shampoo; 24—Soups.
- Please 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 and Mike Kiser in their respective works.
- Watch **“A Bible Answer”** each Sunday morning at 8:00 am on WQQW TV in Paducah, KY. This program is also available on their website at abibleanswerstv.org and on GBN and YouTube.
- **February 2019 Anniversaries:** John and Laura Sales—1st; **Birthdays:** Krista Smith—8th; John Sales—12th; Maxine Pool—19th; Jan Pigg—25th; If we have left anyone out please let us know so we may put it in next weeks bulletin.
- **“When Jesus comes, every unbeliever will immediately become a believer even bowing before Him and confessing to Him” (Romans 14:11-12).**



BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

This Week: *What book in the Bible never mentions God by name?*

Last Week: *Where is Jonah mentioned in the Old Testament outside of the book of Jonah and what does it say Jonah did?* Jonah is mentioned in 2 Kings 15:25 as a prophet sent from God who prophesied concerning territory restored to Israel.



LESSONS TODAY

Sunday AM
“Facing Reality”

Sunday PM
“Together with One Accord in One Place”

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Momma sang ditties and great songs. We all sang secular songs and spiritual songs. Momma played the ukulele. In college I learned to play the trombone and took some lessons in piano. I loved listening to the “big band” sounds of famous orchestras. When I came to the New Testament, the last will and testament of Jesus Christ, [Heb. 9:15-17](#); [10:9-10](#), it was immediately obvious that God said “sing,” [Eph. 5:19](#); [Col. 3:16](#); [Heb. 13:15](#) AND that God intended this for psalms, hymns and spiritual songs wherever and whenever they were used, [James 5:13](#). Now, my personal tastes no longer have any value

because God has spoken. The truth will not change so I must change my tastes to match the truth.

I have often wondered what it would be like to stand before Jesus in the judgment, 2 Cor. 5:10, and try to explain to him why I thought my tastes were of more value than His and why He should accept what I like rather than what He said. If [Matthew 28:18-20](#) is true AND IT IS, then we must observe what Jesus said and that’s all. Tastes change. The New Testament does not change.

—<http://churchofchristarticles.com/blog/administrator/changing-taste/>

DO YOU LOVE YOUR CHILDREN? By *Jonnie Hutchison*

The question that is the title of this article may seem somewhat strange. We tend to assume that every parent loves their children. Yet, child abuse in its various forms including physical, sexual and verbal abuse as well as neglect are sadly, far too common in our society. Our foster care system is filled with children whose parents have made very bad choices to the detriment of their children. Children are sometimes unwanted and unloved by the very ones who brought them into this world. How sad and how unnecessary.

The Bible teaches parents to love their children. Older women are to give younger mothers instructions to “love their husbands and to love their children” (Titus 2:4). Inspiration declares, in Ephesians 6:4, “And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.” God says, “Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is a reward” (Psalms 127:3). If all parents would recognize the tremendous value and preciousness of their children, the foster care system would go out of business.

How do parents fail their children? They

fail to exercise loving discipline. There is a difference between physically abusing a child and disciplining a child. When parents punish their children out of anger or malice rather than love and concern there is the potential for abuse. Parents, if you truly love your children, you will correct them when they are wrong and use that correction as a means of training them to be responsible children who will grow up to be responsible adults. Ignoring a child’s misbehavior simply teaches the child that there are no consequences. Our prisons are full of adults whose parents failed to discipline them properly (Ephesians 6:4; Hebrews 12:6-8).

Parents also fail their children in refusing to teach them to love God and His word. Knowing the result of those who reject God it could properly be said that this is the most extreme form of child abuse (2 Thess. 1:6-9). I am so thankful for godly parents who brought me, my brother and my sister up in the nature and training of the Lord. They taught us the Bible and gave us an example of what a genuine Christian is. Unless we were sick, we never missed a Bible class or a

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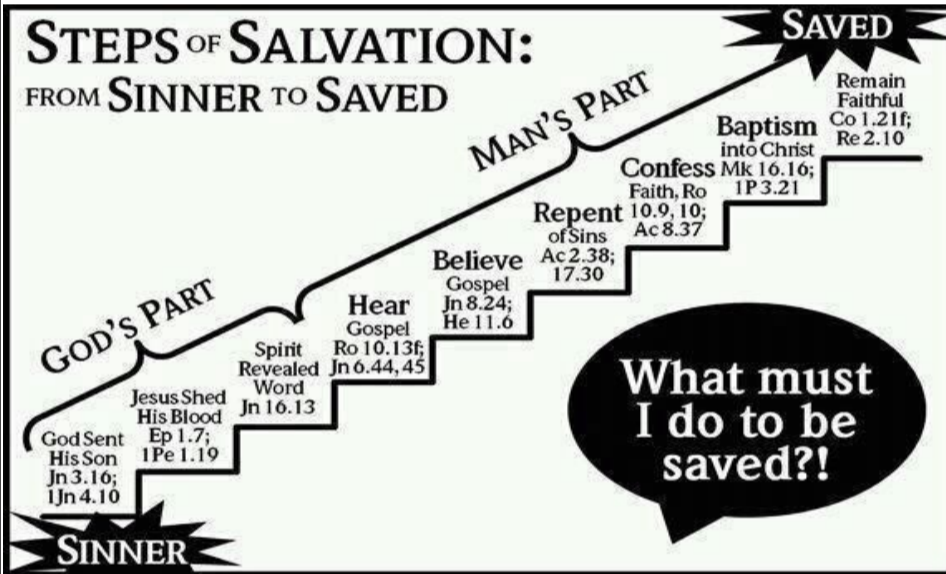


COME VISIT WITH US

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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worship service of the church. They didn't just send us, they took us. Yes, the greatest expression of love of a parent for a child is to influence the salvation of his or her soul. Dear reader, do you love your children?



“Always be kind. If you see someone falling behind, walk beside them. If someone is being ignored, find a way to include them. If someone has been knocked down, lift them up. Always remind people of their worth. Be who you needed when you were going through hard times. Just one small act of kindness could mean the world to someone.” (Please read Luke 6:35; 1 cor. 13:4; Ephesians 4:32).



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THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

February 2019

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Bobby Hall
PRESIDE AT THE LORD'S TABLE
 AM: Mike Ernstberger & James Pigg
 Substitute: Jim Lowrie

ASSIST AT THE LORD'S TABLE:
 AM: Dave Thompson & Perry Jarvis
 Substitute: Chad Canter

Sunday PM

- 6—Mike
- 13—James
- 20—Mike
- 27—James

OPENING PRAYER:

- 6—Bobby Hall
- 13—Jonnie Hutchison
- 20—Hayes Grady
- 27—Jim Lowrie

CLOSING PRAYER:

- 6—Chad Canter
- 13—Roy Wyatt
- 20—Preston Barrett
- 27—Dave Thompson

COUNT CONTRIBUTION:

Dave Thompson & Charles Enoch

COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS

London & Peyton

SONG LEADERS:

- Sunday Morning: /Charles Enoch
- Sunday Evening: Perry Jarvis
- Wednesday: Mike Ernstberger
- Substitute: Chad Canter

USHER: Chad Canter

Lawn Care: N/A

If you are unable to serve, please contact Chad Canter at 270-873-7509

Thank YOU For Serving!!