



# 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

- Larry Enoch
- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

## Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison  
Cell: 270-978-7569

## Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David Nance.  
MSOP—Bradley Smith

## Location

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## OUR SPRING GOSPEL MEETING *By Jonnie Hutchison*

Next Sunday morning our annual spring gospel meeting will begin with our morning Bible classes and worship. Our elders have asked Larry Powers who preaches for the Sharon church of Christ in Sharon, TN to come and conduct this outreach effort. We are confident that Larry will do his part and do it very well. But what of your part and mine?

Gospel meetings have a two-fold purpose—to present the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to those who are lost and without hope, and, to edify the Lord’s church. In gospel meetings the Lord’s command to “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature” (Mark 16:15a) is being carried out as the lost have the opportunity to hear God’s plan of salvation and respond to it. In addition, the command of God to “edify one another” is also being fulfilled as the church assembles to hear the messages presented, pray together and sing songs of praise in worship to God (Romans 14:19; 1 Thess. 5:11). But if we fail to invite the lost to come and hear, and, unless we attend ourselves, this effort will be a failure as far as those not present are concerned.

Let us each consider the question, as a Christian and a member of the congregation that meets at Green Plain, do I really feel the responsibility to be at every service and to invite those I love who are lost to come with me to this gospel meeting? If my answer to this question is no, then further self-examination of my relationship with the Lord is in order. As inspiration has penned, “*Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? — unless indeed you are disqualified*” (2 Corinthians 13:5).

If we each put forth the necessary effort, God will bless us with a wonderful and effective Gospel Meeting. Let us pray and work to the salvation of lost souls.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

- ⇒ **April 7-10 Gospel Meeting at Coldwater church of Christ with Brent Arnold.**
- ⇒ **April 14-18 Gospel Meeting at Green Plain church of Chrst with Larry Powers.**
- ⇒ **April 21-24 Gospel Meeting at LBL church of Christ—Various speakers**
- ⇒ **April 27th Ladies Day at Coldwater with Brook McNutt.**

## 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, Joanne Barnes. Frank Towery, Maxine Pool, Nancy Meacham, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Mary Lowrie, Jim Fielder, Larry Enoch and Jesse Vincent.
- **Family and Friends:** Betty Pond, Naomi Pigg, Byron White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Walter Bryars, Ann Workman, Mike and Dollie Kiser, Will and Nancy Winchester, Dean Carroll, Maryanne Stubblefield, Annie Lyons, Kenzie Murdock, 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.
- **LOCAL EVENTS:** The Spring session of the **Green Plain School of Biblical Studies** continues each Monday, through May 27th. Our **Spring Gospel Meeting** is scheduled for **April 14-18** with Larry Powers preaching. Printed announcements are available in the front lobby.
- **Pantry items for April** 7—Swet Peas; 14—Mixed Vegetables; 21—paper Towels; 28—Great Northern Beans.
- 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 [abibleanswertv.org](http://abibleanswertv.org) and on GBN and YouTube.
- **April 2019 Anniversaries: None. Birthdays:** Mary Lowrie 4-3; Kaitlyn Canter 4-8; Dave Thompson 4-24; Steve Enoch 4-27; Sue Hall 4-29; . If we have left anyone out please let us know so we may put it in next weeks bulletin.
- **“the effective fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much” (James 5:16b).**



### BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

**This Week: Why was Jesus baptized by John?**

**Last Week: Who was present when Jesus ascended into heaven?** Answer: The apostles (minus Judas), “two men in white apparel”, and Jesus (Acts 1:4-11; See also Mark 14:14-20; Luke 24:50-52).



### LESSONS TODAY

**Sunday AM**  
**“Keep Out: Authorized Personnel Only”**

**Sunday PM**  
**“Eyes Wide Open”**

## COMING TO EVERY SERVICE OF THE GOSPEL MEETING

By Dan Jenkins

The gospel meeting with Larry Powers begins this Sunday, and it seems so appropriate to emphasize the importance of every member being present for every service. This has nothing to do with my personal opinion about this, but there are spiritual reasons for why this should happen. Obviously, there are those who, because of physical reasons beyond their control (work, sickness, transportation problems, etc.), could not come, but the following reasons apply to the rest of us. Look at the spiritual reasons for this.

**I am coming to every service because Jesus will be present.** There is no greater reason than this. The Lord said, "If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also" (John 12:26). Every Christian should be described in this verse, for every Christian should be one who serves Him. Every Christian should be one who follows Him. Now Jesus says that those who serve Him and follow Him will be where He is. It is folly to think that the Lord will be absent from any service of the meeting. Where do you think His servants and followers should be?

**I am coming to every service because the lost will be there, and the gospel will be preached to them.** There is no doubt that the church has worked diligently to invite others to come, and past experience shows that they will come. There is no doubt that Preacher Truth will preach the gospel clearly

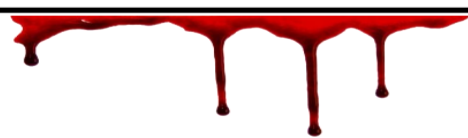
to them. There is also no doubt that my presence will contribute to the impact the services will have on them. I want to be part of the salvation of the lost in my County. My absence reveals if I am seriously concerned about those in sin.

**I am coming to every service because the FAMILY needs me to be present.** My brothers and my sisters have prayed and invited others to come with the expectation that the Lord's family will be present to welcome those friends who will come. My absence will not only send a silent message to those who come, but it will discourage those who have finally made headway in getting others to come. Think about it. My physical presence or absence reveals how much I actually enjoy being with my FAMILY.

**I am coming to every service because I hunger and thirst after righteousness.** I have not arrived at the place in my life where my righteousness is complete. I know I need to be fed from the Lord and drink from the fountain of life. I know that preaching has changed my life and fed me in the past, and that it will feed me now.

**I am coming to every service because there is no place I would rather be.** Think about this! What possible reason can there be for being elsewhere?

—churchofchristarticles.com



**"Would You Be Free from the Burden of Sin  
There's POWER in the BLOOD!"**

**"knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot" - 1 Peter 1:18-19**



**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!



**GOSPEL  
BROADCASTING  
NETWORK**

**GBNTV.ORG**

**THE GOSPEL 24/7**



**Look for our weekly article in the Murray Ledger & Times each Saturday on the "worship page"**

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**SCHOOL OF  
BIBLICAL STUDIES  
FALL SESSION 2019**

**Each Monday 7-9 pm  
March 4—May 27**

Green Plain School of Biblical Studies

**SUBJECTS OF STUDY & TEACHERS**

- I Corinthians Part 2—Larry Powers (1st six weeks)**
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd John—Glen Head (1st six weeks)**
- James—Chris Kemp (2nd six weeks)**
- Colossians—Jack Philips (2nd six weeks)**

**Are You Growing?**

A couple once told me that they felt they were not growing as they should. They didn't enjoy the worship, could not sit in Bible class and all in all they felt they weren't getting anything much from their religion. Further discussion disclosed that they were not Bible readers. They did not pray in their home. They never tried to prepare a Bible study lesson. They had no religious magazines in their home. Did not attend the evangelistic services when they were held, and had never made a call on anyone for the church in their lives. Is it any wonder they weren't growing? Christian growth comes from effort. (Copied)

*2 Peter 3:18 "But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen."*

*2 Tim 2:15 "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."*

*1 Timothy 4:8-9—"For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come."*

*—Pennington Bend Church of Christ Bulletin*