

# THE GREEN PLAIN PROCLAIMER

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#### Schedule of **Services**

• Drive-in Worship this Sunday at 10:00 am in the north parking lot of the building.

#### **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. and Ronnie Gootam McKenzie, TN-Paul Jones

#### Location

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## FACING UNCERTAINITY By Justin Morton

I am not familiar with many people who like the feeling of uncertainty. In fact, the fear of the unknown is a scary thing that can cause a lot of sleepless nights. Just think about the number of times you have laid in bed awake at night because of an uncertain situation in your life. Honestly, most of us do not like facing uncertainty.

In Genesis 12, God called Abram to pick up everything and go to a land He would show him. Have you ever had to move away from something familiar? If you have then you know moving can bring about a great level of uncertainty. God called Abram to leave his familiar surroundings, his family and friends, and travel to an unknown land. Imagine being Abram and having to explain this to your wife. There was nothing Abram could point his wife to, to show her God's call made sense. The only thing Abram had to rely on was his faith and trust in God (Heb. 11:8-9).

Some of us currently find ourselves dwelling in the land of uncertainty. Maybe it is a sickness we or someone we love

is facing. Perhaps it involves a struggling relationship. It might even be related to our job and financial security. Whatever our current situation may be, we must find a way to endure the uncertainty.

God's calling of Abram teaches us to always trust that God knows exactly what He is doing. It is interesting that we never read of Abram questioning God's call to leave his homeland and to follow Him into an unknown land. He simply trusted God, packed up his belongings and went (Gen. 12:4). What amazing faith Abram had in God.

Friends, we may not like it or even want it, but we all will find ourselves living uncertainty. When these moments arise let us remember to not fear, but always trust in the Lord (Prov. 3:5- 6). After all, He will be with us every step of the way, even in times of trials and uncertainty (Isa. 43:1-2).

—Karns Church of Christ, *Knoxville, TN - karnscoc.org* 

#### **NEWS AND NOTES**

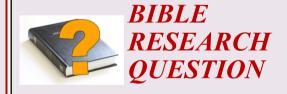
**REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** <u>Green Plain members</u>: Remember Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Rex Enoch, Margarette Enoch (Spring Creek), Mary Crutchfield, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Jesse & Mary Vincent, Carolyn Byars and Dave & Ann Thompson. <u>Family and Friends</u>: Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Will Winchester, Jim Hutson, Janice Canter, Maryanne Pedigrew, Dale Foster, Andrea Phillips, Donald and Dorothy Cook, Pat Hocking, and Sandra Cook Downs. Sam White is recovering from surgery. Please continue to pray for each of these and for those tending to their needs as well as the leaders of our nation in this time of crisis.

- <u>DRIVE-IN WORSHIP SERVICES:</u> Thanks to all who participated this past Sunday in our worship services. We will assemble in the north parking lot again this Sunday (May 17th) for worship at 10:00 am. It is important that everyone remain in their vehicles at all times in order to conform to the necessary guidelines given by our government. Tune your FM radio to 88.3 Mhz. Let's continue to do our part to help prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus and at the same time engage in the privilege of worshipping our God.
- 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.
- 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.
- <u>Mission Work</u>: 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.
- MAY 2020 Anniversaries: Betty & Charles Enoch—16th Birthdays: 19th—Peyton Smith; 24th—Charles Enoch; 27th—Ann Thompson; 29th—Mary Vincent. Please let us know if we have left anyone out and it will be included in next week's bulletin. Thanks!
- Due to the present situation our VBS and the Youth Rally originally scheduled for this summer have both been cancelled. Our Fall Gospel Meeting with Garland Robinson is still scheduled to begin on September 6th.

### **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/

Dexter church of Christ
www.facebook.com/Dexterkycoc/
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In Search of the Lord's Way
http://searchtv.org/



**This Week:** What was the name of the King who married Esther?

Last Week: What Old Testament passage shows that the guilt of sin is not passed from parent to child?

Answer: Ezekiel 18:20.

## HARD DECISIONS By Jonnie Hutchison

There are times in our lives when we must face some hard decisions. It may be related to our health or finances. It may be related to our relationships with others. Not every decision we must make in life is easy.

When we face such hard decisions knowing that we can depend upon God and the guidance of His word is both vital and reassuring. In other words, we don't have to go it alone if we are willing to trust God. As a matter of fact, God promises to always be with us even in the darkest hours of our lives. The Hebrew writer emphasized this truth in the words of Hebrews 13:5-6, "Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we may boldly say: "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

When faced with hard decisions, humgo before God in prayer. Remember that "The Lord is far from the wicked, But He hears the prayer of the righteous" (Proverbs 15:29). James assures us that "the effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much" (James 5:16b). God is willing to listen and answer our prayers if we are willing to give Him the opportunity. Inspiration assures us that God is "able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think...." (Ephesians 3:20). Consider these encouraging words from the pen of the inspired John— "Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him" (1 John 5:14-15).

When faced with hard decisions go to the Bible. The Bible is the inspired, inerrant Word of God. It contains the necessary practical information which allows one to make right decisions under any and all circumstances. The Psalmist declared, "Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path" (Psalms 119:105). Paul wrote to Timothy, "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17). The "perfect law of liberty" is the perfect guide when facing hard decisions (James 1:25).

Hard decisions will come to all of us in this life. Let us be confident that through prayer and following the Word of God we can face every decision in life with confidence that we can and will make the right decision.

## Lovingly, tenderly, Jesus is calling

"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."



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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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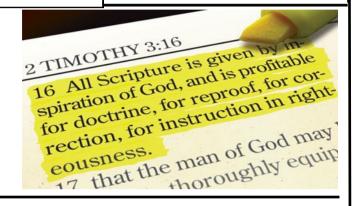
#### **SUNDAY'S SERMON**

"The Challenge to Trust God"

10:00 AM

INTHE NORTH PARKING LOT

88.3 FM





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