



# 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.  
McKenzie, TN—Paul Jones

## Location

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## I NEVER INTENDED TO QUIT *By Gus Nichols*

A man who had not attended one service of the church in four years told me he had never thought of quitting the church. I reminded him that he had: (1) Withdrawn his presence from the service; (2) Refused to give his moral support to the activities of the congregation; (3) Withdrawn his financial support, for he had not given one dime to help carry on the Lord's work.

Then I asked "What else would you have to do in order to 'quit' the church? As the truth stared to dawn upon him, his expression reflected sober thoughts. He replied, "Why, Bro. Nichols, I've already quit, haven't I? Well, I surely didn't mean to! And I don't know when I did it. I'm coming back." He did too. At the next service, he was restored and three years later, he was still faithful.

Dear reader, how about you? Have you quit the Lord and His

church without resolving to do so? Perhaps no one deliberately decides to quit, but many carelessly drift into backsliding. If you quit attending services, quit boosting the program of activities planned by the elders and quit giving as God has prospered you to enable the congregation to meet its budget, you need to be restored.

People rarely plan to leave the Lord. Instead of it being a conscious decision, it usually happens through inattention to Bible study, to prayer, to worship, to working in the Lord's church, etc. You may have already quit the church and you didn't even realize it. It was with this possibility in mind that the writer of Hebrews wrote, "Therefore, we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it" (Hebrews 2:1).

—Via Bulletin Digest

## THINGS WE CAN DO TO PREVENT REGRET

The following are some common sense things we can do to prevent regret in our life:

1) Never be stingy with our compliments.

2) Watch a sunrise at least once a week.

3) When greeting a person, be the first to say, "Hello."

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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 and Faye Travis, Mary Crutchfield, Vickie and Kaitlyn Canter, Joanne Barnes, Frank Towery, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Mary Lowrie, Jim Fielder, Larry Enoch and Jesse and Mary Vincent.
- **Family and Friends:** Betty Pond, Naomi Pigg (Mayfield Hospital), 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, Thomas Cooker, Don and Sherry Blackwell and Neal Parker.
- **5th Sunday Singing:** This evening we will have our regular 5th Sunday singing followed by a men's business meeting after services. After the men's meeting we will assemble in the annex for finger foods and snacks.
- **Pantry items for May:** 2—Apple Sauce; 9—Carrots; 16—Green Beans; 23—Canned Beets; 30—Baked 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, Mike Kiser and Paul Jones 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](http://abibleanswerstv.org) and on GBN and YouTube.
- **June 2019 Anniversaries:** Larry & Teresa Enoch—16th; James & Jan Pigg—17th; Peggy & Perry Jarvis—21st; Jim & Mary Lowrie—25th; **Birthdays:** LaDawn Hale—12th; Laura Sales—18th. Please let us know if we have left anyone out.
- **Check out our webpage at <http://www.greenplainchurchofchrist.org>. We are still working on the site. Any suggestions for improvement will be appreciated.**



### BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

**This Week:** In the Old Testament, what was "the birthright?"

**Last Week:** What man, who was both king and priest, does the Hebrew writer compare to Jesus? Melchizedek who was King and Priest of Salem (Hebrews 7:1-28).



### LESSONS TODAY

**Sunday AM**  
Jim Lowrie will be our  
speaker

**Sunday PM**  
5th Sunday Singing

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4) Live beneath our means (1 Timothy 6:6-8, Hebrews 13:5).

5) Treat everyone like we would want to be treated (Matthew 7:12).

6) Never give up on anyone — they can change!

7) Forget keeping up with the Joneses — they will refinance!

8) Never deprive someone of hope — it may be all they have.

9) Pray not for “things,” but for wisdom and courage (James 1:5; 2 Chronicles 1:7-12).

10) Be tough minded, but at the same time, be tenderhearted (Ephesians 4:32; 1 Peter 3:8-9).

11) Be kinder than necessary (Genesis 50:15-21; cf. Ephesians 4:32).

12) Don't forget, a person's greatest

emotional need is to feel appreciated.

13) “Keep” our promises! (Matthew 5:37; James 5:12).

14) Learn to show cheerfulness, even when we don't feel like it (Acts 27:21-36 KJV).

15) Leave everything better than we found it.

16) Remember that winners “do” what losers don't want to do!

17) When we arrive at our job in the morning, let the first thing we say brighten everyone's day.

18) Let's not “rain” on other people's parades!

19) Never waste an opportunity to tell someone we love them.

20) Let's give God “first place” in our life (Matthew 6:33).—By Mike Riley

### WHAT SHOULD FATHERS LEAVE BEHIND? *By Jerry Joseph*

*“A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just”* - Proverbs 13:22

**F** - “**FORTUNE**” or a “**FAITH**” to live by? Hebrews 11:1, 6; Hebrews 11:8, 9; Genesis 12:4; Hebrews 11:17; Genesis 22; James 2:14-26

**A**—“**ABUNDANCE**” of things or an “**APPRECIATION**” for God's Word? Psalm 119:97, 103-104

**T**—“**TREASURES**” of the world or a “**TRUST**” in God? Proverbs 3:5-6; Job 13:15; Psalm 18:2

**H**—“**HOUSE**” made by man or a “**HOPE**” provided by the Lord? PSALM 71:5; 146:5; ROMANS 12:12; 15:4; EPHESIANS 4:4;

COLOSSIANS 1:27; TITUS 1:2; TITUS 2:11-13; HEBREWS 6:19; 1 PETER 3:15

**E**—“**EMPTY**” promises or a Godly “**EXAMPLE**” to follow? 1 PETER 2:21-23; ROMANS 14:7; MATTHEW 5:13-16

**R**—“**RICHERS**” that will not last or a “**REASON**” to live for the hereafter? PHILIPPIANS 1:21; 2 CORINTHIANS 5:15; COLOSSIANS 3:1-5

**S**—“**SINFUL & SAD SPIRITUAL LIFE**” to remember or a “**SUBMISSIVE & SERVING SPIRITUAL LIFE**”? ROMANS 6:23; 16-18; MATTHEW 6:24; 16:24, 26

—*The Proclaimer* St. Peter's church of Christ.



### 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!



- ⇒ Bible classes each Sunday at 10:00 am and each Wednesday at 7:00 pm at Green Plain church of Christ.
- ⇒ Home Bible Studies at your request.
- ⇒ FREE Bible Correspondence Courses for home study are also available
- ⇒ Browse our tract rack for tracts on various subjects as well as DVD's.
- ⇒ **Opportunities to study the Bible online include:**
  - The Gospel broadcasting Network at [gbntv.org](http://gbntv.org)
  - A Bible Answer at [abibleanswertv.org](http://abibleanswertv.org)
  - Apologetics Press at <http://apologeticspress.org/>
  - World Video Bible School at <https://video.wvbs.org/>
  - Memphis School of Preaching Radio <https://msop.org/live/>
  - House to House, Heart to heart at <https://housetohouse.com/>

We hope each reader will utilize these opportunities to study the most valuable book in existence—the Bible.

### THOSE TO SERVE

**June 2019**

#### Announcements

James Pigg

#### Preside at Lord's Table

Chad Canter & Charles Enoch

Substitute: Mike Ernstberger

#### Assist at Lord's Table

Jesse Vincent & Jackson Hale

Substitute: James Pigg

#### Preside at Lord's Table PM

2—Chad

9—Perry

16—Chad

23—Perry

30—Chad

#### Opening Prayer

2—Mike Ernstberger

9—Jim Lowrie

16—Junior Morris

23—Hayes Grady

30—Perry Jarvis

#### Closing Prayer

52—Preston Barrett

9—James Pigg

16—Bobby Hall

23—Jonnie Hutchison

30—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

London & Peyton

#### Usher

Jesse Vincent

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