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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
- James Pigg  
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- Chad Canter  
270-873-7509

## Deacons

- Larry Enoch
- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

## Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison  
Cell: 270-978-7569  
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## Mission Work

Dean Crutchfield—India  
Adam Evans—Tanzania

## Location

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## GOSPEL MEETING April 10-14, 2016

with

**Garland Robinson**

Woodbury, TN

At the

*Green Plain church of Christ*  
*3980 Murray Paris Road—Hazel, KY*

Services:

Sunday: 10 & 10:45 AM; 7:30 PM  
Monday– Thursday: 7:00 PM

## WHERE DOES THE SOUL GO WHEN WE DIE? *By Garland Robinson*

The Bible doesn't tell us everything we would like to know about death and what it's like beyond the grave. But it tells us enough about it that we want to prepare for it.

The account of the rich man and Lazarus in Luke 16:19-31 gives ample information about life after death. Though many do not believe it and attempt to make it meaningless, Jesus told it to be true, and since He does not lie (Titus 1:2) we'd better believe it!

At death, the soul separates from the body and goes to hades. Hades is not the same as hell. It is the temporary waiting place of all the dead, whether

good or bad. It is the unseen world of departed spirits, the spirit world. Both the rich man and Lazarus are there now, as are all those who have died (Lk. 16:27-31).

There are two compartments in hades: tartarus and paradise. The rich man is in torment — tartarus, and Lazarus is in Abraham's bosom — paradise (Lk. 16:23, 25).

Tartarus is the place where the wicked are held. The word hell in 2 Peter 2:4 is the Greek word tartarus. It means, an abyss, dungeon, prison house. It is not the word that designates

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**NEWS AND NOTES**

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members:** Mary Lowrie, Frank and Maxine Pool, Paul and Sue Brandon, Lori Brandon, Jim Fielder, Alex Barrett, Rex Enoch, Peggy Jarvis and Mary Vincent. **Nursing Homes:** Myrtlene Towery, Marguerite Stubblefield, , Nancy Meacham, and Binitta Irvan. **Family and Friends:** Patricia Lovett Harold Pond, Harry Lovett, Naomi Pigg, Norman Parker, Janie Suiter, Betty Jeffcoat, Stacy Hedrick, Virgil Hale, Kim Thomas, Kenneth Mizell, Stacy Hedrick, Cynthia Kearbey, Will and Nancy Winchester, Eva Darnell, Jason Sales, Kenny Stubblefield, Todd Hill, Wallace Parker, Ruthie Parker,, Lonnell Parker, Kenneth Starks and Bryan White.
- **Pantry items for April:** 3rd—Creamed Corn; 10th—Baked Beans; 17th—Canned Fruits; 24th—Toilet Paper.
- **LOCAL EVENTS.** Spring Gospel Meeting is scheduled for April 10-14, 2016 with Garland Robinson. Handouts for the meeting are available on the table in the front lobby. A covered dish dinner will be held following the morning services. Sunday night services will be at 7:30 pm.
- Please remember our **snacks for the hospital program** and place your items in the baskets in the lobby. Thanks for supporting this program.
- Continue to pray for Dean Crutchfield and the Lord’s work in India and brother Adam Evans and the Lord’s work in Tanzania. See the mission board for the latest reports from these respective works including letters from some of the Indian preachers supported by this congregation.
- **PASS IT ON!!** Please pass this bulletin on to a friend, relative, neighbor or fellow employee when you have finished reading it. Use it as a means to evangelize. Pick up some extra copies and distribute them to others.
- **AREA EVENTS: 1st Annual Spring Singing** at the Dover church of Christ in Dover, TN. Friday, April 8th at 7:00 pm. **Gospel Meeting** at the Coldwater church of Christ, April 10-13 with Alan Adams. See the bulletin board for details.
- **SUPPORT OUR GOSPEL MEETING:** Plan to be present at every service of the meeting. Your presence is necessary for the meeting to be a success (Heb. 10:25). Pray that God would bless the preaching of His Word to our hearts, that the wayward might repent, that the weak might be encouraged and that we all would be strengthened. Invite others you know to hear the word preached. This is a grand opportunity to call that wayward brother or sister or speak to that friend about Christ and His church. Our meeting will be a great blessing to the church and the community if we each do our part to support it.
- “It’s amazing how we can find time for every activity but those that are most important to us spiritually.”
- “When all is said and done what seemed so important in this life to so many will be meaningless. The most important thing in life is to prepared for eternity.”

**Today’s Lessons**  
*AM: “Who & What Is Jesus to You?”*  
*PM: Studies in James—3*



**RESEARCH QUESTION**

**What type of tree did Zacchaeus climb to see Jesus?**

**Last Week** What did the inspired Paul call those who “came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus”?

**Answer:** He called them “false brethren” (Gal. 2:4).

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the final punishment of the wicked. That word is gehenna and means hell (Matt. 10:28).

Paradise is the place where the righteous are held. It was to this place that Jesus went after His death (Lk. 23:43). It is not the same as heaven where God is, because even after the resurrection, Jesus had not yet ascended to heaven (Jn. 20:17).

Hades, then, is the place where all men go when they die to await the final judgment (Jn. 5:28-29; 2 Cor. 5:10). The destiny of those who go there is fixed! There is no other chance! It is not possible

for Lazarus or the rich man to cross over to the other side (Lk. 16:26). If you awake in tartarus, your final end is the eternal fire of hell. No one in tartarus is happy. There is pain, torment, and anguish. The only way to escape it is to prepare now to go to paradise.

Repent and be baptized for the forgiveness of your sins (Acts 2:38). Continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ (2 Pet. 3:18). There's no other way but the Lord's way. Do you believe it? If so, then you must obey.

—Via Gospel Preceptor

## WHO WILL YOU INVITE TO OUR GOSPEL MEETING?

Gospel Meetings have one primary purpose—to give every person who will attend an opportunity to hear and obey the gospel of Christ. Obviously, if people do not attend they cannot hear nor obey. It is the responsibility, yea, the privilege, of each member of this congregation to invite others to attend.

Who will you invite to the gospel meeting? Here are some suggestions:

**INVITE YOUR SPOUSE.** Faithful Christians who are married to either a non-Christian or an erring Christian are greatly concerned about the soul of their loved one. The meeting may be an opportunity to exert an influence which will allow you to be “heirs together of the grace of life” (1 Peter 3:7). The joy of seeing ones spouse obey the gospel or be restored to faithfulness is worth every effort one must make to bring their loved one to the gospel meeting.

**INVITE YOUR CHILDREN.** Many of us have children that are grown with their own families. Some of these children are no longer faithful to the Lord and others have never obeyed the gospel. Our meeting may well be the opportunity you have to change that. All of us love our children no matter how old they are. We want to see them saved.

**INVITE YOUR FRIENDS.** Many Christians have friends who are non-Christians. We must realize that these friends are lost and without hope. They need to hear the good news of salvation in order to become friends with Jesus (John 15:14). The best way to show true friendship is to bring your friends to know genuine Christianity.

**INVITE YOUR FELLOW EMPLOYEES.** While many work places forbid the open discussion

of religion we must not allow this to prevent us from inviting those with whom we work to our gospel meeting. If you feel uncomfortable inviting them during work hours, give them a call after work. Those with whom we work everyday are important to us and we should show our concern for the welfare of their souls.

**INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS.** Are you a good neighbor? In inviting your neighbors to our gospel meeting you are being the best neighbor you can be. When Jesus was asked, “Who is my neighbor?” He answered with the parable of the “good Samaritan” who showed concern for a stranger in need helping him when no one else would (Luke 10:29ff). Our neighbors who are lost in sin need our help. Our invitation to them to attend our gospel meeting may result in their conversion to Christ.

**INVITE EVERY PERSON WITH WHOM YOU COME IN CONTACT!** When Jesus sent His disciples into all the world with the gospel He told them to preach it to “every creature” (Mark 16:15-16). There is not even one person who is accountable before God on this earth who does not need to hear God's message of salvation. Most of us come in contact with many different people in a week's time. Some we know and others we do not. But every person with whom we come in contact is a soul who needs salvation. Show your love for them by inviting them to attend our gospel meeting.

Some whom we invite will refuse our invitation. However, the more people we invite the more likely it becomes that someone we invite will choose to attend. We have just a few days left before our meeting begins. Who will YOU invite to our gospel meeting? — By Jonnie Hutchison

**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.

A warm and friendly welcome awaits!



## Home Bible Study

*Please enroll me in a free Bible Study*

\_\_\_ "Back to the Bible" Home Bible Study (conducted by our teachers in your home or at our building)

\_\_\_ Free Bible Correspondence Course through the mail. (all postage paid)

\_\_\_ DVD—Searching for Truth (mailed to your home).

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Religious Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

- Clip and mail to: Green Plain Church of Christ—3980 Murray Paris Road- Hazel, KY 4204.9

## Green Plain School of Biblical Studies

### March 7—May 30, 2016

Each Consecutive Monday  
7:00—9:00 pm  
Studies on the books of  
Genesis & Joshua

### THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE April 2016

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Larry Enoch

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

ASSIST AT THE LORD'S TABLE:  
AM: Jesse Vincent & Preston Barrett  
Substitute: Cody Canter

Sunday PM  
4-3—James  
4-10—Mike  
4-17—James  
4-24—Mike

OPENING PRAYER:  
4-3—Larry Enoch  
4-10—Jonnie Hutchison  
4-17—Rex Enoch  
4-24—Jim Lowrie

CLOSING PRAYER:  
4-3—Bobby Hall  
4-10—Hayes Grady  
4-17—Preston Barrett  
4-24—Charles Enoch

COUNT CONTRIBUTION:  
Jess Vincent & Preston Barrett  
COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS  
Jackson & Casey

SONG LEADERS:  
Sunday Morning: Perry Jarvis  
Sunday Evening: Chad Canter  
Wednesday: Mike Ernstberger  
Substitute: Larry Enoch

GREETERS: Mike & Debbie Ernstberger  
USHER: Chad Canter  
Greet the Elder: Mike Ernstberger  
Lawn Care: Mike Ernstberger

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

**Thank YOU For Serving!!**