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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
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Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David
Nance, and Ronnie Gootam
McKenzie, TN—Paul Jones

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THE BEST IS YET TO COME *By Jonnie Hutchison*

It is recorded in the book of Job, *“Man that is born of woman is of few days and full of trouble”* (Job 14:1). Job knew all about the troubles of life for he experienced some of the worst as instigated by none other than Satan himself (Job 1:8-12). Job suffered the loss of all of his possessions. His oxen, donkeys and camels were stolen and his servants killed. But even more devastating was the death of his seven sons and three daughters as a great wind collapsed the house they were in and it fell upon them. There is no doubt this caused Job extreme sorrow. He tore his robes, shaved his head, fell on the ground and amazingly, offered worship to God saying, *“Naked I came from my mother's womb, And naked shall I return there. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord.”* In all this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong.” (Job 1:21-22).

However, Satan was not through with Job. He was permitted to attack Job's personal health by which he did by bringing upon Job extreme physical suffering and mental anguish. He was struck with boils

from “the sole of his foot to the top of his head.” To add to his misery his wife said, *“Do you still hold to your integrity? Curse God and die.”* But Job answered. *“You speak as one of the foolish women speaks. Shall we indeed accept good from God, and shall we not accept adversity?”* In all this Job did not sin with his lips.” (Job 2:1-10).

The record of Job teaches us many great lessons one of which is that the best for Job was yet to be. After all his extreme suffering and his failure to understand why, the book of Job concludes with the words, *“Now the Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than its beginning....”* (Job 42:12ff). The key to receiving God's blessings for Job was his continued faithfulness and trust in God.

The lesson for us? For the faithful child of God the best is yet to be. The trials, tribulations and troubles of this life pale into insignificance when compared with what awaits God's faithful child. As Paul wrote, *“For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far*

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NEWS AND NOTES

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members:** . Remember Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Rex and Margarett Enoch, Mary Crutchfield, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder,, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Jesse & Mary Vincent, and Dave & Ann Thompson.
- **Family and Friends:** Pat Hocking, Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Walter Byars, Will Winchester, Jim Hutson, Janice Canter, Maryanne Pedigrew, Dale Foster, Andrea Phillips, Donald and Dorothy Cook, and Larry Wyatt.
- **Pantry items February: 2—Peanut Butter; 19—Jelly; 16—Paper Towels; 23—Spinach; All food items should be canned. Thanks to all for participating in this effort.**
- 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, Arnold Gerson 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 and on GBN and YouTube.
- **February 2020 Anniversaries:** None; **Birthdays:** 8th—Krista Smith; 19th—Maxine Pool; 25th—Jan Pigg; -Please let us know if we have left anyone out and we will include them next week.
- **If you are able to receive the MyTV channel (WDKA Channel 49 in Paducah and on WK&T and other providers), tune in to the “Good News” program with Jim Dearman each Sunday morning at 7:30 am.**
- **If you enjoy good book, chapter and verse preaching tune in to the *GOSPEL BROADCASTING NETWORK 24/7* online at gbntv.org. Lots of very fine study material is available on this website.**
- **Enroll in a FREE Bible correspondence Course. Send your name and mailing address to the address on the front of this bulletin to request this free study course.**



BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

This Week: What prophecy of Amos is quoted by Stephen to the Jews in Acts chapter 7?

Last Week: Who sold his birthright to his brother for “red stew”?

Answer: Esau sold his birthright to his brother Jacob for red stew (Genesis 25:29ff; 27:36; Hebrews 12:16).

LESSONS TODAY

Sunday AM

“Why We Should Pray”

Sunday PM

To Be Announced

*“Preach the Word”
2 Timothy 4:2*

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more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are

eternal." (2 Corinthians 4:17-18). We may not always understand why we suffer in this life, but this we do know — remaining faithful to God through the trials of life means **the best is yet to be!**

FOREVER BEAUTIFUL *By John Gipson*

"He will beautify the meek with salvation." Psalms 149: 1.

Meekness! Vice or Virtue? Most of us are not quite sure. We normally pay our compliments to the self-confident and aggressive, those who will stand up for their rights and take a back seat to no one. After all, self-assertion seems to be a cardinal rule for success in our society. And meekness? That sounds like sissy stuff. At best, it is a petticoat virtue.

But look at Moses! The Bible says, "Now Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth." (Num. 12: 3). No one has ever called him a Mr. Milquetoast. He was not the sort of man to walk around with his head bowed out of bashfulness and timidity. At the age of 40 he had such fiery passions that he slew an Egyptian in anger. At 80 he made his appearance before Pharaoh and demanded that the king let all his slave labor go. And until he was 120 years of age, Moses exercised strong leadership over 600,000 men, not counting women and children. His meekness was compatible with great strength. With his passions under cool control, he became a bold leader of men and a humble follower of God.

Strength at its best is power held in restraint. Look at our Lord. He possessed amazing power, and yet could say, "I am meek and lowly in heart." At the very beginning of the ministry of Jesus, in the wilder-

ness temptation, He settled certain points about the use of that power. Even His death was a sign of strength rather than weakness. He said, "I lay down my life... no man taketh it from me." Had our Lord so desired, He could have called, legions of angels to His side to defy His crucifiers. But this potent power was held in check, submissive to the will of God.

We admire strength. But often we fail to see that it does not lie with the self-willed creature demanding what he wants when he wants it. The mark of giant-hood is on the man whose powers are under superb control.

What do the meek get? The psalmist answers that God "will beautify the meek with salvation." These humble, submissive souls have found the ingredient to be forever beautiful!

Gospel Minutes—December 29, 1967

**Mark Your Calendar for these
2020 Upcoming Events**

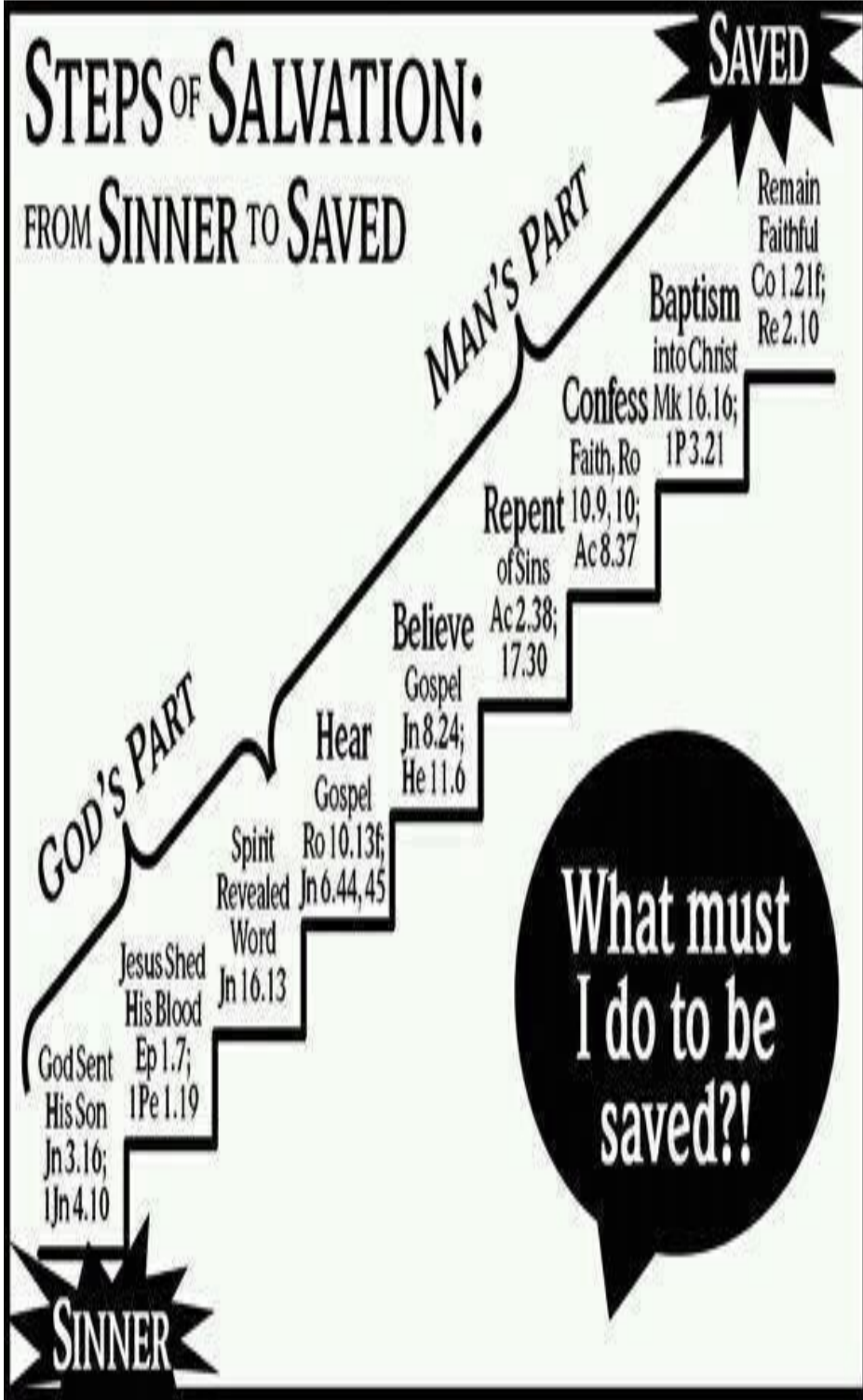
**School of Biblical Studies
March 6—April 27**

**Gospel Meeting with
Garland Robinson
April 12-16**



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!



THOSE TO SERVE

February 2020

Announcements

Chad Canter

Preside at Lord's Table

Bobby Hall & James Pigg

Substitute: Chad Canter

Assist at Lord's Table

Roy Wyatt & Junior Morris

Substitute Jesse Vincent

Preside at Lord's Table PM

2—Bobby

9—James

16—Bobby

23—James

Opening Prayer

2—Jim Lowrie

9—Mike Ernstberger

16—Jonnie Hutchison

23—Preston Barrett

Closing Prayer

2—Jesse Vincent

9—Junior Morris

16—Dave Thompson

23—Charles Enoch

Song Leaders

Sunday AM—Perry Jarvis

Sunday PM—Mike Ernstberger

Wednesday—Jackson Hale

Substitute—Chad Canter

Count Contribution

Roy & Junior

Collect Communion Cups

Nathan & Zoey

Usher

Jesse Vincent

If unable to serve please call

Chad Canter at 270-873-7509

Thanks for Serving!