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Schedule of Services

Sunday

- Bible Classes 10 am
- Worship 10:45 am and 2:00 pm
- Wednesday Bible Study 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

- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison
Cell: 270-978-7569

Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David Nance, & Ronnie Gootam;
Hatti/Cuba: Arnold Gerson

Location

- Green Plain Church of Christ
3980 Murray Paris Road
Hazel, KY 42049
- Phone: (270) 492-8206
- greenplaincoc@gmail.com
- greenplainchurchofchrist.org

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST?

COME FOR BIBLE ANSWERS TO OUR

GOSPEL MEETING

April 7-11, 2024

At the

Green Plain Church of Christ— Hazel, KY

With Our Speaker



Bradley Smith

Preacher for the Hickory Grove
church of Christ in Almo, KY

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible class 10:00 am
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 am
 Sunday Evening Worship 7:30 pm
 MONDAY—THURSDAY 7:00 PM

For Information or
 Transportation call
 270-978-7569

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NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members: Peggy Jarvis , Maxine Pool, Jim Fielder, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Marie Wyatt and Jim Lowrie.

Family and Friends: Ted Lovett, Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Tommy Boggess, Kim Burrows, Nat Evans, Lucetria Hutchison, and Ted Clark.

Spring Gospel Meeting April 7-11 with Bradley Smith preacher for the Hickory Grove church of Christ. The theme for this meeting will be “*Your Questions About the Church of Christ.*” A **potluck** will follow the morning service. Handouts are available on the table in the lobby. See the first page of this bulletin for scheduled services.

AREA EVENT: The Walnut Grove church of Christ will host a **Ladies Night April 13th at 7:00 pm with Becky Blackmon. Please RSVP** by calling or text to **270-205-1326** by **April 7th**. See the bulletin board in the bobby for additional details.

PANTRY ITEMS March 2024: 3—Ketchup; 10-Mustard; 17-Mayo; 24-Bar-B-Que Sauce; 31-Salad dressing (any kind). All items must be **non-perishable or canned**.

March 2024; Anniversaries: 12-Marie & Roy Wyatt; 15-Sue & Bobby Hall. Birthdays: 9-Gail Hutchison; 14-Roy Wyatt; 20-James Pigg. Please let us know if we have left anyone out.

ENROLL IN A FREE BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSE. Send your name and complete mailing address and phone number to Green Plain church of Christ 3980 Murray Paris RD Hazel, KY 42049 or email your request to greenplaincoc@gmail.com.

HOME BIBLE STUDY; Request a **FREE** home Bible study—“*Back to the Bible*” for anyone who is interested in gaining more knowledge of the Bible. Contact us to set up a time for our teachers to come into your home or meet at our building to begin this study.

THSE TO SERVE March 2024

Announcements: Mike Ernstberger

Table AM: James Pigg & Chad Canter

Table PM: 3-Chad; 10-James; 17-Chad;
24-James; 31-Chad

Opening Prayer AM: 3-Jonnie; 10-Perry;
17-Bibby; 24-Jim L.; 31-Russell

Closing Prayer AM: 3-Roy; 10-Dave; 17-Jesse;
24-Mike; 31-Junior

Song Leaders: AM-Perry; PM-Mike; Wed-Chad

Count Contribution: James & Chad
If you cannot serve contact Chad Canter

GREEN PLAIN SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

SPRING 2024

March 4-April 29

Each Monday Evening

7:00—9:00 pm

**In depth studies on
Romans—Josh Manning
2 Corinthians—Jack Phillips**

Meet in the Annex

PREACHING IS STILL GOD'S PLAN! By Jonnie Hutchison

Before His ascension into heaven, Jesus gave His apostles the instructions recorded in Mark 16:15-16. *"And He said to them, "Go into all the world and **preach the gospel** to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned"* (NKJV). The book of Acts records the fulfillment of these instructions as the apostles and other Christians *"went everywhere preaching the Word"* (Acts 8:4).

Although human wisdom may conclude that the preaching of the gospel is outdated and no longer relevant, even foolish in this modern world, divine wisdom disagrees. The Holy Spirit inspired Paul to pen the words, of 1 Cor 1:21 which reads, *"For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the **message preached to save those who believe.**"* Divine wisdom supersedes human wisdom every single time and divine wisdom says that it is the preaching of the message, the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ, that saves those willing to believe it.

Paul, the human agent of divine inspiration, detailed the facts of the gospel starting with the words of 1 Cor 15:1-2, *"Moreover, brethren, I declare to you **the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you were saved,** if you hold fast that word which I preached to you — unless you believed in vain. "* After reading this

passage who would deny that the preaching of the gospel is the means God has chosen to save the lost.

To the church in Rome the inspired Paul declared, *"For I am not ashamed of the **gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation** for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith."* (Romans 1:16-17). The power of the gospel to save has not diminished in the least since these words were first penned. That saving power still resides in the gospel and will as long as this world continues.

Jesus is our Savior but He exercises His saving power today through the preaching of His gospel. It is the gospel, the Word of God, sown in the hearts of honest individuals that produces the saved (See Luke 8:4-8, 11-15). As James wrote, *"...receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls"* (James 1:21).

Yes, preaching is still God's plan to save those who are lost in the darkness of sin. Without hearing the light of the gospel souls remain in jeopardy, separated from God and the hope of eternal life. Let us never underestimate nor ignore the power of the saving gospel of Christ! Preaching is still in God's plan!

*"As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who **preach the gospel** of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!"* (Rom 10:15).

WRONG IS ALWAYS WRONG

In a period of loose and sagging morals, Satan provides many rationalizations for improper behavior. Those who would be faithful Christians must not be "ignorant" of his "devices" ([2 Corinthians 2:11](#)). Wrong is always wrong, despite our efforts to excuse our actions.

Wrong is wrong, even if you don't get caught. Let us remember that "the eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good" ([Proverbs 15:13](#)).

Wrong is wrong, even if you do it for a good cause. The honorable purpose does not justify a dishonorable deed or action. The end never does justify the means. "All sin is transgression of the law" ([1 John 3:4](#); [5:17](#); [2 John 9](#)).

Wrong is wrong, even if others are doing worse things. It will be of little comfort to you in the day of judgment if you should be lost, knowing that others did things which you considered to be worse than your own sins. Remember, "the thought of sin is foolishness" ([Proverbs 24:9](#)).

Wrong is wrong, even if it doesn't bother your conscience. The conscience can be trained, or educated, to accept wrong-doing, and even an honest sin or evil done in sincerity is sinful in the sight of the holy God. "Whatever a man sows, that shall a man reap" ([Galatians 6:7](#)).

Wrong is wrong, even if it is commonly considered acceptable. The Bible says, "Thou shall not follow a multitude to do evil" ([Exodus 23:2](#)). The Christian should "enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men. Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it and pass away" ([Proverbs 4:4-5](#)). "Prove all things, and hold fast to that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil" ([1 Thessalonians 5:21-22](#)).

Remember, there is never a right way to do a wrong! - *By Donald Townsley*

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!

Bible Study Opportunities

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10:00 AM
Study of 1 Timothy

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP 10:45
"Open Doors"

SUNDAY PM WORSIP 2:00
"Six Great Truths in One Verse" Acts 10:33

Wednesday 7:00 pm
Study of Matthew



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