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Schedule of Services

Sunday

- Bible Classes 10 am
- Worship 10:45 am and 6:00 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
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Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David Nance, & Ronnie Gootam;
MSOP—Eli Sales
BIM—Duston Pool.
Hatti/Cuba: Arnold Gerson

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“BE NOT DECEIVED”

By Jonnie Hutchison

There is a statement found in 2 Timothy 3:13 that issues a warning of what will be occurring in the “perilous times” of the last days. It reads, “*But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.*” It is clear that we are witnessing the fulfillment of this statement in the time in which we live. Deception is everywhere. None of us should be surprised that the vast majority of this world’s population is either in the category of deceivers or those being deceived.

False religion has been one of the most prevalent means of deception. Jesus warned of the deceptive nature of human religious teaching when He said, “*These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.*” (Matthew 15:8-9). The errors of false religion, even though sincerely held and believed, will not save one’s soul. 2 John 1:9 reads, “*Whoever trans-*

gresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.” Fellowship with God is an impossibility for those who have embraced religious teaching that contradicts the Word of God.

Human Philosophy is another source of widespread deception. Humanism is a philosophy that holds to the view that man is self-sufficient and needs no higher being than himself either to guide him or supply his needs. It denies both the need and the existence of the God of heaven. The Psalmist declares in “Psalms 14:1, “*The fool has said in his heart, “There is no God.” They are corrupt, They have done abominable works, There is none who does good.*”

“Moral Relativism” is another human philosophy which has deceived the minds of many. One of its main tenets is that there is no such thing as absolute truth but everything is relative. What may be truth to you may

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NEWS AND NOTES

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

Family and Friends: Ted Lovett, Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Kenneth Mizell, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Roger Rhoades, Bonnie Byerly, and Tommy Boggess, Please continue to pray for our brethren in Ukraine. Remember those this congregation is supporting in India.

ANNOUNCEMENTS for our **Spring Gospel Meeting** with Larry Powers are available on the table in the front lobby of the building. We encourage each member to pick up several to hand or mail to those you invite to our meeting. Remember this effort in your prayers.

SPRING SESSION OF THE SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES continues tomorrow evening at 7:00 pm. Come and enjoy these in-depth studies of God’s Word and the fellowship of brethren.

PANTRY ITEMS March 2023: 5—Canned Carrots; 12-Apple Sauce; 19—Green Beans; 26—Corn.

March 2023; Anniversaries: 12-Marie & Roy Wyatt; 15-Sue & Bobby Hall. **Birthdays:** 9-Gail Hutchison; 14-Roy Wyatt; 20-James Pigg.

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; We offer a FREE in-home Bible study entitled “Back to the Bible” for anyone who is interested in gaining more knowledge of the Bible. Simply contact us to schedule a time for your study.

THOSE TO SERVE MARCH 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Mike

SERVE AT LORD’S TABLE—James & Chad

SERVE AT LORD’S TABLE PM

2/5 Chad; 2/12 James; 2/19 Chad; 2/26 James

OPENING PRAYER AM

2/5 Jim L. 2/12 Mike; 2/19; Jonnie 2/26 Bobby.

CLOSING PRAYER AM

2/5 Roy; 2/12 Dave; 2/19 Junior; 2/26 Perry

SONG LEADERS

Sunday AM—Perry; PM—Mike; Wed—Chad

Count contribution: James & Chad



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not be truth to others and truth is determined, not by an objective standard, but by the circumstances in which one finds himself. This philosophy results in confusion, acceptance of all kinds of immorality and, ultimately the eternal spiritual destruction of those who follow it. Of course, the existence of absolute truth and the need for objective standards has been clearly established in mathematics, carpentry, medicine, etc. In the spiritual realm Jesus affirmed, "You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32). The spiritual truth that frees is the objective standard of the Word of God. Again Jesus affirms, "Sanctify them through Your truth. Your word is truth" (John 17:17). The Psalmist declares, "Forever O' Lord, your word is settled in heaven" (Psa. 119:89).

The Bible warns against human philosophies which contradict the Word of God. Colossians 2:8 reads, "Beware lest anyone cheat you through **philosophy and empty deceit**, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ." Humanism and Moral Relativism are philosophies of "empty deceit" and are not according to the teaching of Christ.

Many have been deceived into accepting an unproven hypothesis known as **organic evolution**. Though unproven and even debunked, organic evolution is taught as fact in most schools, colleges and universities. Organic evolution denies the record of crea-

tion recorded in Genesis 1-2. Rather than man being created in the image of God, organic evolution says man is the product of billions of years of evolution from lower life forms. In the hypothesis of organic evolution there is no room for God, no room for sin, no room for a Savior, no room for the Bible. How sad that so many of our children are growing up believing this obvious error. Paul issued this divine description in Romans 1:18-20, "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,¹⁹ because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them.²⁰ For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse."

Jesus issued this warning, "For false Christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect." (Matthew 24:24). Though primarily speaking of the then coming destruction of Jerusalem, the warning of Jesus is still relevant for you and me. As inspiration declares, men are continuing "to grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived." The only way to avoid this deception is to trust completely in the teaching of God's Holy Word by accepting it as the absolute truth and learning and applying what it teaches to one's life each day. May God help us to seek His truth lest we be deceived!

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer."

Psalms 19:14

GREEN PLAIN SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES



Each Monday Night
7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

March 13—May 8, 2023

2 Corinthians (Part 2)—Jack Phillips

The Miracles of Jesus—John Sales

Come join us for these in-depth studies from God's Word

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



SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10:00 AM
"The Book of Acts"

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP 10:45
"Learning About the Church from Ephesians"

SUNDAY PM WORSHIP 6:00
"Jesus Raises the Dead" #1

WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM
"A Study of the Book of Matthew"

GOSPEL MEETING

April 9-13, 2023

with

Larry Powers



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**



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