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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
270-293-7027
- James Pigg
270-293-2319

Deacons

- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison
270-978-7569

Supporting Works

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

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WHAT ABOUT MY DECEASED LOVED ONE?

By Jonnie Hutchison

Sometimes when a person is exposed to original Christianity as revealed in the New Testament, and learns what it teaches concerning the necessary steps to salvation (i.e. hearing the gospel, believing Jesus is the Son of God, repenting of sins, confessing faith in Christ and being immersed in water for the remission of sins), they will hesitate to obey these plain commands. The reason such hesitation is forthcoming is because they know that a loved one who was precious to them and who has passed from this life did not do what the New Testament teaches as necessary to being saved. They know how sincere that person was. They know that person was a good person. They reason in these terms—"If I obey what the Bible teaches, knowing my loved one has not done so, means I am condemning them." If you find yourself in this situation consider the following truths.

First, God alone has the authority to set the conditions of salvation. Man cannot set aside what God has revealed as necessary to salvation nor substitute something else without suf-

fering severe consequences. The Bible warns against accepting a "perverted gospel" indicating that those who would pervert the gospel would be accursed (Galatians 1:6-9). The book of Revelation warns against both adding to or taking from God's Word (Revelation 22:18-19). God has set the conditions for receiving the forgiveness of sins and these conditions are unchangeable. His plan for man's salvation is consistent in every generation and does not change with one's circumstances in life.

Second, God loves and desires the salvation of every person. Peter writes that God is "not willing that any should perish but that all come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). God is also just. He must act consistently with what He has revealed in His Word or else He would be unjust. He will not set aside His Word to save those who refuse to obey what He has commanded for salvation. That is why He pleads in His Word for all to obey His will. Jesus is the "author of eternal

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NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain Members: Maxine Pool, Jim Fielder (Spring Creek), Hayes Grady, Marie and Roy Wyatt, Jackie and Don Spiceland, Dave & Ann Thompson, Joan Lathrop and James Pigg. Mike Ernstberger is recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Family and Friends: Ted Lovett, Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Kim Burrows, Nat Evans, Lucetria Hutchison, Ted Clark, Larry and Rose Wyatt, Tonya Morris, and Teri Mercer.

PANTRY ITEMS March 2025: 2-Corn; 9-Carrots; 16-Tomatoes; 23-Green Beans. All items must be **non-perishable or canned**.

March 2025; Anniversaries: 12-Marie & Roy Wyatt; 15-Sue & Bobby Hall

Birthdays: 9-Gail Hutchison; 14-Roy Wyatt; 20-James Pigg.

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 convenient for you.

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THOSE TO SERVE March 2025

Announcements: Mike E.

Lord's Table AM: James & Chad

Lord's Table PM: 2-Chad; 9-James; 16-Chad;
23-James

Opening Prayer AM: 2-Bobby; 9-Jonnie; 16-Jimmy;
23-Perry

Closing Prayer AM: 2-Roy; 9-Dave; 16-Jesse;
23-Junior

Lead Songs: Sunday AM-Perry; Sunday PM-Mike;
Wednesday-Chad

Count Contribution: James and Chad

GREEN PLAIN SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

SPRING SESSION 2025

March 24—May 19

Each Monday 7-9 pm

**A Study of Galatians
Ron Hutchison**

**A Study of Hebrews—2
Jonnie Hutchison**

**ALL ARE INVITED TO
ATTEND!**

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salvation to all who obey Him” not to those who refuse obedience (Hebrews 5:8-9). Dear reader, God loves you and He wants you to be saved. He has given His plan for your salvation. You have learned His plan. Will you accept and obey it?

Third, what would your loved one about whom you are concerned want you to do? If they loved you as you love them would they want what is best for you spiritually? If they knew what you know now

would they hesitate to obey it? Would they want you to be lost eternally? The truth is that your actions will not change the eternal destiny of anyone but you. You have the opportunity to obey the gospel of Christ and gain the hope of eternal life in heaven. Be honest, would your loved one want you to miss that?

“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves” (James 1:22).

WHERE IS IT FOUND IN THE BIBLE?

1. Holy Week—book, chapter, verse?
2. Palm Sunday—book, chapter, verse?
3. Ash Wednesday—book, chapter, verse?
4. Maundy Thursday—book, chapter verse?
5. Good Friday—book, chapter, verse?
6. Holy Saturday—book, chapter, verse?
7. Easter Sunday—book, chapter, verse?

While we do not question the sincerity of those who keep the religious traditions mentioned above, we must question whether they originated with God or men.

The Bible does not command such observances. The Bible does not speak of these specific traditions being observed by the first century church. The terms Holy Week, Palm Sunday, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday are not found in the Bible. From where did they come? Not from God, but from men. Jesus said, *“All too well you reject the commandment of God, that you may keep your tradition”* (Mark 7:9).

Faithful churches of Christ observe the Lord’s Supper every Sunday in remembrance of the death of Jesus the Christ (Matthew 26:26-28; Acts 20:7). We are not authorized to do either more or less. Human religious traditions are not authorized by God in His Word!

—Jonnie Hutchison

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FOR OUR SPRING GOSPEL MEETING
 With **DAVID ANANCE**



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We invite you to attend our regular weekly services. We meet for Bible classes each Sunday at 10:00 am followed by morning worship at 10:45 am. We assemble again on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 pm. Each Wednesday we meet for Bible classes at 7:00 pm. Come and be our honored guest! A warm and friendly welcome awaits you at the Green Plain church of Christ. We love you and want so much for you come to share with us as we study and learn the Word of God. Our contact information is on the front page of this bulletin. May God bless you consistent with His divine will. Email greenplaincoc@gmail.com

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“Now may our God and Father Himself, and our Lord Jesus Christ, direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we do to you, so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints”
(1 Thessalonians 3:11-13)

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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
“A Study of Mark”

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:45 AM
“Your Control Center—Who Is In charge?”

SUNDAY WORSIP 2:00 PM
“Why the Church?”

Wednesday 7:00 PM
“A Study of Ecclesiastes”



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