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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

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THE POWERFUL GOSPEL *By Jonnie Hutchison*

Christians who have had the opportunity to teach lost souls the gospel have seen the power of the gospel at work. As the lost come to a knowledge of divine truth it impacts them either positively or negatively. Some respond in a positive way by accepting the instruction that exposes them as sinners in need of salvation which results in their desire for salvation and their loving obedience to the gospel of Christ. Others respond in a negative way as they experience the instructive power of the gospel by rejecting it to the loss of their souls. In either case, the gospel has had a powerful impact upon those who hear it.

Most of our readers are familiar with the description given by inspiration of the gospel in Romans 1:16 which reads, "*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.***" It should be obvious that since the gospel is God's power to salvation that without the gospel there can be no possibility of receiving salvation. In addition, since the power to save is in the gospel, that eliminates

the possibility of being saved through the Muslim's Koran, the Jews Torah, the Catholics catechism, the Book of Mormon or the various creeds of denominationalism. The power to save is exclusively inherent in the gospel of Christ!

The exclusiveness of the gospel of Christ in the matter of salvation is why we find such passages in the Bible as Galatians 1:6-9. In this passage the inspired Paul warned the Galatians against turning away from the original gospel to embrace what he called "*a different gospel.*" He then issued this warning: "*but even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed. As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed.*" This divine prohibition against accepting anything other than the original gospel speaks volumes about the power of the original gospel in the matter of salvation and the utter ineffectiveness of any human substitute.

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NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain Members: Maxine Pool, Jim Fielder (Spring Creek), Dave & Ann Thompson (Hickory Woods), Joan Lathrop, Wanda Barrett, Roy and Marie Wyatt.

Family and Friends: Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Dale Pentecost, Kim Burrows, Lucetria Hutchison, Ted Clark, Patrice Wyatt, Jackie Herndon, Peyton Mays, Patricia Dowdy, Darren Mays, Adam Kellam, Dan Sikes suffering back problems and ten year old Ariana Yount who is waiting for a heart transplant.

PANTRY ITEMS April 2026: 5-Tooth Peanut Butter; 12-Nestles Quick Chocolate; 19-Mixed Vegetables; 26-Pork-n-Beans. All items must be **non-perishable or canned.**

April 2026; Anniversaries: 13-Jackie & Don Spiceland. **BIRTHDAYS:** 1-Tina Canter; 24-Dave Thompson; 27-Steve Enoch; 29-Sue Hall. Congratulations!

Enroll in a FREE Bible Correspondence Course. Send your name and complete mailing address to Green Plain church of Christ 3980 Murray Paris RD, Hazel, KY 42049. You may also enroll online at our website: <https://greenplainchurchofchristnn>

ANNOUNCEMENTS for our upcoming Gospel Meeting are available on the table in the lobby. Use these to invite others to our upcoming meeting.

Our School of Biblical Studies will resume tomorrow evening at 7:00 pm. We hope to see you there!

THOSE TO SERVE April 2026

Announcements: James

Lord's Table AM: Mike & Russell

Lord's Table PM: 5-Mike; 12-Russell; 19-Mike;
25-russell

Opening Prayer AM: 5-Bobby; 12-Jonnie; 19-Jimmy;
25-Perry

Closing Prayer AM: 5-Roy; 12-Don; 19-James;
26-Chad

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

Count Contribution: Mike & Russell

**EVENTS AT
GREEN PLAIN
Spring Session
Green Plain School
of Biblical Studies
March 23-May 18
A study of the book of
Revelation with Dan Sikes**

**SPRING GOSPEL
MEETING
April 19-23
With Josh Manning
Eastwood church of Christ**

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Accepting a “different gospel” will not save one single soul. Instead accepting a “different gospel” will lead to ones being “accursed”, literally “anathema” - a term indicating complete separation from Christ and salvation.

The truths stated above is why faithful members of the churches of Christ are so adamant about making sure that we neither add

to, take from, or substitute something else for the gospel revealed in the New Testament of Jesus Christ. The power of God to salvation is in the original gospel! To leave it is to leave all hope of salvation. Let us never be ashamed to preach it, teach it and live it in our lives. Let us never attempt to change it, water it down or compromise with it's enemies. Let us remain firmly convinced of it's power to save!

THE TALK OF THE TOWN *By Victor Eskew*

"She is the talk of the town." "He is the talk of the town." We do not hear words like this spoken very often anymore. In days gone by, when a person was "the talk of the town," it was not a good thing. The person was caught committing a crime. The person was caught in a sin. The person did something outlandish. Thus, his/her bad behaviors made him/her "the talk of the town."

In this post, let's consider the thought that Christians should be "the talk of the town." However, we should be "the talk of the town" in a good sense, not in a bad sense.

We are the talk in the town because of...

1. Our knowledge of and adherence to the Word of God.
2. Our love for one another.
3. Our unity.
4. Our commitment to New Testament worship.
5. Our desire to serve others.
6. Our practice of liberal giving.
7. Our holiness.
8. Our trustworthiness, that is, our word is our bond.
9. Our homes that are formed on God's Word.

10. Our love for the souls of those who are lost.

In many places, the church of Christ is not known at all. Individuals who live around the corner from their place of worship do not know them. Instead of not being known, we need to become "the talk of the town."

In Acts 3-5, Peter, John and the other apostles became "the talk of the town" in Jerusalem (See Acts 5:28).

In Acts 17, when Paul and his company entered into the city of Thessalonica, they became the talk of the town. Here is what was said of them: "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also" (v. 6).

Dear readers, there is nothing wrong with being "the talk of the town" as long as that talk revolves around our faithful proclamation of the gospel and our faithful obedience to God's holy Word.

Hey, did you hear about the church of Christ? Yes, they are the talk of the town.

-via: Facebook post, February 13, 2026

**“Let your light so shine before men,
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.”
Matthew 5:16**

GOD WITHIN YOUR PLANS

By BBob Tidwell

We make plans in our lives many times. Do you ever stop and think about God being a part of your plan-making? The faithful child of God would and should.

If you were to have to make a move to another city and state, what would be your priorities in making such a huge step? How would your plans affect you and your family? Would you seek out to find the Lord's body working in this new location and be a part of the work to serve and worship God? Would God be in the forefront of the decisions you determine to do in carrying out these changes? Would God be first in your life? (Matthew 6:33) Would you seek to please God with your choices? (2 Corinthians 5:9)

James wrote: "Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell, and make a profit"; whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that." But now you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil." (James 4:13-16).

When we make plans, we should first seek to please God in what we are planning to do. Are the plans we make first authorized by the Lord? (Colossians 3:17) Secondly, we should also have the attitude that "If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that" as James teaches us.

Being with God forever and having eternal life should be our aim every day. (Colossians 3:1-2). The decisions we set on accomplishing in this life should always be toward pleasing God. Are your plans according to God's will? Is He included within them?

—Medina Messenger (TN)

"And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful." Colossians 3:15

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
"A Study of Luke"

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:50 AM
"Music In Worship"

SUNDAY WORSIP 6:00 PM
"Faithfulness"

Wednesday 7:00 PM
"A Study of 2 Kings"

What Must I Do to Be Saved?

1. Hear the gospel -Romans 10:17.
2. Accept the Deity of Jesus Christ—John 8:24.
3. Repent of sin—Acts 17:30.
4. Confess faith in Christ—Acts 8:36-38; Rom 10:9-10
5. Be immersed in water—Acts 2:38; 22:16; Gal. 3:27.