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Schedule of Services

- Bible Classes 10 am
- Worship 10:50 am
and 6:00 pm
- Wednesday Bible
Study 7:00 pm

Elders

- Mike Ernstberger
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- James Pigg
270-759-2145 Home
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- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

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Nance, and Ronnie Gootam
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WHAT IS YOUR CHILD'S SOUL WORTH TO YOU? *By Jonnie Hutchison*

Loving parents will do much to benefit their children. They will make sure their children have shelter, food and clothing. They will provide a loving, stable and safe home environment. They will make sure their child receives a quality secular education. Loving parents will recognize the intrinsic value of their children and treat them accordingly. Yes, to loving parents the happiness and welfare of their children means everything. Whatever sacrifices are necessary to provide for their children's needs, loving parents are willing to make.

Dear parent, what is your child's soul worth to you? Yes, your child has a soul! At conception God formed the spirit of your child within him or her (Zechariah 12:1). Though the physical body will eventually die, the spiritual part of your child (made in God's image—Gen. 1:26-27) will live on in eternity. As the Bible tells us, *"Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day"* (2 Corinthians 4:16). Yes, your child needs what is necessary to his or her physical well being and it is

your responsibility to provide for that. But your child also needs what is necessary for his or her spiritual well-being and that is also **YOUR** responsibility!

What is your child's soul worth to you? Is it worth teaching him or her what the Bible says about God? Is it worth setting an example in your own life of living for God? Is it worth regularly taking him or her to Bible class and worship?

Actually, the soul of your child is worth more than all the wealth this world has to offer. Jesus asked, *"For what is a man profited if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul, or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"* (Matthew 16:26). Until you as a parent realize and accept the spiritual value of your child's soul, whatever you provide physically for him or her will ultimately be useless.

Like all of us, your child will exist eternally either in heaven or in hell (Matthew 25:46). What you do or fail to do for your child's soul now will contribute to his or her eternal destiny. We pled

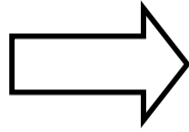
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NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members: Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Rex Enoch, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Carolyn Byars, Mary and Jim Lowrie, and Mary Vincent Family and Friends: Helen Tidwell, Jenne Pool, Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Janice Canter, Andrea Phillips, Donald and Dorothy Cook, Sandra Cook Downs, Kevin Smith, Dale Pentecost, Jaime Aguavo, Jr., Brett Wyatt, Lucetria Hutchison and Kerry Thompson. Please let us know of those who have improved or any one who needs to be added to this list..

- **PANTRY ITEMS June 2021:** 6—Canned Meats; 13—Pork-n-Beans; 20—Canned Carrots; 27—Soups. Please bring any additional items you wish for the “blessing box” which is located next to the breezeway on the north side of the building.
- **June 2021 Anniversaries:** 1-Peggy & Perry Jarvis; 17-Jan & James Pigg; 25-Mary & Jim Lowrie. **Birthdays:** 10-Griselda Adams; If we have left anyone out please let us know.
- **Study the Bible in Your Own Home.** Enroll in a Completely **Free Bible Correspondence Course.** Send your name, complete mailing address and phone number to: Green Plain church of Christ—3980 Murray Paris Road—Hazel, KY 42049 or enroll online at <http://greenplainchurchofchrist.org> or email greenplain@greenplainchurchofchrist.org.

Bible Study
Wednesday 7 pm

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1. Hear the word of God—Romans 10:17.
2. Believe Jesus Christ is the Son of God—Jn 8:24
3. Repent of your sins—Acts 2:38.
4. Confess your faith in Christ—Rom. 10:9-10
5. Be immersed in water for the remission of your sins—Ac. 2:38; 22:16; Rom. 6:3-4

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with you dear parent, do not allow your child to go off into eternity separated from his or her God. As a loving parent, may God grant you the wisdom to see the inestimable value

of your child's soul and the desire to "bring your children up in the "raining and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). What is your child's soul worth to you?

GROWING OLDER *By Tom Wacaster*

A news item a few years ago pointed out that Americans spend somewhere in the neighborhood of \$10 billion on beauty aids every year. A large portion of these beauty aids are designed to specifically target signs of aging. Unfortunately, our modern society glorifies youth and age is something you try to hide. A separate item pointed out that female Hollywood actors can pretty well expect to be out of a job at about age 40. Hollywood is not the only industry that ignores the talents and skills of the elderly. I once read that when Ty Cobb was 70, a reporter asked him, "What do you think you'd hit if you were playing these days?" Cobb, who was a lifetime .367 hitter, said, "About .290, maybe .300." The reporter said, "That's because of the travel, the night games, the artificial turf, and all the new pitches like the slider, right?" "No," said Cobb, "it's because I'm 70."

There is a certain fearful expectation of growing old. It frightens us. Perhaps that is why David prayed, "Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth" (Psa. 71:9). Jonathan Swift put it like this: "Every man desires to live long, but no man wants to be old." With old age comes a number of infirmities. Health fails, the mind becomes forgetful, and our life in general slows down, either voluntarily or of necessity. How should the Christian view the aging process? And what should be our attitude toward those who have attained unto three-score years of age and beyond? When God gave Israel her law, one of the things the

Almighty stressed was respect for the aged: "Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head (gray hair) and honor the face of the old man" (Lev. 19:32). "The hoary head is a crown of glory; It shall be found in the way of righteousness" (Prov. 16:31). "The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the grey head" (Prov. 20:29).

When ABC's 20/20 cohost, Hugh Downs visited Nepal, he discovered it is "polite" to ask a person's age and to call someone old is a compliment. Someone in their mid-fifties typically seems embarrassed about their immature age, but they are usually comforted if the inquirer encouragingly says, "Don't feel bad, you're getting there." In Nepal they take heed to Proverbs 16:31, "The hoary head is a crown of glory."

In January 2014, I made my first trip to the Philippines to preach God's word. Like their neighbor across the Indian Ocean, the Philippines have great respect for those who have reached the point in their life where there are more years behind them than before them. There are certain social benefits that go with getting older. But most of all, there seems to be a deep respect on the part those who are younger, for the older people in their society. As we grow older there is the great danger that we consider ourselves no longer useful to the church or society. Let us never forget that Noah was six hundred years old before God called him to be the preserver of

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the human race. Moses was eighty before he returned to Egypt to lead Israel out of bondage. History has shown us that many an artist, poet, or composer was just reaching their apex in life in their sixties, seventies, and even their eighties or nineties. There are too many godly men and women who, upon retirement from their lifelong careers, retire from the Lord's work as well. God did not tell us to remain faithful until we retire, but "unto death" (Rev. 2:10).

We need you now more than ever. Your energy may not be what it used to be, and your thinking process may be a little slower. But, as one aptly stated, "It is true that youth is faster, but it is also true that age is more

accurate." Please, do not become idle. Do not give in to the "rocking chair syndrome." The younger generation needs your wisdom to help through many of the same struggles you faced when you were younger. Meanwhile, "Thank You" for showing the way. Only eternity will reveal the good that so many of you have done in the sunset years of your life. For those who keep on keeping on in spite of your aches and pains; for those who have set an example for us in faithful attendance and godly living; for those who continue to tell others the sweet, sweet story of Jesus even if those to whom you speak think your words are the ranting of an old man or old woman. To you we express our thanksgiving. May your number increase!

THOSE TO SERVE JUNE 2021

Announcements: Chad Canter

Lord's Supper AM: James Pigg & Chad Canter

Lord's Supper PM 6-James Pigg; 13-Chad Canter; 20-James Pigg; 27-Chad Canter

Opening Prayer AM: 6-Jim Lowrie; 13-Mike Ernestberger; 20-Jonnie Hutchison 27-Bobby Hall.

Closing Prayer PM: 6-Jesse Vincent; 13-Junior Morris; 20-David Thompson; 27-Perry Jarvis

Song Leaders: AM-Charles Enoch; PM- Chad Canter; **Wednesday**-Mike Ernstberger

Usher: Jesse Vincent;

Count Contribution: James Pigg & Chad Canter