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Schedule of Services

- We have the privilege this Sunday at 10:00 of assembling together in the auditorium to worship God!

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NOW IS THE TIME *By Jonnie Hutchison*

One of the most common characteristics of the human race is to put something that needs to be done off until a later time. With some things this procrastination has little impact. However, procrastinating in other areas of one's life can be dangerous.

Our physical health is important to most of us. We want to make sure that we are eating the right things, getting the proper exercise and receiving treatment for any health problems that arise. However, a great many of us will procrastinate when it comes to going to the doctor, the dentist, or other medical professionals for treatment. Why? There may be a variety of reasons. One man said that he didn't want to go to the doctor because the doctor might find something wrong with him. Of course, if one has a health issue it will be there whether one sees a doctor or not. Some wait too long to seek medical treatment for their health issues and by the time they do, it's too late to do anything about it.

The spiritual disease of sin afflicts every accountable person

(Romans 3:23). If left untreated this disease is terminal. *"The soul that sins shall die...."* (Eze. 18:20). Jesus said, *"Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins."* (John 8:24). There is a Great Physician who has both the means and the willingness to cure this horrible disease (Matthew 9:12-14). But one must come in humble obedience to this Physician to receive the cure (Matthew 11:28-30). One may procrastinate but the cure will not be implemented until one receives the cleansing of the blood of Jesus (Romans 5:8-9). In this case procrastination has an negative eternal impact (Matthew 25:46).

Heed the words of 2 Corinthians 6:2, *"For He says: 'In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you.' Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation."* Dear reader, please don't put off till tomorrow what you know will save you today! **Now** is the time to come to the Great Physician for only He has the cure for your sin problem.

NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: **Green Plain members:** Remember Faye Travis, Peggy Jarvis, Rex Enoch, Mary Crutchfield, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Ann Thompson and Carolyn Byars. **Family and Friends:** Jenne Pool, Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Jim Hutson, Janice Canter, Maryanne Pedigrew, Dale Foster, Andrea Phillips, Donald and Dorothy Cook, Pat Hocking, and Sandra Cook Downs. Please continue to pray for each of these and for those tending to their needs as well as the leaders of our nation in this time of crisis.

- **PANTRY ITEMS July 2020: 5—Green Peas; 12—Jelly; 19—Spinach; 26—Tuna.** 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.
- **See our Facebook page** for announcements, updates and articles. Access to past editions of this bulletin are available on our website at <http://greenplainchurchofchrist.org>.
- **Mission Work:** Please continue to pray for the preachers this congregation is supporting in India and for Ronnie Gootan, David Nance, Mike Kiser, Arnold Gerson and Paul Jones in their respective works.
- **July 2020 Anniversaries:** none **Birthdays:** 7th—Chad Canter; 18th—Hayes Grady; 30th—Jim Lowrie. If we have left anyone out please let us know.
- **We offer FREE BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES through the mail. If you would like to enroll in one of these courses send your name and complete mailing address to Green Plain church of Christ—3980 Murray Paris Road—Hazel, KY 42049. You may also call 270-492-8206 and leave a message with your information on our answering machine. We pay all postage and there is no obligation on your part.**
- **How often do you pray?** The Bible teaches us to “pray without ceasing” (1 Thess. 5:17). The idea is that prayer should be a regular part of the lives of Christians. Prayer is our means of communicating our gratitude and our needs to our God (Col. 1:12). The Bible tells us in Philippians 4:6, “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.” We have great assurance that God will both hear and answer the prayers of His faithful children according to His will (1 John 5:14-15). When you pray, be willing to wait on the Lord, and if He says no, to accept His answer willingly (2 Cor. 12:7-10).

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 Good News Today
<http://gnttv.org/>
 Dexter church of Christ
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 Coldwater church of Christ
www.facebook.com/Coldwater-Church-of-Christ-170296152984011/ and on YouTube
 In Search of the Lord’s Way
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BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

This Week: How did Jesus explain why He spoke in parables?

Last Week: Who “moved” the Old Testament prophets to speak God’s Word?

Answer: The Holy Spirit (2 Peter 1:21).

UNTIL THE HARVEST *By Dan Jenkins*

Before Jesus died, He revealed to the apostles what lay in their future. They were to be sowers of the word of God into hearts that were like wayside, thorny, stony and good soils (Matt. 13:1-9, 18-23). He also told them that in the field they were planting seed which would produce the kingdom of God. He then told them they should expect Satan to come add seeds of evil among the seed the apostles had planted (Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43).

That kingdom began, and Satan began his work by “planting weeds” in the church. He tried to change the very nature of the church into one which demanded all men, especially Gentiles, be circumcised. For the next generation, the church of Jesus struggled with tares (weeds) of Judaism. Take a moment and look around you. The church of Christ is eternal and will always be on the earth, but Satan has never ceased trying to hide it among the tares of religious division.

When the Owner of the field was asked about removing the tares planted by Satan, He said, “Let both grow together until the harvest, and at the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, ‘First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barns’” (Matt. 13:30). Good seed and tares will be here “until the harvest.”

So, what are we to do until the harvest? Jesus said, “Pray the Lord of the harvest to

send out laborers into His harvest” (Matt. 9:38). The time of the harvest is not yet, but He wants us to pray that laborers may be in the fields. He even told the apostles that they were laborers in that field (John 4:38). We need to pray for laborers and to be laborers.

What do we do until the harvest? We need to realize that all of us can be laborers in many ways. Paul spoke of those who planted



and those who watered. He then reminded us that it does not make any difference who does any of this work. He said he who sows and he who waters are to do their work realizing it is God who gives the increase (1 Cor. 3:7).

What are we to do until the harvest? Ask God to use you. Lift up your eyes unto the field. Plant, water and ask God to put you in situations where you can be used as one who goes into the world sowing the seed. The fact that others might be better “sowers” or “waterers” than you makes no difference. Remember every seed sown and every drop of water added to the seed together makes for a great harvest.

There is so much that is happening in our world which can only be changed by those who are sowers and waterers, lights in the darkness and salt seasoning the earth. Pray, ask, sow, water, light and salt—let God use you!

—*Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ*

“He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.” - 1 Peter 1:20-21



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SUNDAY'S SERMON

"The Good, the Bad and the Ugly"

10:00 AM

Assemble in the Auditorium

Remember to practice social distancing

2 TIMOTHY 3:16

16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

17 that the man of God may thoroughly equip



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HEAR the gospel of Christ—Romans 10:13-17

BELIEVE Jesus Christ is the Son of God—John 8:24

REPENT of your sins—Acts 17:30-31

CONFESS your faith in Christ—Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10

BE IMMERSED in water into His death where the blood is applied and sins are washed away—Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Romans 6:3-5; Revelation 1:5b

BE FAITHFUL even in the face of death—Revelation 2:10