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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

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HAVE YOU OBEYED THE GOSPEL?

By Jonnie Hutchison

“For whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things! But they have not all obeyed the gospel....” (Romans 10:13-16a).

A careful consideration of these verses indicates that to call upon the name of the Lord is equivalent to obeying the gospel. The progression that leads to salvation is preaching, hearing, believing, and calling upon the name or authority of the Lord by obeying the commands of the gospel. But, as the scripture says, **“Not all have obeyed the gospel.” Have you?**

Jesus said, *“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven”* (Matthew 7:21). The Hebrew writer states that Jesus *“became the author of*

eternal salvation to all who obey Him” (Hebrews 5:9). Dear reader, have you done the Father’s will? Have you obeyed Jesus? **Have you obeyed the gospel?**

The Lord has left us examples in the New Testament of exactly how people obeyed the gospel. They heard the preaching of the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ. **“Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them”** (. Acts 8:5). They accepted the testimony that Jesus Christ is the Son of God (Acts 2:36; 8:12), repented of their sins (Acts 2:38; 17:30-31), verbally confessed faith in Him (Acts 8:37), and were baptized into Christ for the remission of their sins (Acts 2:38, 41; 8:12, 38). Please read these passages and study them carefully for how one obeys the gospel has not changed. The response made in the 1st century is the very same response required in the 21st century.

What will happen to those who do not obey the gospel? Let the Bible answer: **“...when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on**

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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, and Mary and Jim Lowrie, As of this writing Mary Vincent is in Centennial Hospital in Nashville undergoing tests. She was taken to the emergency room on Tuesday after becoming ill. Charles Enoch remains in Murray Hospital suffering from Covid. At the present he is being treated with medications and is on a ventilator. No visits or phone calls are permitted at this time. Please pray for all of our sick and those in the hospital.

Family and Friends: Teresa Tacker, Betty Pond, Bryan White, Kenneth Mizell, Dale Pentecost, and Brett Wyatt,. Please let us know of those who have improved or any one who needs to be added to this list..

- **PANTRY ITEMS July 2021:** 4—Apple Sauce; 11—Canned Fruit Juice; 18—Vienna Sausages; 25—Jell-O. 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.
- **UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS:** **Fall Gospel Meeting** with Alan Adams, September 12 -16, 2021. Our **School of Biblical Studies** will be conducted each Monday evening 7-9 pm, September 20—November 8, 2021. Larry Powers will teach “Church History” and Jack Phillips will teach “2 Corinthians.”
- **UPCOMING AREA EVENTS:** **Gospel Meeting** at the Dexter church of Christ, July 25 -28 with Jonnie Hutchison preaching.
- **July 2021 Anniversaries:** None . **Birthdays:** 7-Chad Canter; 18-Hayes Grady 30-Jim Lowrie; 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.



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God's Plan for Your Salvation

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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those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power” (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9).

Dear reader, have YOU obeyed the gospel? Our prayer and plea is that you will respond in obedience to the gospel just as those whose record is found in the pages of the New Testament. *“Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has*

made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.” Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, ***“Men and brethren, what shall we do?”*** Then Peter said to them, ***“Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit....Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them”*** (Acts 2:36-38, 41).

THE SIGNS OF MATTHEW 24 *By Raymond Sieg*

In [Matthew 24:1-35](#), Jesus talked about a number of disturbing signs that would occur in the future. For example, He said that His followers would *“hear of wars and rumors of wars”* (vs.6). He also mentioned conflicts between nations and kingdoms, as well as *“famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places”* (vs.7). Although these signs are often applied to the Lord's return, Jesus related them to the occasion when the Jewish temple in Jerusalem would be destroyed.

Beginning at [Matthew 24:36](#) and continuing through chapter 25, Jesus did talk about His return. As He discussed His return He had this to say: *“But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only”* ([Matthew 24:36](#)). Did you hear what the Lord said? He declared that no man or angel knows the time of His return. Only the Father knows. Because no one knows when Jesus will return, we must listen to the instructions that He gave. *“Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come”* ([Matthew 24:42](#)). *“Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh”* ([Matthew 24:44](#)). *“Watch therefore, for ye know nei-*

ther the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh” ([Matthew 25:13](#)). It is imperative that we follow these instructions because, when Jesus returns, *“the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up”* ([2 Peter 3:10](#)).

There will be no signs leading up to the Lord's return. Two inspired apostles, Paul and Peter, stated that the day of the Lord will arrive *“as a thief in the night”* ([1 Thessalonians 5:2](#); [2 Peter 3:10](#)). In other words, the Lord's return will be sudden and unexpected. So, when you hear of natural disasters such as hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding, forest fires, and volcanoes erupting, and when you hear of conflicts throughout the world, do not be alarmed. Such things do not mean that Christ is about to return.

The Lord wants us to get ready for His return by obeying the Gospel. He wants us to stay ready for His return by remaining faithful to Him. By being prepared we can actually look forward to the Lord's return, and we can join the apostle John in saying, *“Even so, come, Lord Jesus”* ([Revelation 22:20](#)). **Are you ready?**



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THOSE TO SERVE JULY 2021

Announcements: Mike Ernstberger **Lord's Supper AM:** Bobby Hall and Larry Enoch

Lord's Supper PM 4-Bobby Hall | 1-Larry Enoch; 2|8-Bobby; 25-Larry

Opening Prayer AM: 4-Charles Enoch; | 1 | 1-Chad Canter; | 8-James Pigg 25-Jim Lowrie.

Closing Prayer AM: 4-Perry Jarvis; | 1 -Mike Ernstberger; | 8-Junior Morris; 25-Roy Wyatt

Song Leaders: **AM-**Perry Jarvis; **PM-** Mike Ernstberger; **Wednesday-**Chad Canter

Usher: Chad Canter; **Count Contribution:** Bobby Hall and Larry Enoch