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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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GOD HELPS ME IN TIME OF TRIAL

By Jonnie Hutchison

As humans all of us share in the possibility of suffering trials in our lives. These trials may take various forms such as health issues, family and marriage problems, financial difficulties, depression and anxiety, the death of loved ones, the physical and emotional consequences of sin and the aches, pains and changes that come with the aging of our physical bodies. While such trials are not pleasant to endure there is often not much we can do to prevent their occurrence. We must accept that we will face trials in life realizing that God, who loves each one of us, offers us the help we need to endure them.

GOD OFFERS THE FORGIVENESS OF SIN (John 3:16; Romans 5:8-9). Many of the trials that come upon mankind are the result of personal sin. There are physical and mental consequences to engaging in sin. For example drug addition (including beverage alcohol) often results in damage to the brain, liver or other vital organs. The use of drugs may lead to ones arrest and imprisonment. Those who have suffered such trials

could have avoided them by accepting God's offer of salvation and letting His Word be their guide in life. Accepting God's offer of forgiveness is the starting place to receiving the help God provides to face the trials of life.

GOD OFFERS PRAYER.

Prayer is a tremendous spiritual blessing for the Christian in time of trial. It is the means by which we can make known our deepest needs and express our greatest concerns to the One who will listen with love, tenderness and compassion and who responds with the proper action. 1 John 5:14-15 assures us, *"Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 15 And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him."* As you face trials in your life remember the words of the inspired Paul, *"What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not*

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NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain Members: Maxine Pool, Jim Fielder (Spring Creek), Dave & Ann Thompson (Hickory Woods), Wanda Barrett (Charter Health Care), Roy Wyatt, Marie Wyat, Russell Lathrop, and Mary and Jesse Vincent.

Family and Friends: Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Dale Pentecost, Kim Burrows, Luce-
tria Hutchison, Ted Clark, Patrice Wyatt, Jackie Herndon, Peyton Mays, Patricia Dowdy,
Darren Mays, Adam Kellam, Dan Sikes, Ariana Yount, Joanne Hutchison, John Sales
Jack Phillips and Ron Hutchison.

Guest Speaker: We are happy to have brother Michael Clarke visiting with us today. He
will teach our Bible class and speak at both services today. Welcome Michael!

July 2026; **ANNIVERSERIES:** None **BIRTHDAYS:** 7th-Chad Canter. Congratula-
tions!

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

AREA EVENTS: **Gospel Meeting** at the Dexter church of Christ—July 26-29, with John
Boyd speaking. Sunday services are at 9:30 am for Bible classes; morning worship is at
10:15 am and evening services at 7:30 pm. Monday-Wednesday services are at 7:00 pm.

THOSE TO SERVE July 2026

Announcements: James

Lord's Table AM: Mike & Russell

Lord's Table PM: 5-Mike; 12-Russell; 19-Mike;
26-Russell.

Opening Prayer AM: 5-Bobby; 12-Jonnie; 10-Jimmy;
26- Perry

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

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

Count Contribution: Mike & Russell

AREA EVENT **Gathered Together** **Conference**

July 29-August 2, 2026

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with Him also freely give us all things?" (Romans 8:31-32). "What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry, Everything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry, everything to God in prayer."

GOD OFFERS THE GUIDANCE AND CONFORT OF HIS WORD. There is **power** in the Word of God to lead us in the right direction in life which will help us to avoid many trials (Psalm 119: 105; Acts 20:32; Romans 1:16; Hebrews 4:12). There is **comfort** in the Word of God to help us through the trials and difficulties we must face (Romans 15:4;-5; 2 Corinthians 1:3-7; 1 Thessalonians 4:18). Since God is the "God of all comfort" it should not surprise us that His Word produces the comfort we need and crave in the face of life's trials. The book of Proverbs reveals this encouraging truth: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths" (Proverbs 3:5-6).

GOD OFFERS THE HELP OF FAITHFUL CHRISTIANS. Christians suffer with their brothers and sisters who suffer (1 Corinthians 12:26). Christians are "kindly affectionate toward one another with brotherly love" (Romans 12:10). Christians are kind, tenderhearted and forgiving toward one another (Ephesians 4:32). Christians provide comfort and encouragement to brethren who are facing trials (2 Corinthians 1:6-7). Christians comfort and build one another up (1 Thessalonians 5:11). Christians serve one another (Galatians 5:13). Christians pray with and for one another (James 5:13-16).

Yes, trials will come to our lives but God provides help as we face them. He provides the means of salvation from sin which helps us to avoid many of the trials that may otherwise come upon us. He provides the avenue of prayer which we may utilize with the greatest of confidence to ask our loving God for His help. He provides the guidance of His Word to give us comfort and to light our path so that we can properly deal with our trials. He provides the comfort and encouragement of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Let us depend upon and trust in Him as we come face to face with the trials of life!

GOOD WORKS *By Toney L. Smith*

When I hear someone say, "God has given us no works that are associated with salvation!" I wonder what Noah would say to that statement. He was commanded to build an ark; Hebrews 11:7 *"By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith."* Do you think that some work was required in the ark's construction? And the only power tools he had

were the eight souls who were saved by an obedient faith. (Genesis 6:13-22). This means they worked the plan given by God, and not something of their own design or an altered blueprint (Deuteronomy 4:2; 12:32; Proverbs 30:6; Revelation 22:18-19).

Dorcas was a lady who is described this way: *"Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of*

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good works and alms deeds which she did” (Acts 9:36). What does “... full of good works mean?” Could she have been full of good works without doing any work? The reasonable mind would know that would be impossible!

Paul said, “As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith” (Galatians 6:10). James, by inspiration said, “Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone” (James 2:17). Also, in James 2:24 “Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.” And what about James 4:17 “Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.” Scripture insists that all works set forth by God must be obeyed if we are to be counted faithful.

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If the Lord were to return while you are reading these words, would you be eternally saved in heaven or lost in a devil’s hell?

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. **Are you doing His will?**

Jesus said, “I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.” Luke 13:3. **Have you turned from your sins?**

Jesus said, “He who believes and is baptized shall be saved....” **Have you done this?**

Jesus said, “And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.” Matthew 25:46. **If Jesus came while you are reading these words, in which category would you be found? Would it be eternal life or eternal punishment?**

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!



SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10:00 AM
A Study of Luke

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:50 AM
Michael Clarke

SUNDAY WORSIP 6:00 PM
Michael Clarke

Wednesday 7:00 PM
A Study of 2 Kings

Salvation Requires Me To...

- 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.
- 6. Be a faithful servant and Steward—I Cor. 4:2; Rev12:10