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### Schedule of **Services**

- <u>Sunday</u> **Bible Classes** 10:00 AM Morning Worship 10:45 AM **Evening Worship** 6:00 PM
- Wednesday Bible Classes 7:00 PM

#### **Elders**

- Mike Ernstberger 270-753-2108 Home 270-293-7027 Cell
- James Pigg 270-759-2145 Home 270-293-2319 Cell

#### Deacons

- Larry Enoch
- **Bobby Hall**
- Jesse Vincent

#### Preacher

Jonnie Hutchison Cell: 270-978-7569

## Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David Nance. McKenzie, TN—Paul Jones

#### Location

Green Plain Church of Christ 3980 Murray Paris Road Hazel, KY 42049 Phone: (270) 492-8206

## **ROLL THE GOSPEL CHARIOT ALONG**

Many of you know the song children sing during VBS entitled, "Roll the Gospel Chariot." This was one of my favorite songs as a young boy, especially when we got to the line that said, "When the Devil's in the way, we will run right over him." When we sang that line, we would roll our arms as fast as we could, imitating the turning of a wheel, and we would "run over the Devil" at high speed!

But what I could never understand as a child is why we would sing the line, "When the sinner's in the way, we will stop and pick him up." From my understanding at the time, I didn't want to "stop and pick them up;" I wanted to "run right over them too!" mean, why not? If we were going to run over the Devil in our

"Gospel Chariot," why wouldn't we also run over a sinner who was behaving like the Devil?

As an adult, I understand what I didn't as a child. We must learn to make distinction between the sin and the sinner. While we are to hate sin (Romans 12:9), we are to love the sinner (Romans 5:8; Luke 19:10). However, if truth be told, although we may understand the meaning of this song, we may in practice be guilty of "running right over the sinner" instead of "stopping and picking him up."

Maybe we need to do a little introspection. Does your "Gospel Chariot" slow down for sinners, or mow them down? Give it some thought.

—By Steve Higginbotham

## "THE HOT SEAT" By Frank Shepherd

first things first and with him, work came first. His sons, Frank and Roy, were always working on Saturday afternoon while other boys got to go fishing and swimming, or in to town. One Friday

George Heflin believed in if their chores were done and they plowed a certain field of corn that Saturday; they could have the rest of the day off. Frank and Roy were up a little before daybreak. They didn't stop for water and they didn't take a break.

	night, after a really long hard day	They had done their chores and
greenplainchurchofchrist.org	of working, George told his boys	(Continued on page 3)

## **NEWS AND NOTES**

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- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** <u>Green Plain members</u>: Paul Brandon Lori Brandon, Peggy Jarvis, Rex and Margaret Enoch, Will Ed and Faye Travis, Mary Crutchfield, Vickie and Kaitlyn Canter, Joanne Barnes, Frank Towery, Maxine Pool, Hayes Grady, Jim Fielder, Larry Enoch and Jesse and Mary Vincent.
- <u>Family and Friends</u>: Betty Pond, Byron White, Meredith Enoch, Kenneth Mizell, Walter Bryars, Ann Workman, Mike and Dollie Kiser, Will and Nancy Winchester, Dean Carroll, Maryanne Stubblefield, Annie Lyons, Kenzie Murdock, Jim Hutson, Janice Canter, Maryanne Pedigrew, Dale Foster, Thomas Cooker, Don and Sherry Blackwell, Neal Parker and Andrea Phillips.
- Mark Your Calendar: *Fall Gospel Meeting* with Victor Eskew is scheduled for September 8-12. Fall session of the *School of Biblical Studies* will be conducted for eight consecutive Monday beginning on September 16th.
- Pantry items for <u>June</u> 7—Canned Beets; 14—Pork-n-Beans; 21—Spinach; 28—Paper Towels.
- Remember our **snacks for the hospital program** and place your items in the baskets in the lobby.
- **PASS IT ON!** When you have finished reading this bulletin, why not pass it on to a loved one, friend or neighbor. Use this as a tool to spread the gospel. Or, pick up extra copies to hand or mail to others.
- 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 Dale Foster, Ronnie Gootan, David Nance, Mike Kiser and Paul Jones in their respective works.
- Watch "A Bible Answer" each Sunday morning at 8:00 am on WQWQ TV in Paducah, KY. This program is also available on their website at abibleanswertv.org and on GBN and YouTube.
- July 2019 <u>Anniversaries</u>: ;16th Rex & Margret Enoch <u>Birthdays</u>: 7th—Chad Canter; <u>9th Eli</u> Salves; <u>18th</u> Hayes Grady; <u>30th</u> Jim Lowrie; Please let us know if we have left anyone out.
- "Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1).



BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION

**<u>This Week</u>:** Was man idle in the Garden of Eden?

**Last Week**: *Who was Epaphroditus?* A messenger sent by the church at Philippi with a gift for the apostle Paul, who was under house arrest in Rome (Philippiane 2.25: 4.18)



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were plowing the field by ten-thirty. With about three fourths of the filed plowed, around twelve-thirty, one of the mules they were plowing with got tired and sat down on his hind legs. He refused to budge. Frank and Roy used up a bunch of switches but Windy wouldn't move. Desperate, the boys built a fire under Windy and he got up in a

## **"ANTICHRIST** By Paul Kirkpatrick

After watching a history channel production of the same name, I found it interesting that the name "Antichrist" was deemed synonymous with the beast of Revelation. There is no correlation between the two found in Scripture. John's letters are the only place that such a term as "antichrist" is found. Many assume that the beast and antichrist are the same. John tells us that there are many antichrists [plural] that are already in the world. Obviously, the term "antichrist" does not refer to just one individual, but to several. Maybe the answer can be found in 1 John 2:7 where John identifies antichrist; For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. So John gives the criteria for antichrist, i.e. one that does not confess that Jesus has come into the world.

## hurry. But he walked about ten feet and sat down again. They built another fire and Windy moved again – and sat down again. Needless to say, the boys finished their plowing without Windy. Some folks are like that old mule; they need a fire built under them to get them going. Don't be like Windy, or you'll always be on the hot seat.

John was confronting Gnosticism, (a belief that Jesus did not come in the flesh but only came in spirit form) that had invaded the Church. He was warning those who held this belief that they were of the spirit of antichrist [And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world. 1 John 4:3].

Though there are few Gnostics today there are many who are anti-Christ. Anti-Christ would translate as against Christ, in opposition to Christ or contrary to Christ. Sadly, there are many who fit this description today.

*—Warner's Chapel church of Christ* 

## BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

An elderly carpenter was ready to retire. He told his employer - contractor of his plans to leave the house-building business and live a more leisurely life with his wife enjoying his extended family. He would miss the paycheck, but he needed to retire. They could get by. The contractor was sorry to see his good worker go and asked if he could build just one more house as a personal fawork. He resorted to shoddy workmanship and used inferior materials. It was an unfortunate way to end a dedicated career.

When the carpenter finished his work the employer came to inspect the house. He handed the front-door key to the carpenter. "This is your house," he said, "my gift to you." The carpenter was shocked! What a shame! If he had only known he was building his own house, he would have done it all

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vor. The carpenter said yes, but in time it was easy to see that his heart was not in his	
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#### **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!

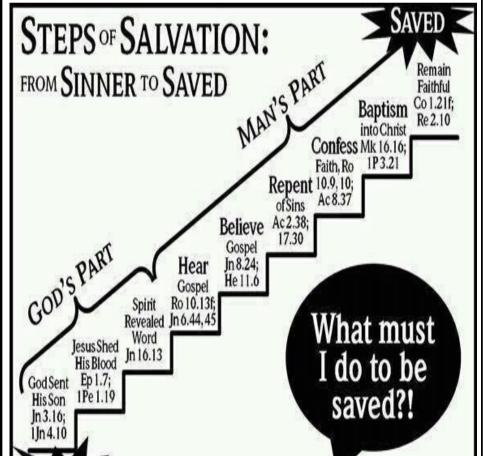
A warm and friendly welcome awaits!

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differently.

So it is with us. We build our lives, a day at a time, often putting less than our best into the building. Then with a shock we realize we have to live in the house we have built. If we could do it over, we'd do it much differently. But we cannot go back. You are the carpenter. Each day you hammer a nail, place a board, or erect a wall. "Life is a do-it-yourself project," someone has said. Your attitudes and the choices you make today, build the "house" you live in tomorrow. Build wisely.

—Pennington Bend church of Christ, Nashville



**THOSE TO SERVE July 2019** Announcements Perry Jarvis Preside at Lord's Table Mike Ernstberger & James Pigg Substitute: Jim Lowrie Assist at Lord's Table Dave Thompson & Bobby Hall Substitute: Chad Canter Preside at Lord's Table PM 7—Mike 14—James 21—Mike 28—James **Opening** Prayer 7—Bobby Hall 14—Jonnie Hutchison 21-Hayes Grady 28—Jim Lowrie Closing Prayer 7—Brent Morris 14—Roy Wyatt 21—Preston Barrett 28—Dave Thompson Song Leaders Sunday AM—Charles Enoch Sunday PM—Perry Jarvis Wednesday—Eli Sales Substitute—Mike Ernstberger Count Contribution Bobby & Dave

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Collect Communion Cups Nathan Usher Chad Canter

If unable to serve please call Chad Canter at 270-873-7509

