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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

Elders

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

Deacons

- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison
Cell: 270-978-7569

Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David
Nance, & Ronnie Gootam;
MSOP—Eli Sales
BIM—Duston Pool.
Hatti/Cuba: Arnold Gerson

Location

- Green Plain Church of Christ
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- greenplainchurchofchrist.org

WOULD I BE CALLED A CHRISTIAN?

Would I be called a Christian
if everybody knew
My secret thoughts and feel-
ings and everything I do?
Would they see the likeness
of Christ in me each day?
Oh, would they hear Him
speak in every thing I say?

Would I be called a Christian
if all could know
That I am found in places
Christ would never go?
Oh, could they tell the differ-

ence in the songs I sing?
In my eating, drinking,
dressing — in everything?

Would I be called a Christian
if judged by what I read?
By all my recreation, and
every thought and deed?
Would I be counted Christ-
like in my work and play,
Unselfish, kind, forgiving
others every day?

—*Author Unknown*

FALL GOSPEL MEETING

September 10-14, 2023

At the

Green Plain Church of Christ

Speaker: Victor Eskew
Ocean Side, FL



Schedule of Services

Sunday: 10:00 & 10:45 am & 7:30 pm

Monday-Thursday: 7:00 pm

NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members: Peggy Jarvis , Maxine Pool, Jim Field-er, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jesse and Mary Vincent, and Jan Pigg.

Family and Friends: Ted Lovett, Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Roger Rhoades, Bonnie Byerly, Tommy Boggess, David Lemmons, Kim Burrows, Calvin Hall, Eddy Craft, Cathy and Steve Ernstberger and family and Shawn and Rhonda Culver, and Lucetria Hutchison.

PANTRY ITEMS August 2023: 6—Sweet Pickles; 13-Canned Potatoes; 20-Toliet Tissue; 27-Mustard.All items must be non-perishable or canned.

August 2023; Anniversaries: 13-Gail & Jonnie. Birthdays: 4—Teresa Enoch;10—Brent Morris; 21—Jackie Spiceland. Did we miss anyone? Please let us know.

ENROLL IN A FREE BIBLE CORRECSPONDENCE COURSE. Send your name and complete mailing address and phone number to Green Plain church of Christ 3980 Murray Paris RD Hazel, KY 42049 or email your request to greenplaincoc@gmail.com.

HOME BIBLE STUDY; Request a **FREE** home Bible study—“*Back to the Bible*” for any-one who is interested in gaining more knowledge of the Bible. Contact us to set up a time for our teachers to come into your home or meet at our building to begin this study.

TRACTS & DVD’S AVAILABLE for free in the front lobby. Let’s utilize these to bring others to Christ.

Fall Session School of Biblical Studies—September 18-November 6

Each Monday 7:00—9:00 pm

Everyone Is Invited!



THSE TO SERVE AUGUST 2023

Announcements: Chad Canter

Table AM: Roy Wyatt & Junior Morris

Table PM: 6-Roy; 13-Junior; 20-Roy; 27-Junior

Opening Prayer AM: 6-Jonnie; 13-Bibby; 20-James;
27-Jim Lowrie

Closing Prayer AM: 6-Dave; 13-Mike; 20-Jesse;
27-Chad

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

Count Contribution: Roy and Junior



CAN YOU FIND IT? *By Wendell Winkler*

Christ exhorted, “*Search the scriptures*” (John 5:39). The Bereans were noble for, along with receiving the Word with all readiness, they “*sought the scriptures daily*” (Acts 17:11). Today, we should heed the Lord’s exhortation and emulate the example of the Bereans. Kind reader, as you “search the scriptures,” can you find the following?

- The name you wear in religion? Remember, speaking of the name Christ, “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved” (Acts 4:12).

- ♦ In searching the Scriptures, can you find, the church of which you are a member? If the Bible is our road map from earth to heaven, how can we expect to reach the desired destination being a member of some institution whose name does not even appear in its pages? Think it over!

- ♦ In searching the Scriptures, can you find, the worship you render? Can you present divine authority and sanction for the burning of incense, washing of feet and instrumental music in worship?

- ♦ In searching the Scriptures, can you find, the confession you made? What confession did you make before you were baptized? Did you confess, “I believe that God for Christ’s sake has pardoned my sins?” Can you find it in the Bible?

- ♦ In searching the Scriptures, can you find, the baptism to which you submitted? Did you have water sprinkled or poured upon you when you were an infant—or maybe later? Can you find book, chapter and verse from the Scripture for such a practice in the Christian age? Where can we read that sprinkling is baptism or that infants are proper subjects for such? Also, if you were baptized because you were already saved, where do you read of such in the Bible?

In conclusion, we ask, can you be satisfied rapidly and speedily marching toward eternity having patterned your life after matters which you cannot find in the Scriptures? This is a serious matter!

- ♦ *Wendell Winkler, deceased Via St. Peter's church of Christ*

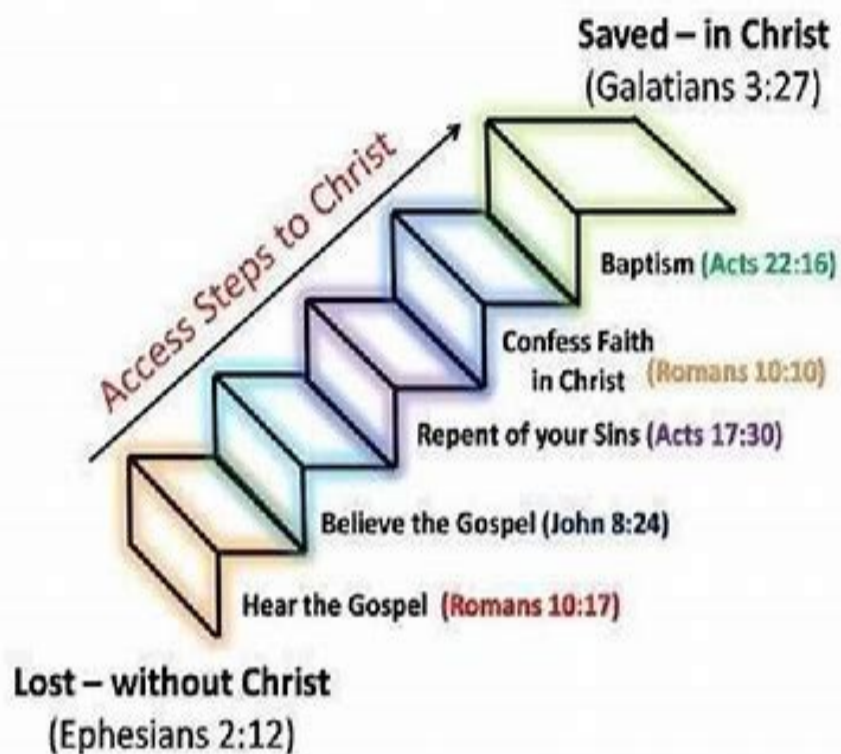
YOU CAN LIVE FOREVER *By Jonnie Hutchison*

As one grows older he begins to realize just how brief his life on earth really is. Many of our readers have reached that age in the journey of life with fewer years ahead than behind. We know we will die for so it is appointed (Hebrews 9:27). But, is death the end of one’s existence? If you ask an atheist they would answer “yes” for life to him is nothing more than an “animal existence.” They reject that each of us are the result of God’s creation and have a spiritual essence which lives on after death, Therefore, when

you die that’s the end. In such a view there is no real purpose for one’s life except “the survival of the fittest” and there is no hope beyond the grave. This sad limited view of life generates selfishness and leads to the rejection of the sanctity of life, to depression, unhappiness, hopelessness, suicide, murder, and dependence upon alcohol and other drugs. Some may accuse this writer of being too dramatic because there are many unbelievers who live happy and satisfying lives

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PLEASE READ ALL THE SCRIPTURES LISTED BELOW



who never become involved in those things just mentioned. That is true of believers too, except we have additional joys that unbelievers cannot have. We have the “peace of God” (Phil. 4:7); the forgiveness of sin through the blood of Jesus (Romans 5:8-9), the privilege and assurance of answered prayer (1 Peter 3:12; 1 John 5:14), the spiritual fellowship of the church and continual access to the blood of Jesus (1 John 1:7-9). These great spiritual blessings are not available to unbelievers but only to those who are “in Christ” (Ephesians 1:3).

Of course, there is one more blessing available to believers that is not available to unbelievers. That blessing is the **hope of eternal life**. “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have **everlasting life**” (John 3:16). Titus 1:2 reads, “in hope of **eternal life** which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began,” Dear reader, God will give you the hope of eternal life if you are willing to believe and obey His Word (Hebrews 5:8-9; 1 Peter 1:22). Yes, **you** can live forever!

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!

Bible Study Opportunities

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10:00 AM
Book of I Thessalonians

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP 10:45
“Helping One Another Go To Heaven”

SUNDAY PM WORSIP 6:00
“The Civil Trials of Jesus”

WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM
Book of Matthew



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