



# THE GREEN PLAIN PROCLAIMER

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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

## Elders

- Mike Ernstberger  
270-753-2108 Home  
270-293-7027 Cell
- James Pigg  
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## Deacons

- Larry Enoch
- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

## Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison  
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## Supporting Works

India—Dale Foster, David Nance, and Ronnie Gootam  
McKenzie, TN—Paul Jones

## Location

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## JESUS IS COMING!

By Jonnie Hutchison

Jesus is coming! Jesus Himself said, ***“I will come again”*** (John 14:1-3). When Jesus ascended to heaven angels declared, ***“This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven.”*** (Acts 1:11). Paul, inspired by the Holy Spirit, wrote in 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17, ***“For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.”*** And the book of Revelation tells us, ***“Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen”*** (Revelation 1:7).

Yes, Christ is coming but **when?** To speculate as to the time of His coming is futile for God has not chosen to reveal when Jesus will come again. The Bible uses the figure of the coming of a thief to illustrate the uncertainty of when Christ will come. 2 Peter 3:10-11 reads, ***“But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will***

***pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.”*** (See also 1 Thessalonians 5:2-4). Down through history many have chosen specific dates as to when they believed Jesus would come again. However, each chosen date passed without the Lord appearing. Only God knows when Christ will come for He has appointed that day (Acts 17:30-31).

Yes, Jesus is coming but **why?** He is coming to judge the world in righteousness (Acts 17:31). The Bible tells us, in 2 Corinthians 5:10, ***“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.”*** There will be no absentees at the judgment. Each of us will appear before our Great Judge to answer for the choices we have made in this life. If we have chosen to faithfully serve God in this life then we will enter into eternal life in heaven. However, if we have chosen to reject the salvation God has made available by choosing to live in

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## NEWS AND NOTES

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Green Plain members:** Faye Travis (Diagnosed with Covid but home as of this writing), Peggy Jarvis, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Hayes and Marjorie Grady, Jim Fielder, Griselda Adams, Larry Enoch, Steve Enoch, Carolyn Byars, Mary and Jim Lowrie and Mary and Jesse Vincent.

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

- **COVID INFO:** Our Covid safety measures remain in effect for our worship services and Bible classes. It is recommended that we wear our masks, social distance and refrain from hand shakes and hugs.. Let us consider one another's safety and act accordingly.
- **PANTRY ITEMS August 2021:** 1—Toothpaste; 8—Body Wash; 15—Kleenex; 22—Paper Towels; 29—Deodorant 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.
- **August 2021 Anniversaries:** 13—Gail & Jonnie Hutchison . **Birthdays:** 4-Teresa Enoch; 10-Brent Morris. Please let us know if we have left anyone out.
- **ENROLL IN A FREE BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSE.** Send your name and complete mailing address and phone number to the address on the first page of this bulletin.
- **UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS** (These may be subject to change Covid worsens). **Fall Gospel Meeting** with Alan Adams, September 12-16, 2021. **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".
- The material things of this life exist temporarily. They will ultimately all be burned up. The spiritual is eternal. Which is the most important to you? Think about it!



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## LESSONS AUGUST 15th

**AM Bible Study—  
*The Book of Acts***

**AM— "*His Name Will  
Be Called*" Isa. 9:6**

**PM— "*The Duration of  
Love*" 1 Cor. 13**

**Wednesday Bible Class**

***The Book of Titus***

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sin, we will be sentenced to eternal punishment in hell. As Jesus taught in His preview of the judgment concerning this sentencing, ***“And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”*** (Matthew 25:46).

Yes, Jesus is coming again! None of us know when. We do know why and we do know that every one of us will be present. The pressing question is **are you ready?** Have you made the necessary preparation to receive the forgiveness of your sins through the blood of Jesus? God’s longsuffering and His unwillingness that any perish has provided you with the opportunity you now have to accept the salvation he provides (2 Peter 3:9).

Will you obey the gospel by accepting that Jesus is the Christ (John 8:24), repenting of your sins (Acts 17:30-31), confessing faith in Christ (Romans 10:9-10) and being immersed in water, into the death of Jesus (Romans 6:3-4), there to spiritually reach His blood to have your sins washed away? (Acts 22:16). Jesus said, ***“He who believes and is baptized shall be saved; but he who does not believe shall be condemned”*** (Mark 16:16). Then, live faithful to God, loving and serving Him all the days of your life and facing the coming of Jesus with confidence (2 Tim. 4:7-8). ***“Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world.”*** (1 John 4:17).

## THE UNIVERSE MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE *By Kevin Cauley*

Gavin came home and wanted to watch a video on YouTube—Us In Relationship to the Universe. Basically, this video began with showing us the size of a small moon in our solar system and worked its way up through all the planets, the sun, several other stars in our galaxy, and finally the universe. By the time one is finished watching the video, one gets the impression of earth being nothing more than a speck in the grand scheme of things. Are human beings even less than a speck and insignificant in the cosmos? This is exactly what atheistic evolutionists want us to believe. Their philosophy of the absolute materiality of everything implies that human beings are next to nothing. This is a leading cause of the hopelessness and despair that many experience in the world today.

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The Psalmist once wrote, *“When I look*

*at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?”* (Psalm 8:3-4). The Psalmist also had the feeling that he was little in comparison to the Universe, but notice what faith in God prompted him to believe in the next verses. He goes on to say: *“Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet* (Psalm 8:5-6). In contrast to the philosophy of atheism, the Bible teaches that human beings are the pinnacle of God’s creation and central to His creative work. That is a philosophy of hope, meaning, power, and value; and it all starts with faith in God! What a difference that makes!

—[The Universe: Faith Makes All the Difference - Church of Christ Articles](#)



### 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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### HERE'S LOOKING AT ME

*"Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you are disqualified. 6. But I trust that you will know that we are not disqualified."* 2 Corinthians 13:5-6 One of the hardest things for us to do is to look at ourselves honestly. We'd like to think that we don't have too many faults or bad traits. We seem to have an inborn defense mechanism that prevents us from being completely honest with ourselves which all makes self improvement that much more difficult. But in the preceding verse, the bible says that we are to examine ourselves, that's honestly looking at the measure of faith that we possess. It also goes on to say that we should test ourselves, give ourselves spiritual challenges which will make us grow and become spiritually stronger.

Why is this important? Because Jesus Christ is a part of us and we're to live for

Him everyday. Just as the athlete in the ball game or the race, we want to play by the rules and don't want to be disqualified from the game (1 Corinthians 9:27). Living a good, busy, faithful, trusting, loving, Christian life will keep us in the running with the Good Lord right by our side. Every day we should look into the mirror of God's Word, concentrating on our own personal ability (or inability) to look at ourselves and see ourselves just as God sees us.

-[Here's Looking at Me \(squarespace.com\)](#)

**"A lie has many variations,  
 the truth none."  
 - African Proverb**



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### THOSE TO SERVE JAUGUST 2021

**Announcements:** James Pigg **Lord's Supper AM:** Mike and Chad

**Lord's Supper PM** 1-Chad 8-Mike; 15-Chad; 22-Mike; 29-Chad

**Opening Prayer AM:** 1-James; 8-Larry-; 15-Jim; 22-Bobby; 29-Jonnie

**Closing Prayer AM:** 1-Jesse; 8-Junior; 15-Roy; 22-David; 29-Perry

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

**Usher:** Larry; **Count Contribution:** Mike and Chad