



# ***THE GREEN PLAIN PROCLAIMER***

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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**

- Larry Enoch
- 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**

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# **WELCOME**

# **FALL GOSPEL MEETING**

# **September 11-15**

**OUR SPEAKER**

# **MIKE KISER**

## **SERVICES**

Sunday Bible Class 10:00 AM

Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 AM

Sunday Evening Worship **7:30 PM**

Monday—Thursday 7:00 PM

***In This World of Turmoil All Need  
the Good News of God's Love!***

## NEWS AND NOTES

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** *Green Plain members:* Peggy Jarvis, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Jim Fielder, Mary Lowrie and Hayes and Margorie Grady and Lary Enoch.

**Family and Friends:** Ted Lovett, Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Kenneth Mizell, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Roger Rhoades, Joel White, Nat and Rita Evans, Larry and Rose Wyatt, Bonnie Byerly, Kenny Arrington, Jack and Michel Phillip, and Tommy Boggess. Please continue to pray for our brethren in Ukraine. Remember those this congregation is supporting in India.

**Our Gospel Meeting** begins today and continues through Thursday evening. If you are visiting with us today please know that you are our honored guest. We appreciate your interest in spiritual matters. If you have questions please do not hesitate to ask. Thank you for attending and we look forward to your return.

**PANTRY ITEMS August 2022:** 4—Apple Sauce; 11—Green Beans; 18—Peanut Butter; 25—Jelly or Jam.

**September 2022 Anniversaries:** None. **Birthdays:** 4-Jane Morris; 20-Peggy Jarvis; 27-Diana Travis; 28-Carolyn Byars; 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 Green Plain church of Christ 3980 Murray Paris RD Hazel, KY 42049 or email your request to [greenplaincoc@gmail.com](mailto:greenplaincoc@gmail.com). You may also enroll on our website.: [greenplainchurchofchrist.org](http://greenplainchurchofchrist.org).

**HOME BIBLE STUDY;** We offer a FREE in-home Bible study entitled “Back to the Bible” for anyone who is interested in gaining more knowledge of the Bible. Simply contact us to schedule a time for your study.

### **THOSE TO SERVE SEPTEMBER 2022**

Announcements—Mike Ernstberger  
Preside at Lord’s Table—James & Chad  
Lord’s Table PM: 9-4 Chad; 9-11 James;  
9-18 Chad; 9-25 James.

#### **Opening Prayer AM**

4—Jim Lowrie; 11-Mike Ernstberger;  
18-Jonnie Hutchison; 25-Bobby Hall

#### **Closing Prayer AM**

4-Roy Wyatt; 11-Dave Thompson;  
18-Junior Morris; 25-Perry Jarvis

#### **Song Leaders**

AM— Perry; PM-Mike; Wed-Chad  
Count Contribution: James & Chad

### ***SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES***

**Eight consecutive  
Mondays**

**Beginning Sept. 19, 2022**

**7:00-9:00 PM**

***(Meet in the Auditorium—  
Snacks will NOT be served***

**Larry Powers**

**“Church History”**

**Jack Philips**

**“2 Corinthians”**

## FOR WHAAT ARE YOU SEARCHING? By Jonnie Hutchison

Have you ever known a person who seems to be always searching for something that he or she never seems to find? Some are continually searching for a better home, a higher paying more satisfying job or even a more desirable spouse. Some search for happiness in drugs/alcohol, while others search for freedom from the bondage of drugs/alcohol and depression. Still others are searching for recognition, popularity and respect. There are some things for which one will search that he or she will never find. The reason is that one often searches with the wrong motive and in the wrong place.

Material things will never completely satisfy those who search after them. Why? Because they exist only temporarily having no permanent benefits. While one may enjoy material things for a while they eventually need to be retired or replaced. They wear out—we become bored with them—we want the latest and greatest—we will be satisfied with no less. And so what we once considered to be absolutely essential to our happiness no longer satisfies and is tossed to the junk heap. In recognition of this Jesus teaches us **to not** “lay up treasures upon the earth” but to “lay up treasures in heaven” (Matthew 6:19-21). The obvious inference is that while earthly treasures (material things) have no permanent benefit, heavenly treasures (spiritual things) do! While the material will not last, the heavenly will! While earthly treasures leave one unsatisfied, the heavenly, spiritual treasures will satisfy for eternity! Therefore, which is more vital and more important to you, your family and others whom you influence? For what are you searching?

The world of multiple religions in which we live makes it difficult for those who are searching for spiritual truth. It is confusing when one begins to search through all the

claims of the various religions. Who is right? Why is there so much disagreement and division among religious people? Why does one group believe and teach one thing and another the exact opposite?

God is not the author or source of this religious confusion/division (1 Cor. 14:33). Jesus actually prayed that such division would be absent from those who would believe on Him through the word of His chosen apostles: “*That they all may be **one**; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be **one** in us: that the world may believe that thou has sent me.*” (John 17:20-21). To be “one” as the Father and the Son are “one” eliminates division in belief, teaching and practice. The Father and the Son have no divisions among them—they are ONE! Is the prayer of Jesus impossible? May those who follow Him be ONE as He and the Father are ONE? If not, why did Jesus pray for it to be that way?

Searching and finding divine truth requires that one go back beyond the various doctrines and creeds that men have originated—all the way back to the original revealed truth in the Bible. It requires the rejection of all man-made religions and the acceptance of God’s truth without addition, subtraction or substitution. Where is divine truth found? “*Sanctify them by Your truth. **Your word is truth***” (John 17:17). If you are searching for the spiritual truth that saves then you will find it in the Bible—the inspired Word of God! In its pure form it will not be found in books like the Koran, the book of Mormon or the host of denominational creeds, church manuals, disciplines and confessions of faith—but in the Bible and the Bible alone! “*If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God....*” (1 Peter 4:11a).

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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!

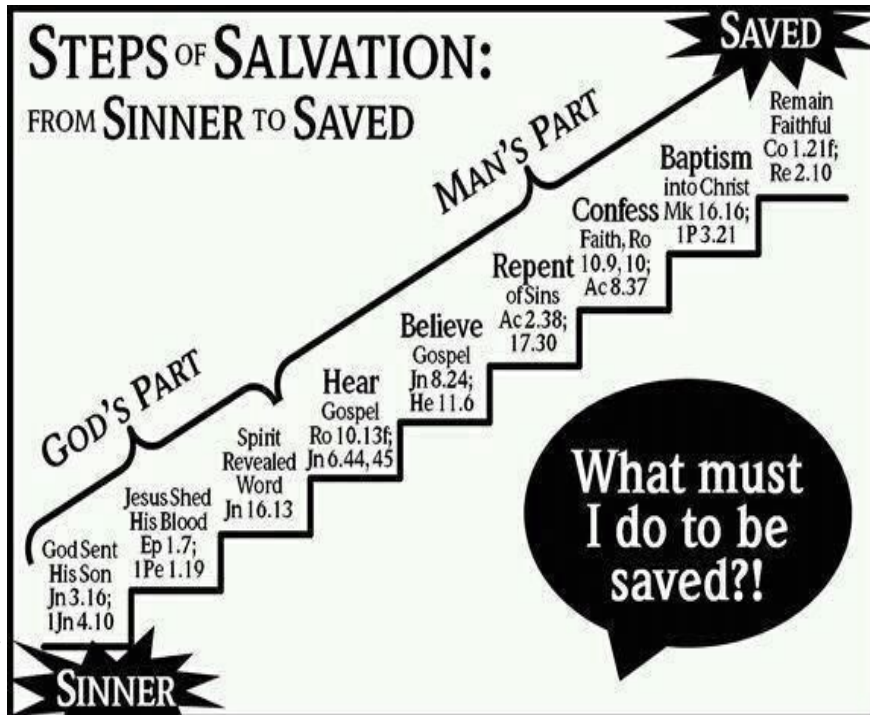
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For what are you searching? Are you searching for salvation from sin and the hope of eternal life? Then you will find what your searching for in the pages of the Bible. Jesus taught that there is only one way to salvation—yes, ONE WAY. “Jesus said to him, I am **the way**, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father **except** through Me” (John 14:6). Jesus is not one of many ways to salvation—He is the **ONLY WAY!** There are no exceptions! If you searching for eternal life you will find it only through Christ.

Yes, for what are you searching? You will never find genuine contentment in this life nor hope for the next in material things or in the many false confusing religions. We urge you to search in the right place—the Bible—for

there you will find the necessary instructions to guide you to eternal life in heaven. If we may help you in your search please contact us without delay. “Behold, now is the accepted time, behold, now is the day of salvation” (2 Cor. 6:2).



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