

Prayer List

Debbie Caldwell, Ronald Carrigg, Diane Coleman, Brad Green, Ella Green, Cory Hillman, Chela Keever, Bobby King, Juan Mandujano, Mary Lynn McAleer, Jay Montgomery, Tim Smith, Chris Stout, Jimmy Thompson

- Michael Hatcher (preacher for the Bellview congregation in Pensacola, FL) was recently diagnosed with prostate cancer.
- Joy Glass (James Hutton's grandmother) is fighting an infection, and was in the hospital for a couple of days. James has traveled to Houston to see her.
- Tony Priola (April Green's grandfather) has a semi-blocked artery.

The Numbers

Attendance Sunday, October 26 30/30/25
Wednesday, October 29 21

Offering Sunday, October 26 \$1083.21

Those Serving

Prayer Before Sunday Classes Barry Simmons

Morning Worship

Announcements & First Prayer Brian Carver
Songs David Snyder
Sermon Brad Green
Lords Supper & Contribution Barry Simmons
Assisting Charles Hatcher
Closing Prayer Lance Green

Afternoon Worship

First Prayer David Snyder
Songs Keith Keever
Sermon Brad Green
Lord's Supper Jay Caldwell
Closing Prayer Brian Carver

Wednesday Night

Songs Jay Caldwell
First Prayer Charles Hatcher
Devotional Keith Keever
Closing Prayer Lance Green

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Lower Level —

Click Funeral Home Farragut Chapel
11915 Kingston Pike
Farragut, TN 37934

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study.....9:30 AM
Worship.....10:30AM & 1:30 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00 PM



From The Preacher's Pen

**BLESSED BE THE GOD AND FATHER
OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**

We have much for which to be thankful. God is most deserving of our praise and adoration. "The LORD liveth; and blessed be my Rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted"(Psa. 18:46).

The Apostle Peter records three wonderful blessings that God bestows. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you" (1 Pet. 1:3-4). First, we read of God's abundant and overflowing mercy. The mercy of God is never ending and is like a freely, flowing fountain that can be tasted by all who will obey God's commands. Jesus Christ "is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world" (1 John 2:2). Second, because of God's mercy, He has given man a plan by which we can have hope. Many today place their hope in things of this world. Paul writes, "Touch not; taste not; handle not; Which all are to perish with the using" (Col. 2:21-22). The hope we should seek is a "lively hope." That hope is eternal life (1 Pet. 1:4). If we seek a lively hope, we must have a faith that is not dead. "Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. Ye see then how that by works [of obedience] a man is justified, and not by faith only" (Jam. 2:17, 24). Third, we read that the hope of an incorruptible inheritance is only made possible by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That sacrifice exhibits the greatest love that man has ever known. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have ever-

lasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved" (John 3:16-17). Jesus states, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). The love of Christ is further exemplified in the fact that He died not just for the faithful, but also for those who were in sin. "For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:6-8).

The mercy, hope, and love of God are indeed blessings worthy of our thanksgiving and praise. We can show forth our honor to God by simply obeying His Word. Jesus says, "Ye are My friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you" (John 15:14). God's love, in sending His Son and making a path to reconciliation through Jesus' blood, has made mercy and hope possible for all. However, only those who will humbly submit to God's will, and by faith (Heb. 11:6), repent (Luke 13:3), confess (Acts 8:37), be baptized (Acts 2:38), and live faithful unto death (Rev. 2:10), shall enjoy these grand blessings in Heaven.

-Brad Green

Announcements

- We will have our monthly fellowship meal today. We hope our visitors will choose to have lunch with us.
- We will have our monthly men's meeting after the fellowship meal today.

The Gospel Plan of Salvation

- **HEAR** the word of God; the Bible (Romans 10:17)
- **BELIEVE** the word of God and that Jesus is Lord (John 8:24; Hebrews 11:6)
- **REPENT** of sin (Acts 17:30)
- **CONFESS** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (Matthew 10:32-33)
- **BE BAPTIZED** in order to receive remission of sins (Acts 2:38); in order to have past sins washed away (Acts 22:16); in order to get into the body of Christ, the church (Romans 6:3-4; Acts 2:47); in order to be saved (Mark 16:15-16; 1 Peter 3:21)
- **LIVE FAITHFULLY** in accordance with God's word (1 John 1:6-9; Revelation 2:10)

Location

We meet in the lower level of Click Funeral Home in Farragut, which is located next to Walgreens at the intersection of Kingston Pike and Smith Road, and directly across from Jefferson Federal Bank.

