Elders

Josh Coleman Steve Delaney John McDavid Rudy Peoples Michael Williams

Evangelists

Josh Manning Ethan Schulte

Prison Minister Ricky Lomax

Deacons

Craig Brown Phillip Brown Troy Buttrey Bob Comer Jon Davidson Philip Davidson Levi Dodd Brian Foster Billy Hensley Adam Killion Will Little Mike McDaniel Jason Smith Lance Winders

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday AM Bible Study-9:30am Worship-10:30am Sunday PM Worship-6:00pm Wednesday AM Adult Bible Study10:00 Wednesday PM Bible Study-7:00

Live Radio Broadcast-10:30am AM 1000, 97.5 FM

> Spectrum-Channel 195 Sunday @ 9:00am

Live Streaming Youtube.com Sunday 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM, Wednesday 7:00 PM

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Youth Group: www.ewyg.org Closed Group

HEAR THE GOSPEL ON CABLE TV AND SATELLITE EACH SUNDAY

Charter / Spectrum Cable:

6:00am In Search of the Lord's Way-Channel 15 7:00am In Search of the Lord's Way-Channel 13 7:30am Preaching the Gospel-Channel 13

WBBJ-TV/CBS-Charter Channel 708

7:00am A Bible Answer

Dish TV 58 & Direct TV-Channel 30:

7:00am In Search of the Lord's Way 7:30am Preaching the Gospel 8:00am Good News Today

THEME FOR 2024: DISCIPLESHIP ON DISPLAY

By This All Will Know That You Are My Disciples by Josh Manning

Our theme text for the year is John 13:34-35. From these verses we are focusing on learning about Jesus's "new commandment". What we want to do throughout 2024 is learn how to live out the characteristic of Christ-like love in a way that properly identifies us to the world as the disciples of Jesus. I remember growing up and hearing sermons from John 13:34-35 titled "The Badge of Discipleship". In those sermons the point was correctly made that Jesus identified love as the thing that displays to the world that we are His disciples.

As we move through the month of February, we are going to continue to develop this idea of loving like Jesus, but in a special way. Since February is the month of Valentine's Day, we are going to make special application of Jesus's "new commandment" to our romantic relationships. And we are going to begin by approaching our marriages through the legislation of the Lord's *commandment of love*.

First, it must be noted that we are not engaging with the scriptures in any new or revolutionary way. Combining the love of Jesus with the New Testament's teachings on marriage is as old as the book of Ephesians. This is ancient godly wisdom. Thousands of years ago, Paul wrote, "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her...For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband" (Ephesians 5:25, 31-33). Paul's instructions concerning marriage are tied to an understanding that Jesus demonstrated His love by being a servant and sacrificing Himself for our redemption.

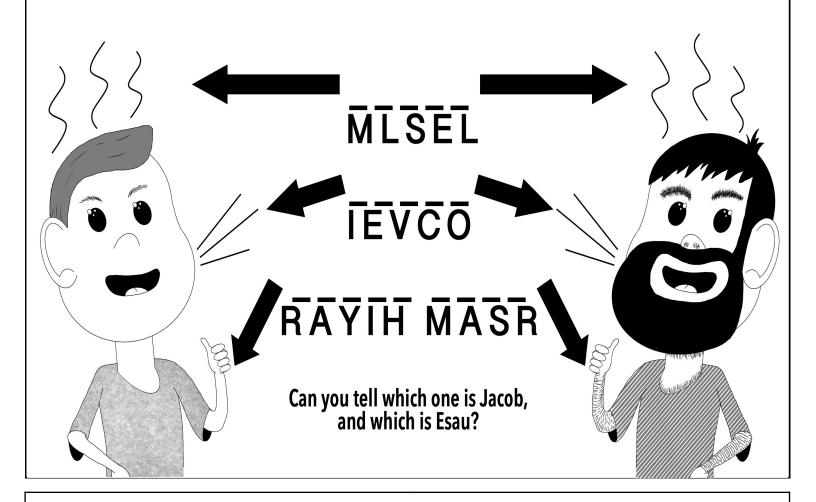
Second, a simple reading of John 13:34-35 and Ephesians 5:25-33 (especially noting Eph. 5:25) should cause anyone to see a powerful connection made by the scriptures—namely the call to be imitators of the love of Jesus. If you didn't catch the connection, allow me to make it abundantly clear. John records, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another" (John 13:34). Jesus said, "as I have loved you", meaning we are to express love as Jesus taught us how to love through His life's example. Keep in mind that John 13 is looking forward to the cross, so His sacrificial love should be something we see. Now we turn to Ephesians 5:25 where Paul wrote, "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her." Again we observe the call to love as Christ loved, as well as the fact that the love of Jesus cannot be separated from what He did for us on the cross (i.e. love that sacrificed).

We will conclude by thinking aloud about what the world might see if every Christian marriage attempted to live out the dual passages of John 13:34-35 and Ephesians 5:25? Yes, Jesus was speaking in a discipleship context there in John 13 and Yes, Paul was speaking to husbands in Ephesians 5, but these points in no way invalidate our applying those passages to marriage. What better way to display our discipleship then through our marriages?

STATE OF THE YOUTH

Identity Crisis

Isaac's eyesight isn't so good anymore, and he is having trouble telling his sons apart. Can you unscramble the words to help Isaac tell the difference between Jacob and Esau?



YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Dorcas Sleepover: Friday, February 9th.

Sky Zone Trip: February 10th.

Youth Devotional: February 18th at the Delaney home. Guys bring drinks/Girls bring desserts; 189 Jackson Estates Drive.

CYC 2024 at Pigeon Forge: "FAMILY" Friday-Sunday, February 23-25th. For all 6th—12th Graders.

Basics: Saturday, March 2nd, at the Schulte home; 1020 Diggs Road/Paris.

Family Skate: March 9th, \$10 per person.

Youth Devotional: March 17th. Guys bring drinks/Girls Bring desserts.

West TN Retreat: Friday, April 5th-7th

UNITE Family Youth Retreat: Friday-Sunday, April 12th-14th. Cost \$20.

OUR ATTITUDESunday AM Bible Study.162Sunday AM Worship.184Sunday PM Worship.108Wednesday PM Bible Study.116This week's contribution.\$11,685

FOOD PANTRY

Weekly Budget......\$8,480

Powdered Milk, Dry Cereal (Small Boxes), Instant Potatoes, Canned Black Beans, Canned Carrots, Canned Sweet Peas, Vienna Sausages, Potted Meat, Peanut Butter, and Jelly

SUNDAY A.M. Announcements Opening Prayer Scripture Reading Closing Prayer	FEBRUARY 4 John McDavid Javan Winders Stan Wilson Josh Coleman	FEBRUARY 11 Josh Coleman Jason Smith Steve Durham Steve Delaney
Preside	Craig Brown	Will Little
West Side	Troy Buttrey Stephen Blackwell Mark Brown	Bob Comer Eddie Lane Patrick Peale
East Side	Charles Clark Donald Drinkard Daniel Belisle Hunter Bethune	Max Henry Philip Davidson Bill DeWees Bobby Barton
SUNDAY P.M.	February 4	February 11
Opening Prayer	Jon Davidson	Jim Russell
Scripture Reading	Logan Davidson	Micah Sutton
Communion &		
Contribution	Brian Foster	Jerry Peale
Closing Prayer	Rick Moody	Edwin Carrington
WEDNESDAY	February 7	February 14
Song Leader	Jason Smith	Michael Williams
Invitation	Troy Buttrey	Edwin Carrington
Closing Prayer	Max Henry	Lance Winders
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FEBRUARY

USHERS: Levi Dodd/ Phillip Brown BENEVOLENCE: Will Little

CONTROL ROOM VIDEO: Matt Ellis **EAST SIDE DOOR:** Adam Killion

KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Rickey Lomax: recovering from having a surgically removed place on his back. Good pathology report; Rickey Lomax P.O. Box 106 / Clifton TN 38425

Joan Shankle: doing well after hip surgery, January 28th; Poplar Estates 1310 Rosewood Drive / Columbia TN 38401

Peggy Shepherd: AHC of Paris Room 117, scheduled to go home in a week or two; 887 County Home Road/ Paris

Molly Harris: (Daughter of Dan & Ann Patterson) enlarged lymph node in her neck has grown. Doctor's consultation February 6th. Prayers appreciated.

CONTINUE TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Zora Adams
Leon and Carolyn Bumpus
Sara Champine
Buddy Goad
Zet Presson
Darla Russell
Ray Tucker
Valerie Wynn
Amber Cate
Darlene Humphrys
Dale & Kathy McCant

Ron Parker Becky Plott Stan Summers Marcia Wimberley

THANK YOU

Thank you for the beautiful rose bud vase, cards, calls, and prayers during my stay at AHC of Paris. Continue prayers. Peggy Shepherd

East Wood Congregation, Thank you for the donation to Tennessee Children's Home, when our mother passed. They always enjoyed all the calls, cards, food, and visits from you-especially the last few homebound years. It made them feel loved and that they were not forgotten. The family of Linda Orawczyk, Suzanne Barrett (Joe Orawczyk is now living in California with his son)

PHONE NUMBER CHANGE

Janie Barrow 731-333-8660

BOYS TO PICK-UP CARDS

Wednesday, February 7th: Gavin Wynn and James Wilson Wednesday, February 14th: Clint Wynn and Logan Davidson

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Return Service Requested

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIA Team 1: will meet Today, February 4th after morning services in the Multi-Purpose Room for a Potluck meal. All visitors are welcomed and encouraged to attend. If you are on Team 1 and cannot attend, please let Bill DeWees know.

Wednesday Night Meal: February 7th at 5:45 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room. We will be having Chicken Strips, Mac-n-Cheese, Salad, Rolls, and Desserts.

Marriage Retreat: February 14-18th, "Climbing To Greater Heights Together" located at Gatlinburg church of Christ and Sevierville church of Christ. call 1-877-338-3397 or go online www,smokymountainmarriage.com for more information.

Game Night: Friday, February 23rd, at 6:30 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room. Bring finger foods, drinks and of course, Games!

West Cancer Center and Research Collection: collecting snacks and small canned drinks (limited room for drinks) for the West Cancer Center until February 26th. Collection boxes will be set out, just outside the auditorium,.

Spring Gospel Meeting: March 3rd-6th, 2024 Guest Speaker Eric Owens.

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:30 AM

Sunday Morning Worship Service: 10:30 AM

Sunday Fellowship Meal after AM Service

1:30 PM Service to follow

Monday—Wednesday Service: 7:00 PM

New to the Library:

- 1) 248.48 "God Give Us Christian Homes" by Jim Faughn (paperback) 2015.
- 2) 260 "Answering the Error: Bible Study Workbook" by Gospel Broadcasting Network (paperback) Donated by **GBN**
- 3) 205 "The Spiritual Sword, The Church Faces The Future" Volume 55 January 2024 No.2 by Getwell church of Christ (paperback)

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 4: FIA Team 1 after morning Service for potluck meal in the MPR. All visitors are

invited & encouraged to attend

Wednesday Night Meal Team A at 5:45 PM February 7:

in the MPR

February 9: Dorcas Sleepover

February 10: Youth Sky Zone Trip

February 11: FIA Team 2

February 14-18: "Climbing To Greater Heights Together" Marriage Retreat (Two locations)

February 18: FIA Team 3

Eiffel Gardens Singing

Youth Devotional Guys bring drinks/Girls

bring desserts.

February 21: Wednesday Night Meal Team B

February 23: Game Night in MPR at 6:30 PM

February 23-25: CYC at Pigeon Forge

February 25: FIA Team 4

February 25: West Cancer Center and Research Collection last day to bring items to be

labeled and delivered

March 2: Basics at the Schulte home

March 3: FIA Team 1

March 3-6: Spring Gospel Meeting with Eric Owen

Fellowship Meal after AM Service, 1:30

PM Service to follow

Spring Gospel Meeting with Eric Owen at **March 4-6:**

7: 00 PM

March 6: Wednesday Night Meal Team C

March 9: Youth Family Skate

FIA Team 2 March 10:

ELDER'S CORNER

REMINDER: The elders welcome all newcomers. If you would like to be identified as a member here or if you have not had the opportunity to meet the eldership, the elders would like to meet with you briefly to introduce ourselves and to explain our position on certain issues and matters of doctrine.