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 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 Study 10:00  
 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

John is often called the Apostle of Love because of the way his writings emphasize *agapé* love. For example, both John 3:16 and John 13:34-35 are famous love passages written by this Apostle of Love. Then there is 1 John, a book which revolves around loving God rather than the world or the things of the world (cf. 1 John 2:15-17) because He first (and perfectly) loved us (cf. 1 John 4:19). When we read this short book (only 5 chapters made up of a total of 105 verses) we find that there are 23 verses that use love (as a verb or noun: ἀγαπάω or ἀγάπη) a total of 33 times. John was truly the Apostle of Love.

If we were to ask John to tell us about the nature of love, what would he say? Generally, our discussions about the nature of *agapé* love inevitably move toward whether or not love is an emotion—sentimental feelings—or actions. Is love something we feel or something we do? As you read through 1 John, you begin to see that John does not describe love as *either* one *or* the other. John speaks of love as an emotion that elicits genuine actions. Love is neither cold and mechanical nor warm and stationary; rather, ideal love is deep affections set in motion. This is of course what we believe about God. His love toward us consists of genuine *feelings for and about us*. But His love *was, is, and will remain* the motivation behind His outpouring of grace to us. Because of His emotions, He acted and continues to act: *“My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous...Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! ...By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren...In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins”* (1John 2:1; 3:1, 16; 4:9-10).

There is another component of love that John helps us appreciate. Love, at least in its perfect form which we bear witness to through the activities of God, seeks the good of its object. What good does John see God's love bringing to us? God's love for us cleanses us from our sins through Jesus (1:7) and leads us into lives of humble sanctification (1:9). God's love for us has provided us with the righteous Advocate, Jesus the Christ (2:1-2). God's love has given to us the means by which we can live in fellowship with our holy God—His Word (1:1-7; 2:3-6). God's love warns us of the dangers of living according to the lusts of this passing world (2:15-17). God's love has given us eternal life (2:24-25; 5:11-13, 20). God's love has promised us the hope of the resurrection (3:1-3). God's love shows us how to love one another (3:14-18; 4:20-21). God's love gives us boldness in the face of the certain and ultimate Judgment Day (4:17-18). God's love assures us that our Father honors our prayers (5:14-15).

John teaches us that love, like our amazing God, is triune in nature. Love is emotional, love is active, and love works toward the good of its beloved. God's love is perfect in each of these areas. We must learn to love like our wonderful God.

STATE OF THE YOUTH

# The Family Rank

It's time for Jacob to meet up with his brother Esau after years of being apart. But Jacob is worried that Esau is still mad at him! In Gen. 32 & 33 he puts his family in a certain marching order just in case. Can you remember who goes where?

**A** Bilhah, Dan, & Naphtali

**B** Livestock

**C** Rachel & Joseph

**D** Leah, Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, & Zebulun

**E** Zilpah, Gad, & Asher

Jacob

Esau

5 4 3 2 1

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

**Family Skate:** March 9th, from 21:00 PM-4:00 PM. \$10 per person.

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

**Youth Devotional:** March 17th. Guys bring drinks / Girls Bring desserts at the home of Brian and Kim Foster; 403 N. Crestwood Drive / Paris

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

**Youth Devotional:** April 28th.. Guys bring drinks / Girls Bring desserts. At the home of Will and Kayla Little,

BIRTHDAYS

Evangeline Atkins  
Clint Wynn

March 5th  
March 14th

Emery Brown  
Madden Belisle

March 18th  
March 19th

**OUR ATTITUDE**

Sunday AM Bible Study.....	155
Sunday AM Worship.....	200
Sunday PM Worship.....	118
Wednesday PM Bible Study.....	115
This week's contribution.....	\$ 7,958
Weekly Budget.....	\$8,480

**FOOD PANTRY**

Cranberry Sauce, Spaghetti Noodles, Tuna, Granola Bars,  
Canned Carrots, Salt and Pepper Shakers

**SUNDAY A.M.**

Announcements  
Opening Prayer  
Scripture Reading  
Closing Prayer  
Preside

West Side

East Side

**MARCH 3**

Josh Coleman  
Ethan Schulte  
Will Little  
Michael Williams  
Jason Smith  
  
Micah Sutton  
Logan Davidson  
Blake Morton  
  
Daniel Belisle  
Hunter Bethune  
Levi Dodd  
Matt Ellis

**MARCH 10**

Steve Delaney  
Adam Killion  
Gavin Wynn  
Josh Coleman  
Jerry Peale  
  
Eddie Lane  
Mike McDaniel  
Patrick Peale  
  
Dave Perry  
Stan Wilson  
Bobby Barton  
Phillip Brown

**SUNDAY P.M.**

Opening Prayer  
Scripture Reading  
Communion &  
Contribution  
Closing Prayer

**MARCH 3**

Troy Buttrey  
Donald Drinkard  
  
Steve Durham  
Javan Winders

**MARCH 10**

Max Henry  
Stephen Blackwell  
  
Lance Winders  
Rick Moody

**WEDNESDAY**

Song Leader  
Invitation  
Closing Prayer

**MARCH 6**

Logan Davidson  
Eric Owens  
Mark Brown

**MARCH 13**

Billy Hensley  
Philip Davidson  
Charles Clark

**MARCH**

**USHERS:** Craig Brown / Brian Foster  
**BENEVOLENCE:** Jason Smith / Lance Winders  
**CONTROL ROOM VIDEO:** Philip Davidson  
**EAST SIDE DOOR:** Brad Smith

**KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Zet Presson:** has been placed under Hospice Care; Rose Stone Retirement Community 4089 Hwy 218 Bypass, Room # 8/ Paris

**Michael Williams:** injured knee and ankle; 69 Creekside Drive / Paris

**Betty Moody:** home, doing well; 7620 Hwy 79N / Buchanan TN 38222

**Hazel Blackwell:** home; 1065 Flatwoods Lane/ Paris

**Ellen McNatt:** TriStar Skyline Medical Center, Room 329; TriStar Skyline Medical Center, 3441 Dickerson Pike / Nashville, TN 37207

**Sherry Robins:** (sister of Terri Peale) will have peripheral (leg) artery bypass, Friday, March 1st.

**Lois Long:** (Sandi Smith's mother) Placed on Hospice; Lois Long c/o Copper Basin Health & Rehabilitation, Room 136, PO Box 518 / Ducktown, TN 37236

**Don Ridgeway:** has been placed on Hospice Care.

**Gayle Dodd:** multiple blood clots in lungs, at MCCH Room 2315.

**Darlene Humphreys:** (Patsy Davidson's sister) has been placed under Hospice Care; David & Darlene Humphries 4 Carriage Lane / Barboursville WV 25504

**Molly Harris:** (Daughter of Dan & Ann Patterson) lymphoma, sees the oncologist 3/6 Send cards to Ann & Dan Patterson's home, prayers appreciated.

**Amber Cate:** (Charlie and Lillie Cate's granddaughter-in-law) surgery Thursday, February 22nd, they removed middle and lower lobe of the lung that was tumorous.

**Turlean Tharpe:** (Brittany Easley's grandmother) is in poor health.

**SYMPATHY**

We extend our deepest sympathy to Jim & Darla Russell and the family of Sue Horn. She passed away February 18th, 2024. There was a Celebration of Life this past Saturday in Eastern Kentucky.

**THANK YOU**

I am home from my surgery this week. I am doing good. I appreciate the calls, cards thoughts and prayers from each of you. In Christian love, Betty Moody

**RESPONDED TO THE INVITATION**

Billy Bucy came forward Wednesday Night asking for prayers.

**BOYS TO PICK-UP CARDS**

Wednesday, March 6th: Clint Wynn and Gavin Wynn  
Wednesday, March 13th: Charles Atkins and Logan Davidson

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800 East Wood St.  
Paris, TN 38242

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**All adult classes will be in the auditorium on Sunday & there will be no classes on Wednesday night of the meeting.**

**FIA Team 1:** handing out assignments this morning, please see Bill DeWees.

**TN Children's Home Spring Food and Supply Drive:** We will be collecting food and supplies through April 15th. These items can be placed in the library behind the desk. It is also asked that each family consider giving \$25.00 or more in cash/check for the purchase of perishable foods. Please Make checks out to "TN Children's Home" and give them to an elder. Lists are at the exits.

**SPRING GOSPEL MEETING:** March 3rd-6th, 2024 Guest Speaker Eric Owens.

**Sunday Morning Bible Study** 9:30 AM  
"The Gateway to Happiness"

**Sunday Morning Worship Service:** 10:30 AM  
"Why You Can't Find Happiness"

**SUNDAY POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP MEAL** after AM Service

**Sunday PM Service:** 1:30 PM  
"Why Religion is Not Making You Happy"

**MONDAY-WEDNESDAY: Fellowship Meal** 5:45 PM / Service: 7:00 PM

**Monday PM:** "Do We Serve God or Does He Serve Us"

**Tuesday PM:** "Do You Have Eyes to See or Are You Blind?"

**Wednesday PM:** "A Joy That Can't Be Taken"

**Widow/Widower Fellowship:** meeting at the building, Thursday, March 7th, at 11:00 AM. See Mary Lynn Summer with questions.

## LIFE LINE BLOOD MOBILE

Thursday, March 7th, 12 noon-6:00 PM will be Downtown.

## 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.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**March 3:** FIA Team 1 handing out assignments  
TN Children's Home Spring Food and Supply Drive to begin / Flyers at exits  
Spring Gospel Meeting with Eric Owen Fellowship Meal after AM Service, 1:30 PM Service to follow

**March 4-6:** Fellowship Meal at 5:45 PM/ Spring Gospel Meeting to follow at 7:00 PM

**March 7:** Widow/Widowers Fellowship will meet at building at 11:00 AM

**March 9:** Youth Family Skate 12:00 PM-4:00PM

**March 10:** FIA Team 2

**March 13:** No Wednesday Morning Bible Study

**March 17:** FIA Team 3  
Eiffel Gardens Singing  
Youth Devotional Guys bring drinks/Girls bring desserts.

**March 20:** No Wednesday Morning Bible Study  
Wednesday Night Meal Team D

**March 24:** FIA Team 4

**March 27:** No Wednesday Morning Bible Study

**April 3:** Wednesday Morning Bible Study to Resume  
Wednesday Night Meal Team A

**April 5-7:** West TN Retreat

**April 7:** FIA Team 1

## NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

1. (205 FHU) "Triumph of the Lamb, the Battle with Evil in Revelation" Freed-Hardeman Bible Lectureship February 4-8, 2024 (paperback)
2. (205 FHU) "Triumph of the Lamb, How the Unseen God Can Be Seen in My Life" Ladies Devotional Book. Freed-Hardeman Bible Lectureship, February 4-8th, 2024 (paperback)
3. (228 Rop) "Truth for Today Commentary, Revelation 1-11" by David L. Roper (hardback) Donated in Honor of Sue Odom by Patti Owen.
4. (220.1 Deh) "Why We Believe the Bible" by George W. Dehoff (hardback) Donated in Honor of Sue Odom by Patti Owen.
5. (231.7 Joh) "Where is God When I Can't Find Him?" by David Johnson (paperback) Donated in Honor of Sue Odom by Patti Owen.
6. (248 Joh) "The Barnabas Factor" by Aubrey Johnson (paperback)