

The Follower

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Matthew 16:24

"Then Jesus said to his disciples:
If any [man] will come after me
let him deny himself and take his
cross, and follow me"



We welcome
ALL OUR
VISITORS

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

We must hear the word of God. (Romans 10:17)

We must believe the Word of God. (John 1:10; John 3:16; Mark 16:15-16)

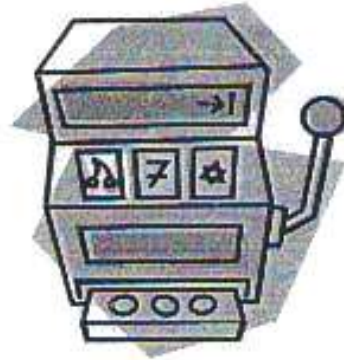
We must repent of our sins. (Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38)

We must confess Christ before men. (Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10)

We must be immersed for the remission of our sins. (Acts 2:38; 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21)

We must live faithfully until death. (Revelation 2:10; Romans 12:1-2)

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GAMBLING AND CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES

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The prevalence of games of chance in our modern society is a tragedy. Through this vice, homes are destroyed; finances wasted; and lives marred. Yet, in spite of these ills there is an eager acceptance of any kind of gambling. But, an even greater tragedy is that the Lord's people seem to be insensitive to this. Why? Could it be that ignorance has led to silent consent? Here are some scriptural principles that apply to gambling that the Bible classes should discuss. We should begin in the primary grades teaching why the child of God cannot participate in games of chance. Note now these simple, scriptural reasons why gambling is wrong.

- ✠ Gambling is prompted by covetousness (Colossians 3:5; I Corinthians 6:9-10; Romans 7:7; Luke 12:15; Hebrews 13:5; I Timothy 6:10).
- ✠ Gambling is poor stewardship of our resources (I Corinthians 4:2; Matthew 25:14-30).
- ✠ Gambling ruins the work ethic (Ephesians 4:28; Luke 9:11-27; Proverbs 28:19; 13:1).
- ✠ Gambling is theft in disguise (Romans 12:17).
- ✠ Gambling cannot follow Romans 13:10 for it hopes to take advantage of others.
- ✠ Gambling produces evil fruit (Matthew 7:16-17).
- ✠ Gambling misplaces trust in God's provision (Proverbs 30:8-9).
- ✠ Gambling teaches that the end justifies the means (i.e., school raffles for "worthy" projects) (Romans 3:8).
- ✠ Gambling cannot follow the Golden Rule (Matthew 7:12).
- ✠ Gambling seeks to get "something for nothing" contrary to God's will (Genesis 3:19; Ephesians 4:28; Proverbs 28:20).
- ✠ Gambling encourages sloth and laziness (Matthew 25:26; I Thessalonians 4:11; 2 Thessalonians 3:10).
- ✠ Gambling is a habit-forming practice that destroys self-control (2 Timothy 3:3).
- ✠ Gambling associates you with evil companions (I Corinthians 15:33).
- ✠ Gambling encourages selfishness and heartlessness (Galatians 6:10; Romans 13:10).
- ✠ Gambling encourages discontent in life (I Timothy 6:6-9; Psalm 62:10).

NEWS AND NOTES

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays: September 7-Jack Lawrence, 8-Garrett Wright, 10-Noah Brasler, 18-Clint McClain, 21-Brooke De Priest, 21-Logan Chrisman, 22-Christine Aden, 22-Shane De Priest, 23-Jimmy Kelly, 25-Betty Jo Sullivan, 26-Rita Foster.

Anniversaries: September 20-Keith & Scarlet Preeyhouse, 30-Dale & Rhonda Aden.

HEALTH WATCH

Edsel Holt had a heart cath Thursday. Terry Hall fell and broke some ribs. John Henry Long had a spell with his heart this past week. Linda Ballentine is going for some more test on September 26th. Kyle Foster is having knee problems and may have knee surgery soon. His next Doctors appointment is September 12th. Martha Jones was diagnosed with colon cancer.

SHUT-INS & NURSING HOME

Billy Bennett, Helen Pinson, Horace Ray Coleman, Glenda Rogers, Betty De Priest, Eva Mae Bray.

PRAYER LIST

Joann Mewbourn Goodman, Denise & Mark Algood, Otis Brown Foster, Edsel Holt, Irigard Cunningham, Bobby O'Dell, Kayla Belew, Doug Gordon, Gerthal Leala, Kary Granada, Leon Purvis, Lois Arrington, Jeff Bell & family (Preacher at Union City), Judy Garrard, Norma Garner, Ruth Bennett, Josie Plunk, Sherry Parker, David King, John David Presson, Rena Arrington, Jerry & Betty De Priest, Reitha Martin, Zach Crider.

CANCER: Kim Mewbourn Warren, Martha Jones, Anita Mayo, Jane Price, Lisa Acklin, Lizie Sims (Benjie's Aunt), Diana Bray, Martha Bobo, Jerri Ann Bennett, Keri Dodd, Joy Hays, Judy Robinson, Donald Kelly, Ann Spain, Becky Bledsoe, Bobby Giles, Linda Bynum, Ruby Fesmire, Sherry (Argo) Stout, Tolbert Ray, Gail Pritchard, Mary Wilson, Jay Rogers, Dwayne Buteman, James Green, CJ Wachsmuth, Joey Anderson, Pat Schneider, Sumantha Wallace, Beth Ann Potter, Jerry Martin, Josie Plunk.

MILITARY: Troy Pollack

Let's continue to remember our men and women in the military.



**Congratulations to
Daniel & Jenny Rogers!
Ella-Marie born August 31, 2012
8:33pm
Weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz.
20 inches long.**

Last Week's Record

		Goals
Bible Study:	61	75
Worship AM:	89	101
Worship PM:	62	75
Monday	79	
Tuesday	89	
Wednesday:	77	75
Contribution	\$4,614.00	\$1,650.00

Invite A Friend To Worship!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

September 2nd - Guest Speaker from West Tennessee Children's Home, Evening Service.
 September 5th - Monthly Singing.
 September 9th - Monthly Fellowship meal after our morning service. Finger Foods.
 September 9th - Bridal Shower for Jennifer Hall. 1:30pm-2:30pm. Rita Foster's Home at 554 Old Trezevant Road.
 September 9th-12th - Gospel Meeting at the Decatur County Fair Grounds in Parsons. Speaker: Ralph Giltmore.
 September 15th - We are delivering food and supplies to the West Tennessee Children's Home. Everyone is encouraged to go. Please take part in this food drive. They are asking for \$10.00 from each family for perishable foods.
 September 16th - Conduct services at the McKenzie Rest Home. 2:00pm. Care Group #3
 September 22nd - Youth Bowling at Jackson, Van will Leave at 3:15pm. For all our young people who worked for the success of our Vacation Bible School. Thanks for all your hard work and dedication! ITS GOING TO BE FUN!!!
 September 23rd-26th - Gospel Meeting at Christian Chapel. Speaker: Dorian Flynn.
 September 23rd-26th - Gospel Meeting at Obion Chapel. Speaker: Lee Johnson.
 September 23rd-26th - Gospel Meeting at Fairview. Speaker: Brent Arnold.
 September 29th - Annual "Golden Age Banquet" **THEME: THE DIFFERENCES YOU HAVE MADE!**
 September 30th - Huntingdon Rest Home. 2:00pm.
 October 3rd - Monthly Singing.
 October 7th - Elders & Deacons meeting at 3:00pm.
 October 14th - Monthly Fellowship meal after our morning service.
 October 21st - Conduct services at the McKenzie Rest Home. 2:00pm. Care Group #1
 November 4th - Elders & Deacons meeting at 3:00pm.
 November 7th - Monthly Singing.
 November 11th - Monthly Fellowship meal after our morning service.
 November 18th - Conduct services at the McKenzie Rest Home. 2:00pm. Care Group #2
 December 2nd - Elders & Deacons Meeting 3:00pm
 December 5th - Monthly Singing.
 December 16th - Conduct services at the McKenzie Rest Home. 2:00pm. Care Group #1
 December 30th - Huntingdon Rest Home. 2:00pm.

Cards Needed!

Horace Ray Coleman
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 655 High Street
 Huntingdon, TN 38344
 Billy Bennett
 McKenzie Health Care Room
 #111
 175 Hospital Drive
 McKenzie, TN 38201

Pantry Item

**Tennessee Children's
 Home
 Kool-Aid
 Shampoo
 Tuna
 Partners 4 Africa
 Crayons**

Sunday Morning	Sept. 2, 2012 5:00 pm	Sept. 9, 2012 5:00 pm
Power Point	Keith Peeryhouse & Dillon Foster	Keith Peeryhouse & Dillon Foster
Greet	Norris & Shan	Norris & Shan
Announcements	David Brasher	David Brasher
Song Leader	David Bryant	David Bryant
Scripture Reading	Steve Foster	Terry Hall
Reading Text	Ephesians 6:10-11	Proverbs 14:11-12
Opening Prayer	Charlie Wachsmuth	Dale Aden
Preside - Table	Mark Wright	Mark Wright
Preside - Table	Tim Rogers	Tim Rogers
Table	Dale Balleentine	Dale Balleentine
Table	Sherrill Smith	Sherrill Smith
Table	Garrett Wright	Garrett Wright
Table	Joshua Brasher	Joshua Brasher
Closing Prayer	Shane De Priest	Dale Balleentine
Sunday Night	Sept. 2, 2012 5:00 pm	Sept. 9, 2012 12:15 pm
Song Leader	Norris De Priest	Norris De Priest
Opening Prayer	David Brasher	Mark Wright
Scripture Reading	Greg McClain	Garrett Wright
Reading Text	Guest Speaker	Psalms 145
Table	Mark Wright or Tim Rogers	Mark Wright or Tim Rogers
Closing Prayer	Monte Morris	Joshua Brasher
Wednesday Bible Study	Sept. 5, 2012 7:00 pm	Sept. 12, 2012 7:00 pm
Opening Prayer	Dale Balleentine	Nick Bryant
Devotional	Charlie Wachsmuth	Tim Rogers
Closing Prayer	Norris De Priest	Garrett Wright

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:00a.m.
Worship 10:00a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00p.m.
"Bible Classes For All Ages"

COME WORSHIP WITH US

We welcome all our visitors and invite you to attend at every opportunity.

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MISSION WORK

Dorian Flynn & Partners 4 Africa

ON THE SUNNY SIDE

It is easy to complain, bicker, fuss, criticize, pick, battle, crusade, and generally become the chairman of the "Department of Demoralization" one may never become totally satisfied but one can be content! There is a big difference. The latter comes from inner peace while the former is moved by a lack of desire to improve the changeable!

Let me suggest a few things that can get you back on the sunny side of life.

Remember:

You are working for the Lord, not for men.

You have not resisted to the point of blood in striving for the Lord.

You are here to serve ... not to be served

You can bring sunshine and encouragement as easily as storms of doubt.

Face the day with a smile. It takes a lot less energy and pays much better dividends.

It makes no difference who gets the credit as long as Gods gets the glory.

You serve the greatest Friend in the greatest cause, with the very greatest promises, in anticipation of the greatest future! There is no reason to get down on yourself!

Twist those lips the other way. Put a smile on your face! Fill the inside with the joy of Christian purpose. Rid yourself of the attitude of defeat. Face life a day at a time. Drink deeply of opportunity's cup . . . The opportunity to bring hope to our hopeless world.

- Douglas F. Parsons - Bulletin Digest