

WELCOME TO BRO. FREEMAN AND SISTER PONNA MAHAN**The Church is Souls in Fellowship**

The sole business of the church is about souls (Matthew 16:24-27; cf. Psalm 49:6-8; Psalm 49:15). In fact, the church is souls in love with God and with one another (Matthew 22:36-40; cf. Romans 13:8-10; James 2:8).

The church is souls worshiping, weeping, and rejoicing together (1 Corinthians 14:15; 1 Corinthians 12:13-27). The church is looking up in praise, inward in penitence, outward in practice, and forward in promise (Hebrews 13:12-15; 2 Corinthians 7:4-11; 1 Corinthians 15:58; Hebrews 10:12-25; Hebrews 12:22-24).

The church is hearts knit together whose spirits share together (Acts 2:42-47; Acts 4:31-37; 2 Corinthians 8-9). The term "church" in the Greek literally means "assembly," indicating community and brotherhood. The Lord's church does not exist simply to "beautify" the neighborhood, but to "personify" brotherhood.

The church is not a physical building of brick or wood, but **a spiritual house of saved men and women in fellowship with God and with one another** (Ephesians 2:10-22; 1 Peter 2:5-10; Hebrews 3:4-6; Ephesians 5:23; 1 Corinthians 1:9; 1 John 1:1-3).

A good illustration of the fellowship we should have with one another is that of the huge redwood trees in California. These trees are the largest and tallest living things on our planet. Some of them are 300 feet tall and over 2,500 years old.

One would think that a tree so large must have a tremendous root system that reaches Down hundreds of feet into the earth, but that isn't the case. These trees grow in groves — very rarely do we see a tree off to itself. If we were to examine the redwood's root system we would find that **all of the roots intertwine** (scroll down to middle of pg.). No tree is alone, for all of the trees support and protect one another. Each tree is important to all other trees in the grove.

Brethren, the church should be like these redwood trees — **souls intertwined with one another in fellowship** (Ephesians 4:11-16). Without Christ, the church is nothing (John 15:5; cf. Philippians 4:13). And without fellowship, the church is useless (cf. 1 Corinthians 10:15-17).

As God's people, **we must fellowship one another**, in order to demonstrate the love of Christ to a world of folks lost in sin (John 13:34-35; 1 John 5:16-21; cf. Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16). If we are not willing to participate in godly fellowship here on earth with fellow Christians, none of us will ever see that heavenly realm, where eternal fellowship with God and Christ will exist (Revelation 21:1-3; cf. Revelation 3:20-22; John 14:1-3).

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Freeman Mahan, Minister

Services:

Sunday Morning
Bible Study: 9:00 a.m.
Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Evening: 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

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Home

BIRTHDAYS:

December: 6-Dale Ballentine 7-Jana Blount, 10-Pam Bryant, 12-Mary Jo Hall, 16 –Patrick Lindsey, 23-Hunter Holmes, 23-Keith Peevyhouse, 26-Dianne Giles, 29- Britni Shepherd

ANNIVERSARIES: ? Still waiting...

LET TIM OR RITA FOSTER KNOW IF WE DO NOT HAVE YOU LISTED HERE ON YOUR MONTH.

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

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

We must believe the word of God. Hebrews 11:6; 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; I Peter 3:21

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

•THOSE TO SERVE – DECEMBER LIST IN FOYER

(Please check for your assignment and PLEASE contact one of the Deacons if you know you are going to be absent on that date).

DATES TO REMEMBER:

•Fellowship meal today! All invited.

•Secret Sister Finale today

•PARTNERS 4 AFRICA: Clothes and Shoes for Partners in Africa can be taken to the Atwood Church the week before January 17th. Please sort into Mens/Womens; Boys/Girls Clothes/Shoes. They will pack the banana boxes there so not required but they would appreciate if we have access to any to bring them.

SHUT-INS /NURSING HOME:

Martha Nell Reed, Lakeside Retirement Community, 390 Dr. Smith Lane, McKenzie 38201

Elvy Sauls Jr, Life Care of Bruceton, 105 Rowland Ave., Bruceton 38317

PRAYER REQUESTS Lori McLain, Ulcers/Gallbladder Disease; Tori Riggs; Janice Newman; Lisa Meals; Steve Hughes; Randall Hollingsworth (Pam's cousin, Alex Meals; Mike Foster; Lisa Ashby, Elvy Sauls; Wanda Smith- Surgery 20th; Penny Warren – PET Scan Tues; Biopsy Wed.; Craig Ballentine had surgery last Wed.; Matt Williams' baby, Dawson; Christopher Dunavant; Jason White; Sherry Garey; Nick Davenport's father; Kaffie Green,, Betty Hodge (Brownsville); Becky Cupples; Shawn Lovelace, George Aylor; Lacey Appleton,, Jimmy McClain; Dwayne Bateman (has been moved to Milan); Sybil Hamilton, Tom Aden, Doris Haskell, Mary Bryant, Harold Hutcherson, Charles Foster, Vicki Murphy (Lexington), Mike Lane, Ruth Bennett, Heather Harris, Chris Bowers; Aaron Sutton, Valerie Allen

SICK LIST: Pam Bryant was sick Wednesday night

CANCER: David Scates; Celisa Williford, daughter of Lorraine & Robbie Hickerson; Brian Caton; Pauline Fultz; Meklisha Ridgely; Tabitha Caviness, T. J. Goodrich, Billy Arnold, Brent Cox, Dan Foster, Ray Box, Denise Clemmer, Kenneth Foster, Joe Gordon, Linda Cherry; Jackie Smith, Keith Inman. Lynn Harrison, Deborah Browning, Christine Johnson, Jimmy Greene, Lalanie Murphy

(Please provide update. Names normally remain on prayer list for 1 month, unless requested to remain)

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**We are so happy to welcome Bro. Freeman and Sister Ponna here on their first official Sunday. Let us all show them our Christian love, support and commit to working together as a strong church family .**

DECEMBER 18

| DATES                         | WEEK OF 12/02                                             | WEEK OF 12/09                                             | WEEK OF 12/16                                             | WEEK OF 12/23                                             | WEEK OF 12/30                                             |
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| PREPARE LORD'S SUPPER         | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | DALE BALLENTINE                                           |
| GREET                         | STEVE AND RITA                                            | STEVE AND RITA                                            | STEVE AND RITA                                            | STEVE AND RITA                                            | STEVE AND RITA                                            |
| POWERPOINT                    | MARK WRIGHT                                               | MARK WRIGHT                                               | MARK WRIGHT                                               | MARK WRIGHT                                               | MARK WRIGHT                                               |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS                 | DAVID BRASHER                                             | DAVID BRASHER                                             | DAVID BRASHER                                             | DAVID BRASHER                                             | DAVID BRASHER                                             |
| OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.    | DAVID BRYANT                                              | JOHN HENRY LONG                                           | DALE ADEN                                                 | SHERRILL SMITH                                            | GREG MCCLAIN                                              |
| LEAD SINGING SUNDAY A.M.      | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                          | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                          | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                          | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                          | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                          |
| PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER         | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | DALE BALLENTINE                                           |
| PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER         | STEVE FOSTER                                              | STEVE FOSTER                                              | STEVE FOSTER                                              | STEVE FOSTER                                              | STEVE FOSTER                                              |
| SERVE LORD'S SUPPER           | MICKEY KEEN<br>KYLE FOSTER<br>DANIEL ROGERS<br>JACOB KEEN | MICKEY KEEN<br>KYLE FOSTER<br>DANIEL ROGERS<br>JACOB KEEN | MICKEY KEEN KYLE<br>FOSTER DANIEL<br>ROGERS JACOB<br>KEEN | MICKEY KEEN<br>KYLE FOSTER<br>DANIEL ROGERS<br>JACOB KEEN | MICKEY KEEN<br>KYLE FOSTER<br>DANIEL ROGERS<br>JACOB KEEN |
| SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY A.M. | JOSHUA BRASHER                                            | JACK LAWRENCE                                             | DANIEL ROGERS                                             | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                          | MONTE PAUL MORRIS                                         |
| CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.    | DYLAN HOLT                                                | DANIEL ROGERS                                             | NOAH BRASHER                                              | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                          | KYLE FOSTER                                               |
| OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.    | DALE ADEN                                                 | MARK WRIGHT                                               | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | DAVID BRYANT                                              | NICK BRYANT                                               |
| LEAD SINGING SUNDAY P.M.      | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                          | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                          | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                          |
| SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY P.M. | DANIEL ROGERS                                             | MONTE MORRIS                                              | STEVE FOSTER                                              | NOAH BRASHER                                              | JACK LAWRENCE                                             |
| CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.    | NOAH BRASHER                                              | JOSHUA BRASHER                                            | JACOB KEEN                                                | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                          | DYLAN HOLT                                                |
| OPENING PRAYER WEDNESDAY      | DEC 5 STEVE FOSTER                                        | DEC 12 DAVID BRYANT                                       | DEC 19 DALE ADEN                                          | DEC 26 MARK WRIGHT                                        |                                                           |
| LEAD SINGING WEDNESDAY        | NICK BRYANT                                               | NICK BRYANT                                               | NICK BRYANT                                               | NICK BRYANT                                               |                                                           |
| DEVOTIONAL WEDNESDAY          | TIM ROGERS                                                | DALE ADEN                                                 | DALE BALLENTINE                                           | STEVE FOSTER                                              |                                                           |
| CLOSING PRAYER WEDNESDAY      | JACOB KEEN                                                | JOSHUA BRASHER                                            | NOAH BRASHER                                              | DYLAN HOLT                                                |                                                           |