

## Serving This Week:

### Sunday Morning

**Announcements:** Brian Horner

**Song Leader:** Kyle Richardson

**Opening Prayer:** Ken Grandstaff

### Lord's Supper

**Presiding:** Brian Horner

**Serving:** Eric Horne

Howell Todd

**Preaching:** Brian Horner

**Closing Prayer:** Howell Todd

### Sunday Evening

**Opening Prayer:** Kyle Richardson

**Preaching:** Brian Horner

**Closing Prayer:** Howell Todd

### Wednesday Evening

**Opening Prayer:** Howell Todd

**Devotional:** Brian Horner

**Closing Prayer:** Ken Grandstaff

### Serving Next Sunday:

**Lord's Supper:** Ken Grandstaff

**Preaching:** Howell Todd

**Opening Prayer:** Howell Todd

**Closing Prayer:** Kyle Richardson

**To all our visitors - Welcome!  
We hope you will come back  
and worship with us soon!**

Please call to inform us of News items or Prayer Requests that need to be in the Bulletin:

Kyle Richardson - 495-7106

Dorothy Jean Smith - 444-5437

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Men's Business Meeting

Tonight after worship

### Mile Long Yard Sale - April 21st

We need volunteers to sign up to watch over the pamphlet tables and bathrooms.

### TN Children's Home Food Drive:

- Lemon Juice

- Paper Towels

- Conditioner

### Homecoming - May 20

### Directory Correction:

Vondie Smith

Birthday - July 23

Anniversary - July 7.

### Child's Speak

A father was reading Bible stories to his young son. He read, "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city, but his wife looked back and was turned to salt." His son asked, "What happened to the flea?"

### TEAM MEETINGS

**Correspondence** - Sunday evenings after worship see Kyle Richardson.

**Visitation/Bible Study** - For assignments see Brian Horner.

**Member Care** - Regarding Member needs contact Kyle Richardson.

**Flower Request** - Please call Lynda Ann Sparkman: 444.0938(h) 587.8187(c)

## Bethel church of Christ

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April 8, 2012

Sunday Bible Study: 10 AM

Sunday Morning Worship: 11 AM

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 PM

Wed Bible Study: 7 PM

### "Does it really matter...?"

**Matthew 7:22** - "On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.' Everyone then who **hears** these words of mine and **does** them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock."

Jesus made it abundantly clear that it **does really matter** that you truly **hear** and **do** what He teaches. Sadly it is increasingly true that those even within the Lord's church forget these words of our Lord -- or at least forget their implications. It does matter what church you "attend." It does matter what doctrine is taught. It does matter what actions one takes to "be saved." Jesus teaches that there will be an abundance of people at the Judgment who have been devout in their religion but were never actually His own. How could that be possible? It will always be true when one does not -- first and foremost -- obey the Gospel. Members of churches which do not teach and obey the truth of God will face judgment condemned. One must be a member of the true Church of God.

**Ephesians 4:4-6** - "There is one body and one Spirit--just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call-- one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all."

So, when you celebrate that a loved one has started going to a church that does not teach and obey the truth, you have celebrated that which should grieve you. This article is but a brief opening to a subject which I plan to expound upon further in an upcoming sermon.

Howell Todd

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, through its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling."

**Psalm 26:1-3**

## A Report of the "Iowa Valley Evangelism Effort" February 2012

February was a fantastic month. It is exciting to see the work progress. Many new contacts have been made and Bible studies have been started.

We began the month trying to catch up a little from the trip to Jamaica. Making contacts with the people that we are studying with and working to mature the members. That is a very important part of the work so that they will be able to help to grow the new members as they come. It is great to watch them as they interact with our new contacts who come to services and other activities of the church.

During the month we started a new study with a man. We met him on one of our walks at Wal mart. We had known him in the past and were finally able to get things off the ground. The study is going good. Another new study was started and we pray that it will go well. It is off to a good start.

On a sad note the wife of a man that I have been studying with for over six months passed away. I was asked to be involved in the funeral and spent a lot of time with the family during that time. Through it all we made several contacts with family members and at present we have had three families attend services with us. One family has asked to study the Bible and wants to come regularly. The others express the same desire to attend. We are a long way form converting them, but are off to an exciting start. There are several other families that we met who I believe will be good contacts in the future.

In February we got our Bible study at the local restaurant up and going. It was amazing to see so many attend. We had 13 in attendance and of those many are not Christians. We have several in attendance that are new Christians, and more that had obeyed and have not been able to go through the book that I use to teach all our new Christians. I use the same book for this study that is made available to all in the community. It turns out to be a great study and all who attend have lots of questions. They are excited about the next study and are wanting to invite more to the study. I pray that much good will come through this time of study. We did this in the past and a lot of good contacts were made through it.

I am making plans on putting a DVD together which teaches how to make contacts and set up Bible studies. The church here is excited about it since they will have an active part in the work. Brad Harrub gave me the idea while we were in Jamaica on our mission trip. I hope to have it ready before we head to Jamaica again in January 2013. I plan on sending it to our team members ahead of time so that they will have a better idea of how to set up a Bible study. I ask that you pray for this work.

Shellie is improving and has been able to get our to activities of the

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church some. We pray that she will continue to improve. Mike has been having a real difficult time. He has been our of the hospital and was able to make it to services several times, but at this writing is back in the hospital.

The work is progressing and going well. There is till much to do to have the congregation strong and mature. When a congregation is made up of people who are fresh out of the world there is a need for much growth. Please keep praying for the work that new souls will be added and that they will grow and mature. We have come along way and have learned much about building a congregation from scratch. It presents many challenges since we do not have members and families that have a background in the Lord's church.

I do want to thank each of you for your financial support of the work. These souls would not be on their way to heaven if you were not involved and the people in Newton would not be hearing the Gospel so that they can obey. Please keep praying that God will send laborers into the harvest.

*Fred Rhodes*

**This Week's Bible Trivia:**  
Q - Who were Moses' parents?  
Check back next week for the answer!

**Last Week's Trivia:**  
Q - What three things are found in the arc of the covenant?  
A - Manna, Aaront's rod, Tablets of the Coventant. (Heb 9:4)

## Remember in Prayer

### Shut Ins:

Vallie Andrews  
Fannie Bell Warren  
Janelle Arrington

### Others:

Hollis Cluck  
Vickie Wade - *cancer*  
Muril Todd  
Karen Hudson - *cancer*  
Christy Garrett  
The Bryan Family  
Annie and JW Smith  
Margie Taylor  
Priscilla and Patrick Graves  
Jessica Thompson  
Dan Smith  
Diane Grandstaff and family  
William Wells - *inoperable condition*  
Joe Allen  
Bonnie Richardson - *cancer*  
Linda Kay Edwards - *surgery recovery*  
Dylan Speck - *kidney problems*  
Haily Speck - *melanoma*  
Edna Forbes  
Jackie Wright  
Mary L'Heureux  
Janice Garrett

## Daily Bible Reading

Day	Scripture
<b>Sunday</b> ( <i>Epistles</i> )	1 Corinthians 15-16
<b>Monday</b> ( <i>The Law</i> )	Exodus 9-12
<b>Tuesday</b> ( <i>History</i> )	1 Samuel 26-31
<b>Wednesday</b> ( <i>Psalms</i> )	Psalms 45-47
<b>Thursday</b> ( <i>Poetry</i> )	Job 31-32
<b>Friday</b> ( <i>Prophecy</i> )	Jeremiah 17-21
<b>Saturday</b> ( <i>Gospels</i> )	Mark 11-12

## April Birthdays:

8th - Tommy Morgan