# **Serving This Week:**

**Sunday Morning** 

**Announcements:** Brian Horner **Song Leader:** Kyle Richardson

**Opening Prayer:** Dan Smith

**Lord's Supper** 

**Presiding:** Brian Horner **Serving:** Eric Horne

Ken Grandstaff

**Preaching:** Brian Horner **Closing Prayer:** Howell Todd

**Sunday Evening** 

Opening Prayer: Howell Todd
Preaching: Brian Horner
Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

**Wedensday Evening** 

Opening Prayer: Kyle Richardson Devotional: Brian Horner Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

Serving Next Sunday:

Lord's Supper: Dan Smith
Preaching: Steven Yeatts
Opening Prayer: Howell Todd
Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

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

### **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)

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### Thanks!

Thanks to everyone who helped man the restrooms for the yard sale this weekend!

## **Guest Speaker:**

Steven Yeatts will be trying out for us again next Sunday. Please be here to hear him!

### Friday Night Singing:

Oct 26 - 7:00 PM. Mark your calendars!

"Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!"

Psalms 115:1

# God's Plan of Salvation

**Hear** the Word (Rom 10:17)

Believe in Jesus

(John 8:24)

Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3)

Confess faith in Christ (Rom 10:10)

Be **Baptized** for forgivness of sins (Acts 2:38)

Live **Faithfully** 

(1 Cor. 15:58)

# Bethel church of Christ

2427 Sparta Pike, Lebanon TN 37090 http://www.bethelcoc.net September 30, 2012

Sunday Bible Study: 10 AM Sunday Morning Worship: 11 AM Sunday Evening Worship: 6 PM Wed Bible Study: 7 PM

# Two Crows A Squirrel And A Yellow Line

I am sitting in my car, at the office, across from the courthouse square. It's kind of drizzling and my eyes spy the crows. Now to fill you in on some things so you can capture the picture in your minds eye, the office is on a main drag in town and as you may imagine, at times, there is a lot of traffic.

The squirrel has hung out for quite some time in the trees at the courthouse. Often I have seen him cross this busy street darting back and forth as traffic rolls by. I could never figure out where he was going, but I observed him in this predicament a lot.

I didn't see it happen, but my furry buddy must have zinged when he should have zagged and there he was, about an inch thick almost on the yellow line, in the middle of the road. I must admit, I'm going to miss the antics of this once brave urban tree dweller.

Before I even saw the furry fellow I was watching the two crows. What was up? Ahhh I saw, there was fresh meat and they were going to get it.

The one was more persistent than the other. Shall we say he was brave? He would sit on the curb or at the line of parked cars and twist and turn his head as if he was checking out the traffic from both directions. At the proper moment he would trot, half fly and walk pulling the fresh flesh from his portion of the food chain.

A car coming to possibly side swipe the foul would cause him to whorl and check things out. He would gage the traffic flow and then pick and devour more. You know, it was kind of gross and at the same time fascinating to watch.

The other crows was more timid and leery of the big beasts on rubber. I guess you would say, it was looking out for life and wing.

As I thought about all this goings on, with the birds and the food, I thought people are like this, too. What is the old saying "Fools rush in

# Bethel Campaign 2012 Summary

This year we had Fred Rhodes coming to preach in our gospel meeting. It was decided since he was one of the missionaries we support, that we should use his talents to do an evangelistic campaign with the emphasis of setting up Bible studies. We did just that. It was good to see Fred in action and helping us advance the cause of Christ.

Thanks be to the God in heaven for such good time of fellowship and work with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Good weather was in order except for Monday. It rained "cats and dogs" but the teams went out made some of the best contacts in the rain. Our tireless helpers were Michael and Diane Richardson, Fred and Dorothy Rhodes, Brenda Horner, Vella Pucket, Sharon Davis and daughter, Robert, Rhonda, Brandon and Kendra Notgrass and Chris Harris came to help us with the campaign. Out of our own group Howell, Brian, Kyle, Bryanna and Rissa helped with the door knocking. Others from our number sent out invitations, phone calls, etc. and we are appreciative of this. I am especially proud that we had such a good turn out from our congregation, helping with the campaign and gospel meeting.

Here are the results for the door knocking campaign. The numbers reflect the efforts on September 16, 17, 18 and 19. The area/roads covered are Sparta Pike (from I40 to the railroad tracks in Watertown), Greenwood Road, Young Road, Shop Springs Road, Popular Hill Circle, Popular Hill Road (from Sparta Pike to close to Tracy Rd), Jennings View Drive, Lindsley Road, Cainsville Road (from Young Road to 140), Mill Road, Locust Grove Road, Eastover Road (Sparta Pike to Locust Grove Road), Springs Creek Road, Moriah Drive, Fontenay Drive and Grenoble Drive.

**Doors Knocked** 550 +/-Bible studies set up 18 DVD taken 15 Requested visits 12 Correspondence by mail 17 Several contacts for future discussion.

We averaged 137 doors knocked per day, 7 teams @ three and one fourth days. How we have been truly blessed. Now the real work begins.

Thanks to all that helped. No matter how small you feel your part is remember it is beneficial to the campaign and to the kingdom of God. It takes all to make this work from the building cleaners to the food preparers and all in between. "It takes a village" (Stephen Cotton) to pull together and make it happen.

To God be the glory for all the great things that are being accomplished and will continue to be done. Continue to pray for the work and for the contacts, that they may be receptive to the work of the Spirit, God's word, and it will be allowed to move one to obedience to the gospel.

(continued from page 1)... where wise men would not dare to ao."

Proverbs 13:20 says, "Walk with wise men, and thou shalt be wise; ..." Even as, in my opinion, one crow was a go getter, the other was cautious and maybe had more of what we would call "common sense." He was still a companion to the other crows. They appeared to work together. When you think about it we need to choose our friends wisely, too. When it comes to wisdom sometimes we mistake knowledge, and prestige for that wisdom. Look at Romans 1:22 "Professing themselves to be wise. they became fools." Sometimes folks think that they know more than God. This is wisdom that fails. The wisest of people turn to God and look to the Bible for their quidance.

Everywhere around us there are life lessons to be learned.

David Shearer - Marshalltown, IA

"Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high."

Hebrews 1:1-3

# 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 Richardson Dan Smith Diane Grandstaff and family William Wells - inoperable condition Joe Allen Linda Kay Edwards - surgery recovery Dylan Speck - kidney problems Haily Speck - melanoma Edna Forbes Janice Garrett Carol Goins - Marv L.'s sister Lila Kirk

Please call to inform us of News items or Prayer Requests: Kyle Richardson (495-7106) Dorothy Jean Smith (444-5437)

# **Daily Bible Reading**

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Day	Scripture
Sunday (Epistles)	Heb 1-4
Monday (The Law)	Numbers 25-28
Tuesday (History)	2 Chronicles 6-10
Wednesday (Psalms)	Psalms 114-116
Thursday (Poetry)	Proverbs 26-27
Friday (Prophecy)	Obadiah
Saturday (Gospels)	Acts 1-2

# **October Birthdays:**

3 - Bryana Morris 18 - Dan Smith