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2. **History tells us the same thing.** About A.D. 107, the Roman Procurator of Pontus and Bithynia, Pliny the younger, an enemy of Christians, records in his letter to the Emperor Trajan that the Christians he was persecuting met both on Sunday morning and on Sunday night.

3. **Our ability to lead others to Jesus is greatly compromised when we are inconsistent in our attendance.** We sing, "O how I love Jesus" on Sunday morning, but if its not enough to bring us back on Sunday night and Wednesday night, both the Lord and other people may have a right to question the strength of that professed love. And they certainly will view our lack of attendance as hypocrisy and backsliding.

4. **Some see attendance on Sunday morning as a "minimum requirement" for salvation,** but no such concept is found in the Bible. Rather, Paul says, "I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship" (**Romans 12:1**). It's hard to reconcile "living sacrifice" with a "minimum requirement."

5. **It lets everyone —other people, the Lord and the devil—know whose side we're on!**

—Jim Mullican

UPCOMING EVENT

June 26: Vacation Bible School

9:00am-2:00pm

Theme: "Faith Is the Victory"

Ages: Infants—6th grade.

Adult Class Speakers:

**Carl Sims, John Bush,
Charles Brown, Daniel Hayes.**

Lunch will be provided.

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Times of Worship:

SUN: 9:00am - Worship

10:15am - Bible Study

6:00pm - Worship

WED: 7:00pm - Bible Study

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MONITOR

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CARL'S THOUGHTS:

Even though Bonnaroo was here, we had a good crowd for our worship this past Sunday. Many visitors were with us as we worshiped our God.

This past week we were blessed with four new Christians. On Monday the Weber family was united in Christ after studying open Bible Study in their home. Tim and Tricia obeyed the gospel by being baptized into Christ for the remission of their sins. They have a son, Rashaun. We want to welcome them into our fellowship. Then Tim's mother Karen Weber made the decision to obey the precious gospel also. We all need to encourage the Weber family as they begin living their new life in Christ.

Then on Thursday, Jimmy Eppes after a series of in-home Bible studies put on his Lord in baptism. Jimmy will be an asset to our congregation. His family is now united in Christ as his wife Amy became a Christian this past March 11th. They are the proud parents of two children-Ashlyn and Jamison. Welcome this family.

Keep your eye on the cross of Jesus Christ!

Wednesday June 16, 2010

FOR THE RECORD

Morning Worship: (June 13)	283
Bible Study	163
Evening Worship.....	139
Midweek Bible Study (June 9).....	126
Contribution: (June 13)	\$6,885

HOSPITAL

Bill Bouldin, Centennial
Barbara Wright, Vanderbilt, Rm. 5020
(mother of Carrie McInturff)

AT HOME

Dessie Taylor, Fairy Johnson,
Kenneth Poff, Sally Owens,
David Browning, Sterling Wayne Shelton.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THRU:

Michael Broadrick, Peggy Thompson, Carl Sims

PANTRY ITEMS

Hand Soap, Macaroni, Jiffy Corn Meal Mix

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Goldie Brents, great-grandmother of Amber Crosslin, whose funeral was Saturday.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Odolene Clouse whose funeral was Monday at the Manchester Funeral Home.

BAPTISM

Our hearts were made to rejoice over the baptism of Jimmy Eppes on Thursday. He is the husband of Amy Eppes and they live at 464 Indian Springs Cir. Phone 952-0368. A1/20, M7/8. We welcome him into the family of God at Main Street.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 20-23: Wilson Ave. in Tullahoma
6:00-8:00pm,
Classes: Ages 2-12

MEN TO SERVE

THOSE TO SERVE, SUN. JUNE 20:

9:00AM

Song Leader: Scott Vaughn
First Prayer: Michael Broadrick
Scripture: Adam Willmore
Closing Prayer: Michael Penney

6:00PM

Song Leader: Scott Vaughn
First Prayer: Steve Willmore
Scripture: Adam Willmore
Closing Prayer: Ron Livingston
A.M.: "Did He Really?" (Matt. 14:22-33)
P.M.: Guest Speaker: Brad Costello

PICK-UP ATTENDANCE CARDS, SUN. JUNE 20:

Seth Little & Aaron Vaughn

NURSERY ATTENDANTS, SUN. JUNE 20:

Patsy Sims & Terry Hollins

THOSE TO SERVE, WED. JUNE 23:

Devotional: Bob Kerce
Announcements: Tim Brown
Opening Prayer: Bob Gillen
Closing Prayer: Winfred Duke
Song Leader: Jayson Little

BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE

Lessons Graded (6/9-6/15)	1,095
Requests For Personal Contact.....	0
Students served.....	438

STUDENT COMMENTS

Thank you for your service to those of us who are students and may God continue to prosper you for your labors. (Denham Springs, LA)

I've learned so much about my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ that I did not know before these lessons. (Hillsborough, NC)

GOSPEL MEETINGS

June 20-24: Grange Hall, McMinnville, 7:00
Speaker: Tony Lawrence

June 20-25: Southside in Smyrna, 7:00pm

Speaker: Troy Nicholson

NATIONWIDE GOSPEL MEETING

June 27-July 2: McMinnville Civic Cntr.
7:00pm Different Speaker.

They plan to take the bus , Friday July 2nd, leaving at 6:00pm(sharp). If you plan to go, please sign the list posted in the foyer.

UNITED STATES MARINES

Brandon Long left this week for Parris Island, NC, to become a U.S. Marine. We wish him well and Godspeed.

WEDDING INVITATION

*Mr. and Mrs. James Kevin Thompson
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter*

Kayla Marie

to

Joshua Benjamin Hollins

son of

Dr. and Mrs. Bill Benjamin Hollins

Saturday, the Nineteenth of June

Two thousand and ten

at two o'clock in the afternoon

Willow Avenue church of Christ

Cookeville, Tennessee

Dessert reception immediately following

Directions available in our church office.



Dear Main St. family,

Thanks so much for the Bibles and recognition that you gave us when we graduated from high school. Your kindness was appreciated.

Heidi Barnes, Quaid Smith, Maranda Stacy.

WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON?

Many years ago I read of a man who had been a faithful Christian all his life. Then in his later years, he became completely deaf, yet he still attended every worship service and Bible class of the church. Someone wrote him a note asking, "Since you can't hear the sermons, prayers, songs or Bible classes, why do you still attend?" His reply was, "I want everyone, including the devil and the Lord, to know whose side I'm on!"

There is a number of good reasons why we need to be present for all the worship services and Bible classes. Among them are these:

1. **The scriptures plainly tell us that's what we should to.** "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the world of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15). IF I choose to stay home from the Bible classes where I could learn about the will of God for my life, I'm violating that scripture. If I stay home on Sunday night, I'm cutting the number of sermons I could benefit from by at least 50%, so once again I'm not doing my best to become a worker for the Lord who is capable of rightly handling the word of truth. Many take comfort in a misunderstanding of **Hebrews 10:25**, convincing themselves that it refers only to the Sunday morning worship assembly. Interestingly, the worship assemblies in the New Testament where we have any indication of the time seem to be on Sunday night. The one in **Acts 20:7-12** certainly was., since Paul spoke until midnight. The first two meetings of the disciples after the resurrection were on Sunday nights (**John 20:19,26**). Sunday was still a workday, so they often met very early in the morning before going to work and then again after work.

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