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## What Is The Church?



### THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

*Matt. 16:18; Col. 1:18; Rom. 16:16*

### THE KINGDOM OF GOD

*Jno. 3:5; Col. 1:13*

### THE BODY OF CHRIST

*Eph. 1:22-23*

### THE ONE BODY

*Eph. 4:4; 1 Cor. 12:20*

### THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

*Rom. 7:4; 2 Cor. 11:2*

### THE HOUSE OF GOD

*1 Tim. 3:15*

### CHRIST IS THE FOUNDATION

*1 Cor. 3:11*

## Children In Worship Lester Kamp

One of our main goals in life is to help our children and other young people to become Christians who are faithful to God's Word and active in His kingdom, the church. We want to "bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). We want them to know the joy of knowing, serving, and worshipping the Lord. Our children should be taught why we worship, how we worship, and how to make our worship most effective. Parents, grandparents, and friends will be the most important influences on our young people in their worship. Here are a few ideas that will help us train our children to be good worshippers.

1. **Set a good example.** Children need to see your worship and the joy it brings to your life. You need to come to the worship assemblies regularly with an attitude of joy and anticipation - not with a sense of drudgery or obligation. You need to sing, bow in prayer, listen intently to the sermon, give joyfully, and partake of the Lord's Supper meditatively. Children will follow your

example, so set the right kind.

2. **Prepare the child.** Before Sunday, talk to your child about how to act in the assembly. Tell the child why we pray, sing, give, partake of the Lord's Supper weekly, and listen to a sermon. As you would in preparing him for school, be sure the child gets enough rest the night before to be awake and alert Sunday.

3. **Involve the child.** When singing, help him locate the page of the song. With your finger on his book, point to the words as we sing. Encourage your child to sing even though he may not always sing the right words. When the sermon is delivered, help the child locate the scriptures cited and/or encourage him to write them down. This impresses upon the child the importance of paying attention. It also stresses that worship is active and not passive.

4. **Avoid disturbances.** Make sure that your child has gone to the restroom and for a drink of water before the worship service begins. Traffic in and out of the auditorium during worship is both unnecessary (with but few exceptions) and disruptive to the worship of many.

5. **Sit up toward the front.** Do not follow the natural tendency to sit in the back so that the child does not disturb others. Think positively. Sit close to the front so that your child can see and hear what is happening. You will be amazed at how much better he will behave when you sit toward the front, and how much more meaningful worship will be to you, too.

6. **Follow through.** Reinforce your child's learning by discussing various aspects of the worship period afterwards.

7. **Be patient.** Children will not act like adults, but with patience and love, they can be taught to love God and worship Him from the heart.

This process will take time, but it will be time well spent. The time to begin is now, regardless of how young your child is.



## MY TOMATO CROP

*For years I have planted a few tomatoes. This year I outdid myself. At the urging of my daughter who loves fresh vegetables, I set out eight plants. And guess what? I am picking tomatoes on a daily basis.*

*Last year I didn't have any. It didn't matter how many times I went out to the garden, there was never a tomato. The whole year passed and I didn't get one. The problem wasn't disease - no sign of that. Nor did the rabbits, squirrels, or birds get them (though they have often done that in the past). It finally dawned on me that I didn't have any tomatoes last year because I didn't plant any.*

*Now this is a parable for those of us in the church who are concerned about the lack of conversions to Christ. In the first century the Lord added to the church on a daily basis those who were being saved (Acts 2:47). Why not today?*

*Rather than fault God for a paltry harvest, it might be well to ask ourselves if we have been sowing the seed? If we refuse to plant there will be no harvest. It's as simple as that. We sit around expecting a million dollar return on a five cent investment, and complain when it doesn't happen.*

*As best as I can tell, those early Christians shared the Gospel publicly and from house to house on a daily basis. It makes me wonder if perhaps that wasn't part of the key to their success. "Lead me to some soul*

# BETTER OFF

A man was making fun of one of his friends who was a sincere Christian who believed in Jesus Christ as his Savior. He stated: "You Christians think that you are better than anyone else." To which the Christian replied: "Not better, but better off."

How true. To awaken every morning knowing that we have a Savior who has promised to be with us always even to the end of the world (Matthew 28:20), and to know every evening when we invite sweet sleep



to erase the scars of another day, that our Savior through His suffering and death and resurrection has restored us to being true children of God, is indeed a blessing for which there is no measurement, but a reason for giving the Lord continual thanks.



...Walter S. Wendt

*"And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."*  
(Philippians 4:7)



**Prayer List:** Darlene Hale (Mary Vincent's sister), Bennie Tyson, and any who may be in need of our prayers.

**Shut-ins:** Anne Brinkley, Tom Meredith & Mary Miller.

## News at Green Plain



**Visitation Group #2** will meet **Sunday, the 11th.**

**Summer Youth Series:** Tuesday, the 13th, at Central Church of Christ (Paducah).



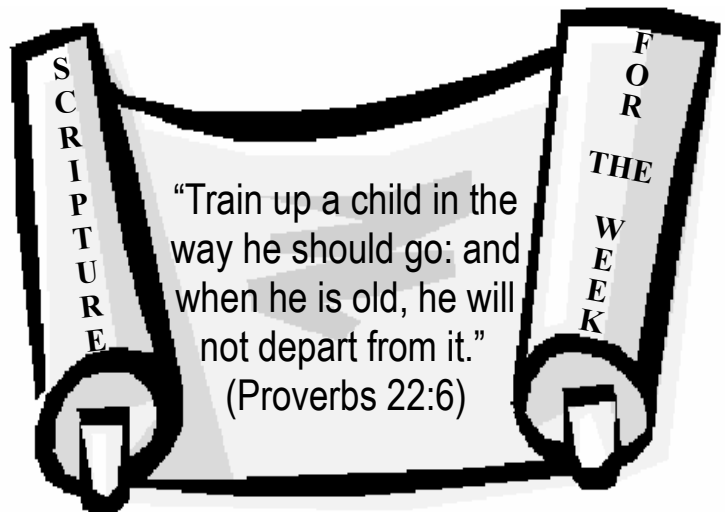
Our **monthly luncheon** will be **Thursday, the 15th, at 11:30 am** at The Lodge.



Just wanted to say thank you for the kindness you have shown to me while my back was being most uncooperative.

Your phone calls and cards were such an encouragement. I love you all,  
Carolyn Enoch

Dear Christian Friends,  
Many thanks to all of you who helped to make our wedding such a beautiful occasion. Thanks again to everyone. In Christian Love,  
Mary & Jim Lowrie



### ATTENDANCE June 27, 2010

|              |    |                 |    |
|--------------|----|-----------------|----|
| Bible Study  | 88 | Worship P.M.    | 80 |
| Worship A.M. | 92 | Mid-week (6-30) | 66 |

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The church building is located  
southeast of Murray -  
One mile off highway 641 -  
Near the corner of the Green  
Plain and Murray Paris Roads

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE**  
July 2010

**USHERS:** Chad Canter & Cody Canter  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Larry Enoch

**PRESIDE AT THE LORD'S TABLE**  
AM: Frank Pool & Rob Enoch  
Substitute: Larry Enoch

**ASSIST AT THE LORD'S TABLE:**  
AM: Jesse Vincent & Preston Barrett  
Substitute: Roy Wyatt

**Sunday PM**  
7-11.....Rob Enoch  
7-18.....Frank Pool  
7-25.....Rob Enoch

**SCRIPTURE READING:**  
7-11.....Hayes Grady  
7-18.....Chad Canter  
7-25.....Rex Enoch

**OPENING PRAYER:**  
7-11.....Frank Pool  
7-18.....Eddie Ward  
7-25.....Bobby Ward

**CLOSING PRAYER:**  
7-11.....Hayes Grady  
7-18.....James Pigg  
7-25.....Roy Wyatt

**COUNT CONTRIBUTION:**  
Frank Towery & Preston Barrett

**COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS**  
Isaac Ward & Katelyn Canter

**SONG LEADERS:**  
Sunday Morning.....Charles Enoch  
Sunday Evening.....Eddie Ward  
Wednesday.....James Pigg  
Substitute.....Mike Ernstberger

**LAWN CARE:** Mike Ernstberger  
**GREETERS:** Jesse & Mary Vincent

If you are unable to serve, please  
contact Jesse Vincent at 293-1537.

? **Luke 18**

1. Which man's prayer did God hear; the Pharisee or Publican?
2. Did the Ruler of verses 18-23 follow Jesus?
3. On what day did Jesus say He would be raised from the dead?
4. What problem did the men that Jesus healed have?

1. Publican (v. 14)
2. No (v. 23)
3. 3rd (v. 33)
4. Blind (vs. 35, 42)



**Remember to  
bring snacks  
for the  
hospital.**



**Pantry Item  
Beef Stew**

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Sunday:

Bible Classes.....10:00 A.M.  
Worship.....10:45 A.M.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.

Wednesday

Bible Classes.....7:00 P.M.  
For transportation call 492-8206  
"A Friendly Welcome Awaits You"

**RADIO PROGRAMS**

**WORDS OF LIFE RADIO BROADCAST**  
Weekdays, 11:30 AM. WNBS RADIO (1340 AM) Murray, KY

**SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES RADIO BROADCAST**  
Sunday, 7:30 A.M... WNBS RADIO (1340 AM) Murray, KY

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**SERMON TOPICS FOR  
July 11, 2010**

A.M. - Guest Speaker - Chad Canter

P.M. - Guest Speaker - Jim Lowrie

**WHAT ONE MUST DO TO BE SAVED**

**Hear the gospel**

*Jn. 20:30-31; Rom. 10:17*

**Believe**

*Rom. 1:16; Acts 18:8; Heb. 11:6*

**Repent**

*Lk. 13:3; 24:47; Acts 3:19; 17:30*

**Confess faith in Christ**

*Mt. 10:32, Acts 8:37, Rom. 10:10*

**Be baptized (immersed)**

*Mt. 28:19; Mk. 16:16; Acts 2:38; 10:47-48; 22:16;  
Rom. 6:1-6; Gal. 3:27; Col. 2:12; 1 Pet. 3:21*

**Continue faithful unto death**

*Mt. 25:21,34; 2 Pt. 1:1-11; Rev. 2:10; 1 Jn. 1:6-9*