

SHUT-INS

Madeline Clark
Roy and Phoebe Dycus
Ronnie Ferguson
Ed Goolsby
Mary Judd
Phil and Faye Kernell
Lois Key
Vicki Weisner
Phyllis Woodard

NURSING HOME: 2:00 PM

Singing: N/A
Prayer:
Serve:
**Bring the Lord's Supper*
Jan 20th next opportunity

JANUARY WORKERS

Care for communion trays: Jo Clark, Lindey C.
Care for baptismal clothes: Connie McHenry
Cut out teacher material: Celine Hooten
Lock church buildings: Wayne Green
Change church sign: Josh Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome, visitors! Please fill out the visitor's card located in your packet, and place it in the contribution plate.
- Those with children don't forget Family Bible Time in February!
- Eric Lyons will be a Center Grove church Jan 25-27 talking about Christian Evidences. If your faith needs a booster, this would be a good opportunity.
- Thanks to those who came to Open House!
- *Benevolence needs:* kitchen table and chairs; gloves, coats – it's winter!
- *Get that money in for CYC! \$30 per person*
- Visitation **team 6** will meet this evening in the library. Cards and stamps are provided.

OPPORTUNITIES TO PREACH

Sun. Morning Tim McHenry
Sun. Evening Tim McHenry
Wed. Evening Ben Smith

RECORDS FOR JANUARY 6

Sun. Bible Study 241
Sun. Morning 309
Sun. Evening 224
Wed. Study 234

Offering \$9566.66

WEEKLY BIBLE READING

Through Exodus 10 – you can do it!

MISSION WORKS

India: preachers (50), orphans (11), orphans' homes (9), widows' homes (8), (www.indiamissionwork.org)
Thaddus Duncan, Jamaica (duncanthaddus09@gmail.com)
George Jensen, Hawesville, Kentucky (gjjensen6@yahoo.com)
Memphis School of Preaching (MSOP): Hatton Allen (hatton.allen@icloud.com)
Zackery Holmes (rooster2628@gmail.com)
Jonny Royal (Jonny.Royal@icloud.com)
Daniel Webster (danielwebster66@gmail.com)
World Video Bible School (school.wvbs.org)
Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies
House to House/Heart to Heart
Rob Whitacre, H2H Sch. of Evangelism (rnjh.whitacre@gmail.com)
The Palace (nursing home)
Macon County Prison
Local Radio: 102.1 FM @ 12:15
Gospel Broadcasting Network (NCTC-37, TwinLakes-16)

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Entrance Greeters (Sunday is for next week)

Wed Eve. Philip and Brandy Fleming
Sun. Mor. Donald and Rosie Moss, Clifton Hackett
Sun. Eve. Jenny Bartley, Dorothy Stafford

Announcements

Sunday AM: Elders
Sunday PM: Clifton Hackett
Wed: Phillip Stafford

Song Leaders

Sunday: Donald Moss, Randy Allen, Johathan Smith
Wed: Odell Cherry

Lord's Supper and Offering: Presiding

Mark West

Lord's Supper and Offering: Serving

Morning: Jason Bohanan, David Carter, Dean Rush
Daren Brockett, Jordan Lankford, Chester Hix
Evening: David Carter, Sam Jones

Prayers

Morning: Daniel Burton, TBA, Nick Jones
Evening: Ricky Hagan, Jalyn Lankford
Wed: Luke Jones, Jase Bohanan

Scripture Reading

Morning: Jim Coley (Ecclesiastes 5:4-5)

Prison Ministry

Men's (1:00): Donnie Gammons, Sam Gregory
Women's (2:00): Becky Honeycutt, Amy Copas

THE WORD FROM WILLETTE

WILLETTE CHURCH OF CHRIST

"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort..." (II Timothy 4:2)

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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Bible Class 9:00
Worship AM 10:00
Worship PM 6:00
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00

ELDERS

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Hugh W. Clark 699-3199
Steve Draper (931) 678-4616
Terry Jones 699-3081
Joe Lynn 699-3613
Benny Tuck 477-5000

DEACONS

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Don Birdwell Donald Moss
Daniel Burton Tim Smith
Brandon Clark William Smith
Harold Clark Phillip Stafford
Donnie Gammons Mark West

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Jack Honeycutt 655-2524

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A WARM WELCOME FOR ALL

Welcome to the Willette church of Christ, where you will find the Bible as our only rule for faith and practice. We seek to speak where the Bible speaks and to be silent where the Bible is silent. We want to call Bible things by Bible names and do Bible things in Bible ways.

Jesus said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost" (Matthew 28:18-20). Our evangelistic efforts include several local and foreign mission works listed on the back of this bulletin. The home congregation is the most important work. Therefore, every month, we spend time door knocking, visiting, and helping our local community. We have a large benevolent building that operates every Tuesday from 8:30-12:30, which offers free clothes and other items to anyone in need. Our primary foreign work is found in Andhra Pradesh, India, where Brother *Jack Honeycutt* serves as our full time mission coordinator. We are also blessed to have a full time prison ministry with services conducted each Sunday from 1:00-3:00. Brother *Tim McHenry* is our regular preacher. In addition to preaching, he teaches classes and is involved in many works here at Willette. Our associate preachers *Mark West* and *Ben Smith* preach, teach classes, minister in the nursing home, coordinate our visitation teams, and work with our Bible camp and youth in general. In addition, we have a radio program on 102.1 FM that airs each weekday around 12:15.

We are a Bible centered, mission minded, and family oriented church. We hope you will enjoy our fellowship. Thank you for coming, and please return at every opportunity.

Tidings from Timothy

You may have made resolutions at the New Year. How are you doing with those New Year resolutions? It seems that many of them are not worth much. I tell you what, this morning I will give you a “Resolution for Life” straight out of the Bible. That way, you won’t have to worry about what to resolve each week, just follow this morning’s Scripture and you will be set.

Meals on Wheels: You are doing great, don’t forget that we have a lot of eager beavers so if you want to help you have to show a little early.

India Work: In case you are not on the email list I should let you know that the first few days of work have gone great. All are safe and they have visited 18 villages and had 42 baptisms.

Work Lists: There are now some more of these out front, so if you want to expand your service, pick one up.

Digging Deeper: This class will resume for the new year on the 27th with a class Sunday at 3:30pm at the church building (especially good for those who can’t make the Tuesday night or want to come and see what it is all about) and then at the Drapers on Tuesday the 29th.

Family Bible Hour: This will start February 3rd at 5:15. **During Family Bible Hour we will not have pew packer class.** Pew Packer will resume after FBH ends in March. We WILL have Pew Packer tonight.

Welcome: Tyler and Hannah McHenry to the Lord’s work here at Willette. Tyler works out of Celina and Hannah is a teacher at Galaliel Elementary. Their address for you to update your directories is: 12955 Clay County HWY, Moss, TN 38575.

The Holy Spirit of Promise (Ephesians 1:13)

In our text for this study, Paul speaks of Christians who “were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise.” Just what is this “Holy Spirit of promise”? It is simply amazing when you start reading the comments of those who endeavor to explain this statement. They cite a dozen other passages searching for the “Holy Spirit of promise,” all of them seemingly having never heard of Acts 2:38-39. If the “promise of the Holy Spirit” in this passage does not connect with the “Holy Spirit of promise” in our text then perhaps nothing does. Listen again to Peter's statement, “And Peter said unto them, Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in

the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call unto Him” (Acts 2:38-39 ASV).

It is the promised Spirit. Isaiah wrote, “Until the spirit be poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest” (Isa. 32:15). And Zechariah wrote, “And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn” (Zech. 12:10). Later we are informed, “And we are His witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey Him” (Acts 5:32).

But what does it mean that we are “sealed”? The margin reads “confirmed.” The meaning seems to be that we are marked as genuine. God is stamping His obedient children spiritually and thereby saying, “This confirms that this one is My child.”

But “Is it possible for me to know that I have this seal? How do I know that I have this seal? How do I know that I have this Holy Spirit of promise?” In order to answer this question, let us look at a similar one. “How do I know that I have a human spirit?” There are two ways that we may know this. One is because God tells me that I do. In Genesis 2:7, we are told, “And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.” Paul speaks of us having both a body and a spirit in which we can glorify God in I Corinthians 6:20. And in explaining inspiration, Paul asked, “For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him?” (I Cor. 2:11). Thus I can know that I have a human spirit because God tells me that I do.

Secondly, I can know that I have a human spirit by the evidence. James states, “The body without the spirit is dead” (James 2:26). Thus the fact that there is life within our body is evidence that we have a spirit within us; otherwise, our body would be dead.

Now, back to the first question: I can also know that I have this “Holy Spirit of promise” in the same two ways. First, God tells me that I do (Acts 2:38-39; Acts 5:32, our text; and in II Corinthians 1:22, Paul also writes, “Who hath also sealed us, and given us the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.” So God has told me that I am sealed with this Holy Spirit of promise. And in the second place, I can know that I have this “Holy Spirit of promise” by the evidence or by the fruit that I bear. Paul spoke of this fruit in Galatians 5:22-23: “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance....” The “fruit of the Spirit” cannot be produced unless you have the Spirit. The law of kinds, as with the good/bad trees and their fruit, demonstrates this fact. Read and study carefully Matthew 7:15-20. Thus the fruit of the Spirit produced in my life is evidence that I have been “sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise.” —Paul M. Wilmoth (edited for space)

WILLETTE CALENDAR

Prison Ministry (January 13, 1:00, 2:00)
Meals-on-Wheels (January 14, 9:45, 10:15)
Benevolence Building (January 15, 8:30-12:30)
CYC (February 22-24)
India Trip (January 7-26)

RESPONSES

Restorations: Catherine Clark asked
For prayers of restoration

Baptism &/or New Member: Hannah and Tyler McHenry
have placed membership, details on facing page

ANNUAL RECORDS

Confessed Faults: 5
Baptisms: 0
Membership: 7