

SHUT-INS

Madeline Clark
Phoebe Dycus
Ed Goolsby
Mary Judd
Phil and Faye Kernell
Lois Key,
Vicki Weisner
Roy Woodard
Shirley Tayse
Jimmy Gentry

NURSING HOME: 2:00 PM

Singing: *
Prayer:
Serve:
Preach: Next Service TBA!
**Bring the Lord's Supper*

OPPORTUNITIES TO PREACH

Sun. Morning Drew
Sun. Night Tim
Wednesday: Randy Bybee

RECORDS FOR JULY 19

Sun. Bible Study N/A
Sun. Morning 194
Sun. Evening N/A
Wed. Study N/A

Offering \$?

WEEKLY BIBLE READING

Finish the book of Proverbs.

MISSION WORKS

India: preachers (50), orphans (11),
orphans' homes (9), widows' homes (8), -
(www.indiamissionwork.org)
Thaddus Duncan, Jamaica
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Garrett Young – Jason Halcomb
Jakes Small – Josh Smith
Zackery Holmes (rooster2628@gmail.com)
Daniel Webster (danielwebster66@gmail.com)
Omaha, Neb. Mission: Jonny Royal & Houston
McClure
World Video Bible School -(school.wvbs.org)
Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies
House to House/Heart to Heart: Jonathan
Smith - (qb2000_37150@yahoo.com)
The Palace (nursing home)
Macon County Prison
Local Radio: 102.1 FM @ 12:15
Gospel Broadcasting Network
(NCTC-37, TwinLakes-16)

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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AUGUST WORKERS

Care for communion trays:
Care for baptismal clothes:
Cut out teacher material:
Lock church buildings:
Change church sign:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome, visitors! Please give us time to greet you and get to know you better!
- Are you keeping your children engaged in Bible Study? Are you keeping their body and mind active?
- Is there a visitor today? Greet them appropriately! Visitor cards are on the table out front and on back tract rack.
- *Benevolence needs:* We can still take food, but you must hold onto your other benevolent contributions, we are full at the BB!
- Visitation **team 2** is on call for cards this week. Stamps are provided.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Entrance Greeters (Sunday is for next week)

Wed Eve. N/A
Sun. Mor. Deacons and ministers
Announcements
Sunday AM: Elders
Sunday PM: N/A
Wed: N/A

Lord's Supper and Offering: Presiding

TBA

Lord's Supper and Offering: Serving

Morning: Deacons
Evening: N/A

Song Leaders

Sunday: Hatton Allen
Wed: N/A

Scripture Reading

Morning: Jim Coley, Terry Jones (ask Drew)

Prayers

Morning: an elder
Morning and Evening: N/A
Wed: Tim & Hatton online

Prison Ministry

Men's (1:00): N/A
Women's (2:00): N/A

CONTACTS

Church Building: 699-2251
Preacher's Office: 699-3768

SERVICE TIMES

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

ELDERS

Alvin Allen 699-3315
Hugh Clark 699-2393
Hugh W. Clark 699-3199
Steve Draper (931) 678-4616
Terry Jones 699-3081
Joe Lynn 699-3613
Benny Tuck 477-5000

DEACONS

Randy Allen Jeff Hackett
Don Birdwell Donald Moss
Nick Jones
Brandon Clark
Harold Clark Phillip Stafford
Donnie Gammons Mark West
Joseph Draper Jonathon Royal

PREACHER

Tim McHenry 655-7311
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ASSOCIATE PREACHERS

Mark West 699-3650
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PRISON COORDINATORS

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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.

Tidings from Timothy

I encourage you to listen closely to this morning's lesson. It is very important to notice what good things we can learn from God's word, and if there is one thing I know you will get from a Drew Stafford sermon, it is God's word and plenty of it! Sing hearty, pray with sincerity and give generously as you gather around the Lord's table this morning.

Tonight is an important lesson on tax collectors. It is important for your children because they need to know that the label that people get put on them does not tell the whole story. You will find out why tonight.

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

The Hatton Half: Not Under Bondage

There are some who hold the view that marrying someone outside the fold of God is a sin. Granted, marrying someone of the world is dangerous. Most who marry someone of the world will try and give reasoning such as “I will convert him.” Sadly, the situation does not turn out that way. An instructor gave an illustration of this point in class one day. The instructor had one of his students sit on a table. Both were trying to pull each other. When the instructor pulled the student, the student slid off the tabletop. There truly is some merit to the point this instructor was making. It is much easier for the unfaithful to pull one down than it is for the faithful to pull the unfaithful up. Because of this sad reality, many have left the Lord. Even worse, most show no sign of returning to their first true love.

If the unfaithful depart, let them go. The tense of the word “depart” in the Greek is the negative perfect (Mosher Notes). Paul used the expression “not under bondage” to infer that they were never under bondage in reference to the marriage (Mosher Notes). No person is so bound to a mate that he or she has to leave the Lord for the mate. If the faithful were to leave, how would the unfaithful be saved? It would seem to be an exercise in futility to try and convert the unfaithful to the Lord when one is not faithful oneself.

The marriage bond is respected of God. It is His divine institution for man. God realized Adam needed a help meet (Gen. 2:20). In fixing the problem, God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam and removed one of his ribs (Gen. 2:21). There was someone now suitable for Adam when the woman was created. God performed the first marriage in the garden.

James D. Bales taught a doctrine that those outside of the church were not amenable to the law of God. Unfortunately, this doctrine is running wild, even within the churches of Christ. “He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day” (John 12:48). One can search, but no other law has been made other than the one we have now. The individual in the world will be just as amenable to the law as the one who is in the body of Christ. He has tried to say that 1 Corinthians 7:15 countermands Matthew 19:9. This passage has most certainly been twisted to try and justify that doctrine, but the scriptures give no indication that a person of the world is not amenable to the law of God. Those who do not know the gospel will have vengeance brought upon them (2 The. 1:8-9). As unfortunate as this sounds, it is true. God’s justice will be enacted. One can choose not to obey the words of our Master, but the consequences will be dire.

Those attending: Thank you for coming today. If you would like, there are some extra masks available, and hand sanitizer is in many places. Those who would like to are encouraged to help us sanitize between the services.

Wednesday night: Randy Bybee speaking on the Home.

Tonight: What is a “publican”? Ever wonder about that? He was a “tax collector.” Jesus actually had a lot of dealings with these people and it might surprise you how those meetings turned out. Tune in tonight at 6pm to find out all about it.

Building Update: The column covers (4 left) were defective from the factory and so we must wait on some correct ones. Touch-up paint work is being done. The new tables for the fellowship area are in. Other than a good cleaning, that is it.

Important notice on Benevolence: The Benevolent Building is full. This means we want you to give but you will have to hang on to it for a while because what with us not being open, we are just full. We can still accept food donations.

Tim’s not so fun week:

I’m sure people like brother Mark West and others who have to be tested every now and then wouldn’t think this to be so unusual, but I found this past week to be personally very frustrating due to this awful virus. It also explains why brother Drew is preaching for you this morning.

It began when I was told that an individual I was studying the Bible with had come back positive for the virus. Well, I was in close proximity for like 2 hours to this person so I figured I better get tested. The nurse at the health dept. confirmed I needed a test and told me not to get it too soon since I would just test negative until any possible virus could work into my system. So I waited a few days and went to get tested Wednesday morning. I was told that there was a new lab they were using and I would get results back in a couple of days. No problem. So after I was tested I get a call saying a follow-up test on the fellow showed he DIDN’T have it, so evidently a false-positive. We are told on the websites that false-positives are extremely rare but I hear about them from time to time so that is one of those “Hmm…” matters in all of this. Anyway, I was anticipating getting a negative result due to this fact and the fact that I HAVE NO SYMPTOMS. However, I know that they are finding the vast majority of populace are carriers with no distinguishable symptoms so I still wanted the results of that test! Friday came and went, no results. On Saturday I am frantically looking for a rapid-test site so I can get back in commission but no luck unless I want to travel hours. Furthermore, I found that what I was told and what the lab was telling me was inaccurate. Test results in some cases are taking 10 DAYS or more locally from what pharmacies and such are telling me.

So the sum of it is: I don’t think I have it, have no particular reason to think I have it, but I don’t want to be secretive and start something like others have so… here we are. You might wonder: Is there any law requiring you to wait on a test to get out and about? Answer: no, no law, but this is as good a time as any to explain to you my take on such things.

It is my personal belief that the principles of Leviticus 13-17 are to be followed to help fight any health problem such as we are having. I have not taught about this from the pulpit because I don’t want people thinking we have to follow OT law, we do not. But I believe in following the guidelines put down in that passage. I believe God gave it because it is wise. Now what does it say? I know the passage specifically starts out dealing with communicable skin diseases but the idea of how to deal with it is clear. You test, and maybe test again. Evaluate, and all the while quarantine *in questionable cases*. Don’t get me wrong, I DETEST the idea that if we “shut down” you can avoid a sickness of any kind. It does not mention quarantine of the well. You will simply promote indolence and economic hardship. That is not the same as being wise and waiting on a test. The quarantines in Leviticus were not optional, they were mandatory. You don’t HAVE to follow the Leviticus guidelines, but I do, and I think that is the approach of many when it comes to this mess so I am waiting on my test! (BTW, there is a place in Cookeville that does immediate-results testing and I will go to that if they don’t call me back)

WILLETTE CALENDAR	RESPONSES	ANNUAL RECORDS
Prison Ministry (look for announcements , 1:00, 2:00) Nursing Home (TBD , 2pm) Benevolence Building (look for announcements) If someone needs food, let us know.	Restorations: Baptism &/or New Member:	Confessed Faults: 18 Baptisms: 9 Membership: 6