

SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

April 8, 2018

Sunday Morning

Bible Study

Song Leader: Mark Newman
Prayer: Gary Winton

Worship Service

Announcements: Jerry White
Song Leader: Mark Newman
Prayer: Brent Roberts
Scripture Reading: Alex Newman
Sermon: Ralph Hart
Lord's Table: Howard Clutter
Tim Dotson
Ronnie Meeker
Jamie McCullough
Closing Prayer: Ernest Finney
Greeters: Dale
& Charlotte Philpott

Sunday Evening

Song Leader: Mark Newman
Prayer: Paul Parsley
Lord's Table: Howard Clutter
Closing Prayer: Prater Powell

Wednesday Evening

Apr. 11

Song Leader: Mark Newman
Prayer: Jamie McCullough
Announcements: Chuck Taylor
Closing Prayer: Keith Pippenger

Preacher

Ralph Wayne Hart
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Service Times:

Sunday

Bible Study --- 9:00 AM
Worship ---- 10:00 AM
Evening ----- 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study --- 7:00 PM

Elders

Dale Philpott --- 728-5720
Chuck Taylor --- 728-7086

Deacons

James Bryson
Howard Clutter
Jerry White



Interpreting for the hearing impaired: Dale Philpott

“And He said to them’ “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature’...” Mark 16:15

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYER

James Bryson now at home recovering. He is not doing well.

Freda Bryson is not feeling well.

Dixie Hart has been at home sick this week.

Billy Hale is expected to be home by the week end.

Donald Carr in room 4304 of St. Thomas Midtown, following surgery.

Wilma Williams is seeing doctor concerning a health issue. Family requests prayers on her behalf.

Gayla Powell had treatment last Monday and will have another this coming Monday.

Claudette Hillis is at home sick.

Charles Broadrick, brother of **J Paul Sparks** and **Linda Sparks** are both doing better.

Continue to pray daily for following:
Otis Jernigan, Mary Jernigan, Gwen Carrick, Frank & Lu Cope, Gayla Powell, Chad Heaton, Phillis Freeze, Charles Broadrick, Bill Buchanan, Jennifer Whittington, Donna Pinkston, Tom Holland, Norman & Lois Sissom, Ken Mizell, Teresa Dicus, Nancy Dicus, Gerion & Ruby James, Jonathan Lee, Shane Holland, Lois Caldwell, David Smith (chemo) our Russian

preachers: **Gennady and Alex, Eugene Brzozowski** and family in Taiwan.

SHUT IN

Sarah Bridges (home), **Jean Chisam** (home), **Rachel Duggin** (Horizon Health Care), **Mary Eades** (KWA, 111), **Morris & Jean Floyd** (home), **Judy Holsted** (MHCC), **Edna Moore, Sue Moore** (McArthur Manor), **Carolyn Northcutt** (Autumn Oaks), **Vicki Orr** (NHC, room 204), **Alta Taylor** (home), **Jewell Vandagriff**.

BIBLE READING

April 17

Romans 12– 1 Timothy 3

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 1st, Devo at MHCC, @ 3:00 . Red Hill turn to lead.

April 6—8th Gospel Meeting at Shady Grove. Time: 7:00 evenings.

Guest speaker: Paul Sullivan.

April 8—11th Gospel meeting at Wood church of Christ , Woodbury. Time is 7:00 nightly. Guest Speaker: Jim Dearman.

.APRIL FOOD COORDINATOR

Janie Dotson @ 273-2928

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR BIBLE STUDENTS

Those with perfect attendance in Bible class for the month of March include:

Raiden Keele, Callie Newman, Caroline Parsley and Gracie Pippenger. So proud of you!!

Canceling Church by Steve Higginbotham

The story is told of two preachers who were visiting over a cup of coffee one morning. The first preacher said to the second, "I cancelled our Sunday night services about five months ago." "You did?" the second preacher replied. "What do your church members think?" The first preacher said, "I suspect they'll be pretty upset if they ever find out about it."

The meeting times for worship, study, and edification are not meant to be arbitrary requirements that test the spiritual discipline and commitment level of Christians. Rather, these opportunities are intended to be functional; to encourage, inform, and strengthen those who are trying to walk worthily in an ungodly world.

Some people will say with exasperation, "Oh, great! I've had such a bad week and it's Wednesday night, and I have to get ready for Bible class." But those identical words can be said with excitement and mean the exact opposite. Some might, with excitement say, "Oh great! I've had such a bad week and it's Wednesday night, and I have to get ready for Bible study!"

Why is it that some people can say these words with exasperation while others can say the very same words with a sense of thanksgiving?

The difference in the two is the difference between "form" and "function." If one views church services simply as a "form" that must be checked off his "to-do list," he will see that assembly differently than the one who acknowledges the "function" and purpose of the assembly.

Maybe church members need to re-evaluate the way they view these assemblies; and see them not as an arbitrary requirement, but as an opportunity to grow, learn, develop relationships, encourage and be encouraged.

And maybe church leaders need to re-evaluate function of these assemblies to insure that the assemblies fulfill their intended purpose. The classes and fellowship should be of such a quality that we are not trying to see how much our members can endure because they love God, but actually provide quality and benefit from attending.

Having offered the above as a reminder, I am so thankful, and we are so blessed to be a part of the Karns congregation. I have never seen a higher "return percentage" on Sunday night and Wednesday night. I'm not saying there is no room for improvement, but I've never seen so many take advantage of the opportunities and stay so long following the close of services. It's a testimony to the loving family atmosphere that exists at Karns.