

	5/1	5/8	5/15	5/22	5/29
<b>Call To Worship</b>	Jim Pelfrey	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Ethan Boelsterli	Tom Durden	Jim Pelfrey	Greg Nash	Jim Garner
<b>Song Leader</b>	Jimmy Garner	Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Charles Nash	Mike Richardson
<b>Prayer</b>	Hugh Kelly	Curtis Hurt	JD Branch	Jim O'Brien	Tim Tittle
<b>Preside Lord's Supper</b>	Rick Sharpe	Andy Johnson	Cliff Nash	Jon Buckner	Clay Posey
<b>Usher</b>	Ron James	Steve Burdette	Ron James	Steve Burdette	Ron James
<b>Sermon</b>	Jonah Daves	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers
<b>Response Elder</b>	Jim Garner	Jim Garner	Jim Garner	Jim Garner	Jim Garner
<b>Shepherd's Prayer</b>	Tom Durden	Jim Pelfrey	Greg Nash	Jim Garner	Tom Durden
<b>Evening Worship</b>					
<b>Announcements</b>	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes
<b>Song Leader</b>		Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Stan Mitchell	Mike Richardson
<b>Prayer</b>	<i>Lads</i>	Mike Richardson	Holden Cella	Anthony Stinson	Gayle Pelfrey
<b>Sermon</b>	<i>Conduct</i>	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Song Service	Dave Rogers
<b>Lord's Supper</b>	<i>Service</i>	Andy Johnson	Cliff Nash	Jon Buckner	Clay Posey
<b>Prayer</b>		Steve Esler	Ray Russell	Eric Hagin	Keith Killingsworth

Worship Assignment Coordinator for May: Steve Hopkins

### Communion Preparation

Individual Sets on the table in the foyer

### Nursery

(closed for now)

### Visitors Center

May 1 Connie Kelly/Theresa Greene  
 8 Susie Graham/Linda Armstrong  
 15 Jewel Green/Lisa Tittle  
 22 Sally Wallace/Jo Hurt  
 29 Allene Scoma/Barbara Edmonds  
 Jun 5 Kathleen Johnson/Susan Pelfrey  
 12 sandy Garner/Sue Riley

### Care of Building

May 1-15 Steve Esler/Charles Nash  
 16-31 Dennis Graham/Andy Johnson

### Media Center

Steve Esler, Dennis Graham, Eric Hagin, Holden Cella  
 David Hopkins, Jon Buckner & Ethan Boelsterli

### Wednesday Evening

### Devotionals

May 4 — Jimmy Garner  
 May 11 — Eric Hagin  
 May 18 — Jim O'Brien  
 May 25 — Ron James

### Our Mission Works

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 - Scotland  
 Victor & Esperanza  
 González-Geronimo - Mexico  
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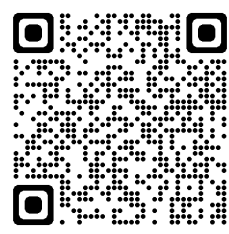
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 Rick Sharpe, Campus Director

### Assembly Schedule:

### Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes  
 10:00 am Worship Service  
 5:00 pm Worship Service

### Tuesday Morning Bible Study

10:00 am

### Wednesday Evening

Bible Classes at 7pm

### WATCH!

### The Fountain of Life

With Larry Acuff

Saturdays at 7 am

on channel 57

### In SEARCH of the Lord's Way

With Phil Sanders

Sunday at 7:30am,

Stations 69 or 45

### The Gospel of Christ

Red Hill church of Christ

(McMinnville, TN)

with Ben Bailey

### Elders

Tom Durden (770) 652-7389

Jim Garner (770) 461-3197

Greg Nash (404) 455-1546

Jim Pelfrey (770) 629-2061

### Deacons

JD Branch	Andy Johnson
Steve Esler	Stan Mitchell
Dennis Graham	Charles Nash
Eric Hagin	David Poskevich
David Hopkins	Hugh Kelly
Rick Sharpe	Jack Sorrell

### Records You Made – April 24

Bible Classes	103-6 Units Online
10 am Worship	159-14 Units Online
5 pm Worship	80-11 Units Online
Offering	\$8,925.31
Wednesday Bible Study	71-9 Units Online



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## Basic Facts from ... COLOSSIANS (Part 3)

by Dave Rogers

Colossians 2:16-19 is often cited by those who object when Christians take note of holidays that are commonly observed in our culture (i.e., Christmas, Easter, etc.). In context, however, Paul is actually addressing the problem of “judaizers” who attempted to require the Colossians to pay homage to traditional Jewish feast days and days of worship. Paul’s expression in about “judging” (vs. 16) actually means “let no one ‘pass sentence’ on you.” He is NOT saying that Christians must take **no notice whatsoever** of the world’s feast days and holidays, or that “all holidays are evil.” What Paul IS emphasizing is that Christians should not allow others to bind us to obligations (their own opinions) which the Lord did not impose. A brother who cannot, in good conscience, give a gift to his child on “Christmas” is *within his rights to ignore the “season.”* That same brother, however, also has no right to censure a sister who enjoys that custom without attaching any religious or holy connotation to it. If he tries to “bind” his belief on his brethren, he places himself in the same position as the Judaizers who were demanding ascetism (“voluntary humility,” KJV, vs. 18) from the Colossian saints. Notice that Paul goes on in verse 23 to describe this kind of insistence on one’s own opinions and doctrines as “will-worship.”

In chapter 3:1-4, Paul again emphasizes that one of the fundamental effects of being a Christian *should* be a permanent change in priorities that leads to a permanent shift in the focus of our lives. As Christians, our minds are to be “set” (directed) toward heavenly things instead of earthly matters (vs. 2) *because* we “died” to the world’s values in order to be united with Christ (cf. Romans 6:5). This change in basic values and goals should be reflected by dramatic and dynamic changes in our everyday actions and words (vv. 5-10). This is the same point Paul made in 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 and Galatians 5:19-21. Verses 12-14 go on to describe what can be called “the Christian’s clothing,” qualities God intends to be **typical characteristics** of His people.

Colossians 3:16 is one of the most explicit passages in the new testament (along with Ephesians 5:19) on the subject of “Christian” or “worship” music. Notice

that there are at least three conditions which should be present for a psalm, hymn or spiritual song to be pleasing to God:

**Such songs should teach and admonish.** These words mean “to impart information, or educate” and “to encourage.” Songs with no **words** – no distinct message – *don’t fit the new testament’s pattern for musical worship.* Furthermore, songs whose lyrics either don’t convey an understandable message, or which contradict biblical teaching likewise don’t fit the new testament’s pattern because they don’t agree with the “wis-dom” of the gospel message. (The “message” of “Jesus is Coming Soon” is a good example of such songs.)

**Such songs are sung** (rather than *played* or *performed*). The instruction to sing is directed to all Christians, who are to sing to one another. This means **each of us** has an obligation to participate (which is why we can’t allow a choir or chorus to do our singing “for” us). The emphasis here is NOT on the “musical beauty” of the songs, but on the **message** they convey. Likewise, there is no authority here either to augment our singing with any kind of manmade instrument, or to replace it entirely with instruments; there is no way the tones of an organ or piano (much less a band or an orchestra) can “teach” a spiritual lesson.

**Spiritual songs are to be sung in a spirit of gratitude.** This means our *minds* must be engaged as well as our mouths! Simply “going through the motions,” or allowing our minds to wander as we sing turns our songs of praise into mere harmonious noise, instead of something that honors God and edifies His church.

Now note that Paul’s *corollary* to this instruction (vs. 17) is that **everything** we do should have a biblical mandate to back it up. Christians are supposed to say/teach/do the things we do **because our Lord has authorized it** – not simply because “it’s always been done that way,” or “we like it that way.” If we can’t find a new testament instruction for our actions, we need to change what we’re doing so that we conform to God’s word (cf. Romans 12:2)!

*Thank You*

Dear Fayetteville Church,

Thank you so much for everything you did for us during the difficult time of losing Tommy and Dad. Thank you for the flowers, food, and all the cards. Please continue to pray for us in the days to follow as we try to cope. Thank you Susie for all your help with the programs.

Love Cay Adams, The Chapman & Adams Families.

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for all the expressions of love and kindness during the time of Forrest's illness and passing away. Just knowing you were praying for him lifted his spirits. Please continue to pray for our family. I am still at the assistant living facility except I have a new room number SS10.

In Christian love, Burma Chapman

Dear Fayetteville Family,

This note is long overdue' however I'm writing to each of the Ladies who so lovingly, diligently, generously have furnished and some have served, all of the food for the large number of families who have lost loved ones!

What a tremendous show of servant hearts you have shown to each of the families.

I'm writing this for all the older women who no longer can do this remarkable task.

God has provided the "Guardian Angels" who never fail to be available when there is a need!

May His unbounding blessing continue to surround each one of your, and your precious families through all the years ahead.

With a grateful heart and "His" Precious love, Doris Buckner

Dear Church family,

Thank you for all your prayers, delicious food, visits and your help getting me to my doctor appointments. I am truly blessed to have a wonderful church family.

In Christian love, Lorette Keith

Dear Fayetteville brothers and sisters,

Thank you so much for all the cards, texts and especially the prayers you have offered on my behalf during my illness after knee replacement. I am getting better everyday and hope to be back to normal soon. You are all a blessing to me and David.

Love Debbie Decker

## WELCOME, VISITORS!

We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us today. Please stay for a few minutes after worship so we can get acquainted with you, and you with us. **Please complete an Attendance Card**, located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. We have an attended nursery and a training/cry room available.

*Today's sermon can be viewed online by going to [www.fcoc.com](http://www.fcoc.com) – click on "live broadcast."*

## Family Matters

### Sympathy:

To Janine Esler and her family, in the passing last week of her aunt, Shirley Fulford, in Florida.

### Our Sick:

Charles Nash - Will have nasal deviated septum surgery, May 19th.

Brian Couch – Ginny says he is now cancer-free!

Una Fortson – Has now been able to return home.

Ruby Fowler - Has been diagnosed with COVID, and Howard her son-in-law is in Piedmont Fayette Hospital with breathing issues.

Ruth King - Melanie Boelsterli's aunt has been moved to Regency Healthcare and Rehab Center, 2061 Poole Drive, NE, Huntsville, AL 35810. Prayers and cards are appreciated.

**Our brethren on both sides of the war in Ukraine.**

### Continue Prayers for:

Burma Chapman – She is at Hope Center Memory Care in Fayetteville, Sunny Suite #10. Visitors are welcome.

### Members With Health Issues:

Linda Ravenell, Loretta Keith, Mary Lawrence, Martha Vickery,

Margie Fields, Brian Harris, Brenda Mitchell, Jim & Sharon O'Brien, Doris Buckner, Wayne & Betty Jo Nash, Ray & Tina Russell, Dale & Susan Findley, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Rick & RuPearl Sharpe, Harry & Mattie Williams, David & Sue Riley, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge

### Shut-ins:

David Nash, Joanne Crook and Alyce Hubbert

### Our Missionaries and their families:

Graham & Beth McDonald; Victor & Esperanza González Geronimo; Scott & Rebecca Shanahan.

### Others With Health Problems:

Debbie Decker. Charles Davis (Susie Graham's brother), Terrell Dry (friend of Libby's), Frankie Griffin (RuPearl Sharpe's sister), Mark Royal (Allene Scoma's stepson-in-law), Paul & Ruth King, Lee Stewart, Lamar Elder, Carol Waits (Martha Vickery's daughter), Evelyn King (Annette Butler's aunt), Shirley Johnson (Andy's mother), Jackie Couch (Ginny's husband), Stan Ward, Bob & Nancy Neff (Amy Nash's parents), Marvin Cook (Coney Johnson's uncle), Evelyn Walker (Mattie Williams' sis-in-law), Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry's parents), Richard & Cathy Oliver (Brenda Mitchell's stepfather & mother), Nancy Ford (Joann Crook's sister), Lil Cauthen (Poskevich family) and Joe & Judy Hand (Scoma family).

## Calendar for May

**Today at 4pm upstairs in the room 205 (GSOP) all ladies are invited to come support, and be encouraged by our young ladies. Our young ladies will be sharing speeches, songs and scripture reading. Light refreshments will follow. Then Sunday evening our Lad's will led our services.**

**Today in the Fellowship Hall the Rose Show is free after the AM Services**

May 6—Young Adults Get Together, Friday at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Any questions see Holden & Fairyon Cella.

May 8 – Mother's Day appeal for Raintree Village Children's Home

May 13, 7pm – Book Club, The Hiding Place by John & Elizabeth Sherrill

May 14, 10am—2pm – NAMI Family & Friends Mental Illness

Meeting in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone is invited to attend.

May 15 – House Warming Shower for the family of Denise Greene,

Chad & Melissa Vickers, registered at Target & Wal-Mart

(To help replace some of the things they lost in the fire last year.)

May 21, 12:30pm – Baby"Girl" Shower for the Fairyon & Holden Cella,

(She is registered at Target.)

## Youth Calendar

### May

7 - FROG's Day

8 - Teen Sing

11 - Family Fellowship

14 - Service Saturday

25 - Singing Class

### June

12-17 Camp Inagehi

(Parents sign up online)

### July

16 - Super Saturday

VBS

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