

# The Family Tree



*The Weekly Bulletin of Cox Boulevard Church of Christ – A Place To Call Home*

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Challenge

**YOUTH**

Conference

**February 22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Pigeon Forge, TN**

Leaving church building on

Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2pm.

Please remember all who are traveling in  
your prayers.

\*Any snacks, can drinks or water bottles may be  
dropped off at the office before this Thursday.

# Growing up in the Lord

## Spring Retreat

March 23-25 The 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade will be taking a retreat to the Ocoee Retreat Center near Cleveland TN. The price is 35 per person. Sign up to reserve your spot.

## Devotional

Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, we will have games and a devotional at the church building after evening worship for 7-12<sup>th</sup> grades.

## CYC

Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 2pm the bus will be leaving to CYC. If you would like to donate any snacks or drinks for the kids bring them by the office before that date, thanks.

## The Amazing Race

Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, the 5-12<sup>th</sup> grade will have an activity after church. We will need Parents to stay and help drive for this activity.

## Don't Give Up

Can you imagine trying to spread the gospel in the city of Corinth in New Testament times? How challenging and even discouraging would that have been? Think about how that wicked city must have been so prone to reject the message of salvation. This strategically located city along major trade routes made it a thriving center for travel and commerce in the known world at that time. This highly-trafficked port city was widely known for its wealth and splendor. However, it was perhaps better known for its idolatry, immorality and abundant vices. As a "melting pot" population of folks from "everywhere," all the evils from "everywhere" found their way to this notoriously perverted city.

When you think about it in this context, there's really not a tremendous difference between ancient Corinth and modern America. Read through the first half of this article again with that thought in mind. Preaching about faith, repentance, immersion, commitment, sacrifice would not have been popular then, and it doesn't seem popular today. The message of the gospel of Jesus is being rejected and even targeted for elimination today. So, how should we respond? With the same confidence that characterized Paul in Corinth!

The Lord spoke to Paul in Acts 18:9-10: *"Do not be afraid But speak For I am with you"* Was it possible that Paul was on the verge of "giving up"? If he was, these words of assurance from the Lord kept him going. The very next verse says, "And he continued...teaching the word of God among them" (18:11).

No matter how much the good news may be rejected and targeted today, may we find assurance in the Lord's promise to us and continue teaching the word of God!

**IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

Eva Nell Howard is in Keller, room 436.

Christy Kennamore had back surgery last week.

Matt Osborn had surgery last week.

Marie Richardson is in Glenwood for another 2 weeks.

Billy Banks had surgery today at Keller.

Jennifer Bishop has an appointment at M.D. Anderson on Monday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>.

**SYMPATHY:**

We express our sympathy to the **Darlene Hollins family**; David Hollins, Sadie & Ethan Ricketts, Tabitha Hollins, Wayne, Nyla and Jessie Dennis and Andy Logan. The visitation is at Colbert Memorial from 6-9pm on Monday and the graveside at 2pm on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>.

We express our sympathy to **Jo Ann Turman and family** on the passing of her husband, Bill. The funeral was on Thursday.

**RESTORATION:**

Bill Turman, Jr. was restored and requested prayers on Sunday.

**EVENTS**

**Lads to Leaders** money is due NOW. Please give to Randall Hester.

Anyone who can donate **bottle water, can drinks and snacks for CYC**, please drop off at the church office.

Cox Blvd will have a **Family & Friends Day** on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be a catered meal following the morning service (BBQ, Cole Slaw & Baked Beans). Begin now to invite your family and friends to join us.

**BABY SHOWER**

There will be a baby shower for **Anna Pannell** on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3:00pm in the Tea Room. It's a boy! His name is Micah. Selections are at Wal-Mart and Target. Care Group 2 Ladies are in charge.

There will be a **Back to the Bible workshop** at Cox Blvd on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 8am-4pm. Any questions, see Russ Blackwell.

**The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Back to the Bible Summer Campaign** will be June 15-22 at the University church of Christ in Mobile, AL. Sign-up sheet is on bulletin board.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

During the month of March, the elders would like to meet with each Care Group immediately following the morning service in the Tea Room:

- Care Group 1 - March 04
- Care Group 2 - March 11
- Care Group 3 - March 18
- Care Group 4 - March 25

The elders want to get your input on the future of Cox Blvd. Everyone will get a few minutes to voice their thoughts. If you do not feel comfortable in speaking in front of the group, you are welcome to write your thoughts down and give it to one of the elders the Sunday your Care Group meets. Larry Kilpatrick will act as the facilitator for each meeting. The meeting will last about an hour and will include a catered meal (soup and sandwiches). The children and youth (12<sup>th</sup> grade and down) will meet in the fellowship room during this time for a meal and an activity. The Park Place services will be taken care of during the month of March so that everyone can attend the meeting.

**ATTENDANCE/CONTRIBUTION**

Feb 14 (Wed).....	186
Feb 18	
Sunday School.....	249
AM Worship.....	364
PM Worship .....	573
Contribution.....	\$15,369

# It's Not How You Start...

David Maxson

“What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ And he answered, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he changed his mind and went. And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

Matthew 21:28-32

Which son are you in this parable? I must admit that there are many days that I feel like the second. I commit to doing a lot of things. I've got big ideas about how I'm going to read my Bible more, pray, serve others, evangelize, spend time with my family, and yet I don't follow through.

Those are not just commitments I make for myself either. I'm responding to my Lord saying, "I go, sir." But I don't go.

So here's my advice to self: "Don't just say you're going to do it. Do it!"

## What about you?

*Father, may we be doers of the Word and not hearers only. Help us to keep our commitments.*

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### SUNDAY

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

#### WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM Bible Study

#### RADIO PROGRAM

WBTV(FM 106.3) . Sunday, 10:25 AM

#### JAIL MINISTRY

County Jail . . . . . Sunday 9:00 AM

#### ELDERS

Billy Banks  
 Russ Blackwell  
 Stan Brook  
 Horace Cleveland  
 Steve Condra  
 Ben McGuire  
 Phillip Willingham

#### EVANGELIST

Larry Kilpatrick

#### ASSOCIATE/FAMILY MINISTER

Wade Hunt

#### YOUTH MINISTER

Landon Willis

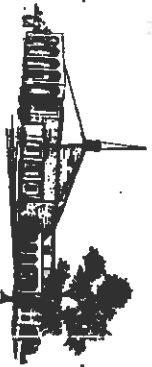
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**COX BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**CARD & LETTER LIST**  
**February 18, 2018**

<p>Jo Ann Turman          62 E Lakeside Dr          Florence, AL 35630</p>	<p><b>Care Group 1</b></p>	<p>Jo Ann's husband, Bill, passed away last week.</p>
<p>Will Brackin          313 W Nassau          Muscle Shoals, AL 35661</p>	<p><b>Care Group 2</b></p>	<p>Will, son of Richie &amp; Amy Brackin, was baptized recently.</p>
<p>Thelma Brackin          314 E Sheridan          Muscle Shoals, AL 35661</p>	<p><b>Care Group 3</b></p>	<p>Thelma's sister, Cleo Sizemore, passed away last week.</p>
<p>David Hollins          805 Glendale Ave          Muscle Shoals, AL 35661</p>	<p><b>Care Group 4</b></p>	<p>David's wife, Darlene, passed away on Friday.</p>
<p>Sadie &amp; Ethan Ricketts          1015 W Montgomery Ave          Sheffield, AL 35660</p>	<p><b>Care Group 1</b></p>	<p>Sadie's mother, Darlene, passed away on Friday.</p>
<p>Wayne, Nyla &amp; Jessie Dennis          275 County Rd 241          Florence, AL 35633</p>	<p><b>Care Group 2</b></p>	<p>Wayne &amp; Nyla's daughter and Jessie's aunt Darlene, passed away on Friday.</p>
<p>Matt Osborn          1040 8th St          Muscle Shoals, AL 35661</p>	<p><b>Care Group 3</b></p>	<p>Matt had surgery last week.</p>
<p>William &amp; Chappelle Grubbs          Keestone, Room 213          201 N Cedar St          Florence, AL 35631</p>	<p><b>Care Group 4</b></p>	<p>Both of them have the flu.</p>
<p>Gail Blackwell          182 Gibson Dr          Lebanon, TN 37087</p>	<p><b>Care Group 1</b></p>	<p>Gail is Russ &amp; Judy's daughter-in-law, has been diagnosed with Peritoneal cancer.</p>

# SHUT-INS

Donna Davis  
Cypress Cove, room 13  
200 Alabama Ave  
Muscle Shoals, AL 35661

**Care Group 1**

Would enjoy cards and visits.

Curtis Posey  
Brentwood, room 15  
2505 Alabama Ave  
Muscle Shoals, AL 35661

**Care Group 2**

Would enjoy cards and visits.

Jean Whitaker  
Cottage of the Shoals, room 28  
500 John Aldridge Dr,  
Tuscumbia, AL 35674

**Care Group 3**

Would enjoy cards and visits.

Leon & Edith Alsbrooks  
3304 Hatch Blvd  
Sheffield, AL 35660

**Care Group 4**

Would enjoy cards and visits.

# VISITORS