

# The Family Tree



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

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup> AT 5PM**

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# 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.

## Ice Skating

Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, the 3-6<sup>th</sup> grade will be going to Decatur to ice skate. They will also stop for food, parents are welcome. More information to come.

## Lads to Leaders

March 30<sup>th</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup> is Lads to Leaders. Please be praying for a safe and successful trip for all those involved.

## SAYS

Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, we will leave for the shoal's area youth series at 4:20pm. Food will be provided. The bus will be back at 7pm.

## No Excuses

At U.S. military service academies, first year cadets are informed on their first day that they are not permitted to give excuses. If their duty is left undone (even if their reasons seem legitimate), the only answer they can give is, "No excuse, sir." The lesson is clear: duty and responsibility are always to receive first priority, and a good soldier ensures that he is faithful to his charge. In like manner, when all men stand before God on the Final Day, there will be no excuse for certain things.

There is no excuse for being unprepared for judgment – Jesus described the soul as a person's most valuable possession: "What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses his own soul?" (Mark 8:36). How sad and irresponsible to spend one's life accumulating treasures that will not last while neglecting treasures that last forever (Matt. 6:19-21). The Lord's words ought to cause every human being to shudder: "Watch, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming."

Ours is a society where personal responsibility is "out" and blaming others is "in." Let us remember that we should not make excuses, no matter how valid we think they may be, in our relationship with our God.

**IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

**Mary Alice "Mert" Murner** will have mouth surgery at Brookwood in Birmingham this Wednesday.

**Juanita Hester** is in Cottage of the Shoals, room 37. She would like visitors.

**Lynne Capocasa** is now at home.

**Terry Lenz** had surgery this past week. It went well.

**Restoration:**

**Paula Johnson** was restored and requested prayers on Sunday.

**Sympathy:**

We express our sympathy to **Pat Lindsey and family** on the loss of her brother, G.W. Mitchell. He passed away on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> and the funeral was last Tuesday.

We express our sympathy to **William Grubbs and family** on the passing of his wife, Chappelle. The funeral was on Thursday.

**Care Group 3** will be meeting after THIS SUNDAY morning service in the Fellowship room instead of the Tea Room. The children (4<sup>th</sup> grade and down) will be going to Victory Hall. Lunch will be served for all. If you have a suggestion and you rather not speak at the meeting, please give to an Elder or drop in drop-box by the office. **Care Group 4** will be going to Park Place this Sunday after service.

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.

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.

On March 18 at 5pm, our **preschool and elementary age kids** will meet in the fellowship room. We will hunt **Easter Eggs** outside followed by a snack and an activity in the fellowship room. **Anyone that can help provide the plastic eggs with candy, bring them by the church office.**

**Our young men** will be leading the worship on Sunday night, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the auditorium. **Our young ladies** will be leading a service in the fellowship room for ladies only at the same time. If you want to participate in either in of these services, contact Landon.

**EVENTS**

**Meals on Wheels** will be THIS week. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. We still need someone for Friday.

The **College/Young Professionals Bible study** will be this Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> in the Tea Room. It will be 6:30-8pm.

The **3rd-6th grade** will be going **ice skating** at Point Mallard on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the church building at 4:15pm. Parents are welcome to go. We will be taking the bus for anyone who would like to ride. If you have any questions, see Chris Lackey or Scottie Durham.

**Meals for the Hungry** will be THIS Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Care Group 4 is in charge and will need to be in the Fellowship room around 10:15 that morning.

The **Lads to Leaders Convention** will be in Nashville on March 30<sup>th</sup> - April 1<sup>st</sup>. If anyone can donate snacks or drinks or give money towards this, it would be appreciated.

**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.

**ATTENDANCE/CONTRIBUTION**

|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| Mar 07 (Wed).....  | 213      |
| Mar 11             |          |
| Sunday School..... | 205      |
| AM Worship.....    | 397      |
| PM Worship .....   | 249      |
| Contribution.....  | \$16,578 |

# Don't Get Mad at the Mirror

David Maxson

What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet."?

Romans 7:7

Looking in the mirror is not something we always enjoy, especially if we've put on weight. But after seeing extra weight on ourselves, do we then get angry at the mirror? Do we blame the mirror and choose to never look at it again? Do we avoid mirrors for the rest of our lives?

As absurd as that might seem, that is precisely what we do with the Word. The Word of God is a mirror (James 1:23), and as such it reveals our imperfections. This can make for an unpleasant experience, and so sometimes we turn away from it and choose not to read or study it anymore. In a strange way we are blaming the Word for how it makes us feel about ourselves, and so we refuse to look at our reflection in it.

I want to challenge all of you (as I challenge myself first) to not turn away from the Word and especially when it shows us our imperfections. Let's be thankful for the insight it gives us and use that as motivation to do better.

In other words, let's resolve to not get angry at the Mirror. Let's get angry at ourselves and make correction.

Father, we know we fall far short of Your glory when we read Your Word. Give us the courage to accept responsibility for what we see, and grace to make the necessary changes by your Spirit.

## 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

WBTC(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

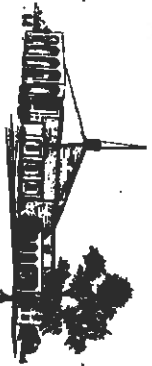
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| <p>Lynne Capocasa<br/>                 111 Autumn Circle, I-105<br/>                 Sheffield, AL 35660</p>                                | <p><b>Care Group 1</b></p> | <p>Lynne is the mother of Raynee Goode. She could use cards of encouragement. No visitors at this time, please.</p> |
| <p>William Grubbs<br/>                 Mitchell-Hollinsworth<br/>                 805 Flagg Cir<br/>                 Florence, AL 35630</p> | <p><b>Care Group 2</b></p> | <p>William's wife, Chappelle, passed away this past week.</p>   |
| <p>Lea Black<br/>                 22606 Winged Foot Ln<br/>                 Athens, AL 35613</p>  | <p><b>Care Group 3</b></p> | <p>Lea's step-mother, Chappelle, passed away last week.</p>   |
| <p>Pat Lindsey<br/>                 921 Vista Cir<br/>                 Tuscumbia, AL 35674</p>  | <p><b>Care Group 4</b></p> | <p>Pat's brother, G.W. Mitchell, passed away recently.</p>  |

# MISSIONARIES

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Care Groups 1 & 2

Would enjoy cards.

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