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SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY ACTIVITY

SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.
Worship.....10:20 a.m.
Worship.....5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

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ON THE HOME FRONT

Gary Colley

We continue to enjoy good attendance at Getwell. Our records, however, show that some do not return for evening services on Sunday or Wednesday nights. We would like to see an increase in these worship services. If there is any way that we may encourage our members to be faithful to all services, we would be happy to do so. If you know of some manner in which we can help these to be more loving toward their Lord, would you let us know.

Please note on the inside of this bulletin an article concerning ZONDERVAN PRESS and their new push for the New International Version. Billy Graham and others have strongly recommended this translation in the past, and bookstores have been and are full of them. The reason that Graham and others push this "Bible" is that it contains all five points of Calvinism, which the Baptist Church and others believe. So many are the errors in this translation that the errors are on nearly every page. It is shameful that some of our college professors have also been pushing this translation on our young people. If and when it is taken as the Bible, it will change the church and bring division to the unity that has been enjoyed in the past.

After the first of the year, our bulletin will carry articles on the errors of several of the new translations. We trust you will be looking for these articles.

Zondervan Press and the New NIV “How Presumptuous!”

Gary Colley

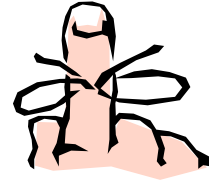
“Bible Project Draws Hundreds” was an article that appeared in the *DeSoto Appeal* (An edition of the Memphis Commercial Appeal) December 1, 2008. It was appalling and sad to me that one of the leading world Bible publishers has sent an agent to our region, to the “Christ United Methodist Church,” and invited them to supply “handwritten passages for a 30th anniversary edition of the New International Version of the Bible.”

The widespread NIV translation was published in 1978 “as a simplified, [so they said] version of the King James Bible.” The article went on to say that of the 31,173 verses in the KJV, the NIV adaptation had 31,102. In other words they removed 71 verses from the Bible! This left the impression that was “the only change.” Uninspired folks (mainly children) were asked to supply a handwritten, personalized touch to verses. Zondervan is trying to attract 31,102 people through March as it sets up in churches, convention halls, and other places in 100 cities across America, inviting people to give “a personalized touch” to the anniversary edition.

Just how will a “personalized handwritten Bible” give the Word of God an intimate, informal tone of the Bible and make it more comprehending and relevant to my life? The bottom line is that it will make the project one of the most expensive projects ever undertaken by Zondervan. Their representative says that “it is to improve legibility.” The participants are to print rather than write in cursive. One copy will go to the Smithsonian Institution “as part of Bible history,” and one will be auctioned to benefit the International Bible Society to support Bible translation and distribution efforts around the world. This is but another scheme to get people to buy the NIV. As with all of the “new translations,” MONEY IS THE BOTTOM LINE. The Bible has always and continues to be the best selling book in the world.

I wrote a tract in 1973 exposing the unfounded changes in the “new translations.” This tract has gone around the world. In the next few weeks we will be placing articles in this bulletin from the tract. If you desire a copy of the tract for distribution, we invite you to send your order to the Getwell church of Christ, 1511 Getwell Road, Memphis, TN 38111.

RON'S REMINDERS



Creation Fact #64 Evidence from Creation Foundation

It has been said that all of modern science builds upon evolution. Yet in the century before evolution was taught as a fact in American schools, the United States won more Nobel prizes in science than the rest of the world combined. What great discovery has ever been made based on evolution? The world around us is far better explained as the creation of an intelligent designer followed by a recent global Flood.

Evolution has no adequate explanation for the following:

The problem of order - From the laws of thermodynamics to the information content of DNA, we see order everywhere. How did this arise from pure random chance?

The problem of light - What is light and energy? We give them names, but we really don't know what they are or why they exist.

The problem of life - It is absolutely statistically impossible that life could arise from random chemical reactions.

The problem of conscious thought - Why are humans self-aware? Do other creatures ask, "Where did I come from? Why am I here? What is the purpose of life?"

The problem of reproduction - How and why would a single-sex organism turn into two different sexes?

The problem of decay - All of life is dying. The entire universe is running down. Therefore, it must have been more perfect in the past. Evolution ignores this problem, because it cannot explain it.

Biblical creation has an explanation for all of these mysteries, so which model of our origin is more scientifically correct?

Creation Fact #65 Evidence from Astronomy

Light from the most distant stars in our universe would take billions of years to reach the earth. Is the universe really billions of years old, or did God create light en route to Earth with images of exploding stars at the same time He created the stars? Or is there a better explanation?

Ph.D. physicist Barry Setterfield has proposed that historical measurements of light indicated that its speed may be slowing down. The speed of light is different through various mediums. For instance, the speed of light through sodium atoms, near absolute zero, is only 38 miles per hour – 20 million times slower than its speed in a vacuum. So what else could change the speed of light?

Modern physics tell us that even with every atom removed and cooled to absolute zero, each cubic centimeter of "empty" space contains the equivalent of 100 million years of energy output from our entire galaxy! This energy content of "empty space" is called the zero-point energy. If this energy content changed, so would the speed with which light travels through space. Did God create the entire universe starting with this zero-point energy by converting some of it to matter? If so, the speed of light could have been trillions of times faster as this energy was being converted to matter.

Although quite controversial, this theory is one of many possible explanations for how distant light could have reached Earth in a recently created universe. There is no scientific reason to assume the universe was not created quite recently.

– *A Closer Look at the Evidence*
by Richard & Tina Kleiss

FAMILY NEWS AND NOTES



I WAS SICK AND YE VISITED ME (MATT. 25:36)

Addie Nelms is in Select Specialty Hospital located at St. Francis Hospital in Room 1224.

Please remember with your cards, calls, and prayers those of our number who are confined at home or in nursing homes: **Hazel Bizzell**, 356 Calle Escada, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459-3698; **Nell Brandon**, Quince Nursing and Rehab Center, 6733 Quince Rd., Room 2006A, 38119; **Emma Brotherton**, Landmark of DeSoto, 3068 Nail Rd. W., Room 310B, Horn Lake, MS 38637; **Frances Collins**, 4779 Amboy Rd., 38117, 682-6917; **Mary Haynes**, 274 S. Highland, Apt. 808, 38111, 327-2127; **Addie Nelms**, 4007 Dunn Ave., 38111, 743-7554; **Skipper Schulz**, 139 Magnolia Dr., 38117, 683-3049; and **Minnie Wayne**, Gallaway Healthcare Center, Room 106, 435 Old Brownsville Rd., Gallaway, TN 38036, 317-4590.

THANK-YOU NOTE

A note of appreciation from Martha Sayle is posted on the bulletin board.

SPIRITUAL SWORD GIFTS

Donations for THE SPIRITUAL SWORD have been received from Harry Roberts (OH), Dee Hester (TX), Sandra Moore (AL), Norma Wolf (MO), Maxine Greer (OH), Gary Jones (AL), and Steve Simmons (MO).

ACTIVITY CHANGE

Our midweek service next week will be Tuesday, December 23 instead of Wednesday, December 24. Be sure to mark your calendar.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed December 24th and 25th.

GUEST SPEAKER

For many years it has been our privilege to have brother Robert R. Taylor, Jr. be the speaker for our services on the last Sunday of the year, and we are delighted to continue that custom this year. Brother Taylor will be speaking at all our services on Sunday, December 28. Please make your plans to be with us.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 21, 2008

Welcome: George Cloys
Lead Singing: Pat Phillips
Opening Prayer: Tom Harris (a.m.)
Doug Miller (p.m.)
Sermon: Gary Colley
Closing Prayer: Tracy Smitherman (a.m.)
Leonard Hillis (p.m.)

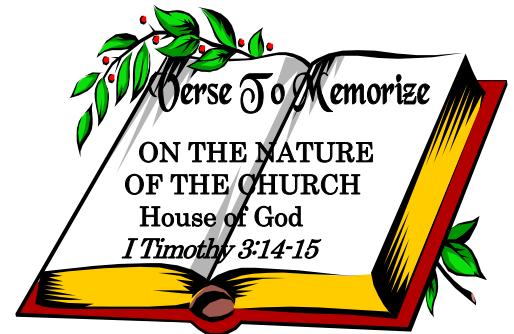
OUR ATTITUDE

December 14, 2008

Bible Study	78
Morning Worship	112
Evening Worship	71
Wednesday (12/10)	60
Contribution	\$3,700.50
Weekly Budget	\$3,665.00

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