

Hohenwald Church of Christ Family News

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Honored to Serve in September:

Announcements:

Scottie Bass

Song Leader: Jon Jones

Preside at Lord's Table:

Bill Lynch

Lord's Table:

Ryan Couch/Jeff Holbrook/Jeff Peery/
Terry Thompson/Hunter Bastin/
Daniel Graves

Prepare Communion:

Chloe & Jeff Holbrook

Deliver Communion:

Jason Fite

Sunday, September 23:

Opening Prayer: Tom Gosser

Closing Prayer: Jeff Peery

Sun AM Bible Study: 9:30 a.m./Worship:

10:30 Sun PM: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Choose Wisely

I mentioned in a recent class that I find the lyrics of artists like Bruce Springsteen and Bob Dylan to often contain Christian messages. One example is from Bob Dylan's song, *Gotta Serve Somebody*:

You may be an ambassador to England or France
You may like to gamble, you might like to dance
You may be the heavyweight champion of the world
You may be a socialite with a long string of pearls.

But you're gonna have to serve somebody, yes indeed
You're gonna have to serve somebody,
It may be the devil or it may be the Lord
But you're gonna have to serve somebody.

We all make a choice in who or what we serve. Another way to look at this is in choosing who or what we worship. The American novelist David Foster Wallace said the following in a commencement speech at Kenyon College:

Everybody worships. The only choice we get is what to worship. And the compelling reason for maybe choosing some sort of god...to worship...is that pretty much anything else you worship will eat you alive. If you worship money and things, if they are where you tap real meaning in life, then you will never have enough, never feel you have enough. It's the truth. Worship your own body and beauty and sexual allure, and you will always feel ugly. And when time and age start showing, you will die a million deaths before your loved ones finally plant you. Worship power, and you will end up feeling weak and afraid, and you need ever more power over others to numb you to your own fear. Worship your intellect, being seen as smart, you will end up feeling stupid, a fraud, always on the verge of being found out.

So we do have choices as to who or what we ultimately serve or worship. We all need to make sure that our lives bear witness that we are serving the one, true God. The God who led the children of Israel out of Egyptian bondage and sent his son Jesus to free us from the bondage of sin and death. Let's make sure that we choose wisely—that our lives reflect the beliefs we claim to have.

Keep the faith,

Greg

Prayer Requests:

Sarah Hallman had outpatient surgery on Thursday to remove a cancerous lump. She will be undergoing radiation treatment.

Howard Spears has been diagnosed with lung cancer. He will be seeking a second opinion and treatment options. It is believed to have been discovered very early and is not believed to have spread.

Continue to remember in prayer:

Amy Sue Cotton, Arelus Dye, Jenny Carroll, Harper Bastin, Judy Burton, Emily James, Bettye Ammons, Barbara Eglinton, Dawn Darden, John Beard, Lovada Burklow, Raylan Carroll, Bobby Galya, Emerie Mitchell, Ronnie Belew, Dana Shanes Lynch, Matthew Jones, Austin Duncan, Beverly Malone, Iva DePriest, Steve Hopper, Debbie Durham, Glen Garrison, Jim Webb, Darrell Potts, Connye Karpel, Louise Tatum, Janie Ellis, Waylin Spears, Jane West, Mary Lou Morton, Doris Gildersleeve, Jimmy Griner, Barbara Nixon, Carolyn Armstrong, Stephanie Fielder, Simon McBride, Patrick Landers, Alan Kimbro

Upcoming Events:

September 24: Blood Drive 1:30-5:30

October 7: Lewis County Nursing & Rehab at 2:00

The GYIDE BBQ will be September 29th.
Donations may be sent to:

GYIDE Inc.
828 Smith Ave.
Hohenwald, TN 38462



American Red Cross

The American Red Cross will be conducting a blood drive in our FLC tomorrow from 1:30 to 5:30. All blood types are needed. It only takes about 30-40 minutes to make a difference in someone's life.

Faith-Based Recovery Coalition

A group of local ministers has formed the Lewis County Faith-Based Recovery Coalition as a means of trying to stem the tide of addiction issues in our local community. Greg is serving as the treasurer for this new organization. One of the facilities we will be sending local male residents for long-term rehabilitation is Teen and Adult Challenge in Savannah, TN. A group of men from this facility will be in Hohenwald **tonight at 6:00 PM** for an evening of testimonies from those who are in recovery as well as a performance by the organization's choir. This will take place at our city parking lot on N. Maple at 6:00 PM.

There will be an evening service here at the building as well.

Pantry

This week's items are:

2 cans corn, 2 cans green beans, 2 cans other canned vegetable, 2 cans Ravioli

¹⁴. "Now fear the Lord and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. ¹⁵ But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Joshua 24:14-15