

July Events:

- ⇒ **July 5th: Singing Emphasis.**
- ⇒ **July 5th-10th: WVCYC Intermediate Week.**
- ⇒ **July 12th-17th: WVCYC Junior Week.**
- ⇒ **July 18th-23rd: Pulaski Street CoC Service Mission Trip.**
- ⇒ **July 18th: Picnic at Cooper's Rock.**
- ⇒ **July 19th: Lunch at Minard's.**
- ⇒ **July 19th: Evening Service "Pack the Pews", followed by a dessert fellowship.**

Today's Announcements:

- Today, Mark is at WVCYC for Intermediate Week. Adam Epler will be providing the morning lesson for the congregation.
- Tonight is singing emphasis.
- Let's pray for the campers, the staff, & all the volunteers during camp this week. Registration is still open for all interested campers.
- **July 18th** is the picnic at Cooper's Rock. Information regarding the location of the shelter is on the tables in the foyers. A signup list for food & volunteers is located on the back table. Meeting at the shelter at 3:00 p.m. for set up.
- If you would like to eat lunch at Minard's with the Pulaski CoC members on **Sunday, July 19th**, please add your name to the list on the back table. We will be having lunch immediately following Sunday morning services. Due to the large number attending, Minard's is only offering pasta dishes to our group. Please add your group's number. A firm head count is needed by **July 9th**.
- There will be a Dessert Fellowship following our "Pack the Pews" service on **July 19th**. Number in attendance maybe around 80-90. Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve, & clean up. If you can help, let Phillip Seyler know. Menu is simple: pizza, chips, cookies, brownies, & drinks.
- Address for James Wasson: TIRR Memorial Hermann, Room 328-B, 1333 Moursund Street, Houston, TX 77030.
- Prayers for all those affected by the earthquake in Venezuela, flooding in Kentucky, & devastating wildfires.

Elders: Raymond Anderson, Don Riffle, & Wayne Hartman

Deacons: Robbie Buffington, Adam Epler, & Rodney Sleeth

Minister: Mark Jones

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God Bless America



The song "God Bless America" was written by Irving Berlin in 1918 but was not released until 1938 when the famous radio star Kate Smith asked Berlin for a special patriotic song to perform on her Armistice Day broadcast. The song is simple, just a few lines of a prayer for the Lord to bless and guide our nation.

*God bless America, land that I love.
Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with the light from above.
From the mountains to the prairies,
To the oceans white with foam,
God bless America, my home sweet home.*

What must America do in order to assure God's blessing? According to the Scriptures, here is what God desires from our nation:

Times of Service

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7 pm

- God desires that our nation turns from its evil ways. (Jeremiah 18:8)
- God accepts our nation if we fear Him, working righteousness. (Acts 10:35)
- God desires that our nation worship and glorify Him. (Psalm 86:9)
- God wants us to make new disciples in our nation. (Matthew 28:19)
- God wants our nation to recognize His authority. (Romans 13:1)
- God wants our nation to sing for joy because He will govern us. (Psalm 67:4)
- God wants all Americans who believe in Jesus to be as one. (John 17:2-21)

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, The people He has chosen as His own inheritance. (Psalm 33:12)

*Jay Launius
Maud Church of Christ
Maud, TX*

AMERICA is a Beautiful Word

What do you see when you look at the word "America?"
What mental pictures do the seven letters create in your mind?

To me the capital letter "A" suggests our magnificent snow-covered mountain peaks, and the wigwams of the original Americans.

The letter "M" symbolizes the broad shoulders of our pioneers; shoulders-to-the-wheel pushing our frontiers westward; broad shoulders swinging axes, building a Nation.

The letter "E" might be the lariats of the cowboys riding the plains; lariats of Kit Carson or Buffalo Bill.

The letter "R" is a man with hand outstretched in friendship and cooperation toward all who love freedom, justice and peace.

The letter "I" represents the individual American with his rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

The letter "C" is a bent bow from which an arrow had just sped toward the stars of mankind's highest ideals.

The final letter "A" is a man on his knees in prayer, symbolizing a Nation which recognizes its Creator and gives thanks for His blessings.

Yes, America is a beautiful word!

*via Beech Grove church of Christ
Spring Hill, TN*

Card Distributor: Lydia Jones

Greeter: Natalie & Caroline Seyler

Baptismal Garments: Karen Seyler

Bible Class Locations:

Adults—Main Auditorium

Young Adults (20s-30s)—Mark's Office

Children & Teens—Downstairs

Cradle Roll—Downstairs

Upcoming Events/Dates to Remember

July 12th-17th: WVCYC Junior Week.

July 18th-23rd: Pulaski Street CoC Service Mission Trip.

July 19th: Pack the Pews Evening Service.

July 19th-24th: WVCYC All Age Week.

July 19th-24th: Texas Normal Singing School.

August 2nd-5th: VBS at the Lubeck CoC.

August 8th: Ladies Annual Planning Meeting.

August 8th: WVCYC Annual Golf Benefit.

August 15th: Back to School Picnic.

August 28th: Sing & Pie Fling at the WV School of Preaching.

August 30th: Fifth Sunday of the month--Prayer Service.

August 30th: Pleasant Acres Worship Service.

September 13th-16th: Bridgeport Gospel Meeting.

September 19th: Oakwood Road Ladies' Day & Fall Men's Day.

November 1st: Pleasant Acres Worship Service.

Our Record for Last Week:

Sunday Morning Assembly: 59
Sunday Bible Class: 44
Sunday Evening: 27
Wednesday Bible Study: 21
Contribution: \$3,920
(Budget \$4,000)

July Birthday/Anniversary List:

5-Angelia Collins; 8-Marsha Gallagher & Don & Kristina Riffle (A); 15-Mark & Megan Jones (A); 16-Adam & Hannah Epler (A); 22-Brooklyn Richmond & Phillip & Natalie Seyler (A); 24-Ryan Vilain; & 30-Howard & Angelia Collins (A).



Prayer Requests:

Our Congregation:

Shut-in Members: Ken Fortney and Becky Britton.

- **RuthEllen & the Wilmoth family:** Passing of Allen this past week.
- **Megan Jones:** Had 4 year check up--CT scan this past week.
- **Becky Britton:** Not doing well. Her son is having a liver biopsy. Liver disease runs in her family.
- **Wayne Hartman.**
- **Kathy Cross.**
- **Evelyn Griffin.**
- **Ed & Sharon Loy.**
- **Joyce Wright.**

- **Cathy Hart.**
- **Don & Kristina Riffle.**
- **Jerry Maxwell.**
- **Charles Riley.**
- **Tom & Nina Tucker.**
- **Lois Jenkins.**
- **Allan & Erica Craig.**

For Our Family & Friends:

- **Jack & Sharon Paugh:** Passing of his mother, Glendora.
- **Chris Egress, Steve & Kathy Cross's nephew:** Had a set back and will need surgery again.
- **Ed & Priscilla Heater's son, James Wasson:** Improving.
- **Larry Seyler's sister, Sue Seyler:** Had surgery and all cancer tissue removed; no cancer in the lymph nodes.
- **Cheryl Kelch's mother, Kathy.**
- **Megan Currey's father, Terry McCracken.**
- **Rodney Sleeth's sister.**
- **Carina Hayes' mother, Valerie (Rachel's friend).**
- **Harmon Family (Jerry's friends).**
- **Nelta Conrad (Charles' friend).**
- **Helen Isabelle (Debbie & Raymond's friend).**
- **Linda Grimes & family (Susan's Supervisor).**

If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin– Please email it to bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com or write it down and give it to Karen Seyler before Thursday.