

Last Week's Statistics

AM Bible Study	52
AM Worship	116
PM Worship	43
Wed. Bible Study	49
Contribution	\$3,317.00
2018 Budget	\$3,700.00
2018 Average	\$3,539.95
Building Fund	\$374,363.65

Today's Sermons

AM: Mike Sobiech to speak

PM: They Could Not Withstand
(Acts 6:8-10)

Vision 20:20 for 2018



Order of Worship and Those Serving

If you are unable to serve, please contact Jim Ross.

AM WORSHIP	February 25	March 4
WELCOME	Blaine Kelly	Blaine Kelly
SONG LEADER	David Willbanks	David Willbanks
FIRST PRAYER	Van Frasher	Mike Sobiech
LORD'S SUPPER	Curtis Hawkins	Bill Rouse
	Russ Mitchell	Jeff Whitaker
PRESIDING	Bob Bobo	Jerry Barrett
PRESIDING	Mark Coe	John Dean
	Harold Royston	Doug Hobbs
	Kenneth Ross	Jim Ross
BIBLE READING	Doug Hobbs	Larry Coe
SERMON	Mike Sobiech	Blaine Kelly
CLOSING PRAYER	Tom Montgomery	Jim Dempster
NURSERY	Becky Hawkins	Janet Cose
NURSERY	LaDonna May	Cherie Dempster
USHERS	Jim Glenn	Van Frasher
	Jim Ross	Jeff Maxwell
SECURITY	Mark Coe	Jim Ross
INVITATION ELDER	John Dean	John Dean
PM WORSHIP	February 25	March 4
SONG LEADER	Tim Thompson	Russ Mithcell
FIRST PRAYER	John Dean	Jerry Barrett
BIBLE READING	Jeff Maxwell	Jim Ross
SERMON	Blaine Kelly	Blaine Kelly
CLOSING PRAYER	Wayne Lilly	Mark Coe
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rich Hawkins	Wayne Lilly
LORD'S SUPPER	Jerry Barrett	Rich Hawkins
USHER	Jeff Whitaker	Tom Montgomery
INVITATION ELDER	David Willbanks	David Willbanks
WEDNESDAY	February 28	March 7
SONG LEADER	Jerry Barrett	Tim Thompson
CLOSING PRAYER	Rich Hawkins	Bob Bobo



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Weekly Newsletter - February 25, 2018

Welcome!

Are you new?

Whether you're just visiting or looking for a church home, it is great to have you with us. If you have any questions or would like to know more about our church family, feel free to speak with any member or take a brochure located in the hall.

What to Expect

All that we ask of you is to relax. We are people just like you. Please complete a 'Connection Card' from the pew in front of you. This is solely for our records — you won't get any surprise visits. Our worship order is listed on the back of this newsletter. As our guest, please don't feel obligated to give to the offering.

Thank you for being with us!

Our Elders

John Dean	581.4373
Jim Dempster	587.0535
Tom Montgomery	587.0743
David Willbanks	586.4747

Our Minister

Blaine Kelly	736.1505
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Family Matters

Surgeries for both **Nina and Jerry Barrett** went well on Wednesday. Nina begins rehabbing her knee this week.

Lynnda Coe recently had a bad reaction to antibiotics but is now better.

We're thrilled to report that results from **Casey Hux's** surgery showed that she does not have cancer.

David and LaDonna May request prayers for their granddaughter **Mikayla May** whose back infection has returned. She is currently being evaluated for the possibility of another surgery.

Randy and Tammy Dean request prayers for their friend **Chuck Smith** who has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and has been given a short time to live.

Brenda Hickey asks prayers for her grandson **Michael Cornett** who was in the hospital last weekend.

Our sympathy goes out to David Willbanks and family in the passing of his cousin **Stephanie Murphy**.

WIFI PASSWORD: If you wish to use the church's Wifi today, you can connect to MCOC_Guest with password go2church.

Past Requests: Greg Blevins, Allen Swearengin, Lynn Ross, Barry Lawson, Kathryn Willbanks, Rowen Glenn, Glenna Clark, Dolores Lupo, Lillian Ladd

Battling Cancer: Nancy Capshaw, Wells Sommer, Sara Hosman, Melody Forman, Mistie Hale, Julie Browning, Glenna Clark, Bill Baker, Ann Long, Lisa Vicks, Danny Herren, Joe Clusky, Mary Springer, Angie Dean Cureton, Virginia Hopkins, Dina Faust, Susan Howlett, Vanessa McMillan, Brenda Dillman, Joe Loveless, Mary Nolen Bond, Greg Dexter, Mary Ramsey, Tonya Bennett, Jamin Hymel, Nancy Gallagher, William Austin, Angie Corder, Marqueta Cook, Bill Joseph, Phil Mitchell, Krista Lovejoy, Susan Jones, Phil Mooney, Dean Palmo, Caleb Hickman, Wyatt Crippin, Rick Stoffer

Shut-In: Mignon Adkins, Rick Blair, Jean Brown, Pam Capshaw, Eleanor Creech, Doyle Helton, Kathy Johnson, Bill Ross, Keith Sparkman

Military: Cameron Dean, Austin Whitelaw, Tristan Capshaw, Cody Miller, Jacob Helton, Benjamin Wingfield

Service Times

Sunday Bible Classes:	9:30 am
Sunday AM Worship:	10:30 am
Sunday PM Worship:	5:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Classes:	7:00 pm

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When Should I Get Involved?

There are some problems that not even Jesus attempts to solve. That may sound heretical, but it's true. The following comes from Luke 12:13-14:

13 Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." 14 But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?"

Jesus knew people's hearts, and He easily could have deciphered how to best handle the dispute between these two brothers. One or both of them was in the wrong. Either way, there was a solution. Yet Jesus avoided directly getting involved in the matter and instead addressed the crowd with a parable on greed.

It is easy to butt our nose into matters that don't involve us. Sometimes we do so in the name of "helping." Like Jesus, we may know the best way to solve other people's problems or what needs to be done to fix a situation. Nonetheless I have often found that when I provide such unsolicited "help," I do anything but help and often make matters worse.

Today it is easier than ever to get involved in disputes that don't involve us. Social media capitalizes on the latest personal grievance, parenting debate, political controversy, and culture war. I have often made the mistake of engaging divisive conversations in the spirit of helping, being a peacemaker, or offering a nuanced perspective. I would have done better to listen to the wisdom of Solomon in Proverbs 26:17 (NASB) - "Like one who takes a dog by the ears is he who passes by and meddles with strife not belonging to him." If people want my opinion, they will ask for it personally. Otherwise, I'm just wasting my breath and probably reducing the likelihood of them seeking out my counsel in the future. Scripture consistently shows that wisdom is not force-fed. Instead it is sought. If others view me as wise, I do not need to go to them; they will come to me.

There is certainly a time to reprove and correct, but it is not my place to reprove and correct everyone, especially in disputes that don't involve me.

In teaching Matthew 18:15-20, a wise person once taught me that the right time to get involved in a dispute is when the involved parties mutually desire my participation. The "one or two others" of Matthew 18:16 should not be biased to one side. Instead they should be objective, fair-minded listeners who have the respect of both sides. When invited by only one party to get involved in a dispute, wisdom and the Lord teach me to decline the offer.

If Jesus avoided getting into disputes that didn't involve him, then I would be wise to do the same. — Blaine

Family News & Notes



CHRISTIAN WOMAN magazine is now available on the hallway table.

MARCH CALENDARS: If you have any info or events to add to March's calendar, please include those on your Connection Card today.

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE: Several of our adults and youth are away today for Challenge Youth Conference in Pigeon Forge. They return this afternoon.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!
3/1 David & Susan Downey

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
2/26 Shelby Farley
2/27 Jean Swearingin
3/1 John Dean



GOSPEL GIRLS will meet today at 3:00pm.

DEACONS & ELDERS MEETING takes place today at 3:30pm.

LADIES RETREAT: If you plan to attend the upcoming Ladies Retreat, please have your money and form turned in by next Sunday, March 4. Brochures can be found in the hallway. It will take place at Pigeon Forge on March 9-11. For any questions, please see Mary Mitchell.

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY takes place tomorrow at 6:30am at Ingles West.

FACEBOOK BIBLE STUDY: Ben Shafer hosts a Bible study tomorrow night at 8pm on Facebook Live.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY takes place this Thursday at the building at 10am with a study of the book of James. Please see Caroline Kelly for more details.

This Week at a Glance

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	1	2	3
9:30am Bible Class 10:30am Worship 3:00pm Gospel Girls 3:30pm Elders/ Deacons Meeting 5:00pm Worship	Breakfast Bible Study 6:30am Facebook Bible Study 8pm	Prayer Group 10am 32 cards sent out last week.	Bible Classes 7 PM	Ladies Bible Study 10 AM		