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There may be those who receive this bulletin who are searching God's Word to see what they must do to be saved. If you are searching for salvation, we encourage you to turn and study these Bible references:

- One must **HEAR** the gospel plan of salvation (John 6:45; Revelation 1:3)
- One must **BELIEVE** (have faith) in Christ (James 2:24; Mark 16:16; John 6:29)
- One must **REPENT** of sin (Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38; 3:19)
- One must **CONFESS** Christ deity (Romans 10:9, 10; Matthew 10:32, 33)
- One must **BE IMMERSUED FOR FORGIVENESS OF SINS** (1 Peter 3:21; acts 22:16)
- One must **BE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH** (Revelation 2:10)

NORTHSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

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HONORED TO SERVE

SUNDAY-May 04, 2008

Announcements.....Henry Champion
Song Leader AM.....Kevin Green
Morning Prayer.....Kevin Fortner
Speaker.....Mike Tucker
Dismissal.....Chris Green

USHERS

John Dunn.....Terry Colley
Mike Russell

PRESIDING AT TABLE

Don Canter.....Ray Edwards

ASSISTANTS

Andrew Herndon.....George Glover
Steve Lamb.....Devin Lovett
Chris Holmes.....Bill Ross
Michael Roberts.....Billy Satterwhite
Scripture Reading.....Konor Copeland
Mark 15:34-39

Song Leader PM.....Bill McCallon
Evening Prayer.....Michael Kirschbaum
Speaker..... Mike Tucker
Dismissal.....Rexal Leonard
Lord's Table.....Jerry Steele

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Shirley Rhea.....Dean Wyatt

BUS DRIVER

Week of May 04, 2008

George Glover.....623-8629

CAN'T SERVE?

Ladies call.....245-5634
Men call Hugh Kirby.....623-8730
Or Larry Rhea.....247-6955
Song leaders call Bill McCallon.....247-6466

STATISTICS—April 27, 2008

Bible Study.....217
Worship AM.....290
Worship PM.....190
Mid Week (04/23).....195
Contribution.....\$5,004.37
Weekly Budget.....\$5,486.00
Over Budget.....\$ 443.43



News from..... Northside church of Christ

April 30, 2008

THE ART OF THE 15-MINUTE SERMON

Dennis Gullede

Recently the Church at Rock Creek sent an attractive brochure into 85,000 central Arkansas homes advertising their new "fast-paced" 30-minute worship service called RC: 30. Fast worship is the consumer approach to the excuse that many people just don't have time for church. The service is divided up with 15 minutes of preaching, along with contemporary praise, prayer and an offering squeezed into half an hour.

Reviews from area preachers and "pastors" are predictably pro and con. Some see it as "counterproductive," while others feel it will catch on across the nation. The abbreviated worship service is nothing new, although it may be a new thing for this area.

Where does gospel preaching fit into the human fascination for brevity? Of course the length of a sermon is subjective and nowhere dictated by Scripture. People have their druthers, and most prefer it to be like a good executioner – quick and painless. The Lord is not timing his preachers in their proclamations, but he is gauging them (2 Tim. 4:2). Of course it takes a great deal more study and discipline to make a sermon more immortal than eternal. Brother Guy N. Woods was one of the great ones who could say more in his typical 20-minute sermons than most preachers can say in 40 minutes. Mark Evans, "pastor" of the Church at Rock Creek, says that 15 minutes "is sufficient time to communicate gospel truths" without "watering down" the message. The latter comment may well be true, depending on whether you're asking Mark Evans or Paul the apostle. It isn't as though we should not give some thought to the art of the 15-minute sermon.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:30 AM
Morning Worship 10:30 AM
Evening Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

"Healing Hurting Families"
Christian Counseling Center
2820 Jefferson, Paducah, KY
1-888-328-8560

PULPIT PREVIEW – May 04, 2008
Worship AM – Golden Rule
Worship PM – What Happens After Death?

GREETERS FOR MAY 04, 2008

Ray & Ruth Edwards, Kayla Lamb & Elaine Scarbrough.

PICK-UP CARDS MAY 04, 2008

Isaac Gream, Jake VanCleve, Wesley Dillon, Will Flatt.

SUNDAY MAY 04, 2008

- **Flower Fund Sunday-** the baskets will be in the foyers.
- **Bridal Tea—for Jessica Dryden & Justin Carr,** in the multi-purpose building from 2 to 4 p.m.
- **Elders & Deacons-** meeting after the evening service.
- **Visitation Team # 5-** will meet after the evening service.

SICK LIST

- **Rosetta Cox-**has been moved to the Transitional center at Lourdes Hospital, and is in room 609.
- **Dortha Cochrum** is at Jackson Purchase Medical Center in room 218.

SYMPATHY

We would like to extend our sympathy to Janice Khuns, on the death of her aunt, Linda Stem, a member of 7 Oaks. Graveside services were Tuesday, April 22, at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

OH NO!!!!!!

I've done it again. On the Birthday list, please mark Randy & Beth Sullivan's anniversary as the 16th not the 6th. Thank You...

CARDS

*Dear Ladies of Northside,
Thank you all for everything. It was so thoughtful of you. We will definitely get lots of use out of all your gifts.*

*With Thanks,
Megan Rogers & Zach Baldwin*

*Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,
Thank you for your financial help and especially for your prayers. Bud has come a long way. We could never have made it this far without the love of our Brethren. And Father in heaven.
In Christian Love,*

Brenda Causy

Thanks to all for the prayers, visits, calls, cards and flowers. I am at home feeling some what better.

Lucille English

AREA EVENTS

Youth Rally- Henderson church of Christ—May 2nd & 3rd. Where Neal Mathis is youth minister.

The schedule is on the youth's bulletin board.

Future Preacher's camp-at the Washington Avenue church of Christ, in Evansville, IN, on July 1st – 6th. The camp is for young men ages 13 -18 who will be in the 7th – 12th grades in 2008-2009 school year. The camp is free of charge. The registration cutoff date is June 23.

Singing- 4th annual area wide congregational singing at Charbo & Karen church of Christ in Saint Charles, MO. May 16, at 7 p.m.

*More information is on the bulletin board in the front foyer.

Mr. & Mrs. Dwaine Rogers request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter,



Megan Renae
to
Zachary Kyle Baldwin

Son of Mr. & Mrs. Larry Baldwin
Saturday, the Twenty-fourth of May
at half past three o'clock
Glendale Road Church
1101 Glendale Road/Murray, KY
Reception to follow

(Cont'd. from front)

I have given serious consideration to the basic ingredients of the brief engaging message of contemporary fascination. Here are some of my conclusions:

- Leave off the old fashioned “book, chapter and verse” approach to preaching. Keep “opening & alleging” from Scripture to a bare minimum. You might be perceived as boring and irrelevant.
- Dispense with heart-felt appeals for lost souls to obey the gospel (Rom. 6:17). People will be too busy checking their watches to care.
- Don't study the Bible as much as consumer demand. Make it appeal to the masses. The “un-churched” do not want heavy doses of Bible doctrine.
- Eliminate any extensive application from Bible passages that might fit people's lives. That would require a few minutes.
- Don't think in terms of actually preaching. Rather, give place to small snippets, practical tidbits, and “engaging messages”
- Never condemn sin. There is too much of that with which to deal.
- Leave out any mention of errors and issues currently troubling the church. You will be accused of being stodgy and negative.
- Above all, lighten up on the doctrine of Jesus Christ (2 John. 9-10). Confine your appeals to inner needs and practical concerns. Don't get caught up in distinctive teaching and fundamentals of the faith. Keep it attractive!