

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST~
OCTOBER 2, 2022

CONGRATS: Wesley and Melinda Haas now have their third grandchild. Raylan James Haas was born last weekend and weighed 7 lb, 11 oz.

SYMPATHY: Keith Bailey (Kim Arrington's father) passed away on Monday morning. The visitation is tomorrow night from 5-8 at Brantley Funeral Home in Olive Branch. The funeral, also at Brantley, will be at 10 A.M. Tuesday with burial a Greenleaf and lunch for the family following that here at the building; if you can help with that effort, please see Suzanne. Also, longtime preacher and friend to several here, Gary Colley, passed away on Wednesday. That funeral is this Wednesday morning in Collierville.

SICK: Cody Hadley was sick Monday, perhaps due to the medicines he is taking for his Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. Lorraine Hounshell remains in rehab in Byhalia, but may come home Wednesday. April and Carson Kinney both ended up with the flu, but are doing better now. Annette Cates (Dan Cates' mother) had successful surgery Thursday and should be home shortly after the printing of the bulletin. Tish Clarke (wife of the MSOP director) had her "gamma knife" treatment and is now awaiting a biopsy which will take place Wednesday. Jane Haas (Wesley Haas' mother) is in rehab recovering from her broken hip. Anthony and Rita Stacks (nephew-in-law and niece of Allene Baldwin and Syble Embrey) are dealing with strokes and Alzheimers, respectively. Audrey Vick (daughter of Allene Baldwin) has been suffering some health problems.

PROTRACTED: Kim Arrington—elbow; Scooter Birmingham (friend of Destiny Clayton); Brian Brown (Paul Brown's nephew)—epilepsy; Lauren Brown (niece of Paul Brown)—heart; Suzanne Brown—arthritis; Shelly Cates—fibromyalgia; Janet Daniel (sister of Melinda Haas)—lupus; Addliae Farrow (Tabatha Clayton's great niece)—heart; Ella Cobb, granddaughter of the Houses—seizures; Jimmy Ferguson (former preacher here)—heart rhythm; Melinda Haas—Lyme's Disease; Cody Hadley—Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever; Kaylie Hadley—UCTD; Paula Harrison—Meniere's Disease; Lorraine Hounshell; Wanda Jackson—a-fib; Monica La Rock (granddaughter of Orelia Ferguson and mother of Noah); Garrett Lentz (son of a co-worker of Cody Hadley)—seizures; Easton McCullough (Grayson Hadley's best friend)—Bell's Palsy; Becky Munns (Tabatha Clayton's aunt)—heart problems, Crohn's Disease; Shelby Peyton—knee; Robert Rawson (preacher at Crockett)—diabetes; Ray Reynolds (Sheila Massey and Mary West's dad)—memory trouble; Brett Rutherford (Dan Cates' friend)—MS; Francis Wallace (friend of Mary Ray); and Jerry Worthington (neighbor of the Hounshells)—physical and emotional difficulties.

CANCER: Sherry Brown (retired MSOP secretary); Alicia Busby (from the community); Gary Darnell (Ella Darnell's son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; Brenda Davis (a grandmother of Edra and Ryan Farrow); Tommy Hensley (uncle of Paul Brown)—liver; Nathan Jones (the Hounshells' neighbors' 16 year old family member)—brain; Sara Kiestler (an FHU student)—Hodgkin's; Wade Loggins (member of congregation in Elkmont, AL); Trina McKinney (Mary Ray's grandson-in-law)—prostate; Dorothy Mosher (wife of an MSOP instructor); Carol Ogelsby (family of Sonny Stewart and the Browns)—stomach; Tommy Pierce (the Browns' friend); John Riley (member of the church who lives in this community)—lung; and Tabby Waters (Tabatha Clayton's sister-in-law)—leukemia.

SHUT-IN: Janice Bailey (at the Arringtons'), Orelia Ferguson (home), Annette Cates (Dan Cates' mother who is in a care center in Pensacola, FL), and Ruth House (Lawayne House's mother who is at home).

SERVING: Dylan and Maggie Cooper (Air Force, Offut AFB, Neb.), Cameron Hadley (Grayson Hadley's dad—Marines, Hawaii). Also, please continue to pray for Kyle Embrey (Syble Embrey's grandson—policeman) and all other military [especially who are going or remain abroad] and for all those in authority that we might live "quiet and peaceable" lives (1 Timothy 2:1,2).

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Wednesday 7:15 p.m.

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Missions [the latest reports from these works are on the bulletin board in the foyer]

Kakinada, India [Providing Bibles and Overseeing Funds]

Memphis School of Preaching

Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)

Tri-Cities School of Preaching (David B. Jones)

Jamie Long (Four Seas Bible College, Singapore)

Warm Heart Missions (Roger Chambers)

Pablo Horna (Panama) [Overseeing funds]

Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)

Tennessee Children's Home, West

School of Biblical Studies (Jos, Nigeria)

Save Asian Souls (Providing physical and spiritual aid)

Other one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE

Daniel F. Cates

Part XX: Proverbs

(Continued from last week) Regarding his writing this book, Solomon at least wrote the first twenty-nine chapters. The last two chapters are attributed to "Agur the son of Jakeh" (Pro. 30:1) and Lemuel (Pro. 31:1,4). If these are two distinct individuals, they are two about whom nothing else is known since they are not found elsewhere in Scripture. Given that Bible people often had multiple names (usually due to the meanings of names), it is thought these may be other, symbolic, names for Solomon [as was Jedidiah (2 Sam. 12:25)]. Strong defines Solomon as "peaceful," Jedidiah as "beloved of Jah," Agur as "gathered (that is, received among the sages)," and Lemuel as "(belonging) to God." This writer believes Solomon to be the author of the whole book.

Solomon's being the author, the book was written from Jerusalem his capital apparently during his reign, likely closer to the beginning (971 B.C.) than to the end (931 B.C.). The book is addressed to "My son" (Pro. 1:8,15), but really was for any who would heed wisdom, especially the "simple" who are on the precipice of salvation or destruction (Pro. 1:4,22). With that latter thought in mind, consider that the book is written, as it were, by Wisdom personified (Pro. 1:20; 8:1). Simply stated, the purpose of the book is to help the simple to choose wisdom. (To be continued next week)

"That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:" (Ephesians 4:14,15)

BIBLE QUESTION:

This week's question: Who "will hear, and will increase learning"?

Last week's question: For whom did Paul send while he was in Miletus?

Last week's answer: The elders from the church at Ephesus (Acts 20:17)

SERMONS: Roger Chambers is with us this morning to report on his recent trip to Malawi.

"All the Counsel of God": Worship—Singing

DAILY BIBLE READING (October 3-9):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Ezra	1-4					5-7	8-10
Haggai		1,2					
Zechariah		1,2	3-6	7-10	11-14		

READ SCRIPTURE (OCTOBER): Dan Cates (See Roger Chambers)

(NOVEMBER): Savion Rayson

PRESIDE OVER LORD'S SUPPER (OCTOBER): Cody Hadley

(NOVEMBER): Lawayne House

ASSIST ON LORD'S SUPPER (OCTOBER): Gavin Arrington and Mark Peyton

(NOVEMBER): Wesley Haas and Ray Stanford

CLEAN BUILDING (OCTOBER): Thomas and Sheila Massey

(NOVEMBER): Tabatha Clayton

PREPARE COMMUNION (OCTOBER): Melinda Haas and April Kinney

(NOVEMBER): Shelly Cates

PANTRY NEEDS: Please see the flyer of children's home needs in the foyer—the truck will be here October 25th.

UPCOMING EVENTS (For particular details, check the bulletin board for flyers):

October 2-5 (Today through Wednesday)

Gospel meeting at the Looxahoma Church of Christ with B.J. Clarke preaching. Time include 1:30 Sunday afternoon and 7:00 Monday through Wednesday nights.

Gospel meeting at the Nesbit Church of Christ with Scott Cain preaching on *It Still Matters—Have We Forgotten?* Times include 7:30 Sunday night and 7:00 Monday through Wednesday nights.

October 14,15

World Mission Seminar at MSOP. Times include 6:30 P.M. Friday night and 9:00 A.M. to 3 P.M. Saturday. The theme is *World Evangelism: A Fire in My Bones*.

October 16-20

Spiritual Sword lectures on *Powerful Passages of the Pentateuch* at Getwell.

October 23-26

Gospel meeting at the Coldwater Church of Christ with Scott Cain preaching. Times include 1:00 Sunday afternoon and 7:00 P.M. Monday through Wednesday.

October 25

The **Tennessee Children's Home** truck will be here.

October 30

Fifth Sunday **potluck** and **trunk-or-treat** after evening services.

November 6-9

Gospel meeting at the Thyatira Church of Christ with Aaron Gallagher preaching on *Ready to Give an Answer*. Times include 7:00 P.M. Monday through Wednesday nights.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are honored to have you with us today! Please take a few minutes and fill out an attendance card for us so that we can have a record of your attendance. Once you have filled out a card, please hand it to one of the members, or lay it onto the pew.