



White Bluff Church of Christ

August 16, 2026

WHEN YOU ARE WEAK, MY POWER
IS MADE PERFECT IN YOU. 2 Cor. 12:7-10

A cartoon illustration of a man with a determined, slightly pained expression, lifting a barbell. He is wearing a white tank top with the text 'WHY ME WORK?' and blue shorts. The barbell has two large weights on each side. The left weight is labeled 'IRS', 'KIDS', 'BOO', and 'T'. The right weight is labeled 'IRS', 'CAR REPAIRS', 'SHAME', and 'DIET'. The man is standing on a grey shadow on a light pink background.

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Welcome to White Bluff! We are glad you are here!

Calendar of Events

Aug. 13 –20—Polishing the Pulpit, Sevierville, TN
Aug. 17—Family Night 6:30
Aug.23—Teacher’s Meeting 4:30
Sept 10-12—Transform Ladies Conference, Pigeon Forge
Sept. 12— Bible Bowl
Sept. 15—JOY Group lunch at Amerigo’s in Cool Springs
Oct. 8—World Bible School Dinner @6:30 p.m.

Happy Birthday

Aug. 17—Lois Osborne
Aug. 18— Abby Webster
Aug. 19—Hailey Barber
Aug. 14—Trevor Griffin
Aug. 21—Terry Gross, Ralph Story

Happy Anniversary

Aug. 18—Ray & Mary Hedrick (53 years)

Ladies Tea Party



Over 100 ladies enjoyed a time of dress up and fellowship at the tea party hosted by the Sisters’ in Christ. Lots of dainty food and tea varieties were available. What a fun way to spend time together. Thank you to all the ladies that came and those that planned and brought food.



Items Needed for August

MAGI Program needs: school supplies

Pantry Items needs: Canned carrots & Ramen Noodles
See Tara Pickard with monetary donations.

Pray For One Another Daily

Terry Allbert, Keesha Robnett’s father is in the hospital.
Hadley Barber in NICU at Vanderbilt.

joy group lunch

The JOY Group is planning a lunch at Amerigos in Cool Springs on Tuesday, September 15th. Please see the sign-up sheet in the foyer for more information.

Items missing from the maintenance room:
If you borrow a tool or equipment from the maintenance room, please return those the same day. Also, please don’t remove these items from the building, Thanks!

Those Battling Cancer

OUR MEMBERS
Karl Craun
Larry Osborne
Elizabeth Daugherty
Bud Martin



OTHERS W/ CANCER	Relationship
Sandra Floyd	Glenda Bull’s niece
David Stokes	Bernice Stokes’ brother-in-law
Dale Gross	Terry Gross’s brother
Peggy Donegan	Shirley Daniel’s sister
Anthony Bennett	Jerry & Adelaide’s son-in-law
Melanie Barber	Nathan Barber’s mother
Lee Shockney	friend of Daryl Daugherty
Will Petty	grandson of Aline Lampley
Bill Shouse	Debbie Story’s father
Sherry Stuart	Wade Lynn’s sister
Edward Gasser	Wesley Burn’s uncle
Eddie Hooper	nephew of Wayne Hooper
Harriett Reed	mother of Denise Petty
Ashley Lynn	Wade Lynn’s daughter
Angie Dunnagan	Wayne Hooper’s niece
Carla Bull	Kirk Bull’s Wife
Glenda Duncan	Brant Sweat’s grandmother
Marilyn Morey	Mark Morey’s mother

Continue to Remember in Prayer

OUR MEMBERS	OTHERS	Relationship
Carol LeBlanc	Jo Corkan	Peggy Heath’s sister-in-law
Sue Murphy	Yvonne Smithson	Wed. meal recipient
Betty Caldwell	Jean Majors & Kit	Wed. Meal recipient
Pamela Todd	Norman Mayer	Michelle Morris’ brother
Donna Wireman	Charles Gross	Terry Gross’s brother
Rusty Crick	Kenneth Godwin	Tim Godwin’s brother
Marlene Jackson	Gavin Bowman	Mandy Cocke’s cousin
Janie Taylor	Alec Wagner	Kurt Wagner’s son
Barbara Pickard	Luke Bass	Konni Sullivan’s grandson
Larry Witherow		
Buddy & Brenda Driver		

In the Nursing Home

The Pearl: Dorothy Hunter, rm 314, Darryl Kilgore, 7112 Old Nashville Hwy. Fairview, TN 37062

Olive Branch: Larry Osborne, Freddie Weatherspoon, 110 Luther Rd, Dickson, TN 37055.

NHC: Barbara Pickard rm 106, Marvinne Johnson rm 400B Ouida Polk rm 300, Lisa Butler rm 408, 812 N. Charlotte St. Dickson

Belvedere Commons: Judy Barfield, 303 S Royal Oaks Blvd, Franklin, TN 37064

Brookdale Nursing Home: Shirley Griffin 15 Burton Hills, Apt 241, Nashville, TN 37215

THERE IS NO PERFECT LIFE, NO PERFECT JOB, NO PERFECT CHILDHOOD, NO PERFECT MARRIAGE, AND NO PERFECT SET OF PEOPLE WHO WILL ALWAYS DO WHAT WE EXPECT THEM TO DO. WHAT WE DO HAVE IS A PERFECT GOD WHO IS ABLE TO LEAD US THROUGH THIS IMPERFECT LIFE WITH UNFAILING STRENGTH, INCOMPARABLE WISDOM, AND INFINITE LOVE.

Isaiah 41:10 Elisabeth Elliot

THANK GOD FOR WHAT YOU HAVE TRUST GOD FOR WHAT YOU NEED

WHAT THE BIBLE DOES NOT SAY ABOUT BAPTISM

1

“He who believes and is saved shall be baptized”. (Mark 16:16)

2

“Be baptized because you already have the remission of sins”. (Acts 2:38)

3

“Peter said it would be a good idea if you got baptized”. (Acts 10:48)

4

“Since you already have the Holy Spirit, you should be baptized”. (Acts 19:2-5)

5

“The jailor waited until the next morning to be baptized”. (Acts 16:33b)

6

“You should wait and schedule your baptism”. (Acts 22:16a)

7

“Be baptized to symbolize that your sins have been washed away”. (Acts 22:16b)

8

“Faith alone saves you and baptism is just a public demonstration of your salvation”. (1 Peter 3:21)

BRING 26 PEOPLE TO THE LORD IN 2026

Religiously Right but Spiritually Wrong

Is it possible to do all things religiously right and still be out of favor with God? We don’t have to look far into the New Testament to see religious people doing just that. The Jewish sect called the Pharisees prided themselves as the keepers and guardians of the Law of Moses, along with their oral law which explained further the written law. The Pharisees were outwardly devout, making sure they appeared to do all religious things correctly. However, Jesus was not slow in pointing out their hypocrisy, saying, “Even so you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.” (Matt. 23:28) Concerning their worship, the Lord said, “These people draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me. And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.” (Matt. 15:8–9) On a more personal note, these seemingly pious people were checking all the boxes, crossing all the “T’s” and dotting all the “I’s” religiously, but the Savior accused them of neglecting the “weightier matters” such as justice, mercy and faithfulness. (Matt. 23:23) The Pharisees appeared to be religiously right but were spiritually wrong.

Fast forward some 60 years to the revelation of John on the island of Patmos. Being instructed by the Lord to pen letters to seven churches in Asia Minor, he begins with a letter to the congregation in Ephesus. By the angel’s message, Christ said, “I know your works, your labor, your patience, and that you cannot bear those who are evil.” “And you have persevered and have patience and have labored for My name’s sake and have not become weary.” (Rev. 2:2a-3) What an honor to be commended like this by the Lord Himself and any church that could boast of such religious correctness would be proud!

But wait, the Lord is not finished. “Nevertheless, I have this against you, that you have left your first love.” (Rev. 2:4) Christ will go on to say that this church, which seems to be doing all the right things needs repentance, else it will become extinct. The church in Ephesus does not exist today.

We are reminded of the teaching found in 1Corinthians 13:1-3. Even though we do all things religiously correct but are absent of love, we are only making noise, are worthless, and do not gain anything. Let us love God first, love people second, letting obedience and service follow.

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“Pride hears a sermon and thinks, ‘I know this already.’ Humility hears a sermon and thinks, ‘I need to hear all this again.’” Hiram Kemp; Psa. 25:9